

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT MADE EASY



SEARCHING FOR A GOOD SUPPLIER?

Shopping is an integral part of our private lives as well as our professional careers.

The department whose responsibility is to create requisitions has the job of determining the right quantities and the right material. It also has the job of monitoring changed quantities due to design changes in the model.

It becomes the job of the procurement department to make sure all required materials are arriving:

- At the correct time
- Without damages
- For a reasonable price
- At the right place

The first thing to be considered is having a good supply pipeline. You need a portfolio of companies that can deliver the required materials for a reasonable price. Naturally these suppliers should be located as close as possible to the places where the

materials are needed. This keeps the delivery time short and the logistic costs lower.

A tool like the Intergraph Smart® Materials Portal can help you to gather all this information. It will be used initially for the supplier to register in order to apply for future consideration on a Request for Quotation.

Besides standard details like name, address and email, an organization would like to ask their future supplier further questions. The type of questions typically depend on the type of company, i.e., whether it's a supplier, subcontractor or freight forwarder. Furthermore, questions might depend on the type of services or material a company can deliver.

Allowing suppliers or subcontractors to upload necessary documents, such as financial reports, will finally help to complete the gathering of all information to support solid future business.

If a company has questions regarding a requisition, Smart Materials Portal provides features, such as "Request for Information." Companies can interact in the portal with the owner or EPC managing the inquiry.



These kinds of functions need to be supported by workflows, which enable the procurement department to decide if they want to monitor a new supplier via a one-, two- or three-step approval process. These processes ensure that an unattractive supplier will be blocked from registering right at the beginning.

Finally, a thorough check of the provided information will be done by the system to make sure the information provided is complete and consistent. Only in such a case can the supplier finally submit his registrations, which will eventually qualify them to conduct business with you.



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