

Spir Communication Chooses Esker to Automate Inbound Invoice Processing

Following the successful implementation of outbound customer invoicing and reminders from their SAP application, Esker DeliveryWare will soon allow Spir Communication to automate inbound invoice processing

Madison, WI, February 5, 2007 – Esker, the leader in document process automation solutions, today announced a new contract with Spir Communication to automate invoice processing for more than 6,500 documents per month, received from around 7,500 suppliers.

Spir Communication is one of the leaders on the localized communication market, with 170 free newspapers and journals in France and 51 theme-related real estate magazines in France and another 28 throughout Europe. With 4,100 employees and 25,000 distributors, Spir Communication sales were 568.7 million € in 2005.

In June 2006, Spir Communication successfully implemented Esker DeliveryWare to automate formatting and delivery of outbound customer invoices and customer reminders from its SAP system for seven of its European offices, (France, Belgium, Hungary, UK, Netherlands, Czechoslovakia and Switzerland). Today, they have chosen to integrate the Esker Dynamic Document Capture module to manage incoming supplier invoices.

In partnership with Clear Value, who will ensure integration within the SAP environment, this new contract will permit Spir Communication to automate processing of supplier invoices including:

- Invoice conversion
- Data capture and validation
- Invoice accountability
- Automatic data integration in its SAP system
- Automatic indexing and archiving in Esker DeliveryWare

“Currently a customer of Esker for the automation of our outbound invoices and customer reminders, we have been attracted to the concept of a global document solution with Esker DeliveryWare. With a single solution that manages both incoming and outgoing documents, we will be able to automate the entire document process, from reception of our supplier invoices to the delivery of our customer invoices and customer reminders,” states Frédéric Secchi, Managing Director of Finance at Spir Communication.

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“The confidence that Spir Communication places in Esker confirms the relevance of our latest version of Esker DeliveryWare as the first global document automation solution. From Dynamic Document Capture of inbound documents to delivery by mail services, fax, email, or SMS — Esker DeliveryWare offers companies an integrated solution to automate the entire business document process, from reception to delivery,” explains Jean-Michel Bérard, CEO of Esker.

About Spir Communication -www.spir.fr

Leader on the local communications market, Spir Communication operates in five markets including: free local classifieds of which it is the leader in France, print distribution, theme-related real estate magazines, printing and multimedia. Spir Communication holds a 25% share in 20 Minutes France SAS, editor of 8 separate daily editions of the "20 Minutes" newspaper in France.

About Esker

Esker is a recognized leader in helping organizations eliminate manual processes, gain process visibility and control, and reduce the use of paper by automating the flow of documents into, within and out of the organization. With patented document delivery automation software and hosted document delivery services, Esker offers a total solution to automate every phase and every type of business information exchange. Customers achieve significant and immediate operational efficiencies, cost savings and measurable ROI in as little as three to six months. Founded in 1985, Esker operates globally with more than 80,000 customers and millions of licensed users worldwide. Esker has global headquarters in Lyon, France and U.S. headquarters in Madison, Wisconsin. For more information, visit www.esker.com.

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