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Bielefeld (Germany) – January 20, 2009. Solar technology manufacturer Inventux Technologies AG is something special, not only for the city of Berlin but also for SAP consulting company itelligence, one of the most successful SAP partners for SMEs. This is because Inventux, founded in early 2007 and focusing on the solar industry, began production of silicon-based micromorphous thin-film solar modules at the company headquarters in Berlin on December 4, 2008. In doing so, Inventux Technologies is initiating the production of innovative photovoltaics modules in record time.

At present, around 120 staff members are employed at the newly established plant and the company headquarters in Marzahn near Berlin. Parallel to construction of the plant, SAP consulting company itelligence implemented the company's entire SAP-based software at the location within a very short period. In March 2008, the introduction of SAP began and was completely finalized in November, ushering in the SAP production start-up.

it.compact hightronics, the highly-developed itelligence solution for SMEs is to be deployed at the plant. The project was carried out in two phases: In the first phase payroll, accounting, plant records, controlling, sales and dispatch as well as materials management were linked with purchasing. This was followed by production planning and production management which were connected directly to the Inventux machinery management software.

All departments and divisions are now working on a fully integrated basis with the SAP system: From creating offers to sales processing and subsequent production through delivery and invoicing. The automated accounting and controlling processes shadow the logistics process throughout. It is worth emphasizing that all the solar modules' performance parameters (flash values) are transferred from the assembly line into the SAP system directly – via the interface developed by itelligence and Inventux – and are subsequently assessed. A production process with this level of transparency is very rare.

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“For Inventux, itelligence is an IT service provider with extensive experience of the industry and is highly dependable. We benefit from the advantages of a well-prepared overall package from itelligence. It has been directly implementable and provides us with an extendable solution that will facilitate us in the future as we expand. This is ideal,” commented Oliver Rothe, CFO of Inventux Technologies AG.

“With Inventux Technologies AG as a customer, we have jointly succeeded in putting a start-up company into operation in terms of all central company process issues based on our preconfigured industry solution it.compact hightronics. Various project tools such as the SAP Tutors providing tutorials, template documents and not least the completely preconfigured SAP system are being used optimally by the entire team. This type of experience is something that can be used when dealing with other start-up companies,” said Wolfgang Kröner, manager of the SME Compact business area.

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it.compact hightronics meets all modern demands on an integrated company management software due to the fact that the core processes for production companies are predesigned with transparent vertical integration. it.compact hightronics enables information to be forwarded to production and purchasing simultaneously, quality to be ensured efficiently upon receipt of goods and a prompt initiation of invoices after delivery. Furthermore, it.compact hightronics means that logistics can be automatically integrated into accounting and asset accounting in line with German law and that evaluating can be carried out in controlling, calculation, cost centers and cost units in line with company key figures. To facilitate speedy deployment, the solution contains prepared templates for the transfer of data, immediately deployable software with user roles and authorizations including completed forms such as order confirmation and invoices.

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About Inventux:

Inventux Technologies AG is a solar energy company specializing in the development, production and marketing of micromorphous thin-film solar modules. The objective of the company, founded in 2007, is to become one of the global providers of cost-efficient thin-film photovoltaics modules based on its growth-oriented mass production.

The advantages of the thin-film technology, in comparison with the conventional, crystalline module technology, is based on the significantly lower levels of energy required for production as well as the higher levels of economy of scale potential. Furthermore, in order to produce the micromorphous thin-film modules, notably lower amounts of the scarce solar silicon are required.

At the company's headquarters in Berlin, Inventux has commenced production of silicon-based micromorphous thin-film solar modules. Inventux Technologies AG is one of the largest recently established internationally operating companies in the ever-growing solar industry and currently employs around 120 staff members.

About itelligence

itelligence is one of the leading international full-service provider for SAP employing more than 1,400 highly qualified employees in 17 countries and in 5 regions (America, Asia, Western Europe, Eastern Europe and Germany/Austria). As a mySAP Business and Support Alliance as well as Global Partner Hosting and Global Services Partner, itelligence realizes complex projects in the SAP environment for over 3,000 customers worldwide. In 2006, itelligence obtained the status as Gold Partner SAP in Germany, U.S. followed in 2007. The company's services range from SAP consulting and licensing to outsourcing and services to proprietary industry-specific SAP solutions. In 2007, itelligence generated total sales of EUR 190.9 million, preliminary figures 2008 show sales rising to EUR 216 million.

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