

Fast Facts

Customer: Volvo Car Corporation

Web site: <http://www.volvocars.com/>

Country: Sweden

Industry: Automotive/manufacturing

Customer Profile

Gothenburg, Sweden-based Volvo Car Corporation has prided itself on excellence for over 75 years. Its more than 25,000 employees build approximately 400,000 cars each year for sale in more than 100 countries.

Software and Services

- Microsoft Office Enterprise Project Management Solution:
 - Microsoft Office 2003 Professional
 - Microsoft Office Project 2003
 - Microsoft Office Project Server 2003
 - Microsoft Office Project Web Access
- Microsoft SQL Server 2000
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003, with Windows SharePoint Services and Terminal Services
- Microsoft Windows XP Professional

Hardware

- Compaq ProLiant 5500

Partner

- Camako



Volvo Car Corporation Is Identifying Ways to Improve Project Management

“This system gives us the possibility of secure information between planning levels. It also gives the project reports a better balance in a more optimal way, compared with the different systems we use today.”

Bertil Berntsson, Project Planning Manager, Research & Development at Volvo Car Corporation

Business and Technology Goals

As a project-centric organization, Volvo Car Corporation always strives to improve its project management processes and find tools to support them. The company initiated a concept study to define how it could improve the use of project time plans, reports, and scorecards, ultimately increasing productivity, collaboration, and connectivity.

Solution

Business Needs

A significant piece of the study involved evaluating how the Microsoft® Office Enterprise Project Management (EPM) Solution could support Volvo's use of plans, reports, and scorecards to manage projects across the organization.

Solution Details

Working with partner Camako, Volvo held a series of workshops with employees from around the organization and ran the EPM Solution through a variety of realistic scenarios, measuring its strengths. User response was positive, and Volvo decision makers are currently evaluating the approval of a prestudy for a more detailed examination of the solution.

Benefits

- Positive user response
- Visibility into current project processes
- Visibility into improvement opportunities
- Solid partner support

