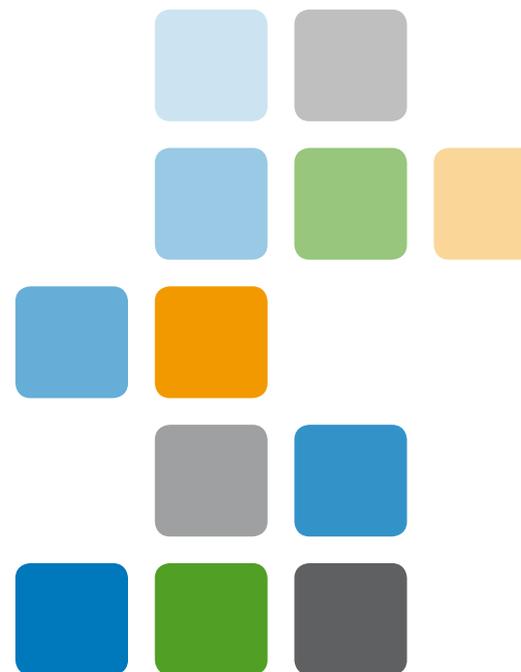




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Eaton's Moeller Business uses the Empolis: Service Lifecycle Suite to provide their customers with a high-capacity self-service portal. This system leads customers to the solution to their respective problem with the help of decision trees, thus significantly expanding the customer service of Eaton's Moeller Business and contributing to a further increase in customer satisfaction.

The Challenge

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Eaton's Moeller Business, based in Bonn, Germany, is one of the world's leading international providers of components and systems for power distribution and automation in industrial facilities and in infrastructure and residential building applications. They offer, for example, switchgear systems, switches, control relays, transformers, and power supply units. The diverse customer service portfolio of Eaton's Moeller Business includes repairs, installations, rebuildings, extensions, consulting, training, inspections, maintenance, hotline support, delivery of spare parts, and rental services. In light of this extensive range of services, it is obvious that customer service is one of the core areas of Eaton's Moeller Business and thus represents a factor that is critical to the company's success.

However, handling service requests and incidents is time-consuming and thus cost-intensive. Not only must there be a sufficient number of service crew personnel, but this personnel must also be trained on a regular basis in order to be able to provide customers with competent support at all times. Furthermore, the respective infrastructure, e.g. call centers, must be available. In order to support and expand its existing call center, the company decided to advance service automation and implement an intelligent self-service system, which safely leads the customer to the solution to the respective problem via a web portal that is part of the company's internet presence. Due to the customers' substantial need for support, such a system held the promise of becoming a vital expansion of the company's international customer service.

The Solution

e:SLS leads customers to what they need with the help of decision trees

After an extensive evaluation of potential software solutions, Eaton's Moeller Business opted for the Empolis:Service Lifecycle Suite (e:SLS). A system customized to the needs of Eaton's Moeller Business, capable of analyzing the symptoms of incidents and determining their causes in a step-by-step process, was to be developed on the basis of this high-performance software.

The system designed by Empolis after intensive consultations with the respective company representatives, is based on decision trees that lead users to the solution of their problem via different selection options. Additional help and explanations were to be provided with graphic illustrations and excerpts from manuals. The decision trees were to be designed in such a way that the technical staff of Eaton's Moeller Business would be able to administrate and further develop them independently after they were set up. Detailed reports could provide relevant information concerning potential improvements in this respect. The international customers of Eaton's Moeller Business were to be taken into account by making the system multilingual.

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The Implementation

A system that meets all requirements

On the basis of the discussed project objectives, Empolis developed a customized system that completely met the requirements of Eaton's Moeller Business. First, the structure of the decision tree system was developed together with the respective experts, and then it was technically mapped in e:SLS. As agreed, the system has been designed in such a way that Eaton's Moeller Business can independently create the decision trees, test them and activate them online afterwards. The experts of Eaton's Moeller Business currently administrate about 50 decision trees involving a total of 350 to 400 solutions. All of these decision trees have been created in both German and English.

When users make a request, they are either directed to the solution to their problem with the help of several questions and selection options, or they are directly referred to the customer service team of Eaton's Moeller Business. Pictures of the respective facility and diagrams support users during their search. In addition, there are special input boxes for customers, where they can comment on the solution process or their situation. On the one hand, this enables them to provide the information that is most relevant from their perspective in a concise form.

On the other hand, it provides personnel with helpful feedback for further improving the decision trees, e.g. if there should be additional selection options or if the text needs to be more precise. Another helpful source of information for improving the decision trees is provided with reports, which document, for example, the percentage of use for every path within the decision trees.

The Success

Improvement of the international customer service – around-the-clock availability

From the perspective of Eaton's Moeller Business, the critical success criterion for this project is the improvement of customer service. Over 3,000 online diagnoses were performed between the months of January and March 2007. Within one year, the use of the self-service portal increased by more than 30 percent, thereby demonstrating that customers have accepted the system. Eaton's Moeller Business is so pleased with the success of the project that they are going to expand the system with additional products and thus generate an additional increase in productivity.

e:SLS has proven its high performance and diversity once more. It ensures that information processes in customer service are industrialized for Eaton's Moeller Business and other renowned Empolis clients, which improves the quality of customer service and at the same time increases customer satisfaction.

About Eaton's Moeller Business

Eaton's Moeller Business is based in Bonn, Germany, and is one of the world's leading international manufacturers and providers of components and systems for power distribution and automation in industrial facilities and in infrastructure and residential building applications. Since April 2008, Moeller has been a business segment of the Eaton Corporation, a diversified global industrial corporation with 75,000 employees and an annual sales revenue of about 15.4B USD.

As an electrical engineering expert for IEC products, Eaton's Moeller Business is a strong international pillar in Eaton's electrical sector.



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Dr. Frank Völker
Field Service Manager

About Eaton's Electrical Sector

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About Eaton Corporation

As a power management expert, the Eaton Corporation generated sales of 15.4B USD in 2008. The company is based in Cleveland, Ohio and is a global technology leader in the field of safe power supply, distribution, and control. Its range of products also includes powertrains and services for industrial and mobile hydraulics and fuel, hydraulic, and pneumatic systems for commercial and military aviation. This product range is rounded out with automotive and truck drivetrain and powertrain systems designed for safety and efficiency in terms of performance and fuel-economy. Eaton has 75,000 employees and sells products to customers in more than 150 countries.

For further information, please refer to: www.eaton.com

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Highlights

- Sophisticated decision tree system
- Useful diagrams and graphic illustrations
- Reports and feedback continuously improve the system
- Increased customer satisfaction

The screenshot displays the Moeller Support website. The top navigation bar includes the Moeller logo and links for Home, Support, Products & Solutions, Industries, and Support. The main content area is titled "Welcome to Moeller Support" and features a "Download Center" section with a search bar and filter options. The sidebar on the left contains a "Dialog" menu with various support options. The right sidebar highlights "Field Service News" with a link to "Thermography".

The self-service portal helps the user to resolve his problem by guiding him through various options to choose from.



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