Effektiv hantering av produktinformation New Wave Group Michael Ellmark, CIO



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New Wave Group around the world



- > 70 companies
- > 20 countries
- 3 channels:
- ▶ Business-to-Business
- Retail
- Trading

All types of business: source – sell – manufacture – process manufacturing – transport – seasonal variations – geographical variations – diff. product life cycles - ...

























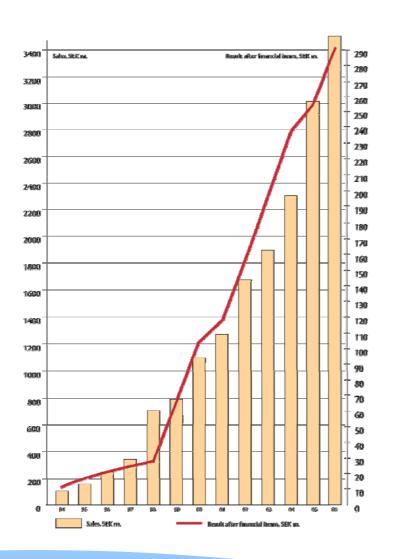








New Waves history – Tremendous Growth



1990 Sweden and Norway. 1994 Finland and Italy. 1996 Acquisition of Craft AB. 1997 Denmark, Spain and Germany. 1998 Acquisition of Hefa AB. 1999 Holland and England. 2000 France, Acquisition of Texet AB. 2001 Acquisition Sagaform AB, Seger AB. 2002 Acquisition of Frantextil AB, X-Tend and **Toppoint** 2003 China and Switzerland, Establishment of working clothes. 2004 Acquisition of SMAP, DAD Sportswear and Johman. Irland, Wales and Ryssland. Acquisition of 2005 Dahetra, Orrefors Kosta Boda, Intraco. 2006 New establishments around Orrefors Kosta Boda in Sweden. 2007 Acquisition of Cutter & Buck in USA and

Poland



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The Challenge

- To push brands into all channels:
 - Faster
 - With control
 - Cost efficiently
- This means:
 - Cross sell between promo and retail
 - Sales in all countries
- Which requires tools and control of:
 - Brand image
 - Printed matters
 - Web content

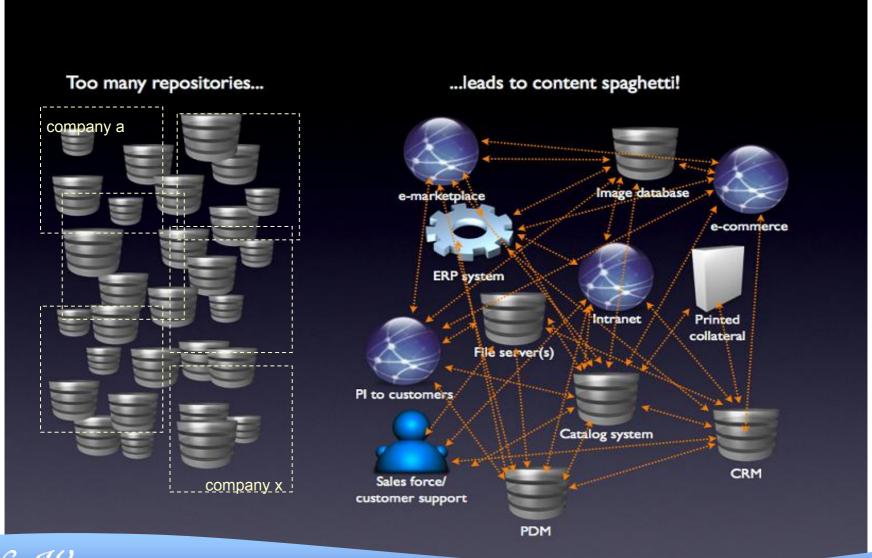


The Challenge in numbers today

- > 200,000 products
- > 20,000 new products a year
- > 50 different printed catalogues a year
- > 400 different brochures and leaflets a year
- > 20,000 photos in use
- > 150 different web sites
- > 19 different languages



The information island problem





The Pains

- Time consuming and cost consuming
- Long lead time from "raw material" to consumable material
- Poor information consistency and quality
- Low availability and hard to find the correct information
- Inflexible and rigid to changes
- Poor process control
- = Low performance in the information process!



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The Scope

- To implement a solution that supports our marketing requirements during the stages of the product life cycle
- Integration for catalogue production
- Integration for web production





Better image bank



Automatic web assortment view

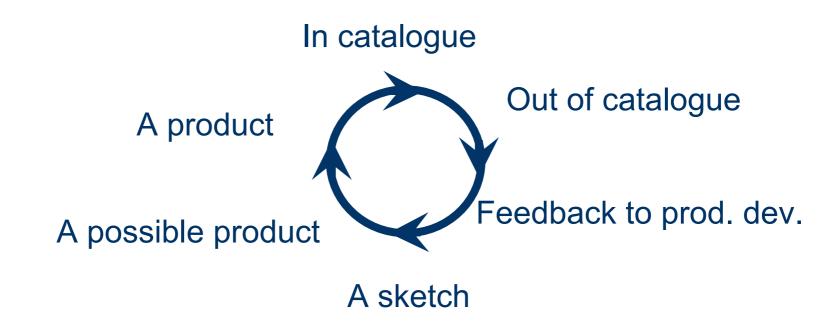


Product life cycle



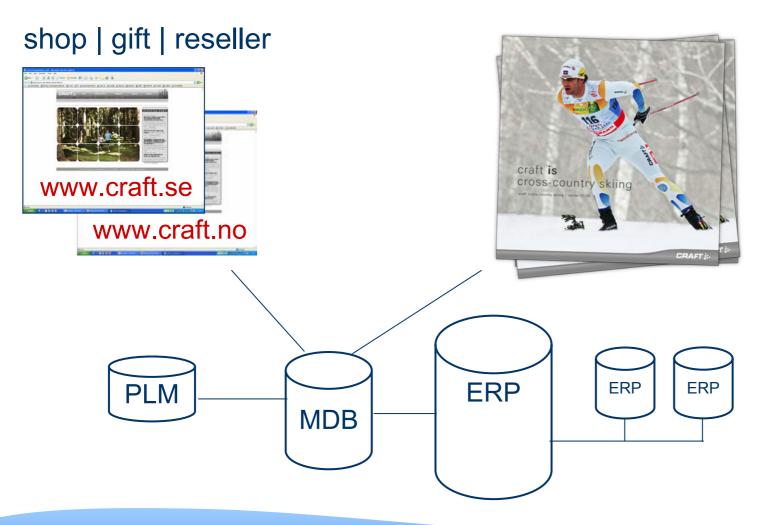


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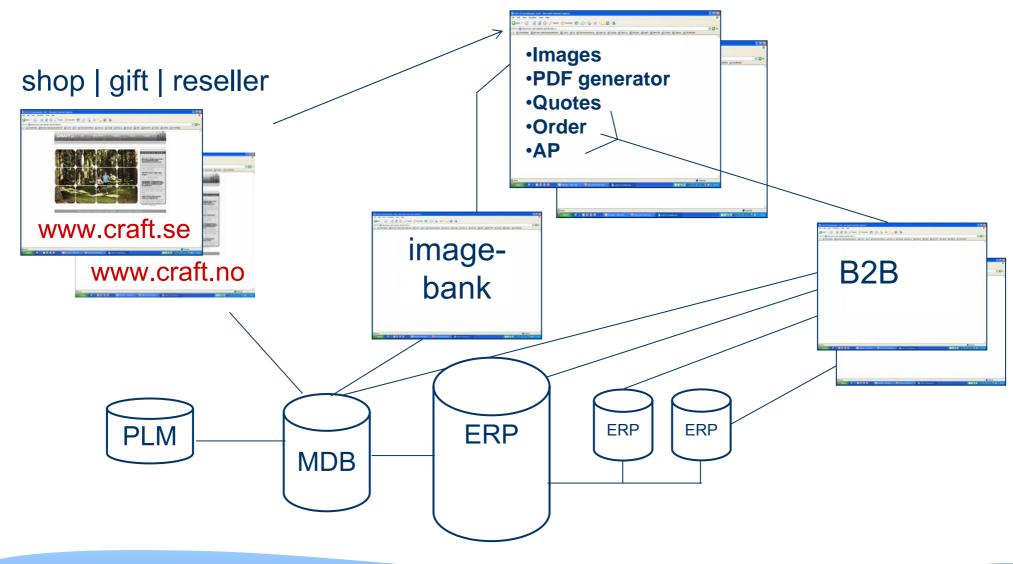


The complete picture



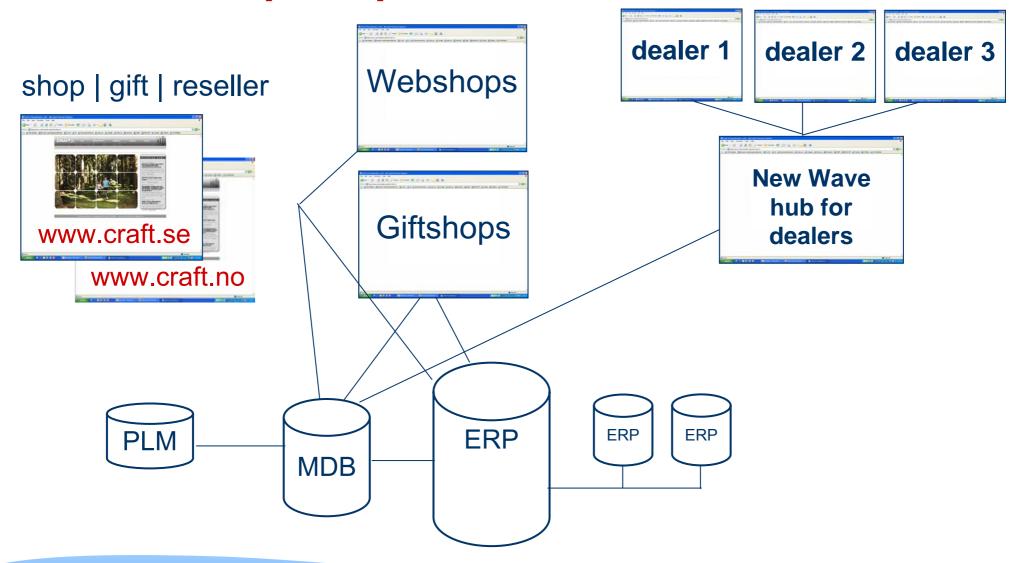


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The team

- Partnering with Cypoint & inRiver
- PIM Suite
- Collaborative project group with resources from
 - NWG Communication
 - Marketing staff from a number of our companies
 - NWG IT
 - Cypoint & inRiver
 - IBS (ERP & Integration partner)





PIM Suite scope

Web – Improve existing channels New markets, e-commerce, new revenues



Content ·····

Improve efficiency
Take control of processes

Secure quality andconsistency



ERP
Often existing and works well



Often existing publications

Manage more markets,

languages, brands etc.

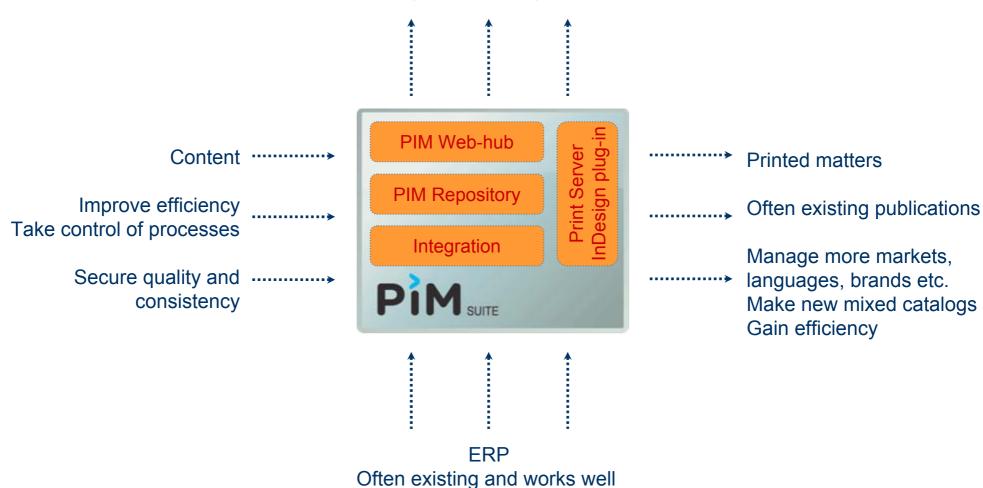
Make new mixed catalogs

Gain efficiency



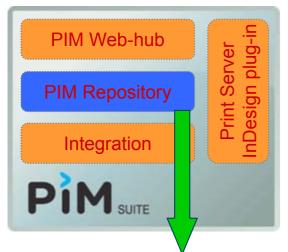
PIM Suite contents

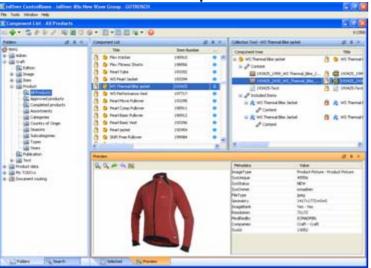
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PIM Suite – PIM repository





- All product information is stored in the PIM Repository.
- Work processes and other business rules are also stored and controlled by the PIM Repository.
- ControlRoom is the PIM Suite Client that runs on the users desktop and connects to the PIM Repository.

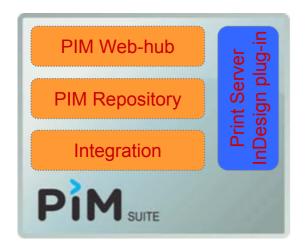


Language support – even for metadata

- Language support is handled in all information types, including metadata and user interface.
- Possible to tag information from one language and search for it in other languages using the controlled vocabulary.
- Support for Unicode and thereby Japanese, Korean, simplified Chinese, Russian etc...
- The translation process can be managed effectively via workflow, transformation and access control.



PIM Suite – print automation

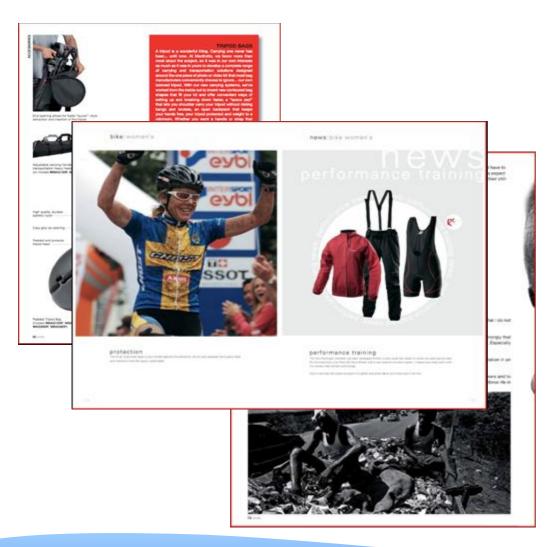


 PIM Suite is enabled with 3rd party software to support print automation

- ✓ Automatic print Miramo etc…
- ✓ Semi automatic via InDesign



Semi-automatic production of printed matters



Characteristics for when to go for semi automatic production:

- Low amount of information in publication and/or low amount of pages in publication
- Layout based on "look & feel".
- Information has to be positioned randomly on pages.



Automatic production of printed matters



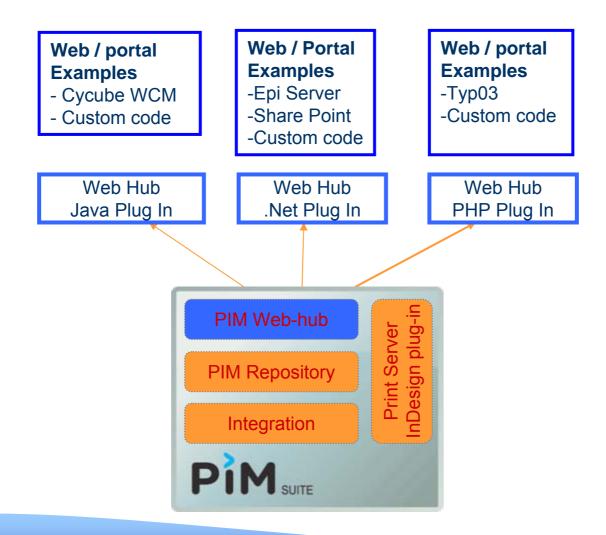
Characteristics for when to go for fully automatic production:

"Flowing" layout:

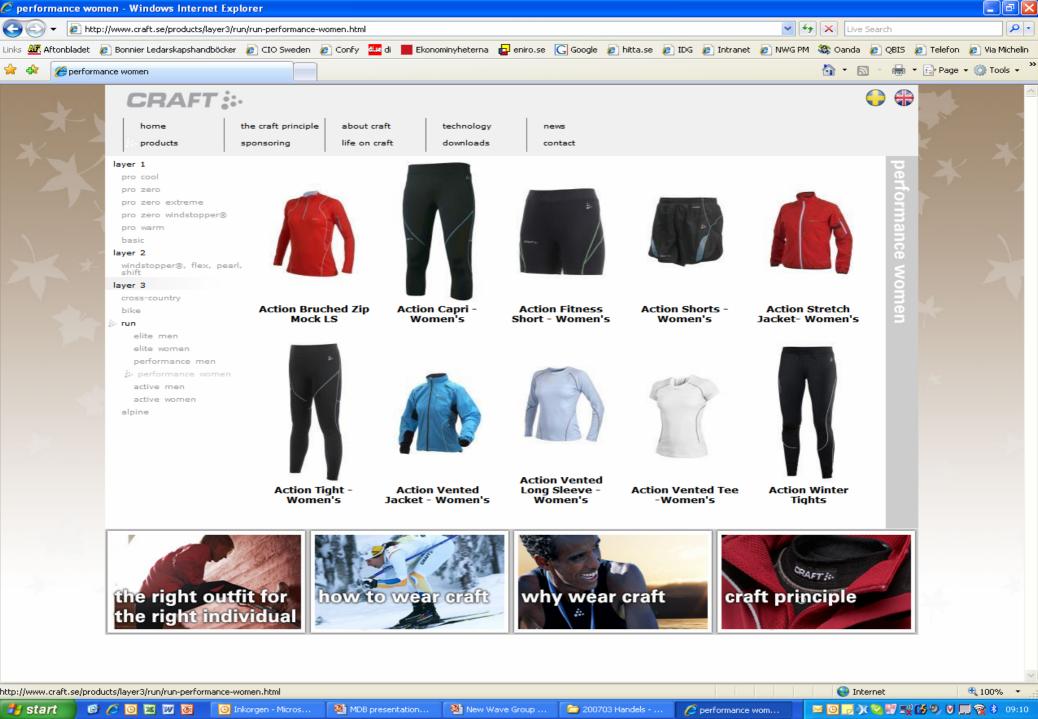
- Layout based on repetitive patterns
- Information can be put in to the publication starting from the top of the page, flowing to the bottom.
- Large amount of information in publication and/or large amount of pages in publication.

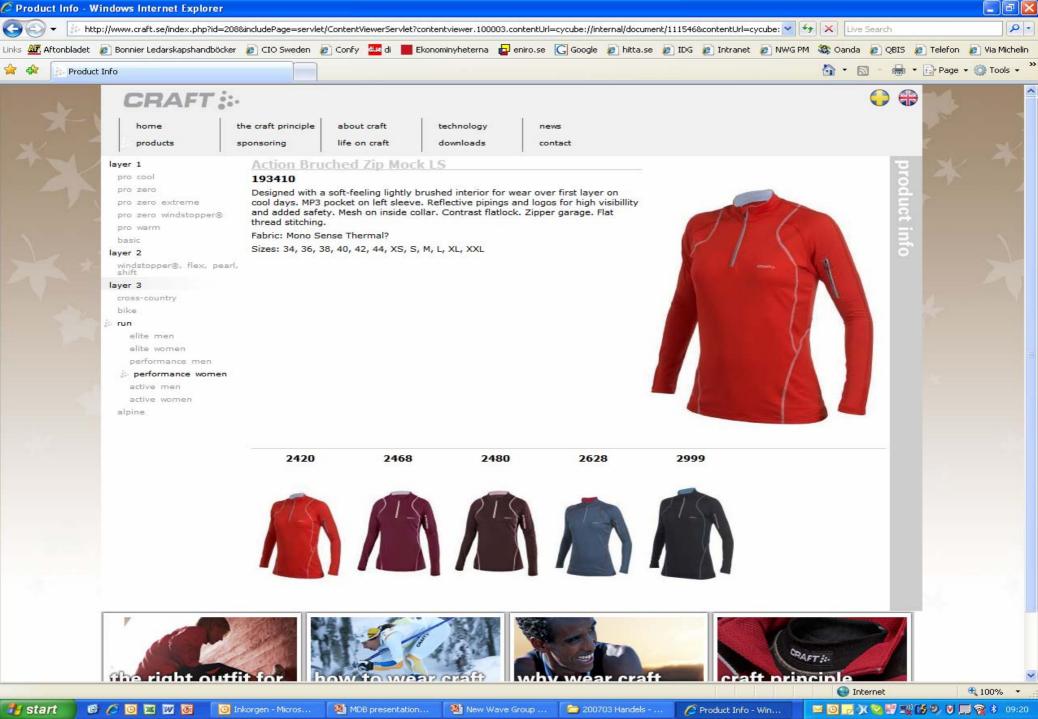


PIM Suite – web integration









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The MDB brings us

- A tool for better structure
- A tool for more effectiveness
- A tool for more control
- Cost savings!



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Success factors

- Corporate initiative supported by top management
- Clear project directive
- High involvement of the people in the ground
- Great partnership with vendor
- Let process change take time

