



CASE STUDY: CONSUMER

Keytree injects new life into iSupply – the Brakes vendor portal

With iSupply, users no longer need to work outside the process and avoid the challenge of having to raise and email POs to vendors.

QUICK STATS

- £3.3 billion annual revenue
- Approximately 6,500 employees
- Established in the UK in 1958

KINETIC ENTERPRISE PILLARS

Intelligent
Clean ✓
Inclusive
Responsive

THE ISSUE

iSupply is the online portal used to manage all Brakes’ purchasing activities. But unable to keep pace with the growing business, it failed to perform to the expected standards, which unfortunately included maintaining direct communication with the vendor network.

THE SOLUTION

Keytree refreshed and enhanced iSupply by embedding the solution as a one-stop-shop for placing, reviewing and accepting POs, and providing users with a range of downstream supply chain activities, including goods receiving, inventory and consignment stock management.

Keytree delivered a data cleanse, plus the front end build and integration, with data flowing directly from the existing SAP® ECC and SAP BW systems.

To improve performance, Keytree implemented a solution based on the Azure Kubernetes Service as the primary platform on which iSupply is deployed.

KINETIC ENTERPRISE DRIVERS

- 360 Consumer View
- Operations Agility
- Intelligent Spend

THE IMPACT

- iSupply is now the primary communication tool between Brakes and its vendors. A real-time communications platform acting as a single point of contact
- Decommissioning existing platforms and hardware that previously underpinned iSupply
- Full tracking and monitoring capabilities for receipts and returns, including full analysis and KPI tracking
- Access to a real-time inventory of all products in stock, supporting the management of warehouse inventory
- POs automatically issued from SAP ECC, including vendor notification
- iSupply provides a reliable way to review stock levels, and instantly notify suppliers when there is a shortfall via sales and forecasting data
- High-level reporting, displaying data that can be shared directly with suppliers
- A solution that will expand and grow with the business

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