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Welcome to your September *Integration Insider.* This month we continue the Mid-Market Briefing Series with Part II – "How Enterprise Content and Records Management Enhance Financial Systems." We've also provided information about an exciting new solution – IDT Complete™.

If you missed the EMC/Stellent Compliance seminar you'll want to request the presentation materials. You can do so in the Ask the Expert section. There, you'll also find out more about Great Plains 8.0 integration with Microsoft Office.

Finally, in News & Events, check out exciting news about Stellent training in Itasca and a special announcement for IMR Alchemy users.

Happy Reading,
The IDT Team

Put it to Work

"How Enterprise Content and Records Management Enhance Financial Systems"
This second in our three-part Briefing Series is available from IDT Consulting to enhance your knowledge of financial systems. It provides you with insider information about how to achieve both efficiency and compliance through integration of your financial or ERP solution with Enterprise Content Management.

Excerpt:

"There is a reason that many mid-market companies overpay for their financial ERP software or end up disappointed in its promised business impact. It's simple: there are bottlenecks in the way people actually use these systems [1].

The bottlenecks revolve around two additional, related facts:

- Finance and accounting are paper-ridden environments.
- The 'workflow' aspect of ERP systems does not address the realities of paper – they only provide workflow within their own systems.

Left unaddressed, the bottlenecks will remain even after your company makes a large investment in a sophisticated new financial software package.

Having seen these systems in action – and handling the fall-out – at numerous mid-market and enterprise companies, IDT offers some stark truths about the realities of making these systems work *efficiently* for your organization."

Get the full text here.

Better ROI on Financial/ERP Software: New System Combines Financial, Content Management Technologies
Companies interested in new financial/ERP software should beware of putting the financial software cart before the automation horse. Deploy a system with both at the same time, at a cost comparable to a major brand ERP system *alone.*

Introducing IDT Complete™, a combined financial/ERP and Enterprise Content Management (ECM) system from IDT, Itasca , Ill. The new system automates data entry into financial/ERP systems by combining Microsoft® Business Solutions financial/ERP software with hardware and software to electronically manage paper-based documents (and content of all types). IDT Complete also automates manual business processes, and addresses records management, compliance and regulatory requirements.

Read the full news release here.

Get the IDT Complete™ data sheet.

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Ask the Expert

Question: I wanted to attend the Stellent/EMC Compliance seminar last month but missed it. Is there any way I can get a copy of the presentation materials?

Answer: Absolutely. Just send us an email with your request and we'll get you the presentation from the August 25th "Compliance Essentials: Comprehensive Records Management and Automated Storage" seminar. Information from this seminar will be beneficial for anyone involved with Records Management, IT/IS, Compliance and Corporate Governance, Storage and Capacity Planning.

Question: I heard Great Plains 8.0 has better integration with Microsoft Office. Is there somewhere I can see just what this means?

Answer: You're right. In previous versions of Microsoft Great Plains, some integration points already existed between the two suites of applications. However, Microsoft Great Plains 8.0 achieves even greater integration by simplifying the exchange of data between the two programs.

Visit http://www.microsoft.com/BusinessSolutions/gp80_office.aspx to get more information and to take a closer look at these enhancements:

- Generate Data-Filled Documents Automatically
- Pull Financial Data Directly into Excel Spreadsheets
- Deliver Comprehensive "Report Books" to Desktops or Boardrooms
- Never Again Get Lost, Thanks to MapPoint
- Sharing Your Work Is Easier than Ever
- The Bigger Picture: How Microsoft Great Plains Works with Other Microsoft Technology

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News & Events

Stellent training to be offered locally at our Itasca offices!
Last month in our Customer Satisfaction survey, many of you indicated that you'd like more options with regard to training -- including avoiding the cost of traveling to Colorado for Stellent (formerly Optika) training classes. So, we've teamed up with Stellent to bring these valuable courses closer to home. They'll be held right here in the new IDT training room for 2 weeks in October. Don't miss your chance to take advantage of these local learning opportunities!

Click on the links below to get more information about this special Stellent Image Management (Acorde Context) & Business Process Management (Acorde Process) training:

- 4.0 Technical Overview Course Description
- SDK Course Description
- On-line Registration Form

News for IMR Customers: Alchemy 8.0 Update
Find out what's new in Alchemy 8.0 by reading the Prerelease Document. This "What's New" document is intended to provide a detailed overview of the new features introduced in Alchemy 8.0, which is scheduled for release in the U.S. in October of this year.

Covered in this document:

- The Fixed Content Management Suite Concept
- Document Management
- Records Management
- Image Capture and Processing
- Repository Management

Get the "What's New in Alchemy 8.0? – Prerelease Document" here.

Need more information? Contact your Account Manager or e-mail IDT.

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