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Infor Supply Chain Planning

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End-to-end planning suite

Evolving product portfolios, dynamic markets, unavoidable constraints, emerging competition and regulations, and expanding networks create a dizzying array of go-to-market options. The gap between getting something done and getting something done right keeps widening. Infor's integrated planning suite synchronizes supply and demand, balancing customer expectations and business goals. Advanced algorithms support modular solutions to identify the best use of assets and optimize performance.

While each module addresses critical points of business pain, together they provide a unified suite for end-to-end planning. With a common, modern user experience and cloud-based platform, Infor® Supply Chain Planning facilitates collaboration, in-context scenario analyses, and mapping to network-wide, real-time data sources.

“ Could [we] earn more money, buying the same amount of raw materials, selling the same volume at the same price, and with the same fixed costs? Yes, by modeling the entire supply chain to create integrated plans for supply, production, and distribution; and then to determine where, what, and how much should be bought, produced, stocked, and transported.”

ÁLVARO CABALLERO

Planning and Systems Corporate Manager, Minsa

Competitive advantage through advanced analytics

Infor's integrated planning platform enables companies to create, manage, collaborate, and coordinate plans across their supply chain—from demand plan creation through supply-side response, and from detailed, operational-response planning to strategic business planning. Functionality supports:

Demand planning and forecasting

Infor Supply Chain Planning allows companies to generate a best-fit picture of future demand. A library of algorithmic techniques captures patterns, whether for seasonal or intermittent sales, or supporting new products or end-of-life transitions. The system self-tunes, learning as new data becomes available—incorporating market intelligence overlays, user-defined metrics, and multitier hierarchies. Meaningful shifts are identified faster, enabling bottom-line impact on service and delivered costs.

Supply planning and replenishment

Effectively responding to demand requires a comprehensive assessment of possibilities, costs, capacities, and time sensitivities. Companies can generate feasible plans to align strategies and service priorities, incorporating distribution, production, and procurement alternatives. The configurable solution adapts to evolving requirements, looking across sites, capturing shelf-life constraints, and identifying the optimal use of assets.

Inventory optimization

Infor Supply Chain Planning helps companies establish a balance between customer responsiveness and inventory exposure. Advanced models incorporate network-wide demand, supply, lead-time variability, and capacity constraints. Scenario analyses drive time-phased safety stock strategies to address shortening lifecycles, broadening assortments, and shifting customer preferences—capturing impact on service levels, profit, and risk.

“ There is very intense competition in the Japanese beer market nowadays. In the midst of all that, Kirin is able to formulate supply and demand plans in a speedy and efficient manner using Infor's SCP. We believe that because of this, we will be able to deliver fresher and tastier beer to our customers, wherever and whenever they want.”

KENJI MAEDA

IT Manager, Kirin Business System Company

Production planning and scheduling

Traditional approaches fail to examine all alternatives, limited to sequentially considering distribution, production, and procurement. Infor Supply Chain Planning simultaneously weighs complex combinations to better match capacity to demand. Companies can generate optimized manufacturing schedules capturing cost, revenue potential, and business priorities. They can coordinate across sites, lines, and production steps. Companies can examine complex interdependencies, sequencing, and flows.

Sales and operations planning (S&OP)

Infor Supply Chain Planning supports sales and operations planning (S&OP) and integrated business planning (IBP) with an intuitive solution that synchronizes collaborative processes. Workflow templates facilitate joint reviews on a regular cadence, aligning operations with the commercial organization and pinpointing key imbalances. Scenario analyses guide resolution to capacity constraints, inventory issues, growth challenges, and performance shifts.

Transforming integrated planning and operations

Infor Supply Chain Planning uses complex algorithms, optimization techniques, and heuristics to derive plans from the strategic utilization of assets to tactical responses to unexpected market shifts. In-memory processing and a cloud-native architecture enables network-wide optimization and collaboration.

Configurable, constrained optimization

As businesses evolve, so do the risks, opportunities, and challenges. Infor Supply Chain Planning ensures highly configurable modeling that incorporates distinct costs, capacities, rules, demand, and supply. The result is feasible supply chain plans that reflect emerging insights and trends.

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