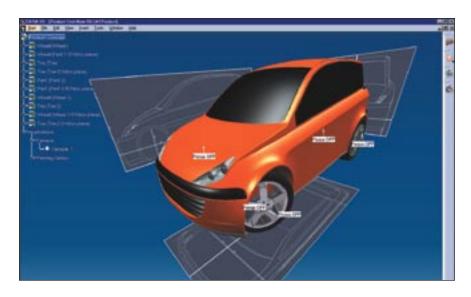


IBM Product Lifecycle Management Services -

Implementation for SMARTEAM



Highlights

- Reduces engineering change time by using IBM PLM Services best practices
- Provides e-business skills and infrastructure to enable and leverage the supply chain
- Helps optimize ROI by using tested methods and a global team for quicker implementation

Providing comprehensive implementation services for SMARTEAM

Manufacturing companies of all sizes are turning to SMARTEAM Product Data Management (PDM) solutions to help improve their product-development-related productivity and collaboration capabilities. At the same time, however, these companies face challenges related to integrating PDM solutions with disparate systems in their unique environments. Consequently, they need consulting and systems integration specialists to help them accelerate implementation and optimize the solutions for their needs. IBM Product Lifecycle Management Services (PLM) - implementation for SMARTEAM can help you efficiently and effectively implement SMARTEAM PDM solutions. We work closely with you to address your unique information technology (IT) and engineering-related needs and provide comprehensive implementation services based on best practices developed through our experience gained from customer engagements around the world.

Leveraging best practices to reduce engineering change times

An important capability of SMARTEAM tools is their ability to automatically update complex parts hierarchies. This feature, which includes electronic employee notification regarding current design versions, can help reduce engineering change times. Both engineering and IT process expertise are critical to effectively implementing this type of functionality. IBM consulting professionals have the experience necessary to optimize SMARTEAM rapid-update capabilities, and can leverage best practices to help ensure that the implementation is done efficiently.



Helping to optimize the supply chain with industry-leading e-business skills

During the manufacturing development process, supplier input on a project can be invaluable to keeping costs low and improving quality. With the right e-business skills and infrastructure, SMARTEAM can be extended throughout the supply chain to help your product-design teams collaborate with suppliers. Among the world's leading providers of e-business solutions, IBM and IBM Global Services offer a full range of e-business services and solutions to help your company with everything from planning and implementing to managing a SMARTEAM solution.

Using a tested methodology and an experienced global team to hasten ROI

In manufacturing, reducing the time it takes to get products to market is a persistent, universal need. The advantage goes to companies that can facilitate security-rich, enterprisewide realtime collaboration between key teams and employees, and SMARTEAM can make this possible through SmartVault filemanaged data. SMARTEAM solutions can also help your employees stay more focused on their jobs by helping reduce time-consuming data searches. Efficient, time saving SMARTEAM implementation also increases the potential for a quicker return on investment (ROI). The people of IBM Global Services use the IBM PLM Services Methodology, which is based on the tested IBM Global Services Method, to hasten the implementation of your SMARTEAM solution. Additionally, regardless of the size of your company, our people are available worldwide to help you implement a SMARTEAM solution across departments, locations and even geographies. And we have the critical combination of business experience and technological expertise that is necessary to help you realize success.

For more information

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