

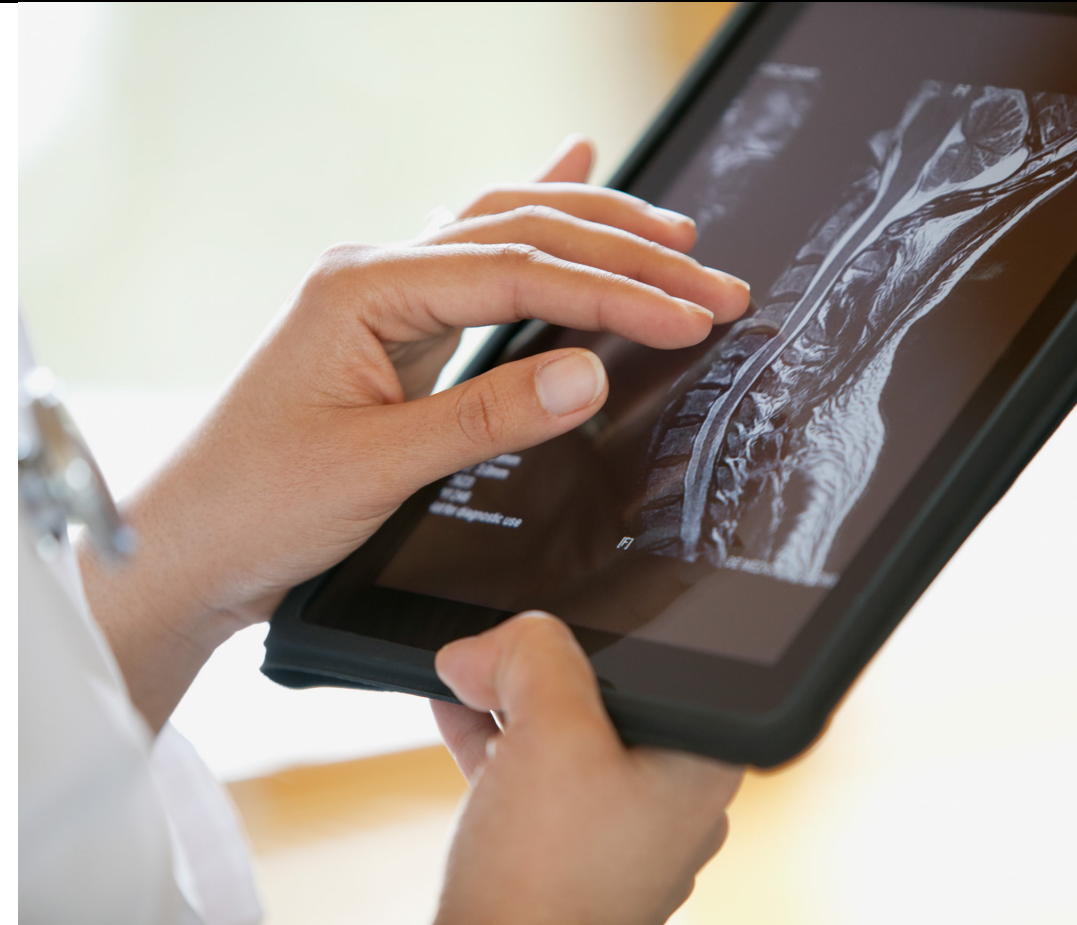


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How Did a Global Medical Device Company React Quickly and Effectively to New Local Tax Regulations?

Doctors around the globe are able to treat patients better and with greater precision thanks to endoscopes, medical instruments, and other devices from KARL STORZ SE & Co. KG. The company is also at the cutting-edge of digital documentation systems and comprehensive operating theater concepts. KARL STORZ combines its expertise in endoscopy with software solutions for integration into operating rooms and to support clinical process and resource management. So, when it comes to integration requirements for its business, it is no surprise that KARL STORZ turns to enterprise software leader SAP.

When faced with new VAT tax e-filing requirements from Spain's tax authority, KARL STORZ had to react fast. Flexible deployment options for an e-document solution from SAP combined with a hybrid integration platform using SAP® Process Orchestration technology helped KARL STORZ meet the new requirements quickly and with minimal effort. Now the company is fully compliant, helping maintain stability and integrity in Spain – qualities for which KARL STORZ has long been known the world over.



Quickly Complying with New Spanish Tax Requirements Using **SAP® Solutions**

KARL STORZ SE & Co. KG
Tuttlingen, Germany
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Industry
Life sciences

Products and Services
Endoscopes, medical instruments, and devices

Employees
>7,000 in more than 40 countries

Revenue
€1.6 billion

SAP® Solutions

SAP® ERP application, option for e-document processing; the SAP Application Interface Framework tool; and SAP Process Orchestration technology

KARL STORZ, the leading manufacturer for endoscopy instruments and devices, had to comply quickly with a newly introduced VAT management system in Spain that requires billing records from VAT books to be transmitted electronically. Using the option for e-document processing for SAP ERP combined with the SAP Application Interface Framework tool, records are communicated using SAP Process Orchestration – helping ensure fast compliance at a low cost.

Before: Challenges and Opportunities

- Enable compliance with a newly introduced tax control system by the Spanish tax authority – the “Immediate Supply of Information on VAT”
- Complete the project quickly in order to meet the regulator’s deadline
- Use SAP Process Orchestration – the integration platform of choice for KARL STORZ

Why SAP

- E-document framework provided by the SAP Globalization Services organization, which can be applied to different local tax regulations but which also leverages their similarities, thus leading to a consistent user experience and lower operational costs
- Prepackaged integration content that adheres to the Spanish tax authority’s communication and security requirements

After: Value-Driven Results

- Compliance with the Spanish tax authority for electronically transmitting billing records from VAT books
- Simple integration of the SAP ERP application at KARL STORZ with the tax authority system, thanks to prepackaged content from SAP
- Ability to react faster in response to changes mandated by the tax authority

“At KARL STORZ we take pride in assuring the highest product standards. With the option for e-document processing for SAP ERP, we can now apply **equally high standards to our business-to-government invoicing in Spain.”**

Günther Meuche, Global Vice President Information Technology, KARL STORZ SE & Co. KG



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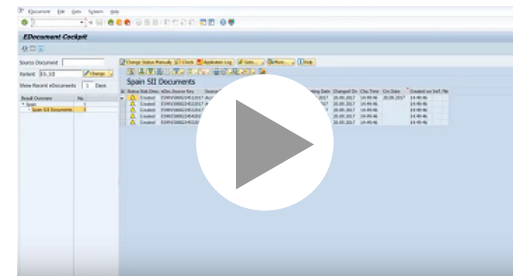
Compliance with tax regulations

Low

Implementation costs thanks to prepackaged integration content

Flexible

Deployment options that meet internal integration policies



Watch the video to learn more about the e-document solution for Spain.

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