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## **inconso implements decentral SAP LES at Kühne + Nagel (AG & Co.) KG, Hamburg**

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On June 1, 2009, Kühne + Nagel (AG & Co.) KG has started the operation of a decentral SAP LES in the logistics center Hausbruch (LCH) for Beiersdorf AG (known for its brands Nivea, Eucerin, Juvena, Labello, Hansaplast). Kühne + Nagel functions as a contract logistics partner ther. The

LCH takes over the tasks of a central warehouse for Beiersdorf acting as a distribution center for customer deliveries affiliated sales company and serves as the worldwide export hub.

At the warehouse, the finished products, raw materials and marketing materials are stored, picked and shipped based on the decentral SAP LES implemented by inconso.

For the order placement to Kühne + Nagel in 2008, Beiersdorf placed special importance on the seamless integration and uninterrupted transition of the logistics information systems. An important prerequisite was the conclusive concept for a smooth connection of the information technology, especially the logistics systems, from an integrated Beiersdorf AG's SAP LES to the Kühne + Nagel decentral SAP LES. inconso AG, the leading supplier of consulting and software solutions for the logistics in Germany, was entrusted with the drafting of this strategy and its realization.

The IT strategy developed by inconso including the delivery, installation and go-live of the high availability server landscape as well as the solution concept was convincing with several important advantages from the early phases of the business initiation. The proven interplay of the warehouse management system with the

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highly complex material flow control remained unchanged. In addition, the known logistic processes and the corresponding user masks also remained the same to the warehouse management users. In this way, a high degree of confidence in the overall plan from Kühne + Nagel was achieved early on.

During an only one-year project work phase, the effort involved for all persons in the multi-phase project was able to be reduced with the realization of this solution concept and the risk for the go-live considerably reduced. Already two weeks after the successful and smooth productive start, it was proven that the throughput of the LCH could even be increased thanks to the new solution.

Kühne + Nagel has over 55.000 employees located throughout 900 locations in over 100 countries. Kühne + Nagel belongs to the Top 3 of the globally operating logistics service providers. Kühne + Nagel delivers integrated solutions within the Supply Chain, which transforms the logistics challenges of customers to real competitive advantages.

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