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Infor CloudSuite Automotive

A versatile cloud service to help automotive suppliers drive innovation

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Industry-specific functionality powered on the cloud

Designed to provide an unmatched user experience, Infor CloudSuite™ Automotive delivers industry-specific capabilities without extensive customizations or integrations by combining the Infor® cloud platform built on infrastructure services from Amazon Web Services® (AWS®) and Infor OS. With Infor CloudSuite Automotive, businesses can experience automatic upgrades that deliver the latest advances in enterprise functionality.

Infor CloudSuite Automotive enables global business, networked analytics, and a user experience that can be augmented by artificial intelligence (AI), so automotive suppliers can:

- Stay current on the latest versions of their software.
- Provide users with access on any device anywhere.
- Scale cloud services to handle usage peaks and valleys.
- Reduce total cost of ownership and capital investment.
- Integrate cloud and on-premises applications with pre-built APIs.
- Connect data across cloud and legacy applications for enterprise insights.
- Democratize analytics for better decisions.

Keep current and connected, leverage powerful functionality, and optimize critical business processes—
with Infor CloudSuite Automotive.

Meet volatility with the versatility of Infor CloudSuite Automotive

It's a volatile time in the automotive industry. Trade wars, taxes, and tariffs are creating unpredictability in the global economy. Costs for steel, aluminum, plastics, and other necessary materials fluctuate significantly from year to year. Autonomous mobility and the connected car are bringing businesses that were previously not automotive companies into the industry. Climate change is causing new regulatory and consumer demands in emissions and fuel efficiency. And Industry 4.0 is inspiring new technologies that require people to work side-by-side with machines.

Automotive suppliers must rethink how they do business within this environment. Although disruptive, these factors also provide vast opportunities for the automotive manufacturer who is ready to implement new business models to weather these volatile times.

Infor CloudSuite Automotive gives automotive suppliers the versatility they need to transform their business. This digital service, built specifically for automotive suppliers, has deep, proven capabilities to help meet customer demands, maintain employee productivity, and continue bringing innovative products to market ahead of the competition.

Even better, the cloud service ensures efficiency, cost savings, built-in support for global operations, as well as security that follows industry-leading best practice protocols. This is the versatility automotive suppliers need today.



Top five reasons to use Infor CloudSuite Automotive



Free up capital to support growth initiatives



Speed time-to-value with fast deployment



Quickly scale infrastructure to support a growing business



Automate previously manual tasks across operations



Get real-time visibility across the entire enterprise

Transform your business with an agile cloud service

Infor CloudSuite Automotive provides a comprehensive cloud service of industry-proven automotive capabilities. With innovation fueled by deep industry expertise across our development teams and customers who collaborate with us, Infor creates complete solutions that work the way you do.

Core enterprise resource planning capabilities

- Take advantage of a single, global service that empowers automotive manufacturing—across every department, every site, and every country. The core enterprise resource planning (ERP) capabilities within Infor CloudSuite Automotive delivers everything automotive companies need in a standard package.

Technology platform

- Leverage Infor CloudSuite Automotive’s innovative, core technology service to enable seamless integration between systems, a unified user experience across all applications, organization-wide visibility into real-time data, and user collaboration.

Business intelligence and analytics

- Harness the power of automotive-specific business intelligence (BI) and business analytics service that can understand and optimize complex processes in less time than traditional BI solutions. Using patented automation and machine learning technologies, Infor’s “networked BI” service connects teams and applications across the enterprise via a trusted network of analytics and insights to inform smarter decisions.

Supply chain collaboration

- Support online collaboration between automotive suppliers up and down the value chain, including logistics service providers, outside processors, purchase parts suppliers, and discrete purchase order suppliers. This service is especially valuable to Tier 5 and Tier 1 automotive suppliers that need better visibility into their entire ecosystems through seamless online collaboration.

Infor Implementation Accelerator for Automotive

- Get up and running quickly with pre-configured automotive business processes and data models, user-defined menus, and automotive specific training guides so users can be productive faster, operate smarter, and learn how to take advantage of efficient process flows across the supply chain

Additional capabilities

Optional services that enhance and extend Infor CloudSuite Automotive are available for additional subscription fees. Contact your sales representative for more information. Users can extend the core solution with pre-built integrations using Infor technology, including:

Manufacturing process automation

- Provide the next level of factory floor and warehouse automation, so automotive suppliers can streamline production processes, speed inventory handling, track labor, and automate attendance operations.

Mobile applications

- Enable users to use and modify critical data on their mobile devices. Improve process efficacy and accelerate productivity with mobile applications that allow users to receive real-time data and respond immediately to important tasks.

Demand management for automotive suppliers

- Support standard automotive business practices and trading partner variations of standard business practices, with seamless integration into a supplier's existing enterprise system landscape.

Additionally, Infor CloudSuite Automotive includes these horizontal add-ons:

Enterprise analytics

- Provide more personalized metrics for users who need to create their own KPIs, or create or edit metrics. It also provides more enterprise data for users that need to blend data across Infor applications or third-party applications.

Document capture

- Process documents, intelligently classifying them and extracting data. The documents and data can then be passed onto Infor CloudSuite Automotive through an API.

Why Infor CloudSuite Automotive?

Automotive suppliers are experiencing significant disruption from trade wars and a shifting regulatory environment. In addition to monitoring and responding to this global volatility, automotive manufacturers must contend with changing expectations around car ownership and the environmental impact of driving gas-powered vehicles.

Infor CloudSuite Automotive can make a significant impact across automotive manufacturing operations, including product development, business collaboration, supply chain visibility, production, and automating business processes:

- Automotive manufacturers face increasing pressure to design, sell, and offer innovative products and experiences. **Acquiring actionable data** will become increasingly critical for automotive suppliers as they continue to evolve the design and operations of systems, drivetrains, safety features, and other automotive parts and features.
- The automotive ecosystem has fundamentally changed, and businesses that haven't historically been automotive suppliers are now joining in. In order to manage the expansive supplier network, automotive suppliers and automakers need **improved business collaboration** for better data sharing and cost reduction.
- Automotive suppliers need to **optimize their supply chain for better visibility and planning**. **According to Gartner**, companies need “supply chain outcomes that are agile and responsive to customers’ expectations, despite the challenges from volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity.”
- Automotive suppliers are facing a future where they’re going to need to meet increasing production demands without increasing staffing levels. To prepare for this future, manufacturers have to identify ways to **reduce operational complexity while implementing productivity, planning, and production processes for improved quality without increasing costs**.
- Nearly **half of manufacturers surveyed** report that they’re in the early stages of a smart factory transition. Automotive suppliers need to **create a backbone for digital transformation** to successfully compete in Industry 4.0.

The evolving business environment is forcing automotive suppliers to embrace new business partners, new ways of engaging customers, and new operating procedures. As a cloud service, Infor CloudSuite Automotive provides the versatility to quickly adapt and turn these changes into opportunities.



“ This project will allow a great improvement in user interface, response time and new functionalities, such as real time processes, alerting and KPI management, to follow the continuous development of Michelin company.”

RICHARD AHSBAHS

Vice-President,
Optimization Program for Processes & Experience Director, Michelin



Productivity delivered



INDUSTRY



CLOUD



ANALYTICS



NETWORK



ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE



VALUE AS
A SERVICE

Supporting modern users—today and tomorrow

Infor CloudSuite service leverages modern technology to help companies achieve future growth, and can be extended with AI and the world's largest commerce network.

Pre-built critical industry capabilities

- Prepackaged workflows, content, integrations, and analytics are designed with industry best practices, informed by thousands of implementations.

Cloud design drives business agility

- The ability deliver a simplified user experience, data aggregation, workflow integration, hyperscaling, automatic upgrades, and a data lake.

Actionable insights with enterprise analytics

- An enterprise business intelligence (BI) and analytics platform that enables accurate, data-driven decisions.

Extending the enterprise with networked commerce

- Virtual, vertical integrated-based, self-orchestrating value chains leverage data that companies need to run supply chains for end-to-end visibility.

AI unlocks business potential

- AI that anticipates, recommends, and derives insights—while powering robotic process automation, machine learning, and IoT.

Prioritizing time to value

- Infor's service delivery methodology delivers accelerated productivity and ensures customers realize maximum value from their technology investment.

Take a closer look

Infor OS provides Infor CloudSuite Automotive users a comprehensive technology platform of services to choose from, which serve as a unifying foundation for an automotive suppliers entire business ecosystem.



Enhanced enterprise experience

Utilize Infor CloudSuite Automotive to centralize access to applications—with single sign-on and real-time, organization-wide visibility to streamline communication.



Seamless integration

Integrate Infor and third-party enterprise products in the cloud, on-premises, or in hybrid deployments with Infor's advanced, integrated platform as a service (PaaS) capabilities and API gateway.



Transformational data as a service

Provide data acquisition technologies and a unified repository for capturing enterprise data. Infor's data lake ensures data fidelity, governance, security, and access.



AI

Transform historically complex AI technologies (natural language processing, intelligent automation, and machine learning) into valuable and attainable enterprise goals.



Extensibility

Easily create the right experience with minimal coding with Infor's optional developer tools—whether it's an intuitive consumer-grade web interface, a high-productivity form, or a business process to replace customizations.

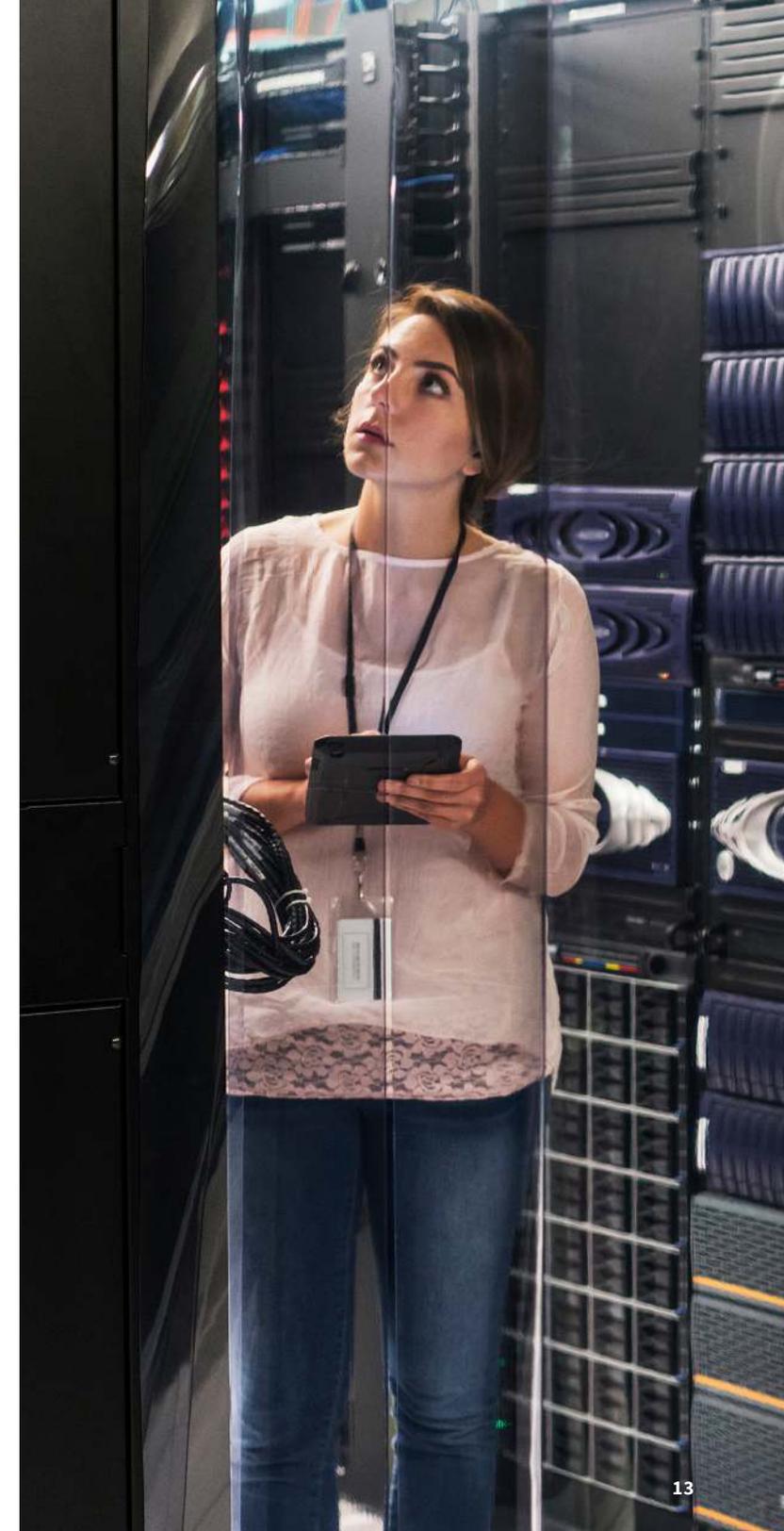


Data and system governance

Integrate governance, risk, and compliance (GRC) software to help monitor regulatory and statutory standards and proactively update critical applications.

World-class infrastructure

The Infor cloud is built on AWS, the market leader for cloud-based infrastructure as a service (IaaS) and PaaS for more than 10 years. By leveraging Amazon's multi-billion-dollar annual R&D investment in technology, Infor's industry CloudSuites can better deliver on Infor's core mission of building critical industry capabilities. Infor has partnered with AWS to deploy Infor CloudSuites in more than 20 AWS regions and 61 availability zones across the globe—and that footprint continues to grow to meet customer requirements. Infor CloudSuite services are designed to run seamlessly across multiple availability zones with active/active high-availability clustering. This means that customers will experience minimal impact from any unplanned outages or system loads.



Delivering productivity with Infor Agility

Infor Agility is Infor's innovative service delivery model that impacts all aspects of Infor's customer life cycle. It's guided by decades of successful ERP implementations and has been continuously refined with the goal of delivering implementations on time and on budget, ultimately delivering faster value for our customers. Infor Agility combines aspects of agile methodology with advanced implementation accelerators, process intelligence tooling, a data migration factory approach, testing as a service, consumerized learning, and managed services options.

Implementation accelerators (IAs)

IAs are industry-focused, preconfigured, yet flexible processes designed specifically for Infor application suites. They are designed to deliver core industry-leading business processes, along with application configurations, implementation playbook, tools, and templates. These will deliver a prescriptive, repeatable process that will drive predictable results while helping to lower risk and increase time to value for Infor customers.

Business process assessment (60-30-10) approach

Infor believes that "not all business processes are created equal." Our strategic 60-30-10 approach allows us to clearly identify, by leveraging a detailed IA Business Process Assessment workshop, the processes that are most important in helping our customers differentiate themselves and deliver maximum value. This model allows us to deliver our industry CloudSuites with most of the necessary processes already built in and ready to adopt; about a third of the remaining processes are refined/configured to suit the needs of our customers; and the final layer receives the most focus, to truly make our solutions a competitive differentiator for the customer's business.

- 60%—These are core industry-leading processes delivered in the form of our pre-configured implementation accelerators. Customers can easily adopt these with very little effort, spending time primarily on only the validation of these core standard IA processes. These core processes are adopted "as is."



- 30%—These are the processes that truly enable differentiation for our customers. We work with our customers to configure these processes, providing specific guidance on how to optimize their solution. While this phase takes a little more time and effort, it allows us to provide options that our customers can tailor and configure to best fit their specific business needs.
- 10%—These processes are where we spend the most time and resource capacity. Focusing on those processes that are highly differentiating/unique to our customers, the objective is to enable them to help make dramatically better business decisions and provide a better experience to their customers.

By eliminating the need for any customized work within the 60% of the processes, we're able to free up time to collaborate with our customers and focus on the 30% (differentiating) and 10% (unique) processes and help our customers achieve a better business outcome.

Data migration

The risks and costs of do-it-yourself data migration may not be clear until it's too late. Too many in-house migrations lead to go-live delays, or worse, production problems resulting from poor data migration. Infor Data Migration services use established methodologies to successfully, accurately, and quickly complete critical, customer data migrations. This proven service helps to eliminate costly in-house errors, ensures implementation stay on track, and sets a solid foundation for future data management processes.

Testing as a service

Infor Testing as a Service (TaaS) delivers a single platform for testing the full range of functional and non-functional requirements for deploying multiple tools. Whether it's user experience, functional requirements, data services, integration services, or application performance, automotive suppliers can deploy releases with confidence and minimize post-deployment issues. Infor TaaS provides the same tools and content that Infor uses for QA and testing during application deployment, including test libraries and scripts developed across the TaaS community.

Consumerized learning

Infor's consumerized learning is an innovative approach that provides a personalized enterprise learning environment. Users can consume training in a variety of formats that are modern, easy to use, and delivered in an embedded, contextualized, consumer-grade user experience.

Infor Managed Services

When the implementation is complete, customers want to concentrate on running their businesses. Infor Managed Services allows them to do just that. With a service agreement tailored to their requirements, customers can build and maintain extensions to address their unique processes to increase productivity and customer service.



The last upgrade you'll ever need

ERP upgrades are a thing of the past with Infor CloudSuite Automotive. The service's cloud-based digital platform, ensures that you'll always have the latest features and functionality, based on industry best practices and using the highest-level security protocols available.

Plus, Infor CloudSuite Automotive delivers a fast and significant return on investment, speeding time to value with a fast deployment. The platform can quickly scale to support business growth, so automotive suppliers can invest in more strategic growth initiatives with the capital freed from hardware infrastructure upgrades.

**Transform your business with
Infor CloudSuite services**

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