



**Press Release**

**Weldmation selects RPlan software from ACTANO for project management**

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**Weldmation Inc. has implemented the RPlan project and program management solution from ACTANO, a leading provider of project management software and services focused on product development. For nearly 50 years Weldmation has provided complete welding, fabrication, assembly and factory automation systems to the automotive industry. Weldmation is utilizing RPlan for collaborative project planning together with their German OEM customer, who is in the process of building a new plant in the US. Weldmation and automotive OEM will use RPlan to create and exchange up-to-date schedules, while maintaining all interdependencies. This unique capability is provided by the RPlan functionality Cross Company Planning.**

The ACTANO methodology of cooperative project management provides the capability to manage large, complex and dynamic projects within a corporation and across the entire supply chain. On this basis RPlan has become a project management standard throughout much of the global automotive industry. Also other industries such as aerospace, machinery and IT have reaped the benefits of collaborative project management. The ACTANO user base now comprises over 90,000 RPlan licenses.

ACTANO - manage your projects

ACTANO is a provider of full solutions for the sustainable optimization of the product development process. Its innovative RPlan project management software helps customers reduce development times and drive down costs significantly.

RPlan applies the collaborative project management methodology to set up a networked system of project control that is uniform and transparent and adopts a decentralized planning approach based on communication between project members. The manufacturers of Germany's eight best-selling automobile brands deploy RPlan to support end-to-end collaboration of all internal and external project members in their distributed product development environments.

ACTANO has a workforce of around 200 employees at offices in Zurich, Munich, Stuttgart, Wolfsburg, Magdeburg and Detroit. Customers include Airbus, AKT, BMW, Bosch, Daimler, Europrop International, IAV, GETRAG FORD Transmissions, General Motors, Gustav Wahler, Hatz Motorenfabrik, Hella, Huf, Kinshofer, Komax, Kostal, KUKA, Leobersdorfer Maschinenfabrik LMF, Manz, Marquardt, Mitsubishi, MTU Aero Engines, Osram, Rolls-Royce Deutschland, Sitech, smart, Stankiewicz, ThyssenKrupp Presta, Voith Turbo, Volkswagen, Vredestein, ZF Getriebe, ZF Lenksysteme

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