## **BusinessGuard – Active finance- and liquidity management**

The ABG GmbH, subsidiary of the Baverischen Genossenschaftsverbandes e.V. as well as the Akademie Deutscher Genossenschaften e.V. is the personnel management partner of the bayerischen Volksbanken and Raiffeisenbanken. As partner for almost 1,100 associates with over 70.000 employees the ABG GmbH considers the members' demands and expectations and develops perspectives for its' members future

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For the controlling and the planning of its' business activity the ABG GmbH utilised only Excel. Thereby there was deficient in a clear exposition and transparency up to the evidence level so that the data haven't been replicable. The relatively high error vulnerability as well as the utterly time-consuming working effort occasioned the ABG GmbH to assail the implementation of a BI-system.

The change aimed the introduction of an intuitive usable bi-system which can fast evaluate even bigger data amounts and which can make reliable and transparent reports without big working effort available. For a straight and immediate entrance in a smart system for planning, analysis, reporting and simulation the ABG GmbH bought the browser based BI-system BusinessGuard of QuarterMill. Already after one week the ABG GmbH disposed a ready-to-use and to their company structure adapted system. After a short, one-day BusinessGuard introduction the app had been directly integrated in everyday work. Just a few days after the purchase decision the ABG GmbH possessed over reliable and transparent results or analysis of the present and latest fact data as well as of the existing plan data.

So a various number of different pre-defined business reportings with access to all existing fact as well as plan data are available. The default reports enable nonetheless without any IT-knowledge a high degree of flexibility so that analysis from different point of views can be created within a few clicks. Standardly the data illustration is done in compressed form but the drill-down functionality in the reports enables a detailed view with recourse to the data evidence.

The application focuses in particular the liquidity calculation or management. For this reason BusinessGuard contains standardly different Cash-Flow reports e.g. the daily liquidity report with open postings consideration.

Both fact as plan data are captured or edited directly on dimension level in order that the values are automatically categorised after business unit, cost center or project. By doing so a complete and actual overview of all decision relevant information is given at any time. BusinessGuard is always online available with all its' functionalities as browser based application.

However BusinessGuard doesn't only provide at the data evaluation a work simplification but also at the business planning. Here BusinessGuard surprised through an uncomplicated and fast realisation of special customer requirements. "The easy inclusion of our demands to consider financial investments in the planning or in the controlling had been astonishing for us", so the GVB e.V. CFO. "Through BusinessGuard we are now able to get more information from our company figures, to simulate entrepreneurial decisions, plan from fact and have always an online access to all analysis or reports. And that for an extremely attractive price-performance ratio!"



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