



Swedish Alcohol Retail Monopoly (Systembolaget) to modernize logistics and point-of-sale systems with IFS Applications

IFS will collaborate with other suppliers to modernize the logistics and point-of-sale (POS) systems for Systembolaget, the Swedish Alcohol Retail Monopoly. IFS' share of the project includes consulting services valued at approximately SKr 30 million. Systembolaget's goals include enhancing customer service and efficiency by introducing a new POS solution and by improving centralized inventory management and order handling.

The change of POS system will mean that certain back-office processes will be transferred from the existing POS systems in the stores to the business applications and to applications in eFabriken, which is Systembolaget's web platform.

By modernizing its operations Systembolaget expects to achieve:

- Increased agility, speed and efficiency by implementing a new technology platform that will also minimize technology risk
- Streamlined POS and customer support management that are adapted to the processes in its self-service stores
- Centralization of inventory balances per store. This in turn will improve capabilities for centralized inventory management and order handling
- Lower total cost of operating, supporting and managing the system

Systembolaget has been running IFS Applications since 2001. IFS Applications owns the basic business objects and constitutes the inventory master. The business applications will support store staff in areas related to inventory management, stocktaking, supply chain management, and picking/shipping of orders from customers and distributors. It will also provide general support for financial follow-up and accounting. The solution is expected to go live in the first half of 2008.

About IFS and IFS Applications

IFS (OMXS: IFS), the global enterprise applications company, provides solutions which enable organizations to respond quickly to market changes—allowing resources to be used in a more agile way to achieve better business performance and competitive advantage.

IFS was founded in 1983 and now has 2,600 employees worldwide. IFS has pioneered component-based ERP software with IFS Applications, now in its

seventh generation. IFS' component architecture provides solutions that are easier to implement, run and upgrade. IFS Applications is available in 54 countries in 22 languages.

IFS has over 600,000 users across seven key vertical sectors: aerospace & defense; automotive; high-tech; industrial manufacturing; process industries; construction, contracting & service management and utilities & telecom. IFS Applications provides extended ERP functionality including customer relationship management (CRM), supply chain management (SCM), product lifecycle management (PLM), corporate performance management (CPM), enterprise asset management (EAM) and maintenance repair and overhaul (MRO) capabilities.

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