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SPIE picks Cegedim e-business to digitize its invoices

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<u>Cegedim e-business</u>, a major player in digitalization and process automation in Europe, has been chosen by SPIE to digitize its customer invoices in France. SPIE – a multi-technical services specialist in the energy and communications sectors – will tap into <u>Cegedim e-business</u>' expertise to respond to customers' growing demand for digitalization.

In 2012 SPIE began digitizing the invoices it sends to private sector companies and then expanded the project to include public-sector customers¹, which will require digital invoices starting in 2017 for large corporations and in 2018 for intermediate-sized companies (ETIs).

"Every year, we were adding more and more customers to the project, but we wanted the whole effort to be more agile. We had a bigger goal in mind – to be able to add any type of client to our digital process and achieve a 100% environmentally responsible approach. Our long-term goal is to be able to control for consistency and eliminate the human error that undermines our productivity and that of our customers. This thinking led us to Cegedim, whose established network and expertise guarantee reliability and scalability," said Kevin Angot, IT Project Head at SPIE France.

Cegedim e-business handles more than 850 million data flows annually for a network of 120,000 companies of every size, digitizing administrative documents and automating business processes, purchasing and financial processes.

Improving client satisfaction and cash management

In July 2017, after meeting with France's top invoice digitization specialists, SPIE chose Cegedim e-business' multichannel solution for the full range of its invoices.

Switching the previous solution over to Cegedim's suite produced gains and also added value to the work of SPIE's accounting and finance teams owing to the inclusion of control and business data automation modules.

"The collaboration between our business unit representatives, IT department, and trusted partner Cegedim was a key factor. Despite a tight schedule, the project was a huge success with respect to both technical aspects and adoption by the business units, which have drawn a maximum benefit from digitizing their processes. The upshot has been visibly satisfied clients and improved cash management," added Kevin Angot.

"We are pleased to be partnering with SPIE on this comprehensive digitalization project encompassing multiple clients and formats. With the experience we have gained in France and internationally, we are implementing a powerful yet flexible solution that will keep pace as the company ramps up its digital transition. That will mean shared benefits for both clients and suppliers," said Kévin Bonhomme, Business Engineer at Cegedim e-business.

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About Cegedim e-business:

Cegedim e-business is a European leader in B2B process automation and digitalization. It handles over 850 million data flows annually and connects 120,000 companies worldwide. Cegedim e-business uses its unique range of e-procurement, e-invoicing, e-archiving and e-signature services to help companies of every size and in every business sector make a successful digital transition.

Cegedim e-business is a member of the PEPPOL and EESPA European networks. It operates a multichannel electronic exchanges platform that handles any type of document, from contracts to payments, and helps streamline client-supplier relationships while significantly improving $administrative\ efficiency,\ cash\ management,\ and\ traceability.$

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About Cegedim:

Founded in 1969, Cegedim is an innovative technology and services company in the field of digital data flow management for healthcare ecosystems and B2B, and a business software publisher for healthcare and insurance professionals. Cegedim employs more than 4,000 people in 11 countries and generated revenue of €441 million in 2016. Cegedim SA is listed in Paris (EURONEXT: CGM).

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About SPIE:

The independent European leader in multi-technical services in the energy and communications sectors, SPIE helps its customers design, build, operate, and maintain energy-efficient and environmentally-friendly facilities.

SPIE has more than 46,500 employees and a strong local presence. In 2017 the company, generated consolidated revenues of €6.1 billion and consolidated EBITA of €388 million.

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