

## MINERVA PRESS RELEASE



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### **Minerva has won a new project in SMB sector. ACL Automotive – a manufacturer of roof racks will use QAD Enterprise Applications for enterprise resource management**

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ACL Automotive is an important Czech manufacturer of longitudinal and cross roof racks. Additionally, the company maintains research and development partnership with leading automotive OEMs. In order to increase its manufacturing and development capabilities, ACL Automotive has invested in the construction of a new production facility in Liberec, Czech Republic, which will also serve a R&D center.

Building a new facility gave ACL Automotive the opportunity to design the new facility with Lean Manufacturing principles in mind and implement a best-of-class automotive ERP system to support company operations in a lean environment. Out of a large field of vendors, ACL Automotive chose QAD EA RAPID as the solution best suited to meet their requirements as a growing automotive supplier. QAD's Distributor in the Czech Republic, Minerva Ceska republika, will lead the implementation of QAD Enterprise Applications (formerly MFG/PRO) as well as an automated data collection system and QAD's web-based Supply Visualization tool. Supply Visualization will give suppliers visibility into stock levels of their materials at ACL Automotive and provide continuously updated information about when shipments must be made. Equally important, ACL Automotive will be able to better measure supplier performance, reduce unnecessary inventory by adjusting minimum and maximum required stock levels of supplier materials, prevent stock-outs and resulting delivery problems to key OEM customers. QAD Enterprise Applications is replacing IS Helios at ACL Automotive.

#### **About Minerva**

Minerva is a customer-focused company specializing in helping manufacturing and distribution companies solve their business problems by providing them with greater efficiency, control and productivity through the implementation of information systems. Minerva is able to provide its customers a full range of services from software installation and consultation to system integration and world class e-business solutions. Long-time experience in the Czech, Slovak, Russian, Ukrainian and Lithuanian Enterprise Resource Planning market and over 100 companies in these markets using the QAD Enterprise Applications (formerly MFG/PRO) information system confirm Minerva's commitment to customer satisfaction. More at [www.minerva-is.eu](http://www.minerva-is.eu)



