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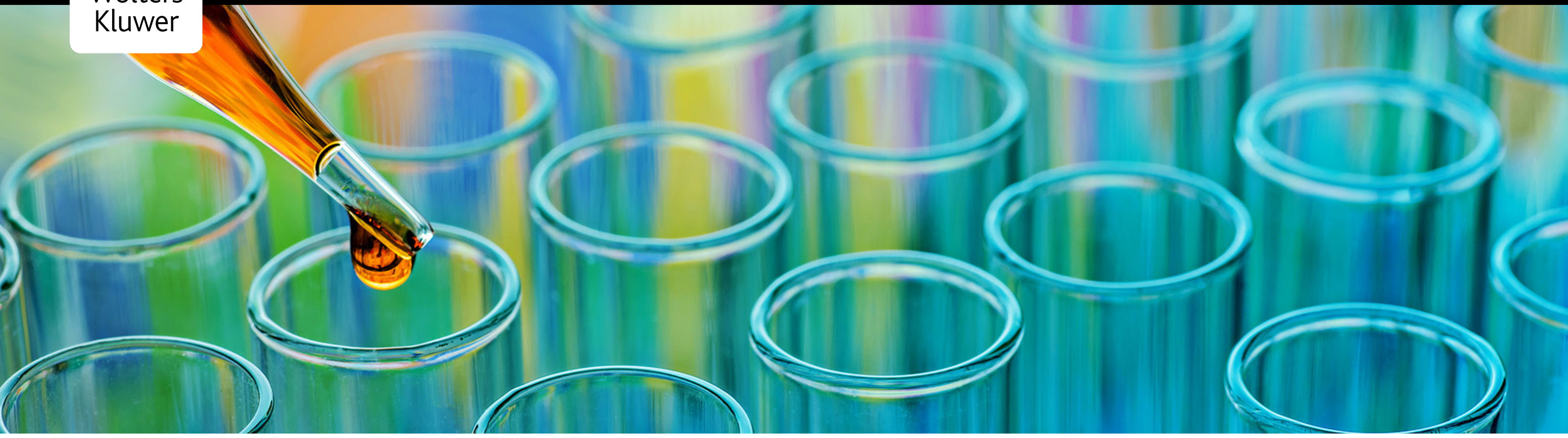

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artience Co., Ltd.

Company

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Industry

- Chemical Manufacturer
- Colorants and Functional Materials/ Polymers and Coatings
- Packaging Materials / Printing and Information

Uses of CCH® Tagetik software

- Group management Consolidation (centralization of statutory and management accounting data)
- Budget and Forecast Management
- Performance Data Reporting

Key facts

- Main business: A chemical manufacturer that originated in the manufacture and sale of printing inks and has expanded into fields such as energy, electronics, and bio/healthcare
- Founded: 1896 (renamed from Toyo Ink SC Holdings Co., Ltd. in January 2024)
- Consolidated employees: 7,880 (as of end of December 2025)
- Group scale: Approximately 60 companies, with an overseas sales ratio exceeding 55%

“The introduction of CCH Tagetik has significantly improved our operational efficiency, freeing up time to enable monthly visualization of ROIC by business and internal awareness activities.
I believe this has become the starting point for atransformation toward management that is conscious of capital efficiency.”

Takeshi Arimura,
Managing Operating Officer in charge of Finance & Accounting, IR and Information System,
artience Co., Ltd.

The challenge

artience is transforming its business portfolio by establishing strategically focused business groups and strengthening its management approach around capital efficiency and shareholder value. As part of this, artience is pursuing “advanced management administration.”

To advance its management administration, the Finance Department at the group headquarters faced the following challenges:

1. **Management Data Dispersed Across Multiple Systems**
   Management data was distributed across multiple systems. Consequently, every time the Finance Department prepared reports, it had to retrieve data from each system individually.
2. **Limits of Excel-based Aggregation**
   Data collection for executive meetings and monthly reporting across approximately 60 domestic and overseas entities relied heavily on Excel. Because aggregation was performed manually each month, the workload was heavy and preparation was time-consuming.
3. **Manual Preparation of Multilingual Templates**
   Finance teams manually created and distributed data collection Excel templates in Japanese, English, and Chinese by copying and pasting past data. This created a significant administrative burden.
4. **Data Accuracy and Consistency Risks**
   Manual data integrations across systems introduced errors and required time-consuming reconciliation, impacting confidence in reporting.

As a result, highly skilled finance resources were consumed by routine tasks, limiting their ability to focus on higher-value strategic analysis and activities to improve capital efficiency.

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Requirements

- Integration and centralized management of statutory and management accounting data
- Global data collection functionality
- Timely performance analysis and multi-dimensional analysis capabilities
- Integrated budget management functionality
- Flexible report creation functionality

"Each month, for approximately 60 companies in Japan and overseas, we prepared and distributed Excel formats with past results transcribed in three languages, and then collected and aggregated the data, which created a heavy workload and a risk of human error. With centralized data management through CCH Tagetik, the workload and time required for reporting have been greatly reduced, and we are now able to approach our work with greater peace of mind."

Katsuma Iwade,
Corporate Administration Group, Finance & Accounting Department,
artience Co., Ltd.

The objectives

To advance its business management , artience defined four strategic objectives and decided to implement a new system:

- **Global Data Integration and Centralization**
  Create a unified platform to integrate statutory and management accounting data globally, from data entry through reporting and analysis. Additionally, establish a system foundation that integrates with SAP and provides scalability to support future growth.
- **Operational Efficiency and Workload Reduction**
  Automate aggregation and reporting (3 to 4 days per month) and the advance preparation of three-language formats (2 to 3 days per month), so that artience could redirect the time towards higher priority tasks.
- **Advancing Business management**
  Enable performance management based on ROIC and timely delivery of various reports, supporting faster, data-driven decision-making
- **Multilingual Support and Ease of Use**
  Deliver a user-friendly system with multilingual support, enabling broad adoption across global users without burden.

The solution

After evaluating multiple systems, artience selected CCH Tagetik for its ability to globally integrate statutory and management accounting data and support transformation at scale.

- **Unified Management Platform**
  CCH Tagetik provides a comprehensive and flexible platform that integrates seamlessly with SAP and supports evolving business requirements.
- **Multilingual Capabilities**:
  The platform supports multiple languages, enabling artience to eliminate manual translation of templates and streamline global data collection.
- **User-Friendly Experience**:
  CCH Tagetik delivers an intuitive interface featuring a native Excel add-in and advanced copy-and-paste functionality, significantly reducing the operational burden and accelerating adoption.
- **Phased Implementation Approach**

A structured rollout ensured smooth adoption:

- **Phase 1**: Elimination of manual Excel-based processes and centralization of statutory and management accounting data
- **Phase 2**: Progressive expansion into budgeting, and forecasting aligned with SAP implementation

The results and benefits

Reduced Aggregation and Reporting Workload from 3 days to 1 day
Work that previously took the Finance Department for three days, from data aggregation through report creation, can now be completed in one day. The number of people required and the workload were both reduced, resulting in a more stable operational structure.

Near-Elimination of Template Preparation
Multilingual functionality removed the need to create and maintain multiple reporting formats, reducing preparation work to near zero.

Real-time Centralized Reporting
Centralized reporting ensures all stakeholders access consistent, up-to-date data for faster decision-making.

Improved Data Accuracy and Reduced Errors
Automation eliminates manual data handling, significantly reducing errors and improving reporting reliability.

Stronger Data-Driven Management Decision-Making
ROIC insights, at the business level, on a monthly basis, now directly inform investment and business-portfolio decisions, including capital allocation and divestment strategies.

Future outlook

By combining CCH Tagetik, SAP, and advanced BI tools, artience plans to further mature its data-driven management approach. The Finance function will continue to enhance capital efficiency while accelerating the adoption of data-driven decision-making across the Group.

Implementation of CCH Tagetik

Dentsu Soken Inc., a CCH Tagetik partner, led the implementation.

Dentsu Soken has extensive experience implementing management administration systems and deep knowledge and expertise regarding CCH Tagetik. In understanding and implementing global statutory and management accounting operations spanning approximately 60 group companies and multiple languages, Dentsu Soken kept the project running smoothly through meticulous project management and close information sharing via regular meetings. The fact that Dentsu Soken proposed a phased implementation schedule tailored to artience's situation and level of system proficiency was also a point that artience highly valued. The performance management foundation at the business level was built at a finer granularity than the externally disclosed segments. Dentsu Soken also successfully implemented and leveraged CCH Tagetik's standard functionality when expanding the scope of application in anticipation of the SAP migration.

About artience Co., Ltd.

artience Co., Ltd. is a chemical manufacturer founded in 1896 that develops and proposes fine chemical materials. The company operates across four business segments — Colorants and Functional Materials, Polymers and Coatings, Packaging Materials, and Printing and Information — and has expanded into fields such as energy, electronics, and bio/healthcare. Under a group structure of approximately 60 companies with artience as the holding company, the company conducts global management with an overseas sales ratio exceeding 55%.
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About the partner

Dentsu Soken Inc. serves as a CCH Tagetik solution partner with extensive implementation experience and deep product knowledge, primarily in manufacturing industries. Prioritizing customer business understanding, they provide solutions maximizing CCH Tagetik's standard functionality and offer comprehensive support from management integration through operation and maintenance.
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