

### Honda Industrial Italia – HIA solution for a Smarter Manufacturing

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## Honda Motor History

Tokyo

Hamamatsu



Honda Motor Company was founded in 1948 by Soichiro Honda and Takeo Fujisawa in Hamamatsu



Soichiro Honda and Takeo Fujisawa



### Honda Motor Group



Honda Group comprises **507 companies**, a global network of **134 production facilities** in **30 nations** with about **167.000 associates**.



### HONDA ITALIA INDUSTRIALE



"In 1971 our factory was the first established in Val di Sangro and afterwards many other factories followed, so that "Val di Sangro" became one of the most impertant industrial area in Italy. I am proud to say that Honda Italia played a growing role in this area, thanks to the politic of continuous development and integration into the territory."



## Honda Philosophy

## "Action without philosophy is a lethal weapon.

# Philosophy without action is worthless"

### Soichiro Honda



## Honda Philosophy



#### **FILOSOFIA HONDA**



#### Principi Fondamentali

Rispetto per l'individuo Le Tre Soddisfazioni • La soddisfazione di comprare • La soddisfazione di vendere • La soddisfazione di creare

#### Principio Aziendole

"Mantenendo uno spirito globale, siamo impegnati a fornire prodatti della più alta qualità, ad un prezzo ragionevole, per la soddisfazione dei clienti di tutto il mondo".

#### **Politiche Manageriali**

- Procedere sempre con ambizione ed energia.
- Rispettare le teorie valide, sviluppare idee nuove ed utilizzare al meglia il nastro tempo.
- · Gradire il proprio lavoro ed incoraggiare un'ampia comunicazione.
- Sforzarsi sempre di avere un flusso di lavoro armonioso.
- Essere consapevoli del valore della ricerca e della specializzazione.

#### HONDA

Live the Honda Philosophy by Soichiro Honda:

Entertain the dreams which give us the strength to reach new products, new technologies and an outstanding quality system;

Promote the team work giving value to the importance of the individual.

Besides the awareness of such valuable principles, we are all available to share them with everybody.



## Honda Italy - History



#### 1971 Honda I.A.P. Founded

- 1977 production start of the CB125 in a joint venture (50% of the shares owned by Honda motors)
- 1981 Honda motor acquired 100% of the stockholding
- 1982 the corporate name changed from I.A.P. to Honda Italia Industriale Ltd
- 1985 export of the XL125
- 1985 production start of the NS125 two stroke engine
- 1985 share capital increased to 16 billion lire 1987 export of the NS125 to Japan
- 1989 production start of the NX125 developed by local R&D
- 1989 Production start of the NN3 250 cc engine for export
- 1993 production start of the Bali SJ 50
- 1994 attainment of ISO 9002 certification
- 1994 production start of the dominator NX650, the first Honda maxi motorcycle produced in Europe
- 1995 production start of the CB500
  1995 production start of the engine GV100 for power equipment

- 1996 production area expanded to 140,000 sq.m.
- 1997 production start of the Transalp XL 600
- 1998 160.000 motor-cycles, maximoto and scooters produced
- 1999 attainment of ISO 14001 certification
  1999 opening of the emission testing lab
  2000 started 4 stroke engine scooters
  2000 production start of the Transalp XL 650
  2000 new office in Rome (HIR, HEM, HRE-I)
  2001 production start of Hornet 600
  2002 production start of new Pantheon F/i 4 stroke
- 2003 production start of models with ABS (CBF 500/600)
- 2004 start die casting plant
- 2004 attainment of Ohsas 18001 certification for safety

#### 2005 Production new SH F/i (euro 3)

- 2006 installation V.O.C. plant (Volatile Organic Compounds) elimination Production start CBF 1000 - PS 125/150 -SH 300
- 2007 production start "new" Hornet CB600 2008 attainment of EMAS certification Production start new CB1000R



### Honda Italy – Smarter manufacturing Highlights

 Improve factory's operative performances (50% reduction in revision campaign costs), with a dedicated Manufacturing Execution System

A more efficient usage of operative resources (20% reduction in materials' movement costs), supporting better the manufacturing activities from initial scheduling to final after sales activities

The combination of process and organizational changes, the enforcement of the operative processes through Consulting & IT integrated system, and the enlarged visibility brings benefit to all internal and external participants in the work-in-process network (with a project's ROI normally less than one year)



### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing HONDA Introduction

Unsynchronized information causes a domino effect of problems for manufacturer.

How synchronize information with a single source of product with Rfid support can eliminate errors, improve customer and channel support, improve the tracing of products and processes, and the speed of product's after sales activities?

New traceability system, based on Rfid support New Arianna IBM solution



### Why Arianna





Arianna in the mythology was the woman, who supported with a "thread" Theseo to exit from the labyrinth, where he killed the Monster "Minotauro"





### Honda Italy - Problems statement

Currently, manufacturing resources and operations activities were scheduled or replenished by systems using "push" structured business rules. These rules were based on statistics of previous similar activities, with limited information of the real work in process of the manufacturing cycle. The previous system limitated operational efficiency.

Most systems were challenged by sporadic & manual inventory activities that result in:

Inaccurate counts

Additional man hours

Inadequate assembly documentation for tracing parts (for example, which parts from which production lot have been used for which final products

Loss of valuable real-time information

These challenges had a direct effect on the accuracy and granularity of final information for the finished product; and this may inhibit the manufacturer's ability to respond in a timely manner when confronted with recalls and to accurately fulfil legal requirements for product liability.







### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Preliminary guidelines and constraints



#### **General guidelines**

- VIN progression tracking along the supply chain
- Pull approach in the operative production management
- Changement on management support (Communication, Organizational alignment, Operational training)
- Future extension to engine line assembly

#### **Technical Description**

- The VIN code is stored on a RFID Tag/Label, and read on specific RFID reading points on the assembly line
- Tag of Critical Parts, attached to first item of the critical parts cage at the Location, is read using a RFID reading drawer/hole
- The RFID System check all the Tag reads and sends Alerts or Notifications for errors during operations or for parts Replenishment
  - The RFID System creates a request of critical parts to supply to the assembly line

#### **Benefits of new RFID system**

Determine the cadence of VIN's along the assembly line Better tracing of the associations between Critical Parts and processed VIN. Reduce error from free manual operation and middle check association Improve Critical Parts availability at assembly line and reduce assembly line stops due to Critical Parts shortage









#### Honda Italy – New traceability system









### Honda Italy – New traceability system

HONDA The Power of Dreams





### Honda Italy – New Arianna solution





#### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Business goals



The business goals of Work-in-Process Management are more efficient use of operative resources and increased visibility into the supply chain and manufacturing process. This includes support of parallel manufacturing activities from scheduling to after-market requirements. This goal can be achieved through complete and real-time tracking of manufacturing activities and related resources. The benefits of this approach are outlined below at the individual steps of a manufacturing cycle:

Table 1. Work in process: Before and after implementation	
Before	After
Visibility of activities' scheduling	Visibility of real products completed and on-going production cadence
Visibility of resources' replenishment	Visibility of actual requirements on the production lines
Sporadic inventory	Real-time inventory of each manufacturing activity completed
Production outages	Immediate notification of incorrect or missing items or process parameters out of limits
Documentation of production as planned	Tracking of each item assembled and parameters contained in final products
Product configuration documentation as planned	Accurate final product configuration as built





#### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Operative goals



- More support of production plans and pickings to other assy lines / subassy and esternal suppliers (see detailed presentation already sent)
- More items to trace in maximoto line
- More assy lines to trace (Scooter, Engine, Power)
- More subassy lines to trace hard (Fuel tank, ABS subassy, ect....)
- More items to trace soft (Microlot dispatching vs picking)
- More process parameters to check, record and analyse
- Microlots suggested vs FiFo logic
- Monitoring of traced items not assembled/recorded
- Configuration as mantained to trace
- Other microlot's types to trace (scraps, ect...)
- Applicable documents vs item p/n
- Worker tracing versu worker stations
- Operative errors and alarms monitoring
- Monitoring of assy line unplanned stops
- More support to the replenishment activities

### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Operational benefits

- HONDA The Power of Dreams
- Employees' time used to manually collect current production information and then reschedule production activities several times a shift
- Employees' time used for material receiving, movement, picking and replenishment in the production lines and returning unused items to the warehouse, with parallel urgent replenishment demands for last-minute scheduling and production changes
- Production workers' time wasted waiting on missing items or assembling wrong items
- Delivery workers' time lost after production to add missing items or replace incorrect items
- Missing detailed data to analyze and learn from real production timing data and production errors
- Unavailability of final product configuration details making aftermarket recalls difficult in identifying the defective products







#### Resulting in Faster Time to Value: The first time & ongoing...

Honda Italia has chosen IBM, our partner from 1982, because IBM offers a comprehensive solution across virtually all middleware, integration platforms and portal platforms, with the robust development tools we need to succeed.



#### Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Solution stack



#### **HONDA Solution Stack**





## Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing

New Arianna is built on a strong foundation of IBM System hardware.

- Honda deployed a total of three IBM (eServer xSeries 336) servers running the "SUSE Linux V10" operating system to support powerful IBM WebSphere software and an IBM "DB2 9" data server
- Honda's employees use wireless devices to scan RFID-tagged components and VINs into the system; all data is subsequently collected by the IBM data server "DB2 9", which is responsible for managing 10,000MB of VIN and component-related information
- Approximately 100 users will leverage the data server, 60 of whom can access it contemporary. A custom-developed Java Platform application, "Enterprise Edition (Java EE)" - powered by IBM WebSphere Application Server (Software: Network Deployment V6) will permit to the employees to track inventory throughout the production lifecycle



#### Honda Italy - Next evolution Smarter Supply Chain solution







#### Honda Italy - Smarter supply chain solution Operative targets

- short term increase 500% the items&products tracking, to assure immediatly the related tracing (last july we have track 400.000 item assembled in maximoto and scooters, and monthly target is 2.000.000 by end of december including also engines and powers
- medium term increase the activities planning & final balance, with informations syncronised, to assure just in time the real necessary items&products, without any useless activities & products for HIA
- long term increase the tracking not only of items&products, but also workers, equipments&tools, ect... to know the real total cost of the final products (and then avoid all costs without any value added)





## Honda Italy – Smarter Manufacturing Conclusions



- Honda Italy has the opportunity to increase the competitive advantage and exploit the first hand experience (alreadyy gained with the successful implementation of the initial pilot solution based on the emerging RFID technology)
- **IBM is willing to help and contribute with its technologies and capabilities** to support Honda Italia in a middle term towards an increasing of RFID technologies and other IBM solutions across production, logistics, and quality processes
- We have joined our forces and started before with Smarter Manufacturing and now with Smarte Supply Chain











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