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MAN uses empolis e:IAS for workshop search system

MAN Nutzfahrzeuge, one of the leading providers in the international commercial vehicle industry, has given empolis the task of creating the MAN Solution Finder (SoFi) for the commercial vehicle unit.

The system is to enable 1500 truck workshops and support staff worldwide to perform a fast and efficient search for available repair information.

An up-front prototype phase soon convinced MAN of the benefits of using the empolis: Information Access Suite (e:IAS). Since the repair information stored across various data sources is being searched centrally in a single step, the user does not have to start different searches but quickly gains access to all relevant documents and tickets specific to his requirements.

The project started beginning of November 2007. The system is due to go live already at the end of January. Initially available in five languages, the system will gradually be extended to 25 languages for a global operation.



empolis becomes member of World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)

"W3C is where the future of the Web is made. Our Members work together to design and standardize technologies that build on the Web's universality. W3C creates the power to communicate, to exchange information and to write dynamic applications for anyone, anywhere, anytime, using any device."

Tim Berners-Lee, W3C Director and inventor of the World Wide Web.

empolis has become a member of the **World Wide Web Consortium** (W3C). W3C is an international consortium where Member organizations, a full-time staff, and the public work together to develop Web standards. W3C's mission is to lead the World Wide Web to its full potential by developing protocols and guidelines that ensure long-term growth for the Web. W3C primarily pursues its mission through the creation of Web standards and guidelines. Since 1994, W3C has published more than ninety such standards, called W3C Recommendations. W3C also engages in education and outreach, develops software, and serves as an open forum for discussion about the Web. In order for the Web to reach its full potential, the most fundamental Web technologies must be compatible with one another and allow any hardware and software used to access the Web to work together. W3C refers to this goal as "Web interoperability." By publishing open (non-proprietary) standards for Web languages and protocols, W3C seeks to avoid market fragmentation and thus Web fragmentation.



THESEUS internet research program: The Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology in Germany launches competition for new talents

The Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology (Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Technologie - BMWi for short) in Germany has initiated an ideas' competition for new talents in connection with the internet reasearch project THESEUS. The competition with the title "THESEUS TALENTE 2008" (THESEUS talents) is to give talented individuals the opportunity to have a part in shaping the internet of the research. The competition ensures that creations from new scientists, students, pupils, programmers and "inventors" outside the consortium can be included in THESEUS.

Around 30 subjects covering the wide range of the research program are addressed by the BMWi for this competition: from specific software solutions for analysis of image quality and the management of ontologies to the question how Web 2.0 communities can be connected by means of semantic search technologies. What scenarios are to be developed for future use of the business web in particular plays an important role.

Winners will receive attractive prizes of up to 10,000 Euros and the opportunity to implement their ideas in companies and research institutions of the THESEUS consortium and to take part in shaping the internet of the future. Entry deadline: April 14, 2007.

For detailed information about the competition and terms and conditions please contact info@theseus-programm.de

To find out more about the THESEUS internet research program go to:
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