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BusinessConnect Services for seamless data exchange.



The BusinessConnect Center – The business integration platform.

Cutting-edge IT and telecommunications technologies are essential if companies are to succeed in today's fiercely competitive international markets. Highly sophisticated logistics supply chain management (SCM) and efficient consumer response (ECR) systems facilitate both intra-enterprise and inter-enterprise collaboration – with external partners, suppliers, and government agencies around the world. To ensure that solutions of this kind are effective, businesses require communications and the seamless exchange of structured business data – throughout the value chain.

T-Systems' BusinessConnect Services provide a robust integration and communications platform for data exchange both within and beyond company boundaries.



The BusinessConnect Center as the basis for internal and external data transfer.

T-Systems' BusinessConnect Services combine electronic data interchange (EDI) and enterprise application integration (EAI) to automate data transfer between the diverse applications used by the various participants in the value chain. In this way, BusinessConnect Services create a comprehensive integration platform for solutions, services and technologies used in a wide and varied range of business processes – delivering high availability and responsiveness throughout entire industries.

The key to these leading-edge services is the conversion of standard data formats to application-specific formats, and vice versa. Interfaces support all commonly used standards – including EDIFACT, VDA, ODETTE, ANSI X.12, SAP IDOC, XML – as well as custom formats. Data exchange is performed using a variety of communications methods, such as OFTS, FTP, SMPT, X.400, FTAM, etc – irrespective of the network used to transfer the data. Conversion ensures that information is always available in the format required.

T-Systems also makes use of its own EAI technology, inbridge. This offers universal integration capabilities, allowing communication between ERP systems, and connections with catalog solutions and marketplaces.

In addition, the portfolio includes BusinessConnect applications such as EDIweb and ATL@S Services.



Interfaces for all commonly used and custom data formats

Fast, flexible and secure. Competitive advantages for our customers.

In addition to handling standard processes such as orders, delivery notes, and invoices, BusinessConnect Services deliver totally new options for automatically managing internal or external process across the entire value chain. These include printing goods labels with barcodes, uploading and downloading all transaction data, and the initiation of goods deliveries by freight companies.

Support is also available for all time-critical applications, including just-in-time deliveries (just-in-time EDI). Every call-down is acknowledged by the partner's system (confirmation of shipment).

The BusinessConnect Center supports the exchange of delivery call-downs, shipping notification and container data as well as invoices and credit notes. EDI via the

Internet can also be used to incorporate smaller supply chain partners at low cost. Data transfer via EDIweb enhances the integration of existing business partners into the supply chain. Functionality for downloading, uploading, archiving and selecting business data can be leveraged to replace fax- and paper-based communications. This cuts costs and helps eliminate errors.

The solution is immediately available worldwide to anyone with Internet access and a standard browser. Encryption and firewall systems provide comprehensive security.

BusinessConnect Services provide our customers with the leading-edge support they need to streamline their value chain.



BusinessConnect Services. The benefits for you.

Effective cost control

- Transparent costs thanks to sliding-scale pay-as-you-go pricing; variable instead of fixed costs (transaction based)
- No fixed charges for hardware, software, operation and external support
- Reduced time and effort for administration thanks to global partner management

Fast, flexible implementation

- High-availability operation (24 x 365), including service desk
- Fast, flexible implementation of business-to-business processes
- Implementation of customer-specific requirements

Harmonization and innovation

- A single communications interface for all intra- and inter-enterprise data exchange
- Basis for integrating all business partners into electronic processes
- Eliminates the need for fax- and paper-based communications
- Coherent, secure and reliable structures for enterprise applications and networks
- Ongoing enhancements and the ability to adapt to new market requirements
- Scalable services, including process management

Business via EDI. A market that transcends individual industries.

T-Systems' BusinessConnect Services offer a range of cross-industry solutions for manufacturers, service providers, retailers, logistics companies, and public bodies.

T-Systems' ATL@S Services for the **German Federal Ministry of Finance** handle all communications between companies and the customs authorities. The ministry aims to use ATL@S technology to replace all traditional paper-based customs procedures with electronic processes.

Breuninger, the best-known chain of department stores in southern Germany, has been using T-Systems Clearing Center for a number of years now. Breuninger sends all orders via data line to the Clearing Center, where the information is converted into the format required by the recipient. The company's suppliers also send their confirmation and delivery data to the Clearing Center.

This outsourcing solution accelerates ordering and logistics processes, eliminates maintenance and upgrade costs, and provides round-the-clock data transfer, reducing costs by 50 percent.

With its BusinessConnect Services, T-Systems has enabled tractor manufacturer **Fendt** to create a fully automated process for spare parts replenishment. Fendt dealers can order spare parts around the clock via Internet EDI platform.

The central EDICS communications platform from T-Systems handles electronic data exchange between **DaimlerChrysler AG**'s plants and the company's suppliers. The Internet-based solution enables small and midsize partners to be fully integrated into automated business processes.



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