

Case Study



Nine Countries, One Solution: Schnellecke Group's Smooth Move to SAP S/4HANA

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Company Overview

Client	Schnellecke Group
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Industry	Logistik
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Website	schnellecke.com
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Solutions	• SAP integrated invoice processing incl. e-invoices • SAP integrated procurement solution • Systems integration SAP S/4HANA
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The global logistics provider Schnellecke Group has come a long way with xSuite by its side. Every major transformation — from the move to SAP S/4HANA to international expansion and e-invoicing adoption — has been powered and supported by xSuite solutions.

Headquartered in Wolfsburg, Germany, the family-owned company employs 16,000 people and provides logistics and production services for customers worldwide, with a strong focus on value added logistics for the automotive industry.

When Schnellecke first switched to SAP ERP in 2014, the company was already preparing for growth. The xSuite solution, with its multilingual interface, intuitive user experience, and ability to map complex P2P processes directly in SAP, quickly proved the right choice — replacing the existing invoice workflow in 2015.

The Next Step: Transition to SAP S/4HANA

In early 2025, Schnellecke successfully completed its migration to SAP S/4HANA while maintaining ongoing business operations. Increasing volumes of electronic invoices across multiple countries added complexity — but also confirmed that xSuite was the ideal partner.

“xSuite was built as a standard solution and has always met our growing requirements as we’ve expanded internationally,” says Mrs. Volk, SAP Finance Expert at Schnellecke Group.

One Platform, Nine Countries, 75 Company Codes

What began with 17 company codes in Germany has grown to 75 company codes across nine countries: Germany, Slovakia, Poland, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Mexico, the U.S., and the Czech Republic

Today, 12,000 suppliers send around 120,000 invoices per year, one-third of them purchase-order based. Invoices arrive in both paper and electronic form at the central Financial Shared Service Center in Wolfsburg, which handles about 55 legal entities, while local centers process the rest.

The xSuite workflow automates most invoice processing — human review is only required when quantity or price discrepancies occur. Approval hierarchies vary by country and amount, all individually configured within xSuite to ensure optimal efficiency.

To support local teams, Schnellecke translated the xSuite user interface into each country’s language and complemented missing terms with English, ensuring an intuitive, user-friendly experience everywhere.

End-to-End Transparency in Procure-to-Pay

xSuite's procurement solution is also in global use, linking purchase requisitions, purchase orders, goods receipts, and invoice releases into a seamless Procure-to-Pay chain.

The result: invoices are now approved up to four times faster than before, and the invoice ledger provides clear visibility into all documents, due dates, and discount terms.

Strong Partnership for a Seamless Migration

For its S/4HANA environment, Schnellecke chose an on-premises setup, with both the invoice processing and capture solutions from xSuite installed in-house. Approvals still take place in the SAP client, but the company is gradually adopting Fiori apps and keeping the door open for future cloud transformation

“Only minimal adjustments were needed for the xSuite solution to integrate smoothly into our new S/4HANA landscape,” says Mrs. Volk. “Having such strong support from a third-party vendor is a key success factor — and xSuite’s flexibility in operating models is essential for us.”

Ready for the E-Invoicing Future

With global regulations driving the shift to electronic invoicing, Schnellecke's invoice processes have evolved accordingly. While Germany is still transitioning to formats like XRechnung and ZUGFeRD, countries such as Mexico already operate exclusively with XML invoices.

“The move to e-invoicing is a vital step in our digital transformation,” says Mrs. Volk. “It helps us increase efficiency, reduce costs, and streamline global operations. With xSuite, we’re perfectly prepared for the future.”