



Press Release

**More than 30% growth for Ortems in the first half of 2008
30% increase in employees
Strengthening our share of the European market by opening offices in Germany and Spain.**

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More than 30% growth

According to René Desvignes, CEO of **Ortems**,
*"This growth reflects our customers' confidence in our comprehensive solutions, from planning to scheduling. It is based on a model for deploying Ortems at multiple international facilities, for customers including NEXANS, Johnson Diversey and Johnson & Johnson. This growth is proof of our innovative position in the planning and scheduling market: **Agile Manufacturing**. We are currently introducing production-based reality to the idea of **Agile Manufacturing** by enabling pull flow production as close as possible to customer lead times."*

International: growth engine

Ortems is strengthening its international growth:

- Three new partnership agreements with ERP publishers in Germany, Switzerland and Spain.
- Opening new offices in Europe. After establishing offices in Stuttgart (Germany) in March 2008, **Ortems** opened an office in Barcelona to better serve its Spanish customers and local distributors.
- New website www.ortems.com available in 7 languages: French, English, Spanish, German, Italian, Portuguese and Russian.

About Ortems

Ortems, a leading provider of **manufacturing planning** and **detailed production scheduling** solutions, offers innovative solutions based on **Agile Manufacturing** concepts.

Ortems is the ideal complement to ERP systems due to the power of its finite capacity optimization engines, the efficiency of its models for dynamic synchronization of production flows and the quality of its certified integrations.

Ortems provides a dynamic, comprehensive model that integrates the performance of its synchronized MRP technology, which enables obtaining optimal customer service rates in a pull planning production environment.

Ortems solutions are currently used by thousands of people in more than 30 countries, by international companies including Arcelor-Mittal, Rio Tinto Alcan, Alstom, Areva, Crown, DCNs, EADS, Givaudan, Johnson & Johnson, Knauf, Liebherr, LVMH, Magneti Marelli, Merck, Michelin, Nestlé, Nexans, PSA (Peugeot Citroën), Prysmian, Rhodia, Ricoh, Sanofi-Aventis, Seb, Snecma, Total, Valeo and Wyeth.

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