

AFTERMARKET SOLUTIONS**COMMON WEB PLATFORM**

A platform for advanced and reliable eBusiness applications

Volvo's eBusiness platform, **Common Web Platform**, includes features and functionalities that are required to develop an advanced and reliable eBusiness application. This means you can assume that the technical issues have been handled and instead focus on the business at hand.

Common Web Platform is the second generation of Volvo's eBusiness platform. Changes have been made based on the knowledge gained and lessons learned from the initial Vebiz platform. Major differences include a shift from a "best-of-breed" to a one-vendor product approach, which provides more out-of-the-box functionality and reduced operating expenses. Microsoft serves as the primary vendor for the Common Web Platform, supporting the Volvo Group's use of Office, Windows, and Active Directory.

partners, or employees, Common Web Platform is a Microsoft-based platform that consists of components to address: Application Integration, Branding, Content management, Personalization, Portal needs, Security, Single sign-on, etc.

Specifically, Common Web Platform is comprised of core, industry-standard technology, which includes: Microsoft Content Management Server, Sharepoint Portal Server, Biztalk Server, Web Services, SQL Server, Siteminder, and Active Directory. The Common Web Platform core functionality can be used for both Windows and Unix based applications.

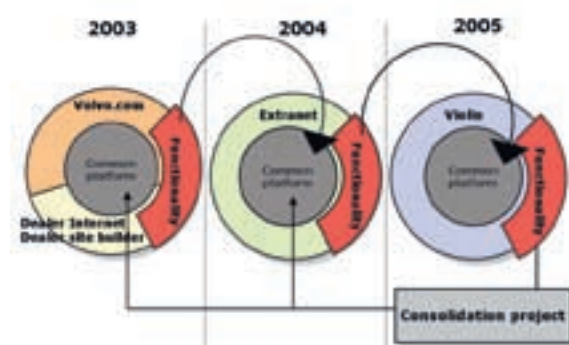
User-friendly with a High Level of Security

Common Web Platform meets the requirements of basic functionality for development of eBusiness solutions for customers, dealers, vehicle owners, etc. To achieve this, we have integrated a strategic selection of products, methods of development that reduce development time, as well as a section that demonstrates how Common Web Platform-based solutions are put into operation.

Common Web Platform is well-suited to solutions requiring a high-level of security when connecting to the Internet, Extranets or to a company Intranet. These solutions are designed in such a way that new functionality is provided for accessing data in previously existing root systems. In addition, all user interface management is handled by Common Web Platform and made accessible in an easy manner.

Examples of Applications

Common Web Platform has been successfully utilized by Volvo Construction Equipment, Volvo Commercial Finance, Volvo Penta, Volvo

**From Analysis to Implementation**

With Common Web Platform, Volvo IT offers everything from business development consultants to define your business case to complete implementation of solutions with valuable operation and support, resulting in a high level of accessibility and scalability.

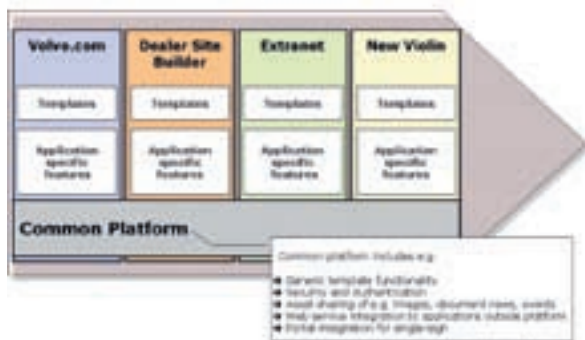
A Complete eBusiness Package

Providing agile solutions to empower your customers,

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Trucks North America, Mack Trucks, Volvo Aero, Renault Trucks, Volvo Truck Corporation, Volvo Bus, 3P, Powertrain, Parts, and Volvo IT. These Volvo companies have built customer and dealer solutions using the platform's core components.

In addition, Common Web Platform has been successfully utilized by AB Volvo, who deployed a standard, public web presence and content management process across the Volvo Group. In all cases, Common Web Platform has been proven to create the foundation desired in order to focus effectively on the requirements of the business.



What Your Company Stands to Gain

A number of useful effects can be achieved when skills and experience in developing Common Web Platform-based solutions are utilized. Customers using a common platform and environment all benefit from enhancements made to the platform by other customers as well as enjoy quicker time-to-market and reduced operating expenses.

Typical Useful Effects:

- Shorter development time and a higher quality result.
- Successful cases can be immediately re-used for new customers and projects.

- Projects can focus on business issues instead of technology
- Reduced costs of development.
- Lower costs of operation and support.

Deploying Common Web Platform Components

Common Web Platform can be deployed to suit the functionality and features required by the business. Each Common Web Platform implementation will require initiation of an individual project. Before initiating a Common Web Platform project, customers should have a business need for a portal solution or to use some of the common functions of the Common Web Platform. Business goals, target audience, and information types all need to be considered prior to migrating to the platform.

Requesting This Platform

Volvo IT has the resources to help you determine the best way to implement the Common Web Platform within your company.

The common E Business platform includes:

- Generic template functionality
- Security and Authentication
- Asset sharing of images, document news, events
- Web service integration to applications outside platform
- Portal integration for single sign-on

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