

A CLOSER LOOK AT HOW REALISABLE WORKS FOR: LEARNING RESOURCES

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“Using IMan as the base platform for this project allowed us to achieve both time and cost savings. There was no need to build our own integration platform from the ground up and the development of each integration “piece” was much quicker thanks to the reusable pre-made components available. In addition, all future changes have been much quicker to implement as there is no need to recompile and reinstall builds, it’s just a couple of clicks!”

Andy Pickup – Senior Consultant, TASCOLI

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OVERVIEW

Learning Resources were looking to integrate their eCommerce platform, MarketLive, with Sage300 ERP, which included O/E order imports, part shipments, future orders and payment processing. IMan provided a highly configurable & robust integration platform which was able to comply with the complexities of both MarketLive and Learning Resources’ specific requirements.

MARKETLIVE

MarketLive, an enterprise level solution provider, offer an eCommerce platform encompassing mobile, merchandising, social and marketing. Guided by their parent US company, Learning Resources chose MarketLive to host their eCommerce store.

TASCOLI & REALISABLE

Learning Resources’ Sage Business Partner, Tascoli, was engaged to implement the integration between MarketLive and Sage300 ERP, Learning Resources’ Accounting/ERP solution. Tascoli immediately saw that Realisable & IMan was the perfect fit for the project. IMan could provide the necessary flexibility and reliability required for a project of this complexity. Realisable’s Business Partner sales and implementation channel provided assistance, guidance & consultation over the duration of the project. This allowed Tascoli, Realisable’s longest standing Business Partner, to retain and control the client facing role.

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REQUIREMENTS

- Automation of data transfers between MarketLive and Sage300.
- A flexible solution able to handle part shipments and future orders.
- Settlement of payment on shipment of goods.

SOLUTION

IMan was able to automate:

- Item master data and inventory uploads to MarketLive.
- Customer & O/E Order Import from MarketLive to Sage300 ERP. IMan was able to provide the advanced logic required including address verification, ‘held’ orders, logging & auditing and conditional field setting.
- The upload of shipment and payment data from Sage300 ERP to MarketLive on shipment of goods.
- Integration of the payment processing into the order import and shipment upload processes.

PAYMENT PROCESSING

For the project to be a success, it required integration of Learning Resources’ chosen payment gateway, CyberSource, with the order import and shipment processes.

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“IMan enabled us to integrate the Marketlive eCommerce platform with Sage300 ERP with ease. IMan was able to adapt easily to the many changes during the project and we’re impressed with its flexibility and stability.”

Dennis Blackmore – Managing Director, LEARNING RESOURCES

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In addition to the standard settlement process, triggered on an order’s shipment, several other key issues needed to be handled:

- Orders can be placed through MarketLive with ship dates exceeding the credit card authorisation of 30 days.
- Credit Card authorisations expire when the first settlement is taken. Orders with multiple shipments require a mechanism to settle on the second and subsequent shipments.
- PCI Compliance.

Realisable developed a custom CyberSource connector to support a range of transactions required by Learning Resources. In addition to the standard settlement, the connector provides functionality for payment tokenisation. Through Tokenisation the customer’s credit cards allows the details to be stored at CyberSource, where payments can be taken where the original authorisation is expired. Tokenisation also addressed PCI issues since all credit card details are held with Cybersource.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

- To handle the international customer base of Learning Resources MarketLive needed to develop extensions to their website. The fluid nature at which the requirements changed meant many changes to MarketLive’s import and export data formats. With IMan’s configuration based designer, Tascoli were able to adapt the integrations easily, without having to recreate them.
- IMan’s XML handling on both the import and export was able to comply with MarketLive’s complex & deeply nested XML data formats.

OUTCOME

Learning Resources were able to implement a highly ‘customised’ solution. IMan provided a cost-effective, highly configurable & robust platform which was able to comply with the complexities of both MarketLive and Learning Resources’ specialised requirements.

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With IMan Learning Resources were also able to automate the following processes:

- Nightly EDI compliant intercompany purchase orders upload to Learning Resources’ parent US company.
- Daily uplift of CRM data to Learning Resources’ hosted CRM solution, Spirit.

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