



Storopack Hans Reichenecker GmbH

Creating an authorization concept based on job functions by using the Xiting Authorizations Management Suite (XAMS)

In 2019, Xiting created a new and transparent authorization concept based on job functions for Storopack Hans Reichenecker GmbH, an international manufacturer of protective packaging. With the help of the Xiting Authorizations Management Suite (XAMS) software solution, over 800 users were authorized for the project in 2019 according to the need-to-know principle.

Through this project, we simplified the company's entire role administration process. From the customer's side, we were helped by Benjamin Straub (Team Manager SAP Applications & Development) and Thomas Mühleisen (Head of Corporate IT). The management and project management teams each played a key role in this project's success.

“Storopack and Xiting teamed together at the right moment. Thanks to the close cooperation between our specialist department and the skilled colleagues from Xiting, we were able to carry out the restructuring process quickly, cost-effectively and to everyone's satisfaction.”

Benjamin Straub
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The company

- Name: Storopack Hans Reichenecker GmbH (founded in 1959).
- Location: Metzingen, Germany.
- Industry: Manufacturer of customized, protective packaging and technical molded parts.
- Revenue: 479 million euros (2019).
- Employees: 2,470 (2019).
- Internet address: www.storopack.com.
- SAP system: SAP ERP.

Highlights

- Improvement of the authorization structure for CO reporting, in terms of cost centers and profit centers.
- Creation of a globally standardized role concept based on job functions that is compatible with future migration to SAP S/4HANA.
- Implementation of an audit-compliant process for emergency users aimed at increasing effectiveness, transparency and security.
- Learning On-The-Job - coaching approach for the self-sufficient use of XAMS in daily operations.

Objectives

The main objective of this extensive project was to create an authorization concept based on job functions that would ensure the legitimacy of access according to the need-to-know principle. The simplification of the role administration and the reduction of operating costs were also among the pursued objectives. Moreover, sustainable preparations for a future migration to SAP S/4HANA had to be taken into consideration.

In order to create greater transparency for the IT and specialist departments, the customer aimed to have a global and standardized role concept. In addition, we had to create suitable framework conditions for the implementation of an identity management solution and question the use of ABAP programs (reducing them if necessary).

Challenges

The content revision of the 20-year-old role concept and the transformation from a user-specific to a job-role-based approach were both challenges we faced during this project. Given the fact that the implementation of SAP

S/4HANA was in a planning stage, it was essential to achieve standardized processes in order to reduce the complexity of an upcoming migration. Meeting the different requirements of the various business areas was also particularly challenging.

Successes

By using the functionalities of the XAMS, and with the help of a transparent authorization concept, the company Storopack Hans Reichenecker GmbH was able to simplify the maintenance and maintainability of roles, while also significantly reducing its operating expenses (including maintenance/support expenses). The introduction of a template role construct led to improved scaling options and standardization in the processes. Regarding the assignment of authorizations, we also achieved the desired transparency and awareness of competencies. All the departments of Storopack Hans Reichenecker GmbH were involved in the successful implementation of this project. The necessary arrangements for a planned migration to SAP S/4HANA were also put in place in a sustainable way.