



# Verbund

CNT Success Story

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## Water, wind, and sun for a clean energy future

VERBUND is Austria's leading electricity company and one of the largest producers of electricity from hydropower in Europe. Close to 100% of its electricity generation comes from climate friendly, renewable hydropower.

## INITIAL SITUATION

More than 20 years ago, VERBUND implemented an R/3 system. Faced with ever-changing challenges, the SAP system also continued to change. This has led to a certain complexity in the processes mapped in SAP. Closer alignment with the SAP standard is intended to make the system fit for the future.

## MAIN GOALS

With the implementation of S/4 and BW/4, VERBUND is fulfilling their vision of designing “effective, efficient, and user-oriented business processes”:

- improved productivity
- increased (data) quality
- increased performance & usability
- increased satisfaction
- IT security

“In addition to numerous automations, the flexibility for adjustments also increased, which led to a simplification of the technical maintainability of the ERP system. Not to mention the new user experience: over 2,300 VERBUND employees work with SAP applications, so the interfaces have to be simple and easy to use,” says Christian Goldstein.



**Christian Goldstein**  
SAP Team Leader



**Ewald Grohar-Krassnig**  
SAP Project Manager

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# MAIN GOALS IN DETAIL

|                   |                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                     |                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Productivity      | Automation      | increased productivity due to automation and other process improvements (baseline: current process effort)                                                                                              | Quality<br><br>IT Sec. & Compliance | Data Quality        | improved data quality in terms of completeness, accuracy, currentness, and consistency (e.g. duplicates) (baseline: strategic value of the data in question; current data quality)                                         |
|                   | Flexibility     | process acceleration and simplification in regard to the implementation of future change requests for enhancements/adaptations (baseline: complexity; frequency of change requests in this area)        |                                     | IT Security         | increased security level in terms of data integrity (protection against manipulation), data availability, and data confidentiality (baseline: strategic value of IT security in the affected area; current security level) |
|                   | Maintainability | simplification of technical maintainability by reducing the complexity of the architecture/interfaces and standardization (baseline: current level of standardization; current architecture complexity) |                                     | Compliance          | compliance with legal and regulatory requirements as well as internal guidelines (e.g., GDPR) (baseline: strategic value of compliance in the affected area; current compliance level)                                     |
| Perf. & Usability | Performance     | increased performance in the user interfaces and asynchronous processing (batch processes) (baseline: strategic value of performance in the affected area; number of affected users)                    | Risk                                | Transformation Risk | risk of failure in the production of the target scenario, e.g., due to lack of expertise/experience or other uncertainties                                                                                                 |
|                   | Usability       | improved usability of traditional user interfaces and potential for future mobile/modern user interfaces (baseline: strategic value of usability in the affected area; number of affected users)        |                                     | Technolog. Risk     | risk of technology-based errors that could lead to service outages or other service restrictions (e.g., technology not yet tested on the market)                                                                           |

## Your contact:

The SAP consulting firm CNT Management Consulting AG was founded in 1999 in Vienna. Around 450 consultants advise companies in Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands, Italy, the USA, and Brazil in all areas of SAP integration.

With around 128 million euros in sales in 2023, the company is one of the market leaders for SAP consulting in Austria and is aiming for further revenue and employee growth in the coming years.

# SOLUTION AND YOUR BENEFIT

- real-time reporting & single source of truth (part of BW – go-live to take place on June 30, 2024)
- comprehensive data cleansing
- process optimization & standardization in all modules
- new chart of accounts (incl. country-specific requirements)
- introduction of ledger-specific postings
- implementation of RE-FX
- new BPC planning system
- business partner changeover
- system performance improvement in reporting and usability through selective migration of master and transaction data → better user experience
- new forms technology (S/4 standard: Adobe Forms)

**Michael Gillich**

Project Management



## Figures about our client and project



**1947**  
founded



**10**  
months project duration  
(Realize)



**3,800**  
employees



**2,300**  
active SAP users



**10,449**  
million euros in sales  
in 2023



**73**  
consultants in  
the project team

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## CNT represented in numbers



**450**  
process and SAP consultants  
in 12 locations



**128**  
million euros in sales  
in 2023



**25**  
years of history and innovation



**300**  
clients in Europe, South America,  
the USA, Africa, Asia, and  
Australia



**85**  
productive SAP S/4HANA and  
SAP Ariba installations