

## Thales Optronique



*"Now that the process is automated, it's hard to believe it was ever anything else."*

Baptiste Grigy

CAD-DMU Support Team Manager

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### CHALLENGE

Data exchange at Thales was becoming an increasing burden both in terms of complexity and the sheer volume of information being generated. The exchange of data between the optronics division that designs airborne and terrestrial devices and its subcontractors or other internal departments was a manual process, a time consuming task equivalent in man-hours to employing two full time CAD technicians.

### SOLUTION

DEXcenter allowed Thales to completely automate the flow of product data among its internal users. The Internet/intranet-based system provides a convenient, reliable and secure method for translating engineering data. This will be expanded in the second stage of implementation to include data transmission between Thales and its customers and suppliers.

### RESULT

DEXcenter's entire automation process has afforded Thales an estimated time savings of 80 percent. Baptiste Grigy, support team manager CAD-DMU at Thales, comments: "The seamless translation of data into STEP and IGES, to meet the needs of a wide range of suppliers and colleagues, has very quickly become invaluable."

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