



Today, Ålö is the world leading manufacturer of front end loaders with associated equipment. Ålö has more than 25 percent of the world market in the segment of agricultural tractors with engines stronger than 50 hp.

Ålö's front end loaders are manufactured and sold under two brand names, Quicke and Trima, and both are associated with the highest quality.

Customer case Ålö

ASSERT IS A PLM SOLUTION FOR INCREASED AFTER MARKET SALES, MANAGING ALL AFTER SALES INFORMATION AND A SPARE PART CATALOGUE. ALL PRODUCT INFORMATION IS COLLECTED IN ONE SYSTEM, CREATED FOR WORK GROUPS AND MADE AVAILABLE TO RESELLERS OR END CUSTOMERS THROUGH AN EASY TO USE WEB INTERFACE.

Ålö manufactures and supports front end loaders with associated equipment. With a wide variety of OEMs, end customers and resellers in more than 40 countries, Ålö face a challenge in providing up to date product information for service and maintenance and support organizations around.

In order for Ålö to provide superior support, Ålö has focused their efforts on providing the just right information to their customers. Their choice of tool for this is Signifikant's product Assert, which is used as a front end to all customers and resellers and to collect, produce and distribute after sales information as spare part lists, service instructions and manuals.

Increased customer satisfaction

The quality of the support given to a customer is greatly dependent upon a easy access to correct parts information and service instructions. With Assert, Ålö has managed to provide resellers and end cus-

tomers with correct spare parts information in an easy-to-use and vell designed web interface.

Assert automates and optimizes the handling of product information, thus providing always up-to-date information with changes and corrections. Tedious and costly mistakes in delivering the wrong part are minimized. The result is increased customer satisfaction!

Increased sales of spare parts

With the right information and an order management module at the same place, an intuitive interface and a guarantee to get the right part, it is much simpler placing an order in Assert than finding the same part from a third-party vendor.

Simply, reseller and customers prefer placing orders in Assert due to its ease of use, and up-to-date information, compared to placing orders at competitors.

Cut lead-times

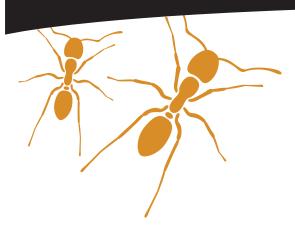
With a modular design of after sales information, lead times of new products have been cut to a few days. Corrections are made and distributed within hours due to the smooth publication process.

Substantially improved productivity

Large amounts of customer data require tedious and expensive work with technical documentation. With Assert, Ålö have been able to handle an increased number of products with an increased amount of documentation with the same staffing.

Automated creation of digital parts information to OEM customers have greatly improved productivity, and at the same time reduced the number of manual errors in creating parts information to OEM customers.

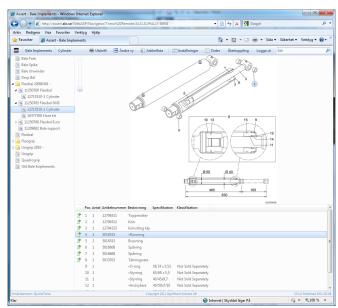




The installation

An Assert Server is installed at Ålö. A Web Viewer is used to serve end users with up-to date product information, and an internal editorial environment is used by editors to provide correct and up to date product information. For easy ordering, the Web Viewer provides easy-to-use order functionality.

Assert is used for all of Ålö's different brands, and in a total of more than 40 countries.



About Signifikant

Signifikant is an IT-provider focused on delivering state-of-the art software solutions. Within PLM, Signifikant provides Assert for manufacturers after market information.

Signifikant's Vision with the Assert product suite is to Make Your Aftermarket into a Profit Machine.

- Your Customers are demanding more product information. Demands on more information and quality information are increasing dramatically. Margins on after sales are more and more important.
- Product Life Management (PLM) systems needs to be complimented. PLMsolutions do not take care of the aftermarkets information requirement. Information needs to be reworked for the aftermarket.
- Standards exist and should be used. Product companies are responsible for all
 information including sub-suppliers components. Product companies invest a lot to
 recreate their supplier's information into their own format.

The Aftermarket Software and spare part catalogue — Assert. An IT-solution for the right spare part to the right machine, increased customer trust and increased aftermarket sales.

KEY BENEFITS

- Provide easy-to-use and well designed interface for end customers and resellers
- Increase after sales information quality and increase feedback on quality issues tremendously
- Compete efficiently with third party spare part vendors — increase your sales and strengthen your brand
- Increase your productivity in producing and distributing your after sales material with 100%
- Cut lead times in production of product documentation with 70%

AVAILABLE IN THREE EDITIONS

Assert is available in three editions; all with a superior, easy-to-use, end user interface and with a large set of options and configuration possibilities:

- Assert Small Business Edition for a single user, easy to install and use
- Assert Standard Edition for work groups with powerful support and high degree of configurability
- Assert Enterprise Edition total configurability and a complete after market solution