

OPTIMISING PROCUREMENT:

ASPECIALISED SOFTWARE SOLUTION





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NICOLAS GONZALEZ, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR GLOBAL SOURCE TO CONTRACT AT MONDELĒZ INTERNATIONAL, INTRODUCES THE COMPANY'S NEW BUYER CENTRAL PLATFORM, AIMING TO CONNECT ALL SYSTEMS AND OFFER FULL TRANSPARENCY TO ITS USERS.

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Its global brands
can be found in
over 150 countries,
with operations in
over 80 countries, employing
approximately 80,000 people
worldwide. In 2019, Mondelez
International reported a net
revenue of almost \$26 billion
and net earnings of around
\$3.4 billion.

Nicolas Gonzalez is Associate
Director Global Source
to Contract at Mondelez
International, responsible for all
tools and processes used by
its procurement community.
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as user-friendly as possible for its buyers, Nicolas describes Mondelēz International's procurement software strategy





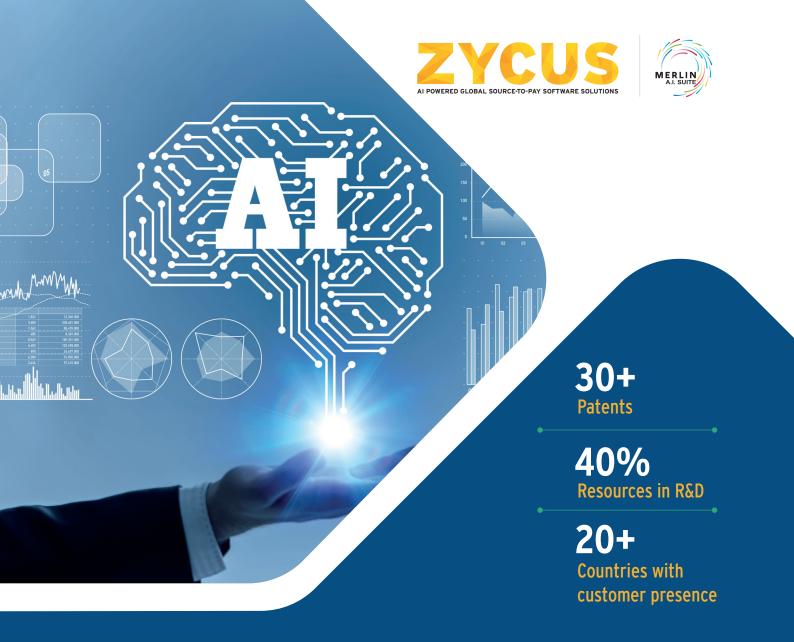




as the use of best-in-class software for every step. He says, "We want to have the best software for each specific part of our process, so we are not using end-to-end software that covers everything. Our objective is to have the best solution for resourcing, contracts and lifecycle management etc. This means efficiencies improve when the tool to do the best job for each part of the process is chosen."

Mondelez International was recently recognised at the Procurement Leaders World Procurement Awards 2020, scooping the H&Z Transformation Award: Internal Transformation – Establishing the Function for the best transformation programme. Nicolas says, "The fact that we can customise a tool to do exactly what we want in a specific part of the process has helped us to ensure we are using the best tools across the board. This has proven to be very successful."

Commenting on the added complexity of using a variety



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He explains, "On the software side, we are working with Coupa for our catalogue solution to operationalise our contracts, as well as Coupa CSO for our parametric bidding, and Zycus for our contract management and simple sourcing. We have also recently partnered with Pegasystems for our new Buyer Central platform."

Mondelez International's expectation in terms of its procurement software and technologies is to offer a more specialised software solution, allowing for flexibility when changes occur.







Mondelēz International: Purchasing Simplification made right – with Pega



Higher efficiency and productivity

Improved employee satisfaction

Ability to concentrate on core duties

Optimized supplier selection process

Mondelēz International sought out a solution to simplify its procurement and purchasing processes. They chose Pegasystems, the leading specialist in customer engagement and digital process automation with whom Mondelēz International has already had a very successful collaboration in the area of customer service. Pega unified the various individual systems under its Pega Infinity platform: Employees now have a single point of contact where they can access their projects and all of the relevant data and monitor the status of those projects and important figures; they can see what tasks need to be completed and receive notifications when processes require their attention – all at a single glance.

Mondelez International and Pega teamed up to tackle purchasing complexity:

- Five central purchasing systems together under one interface
- **Pega Platform controls the various systems**, handles data queries, and updates changed data in the background
- Automation of many manual processes or replacement with controlled processes
- No programming effort due to low code development
- Implemented in just a few weeks



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Nicolas explains, "In the current situation, we see a lot of new technologies coming in, which will soon become the norm. Flexibility is the key. It is not just about using best-in-class software and being specialised. If there is a change in the market or a new regulation, we need the ability to adapt what we have built very easily."

The company's Buyer Central offers a layer on top of Mondelez International's best-in-class software, providing an interface for users to monitor their sourcing projects end-to-end. Nicolas says, "Buyer Central gives us flexibility. If we



want to change a calculation, add a new field, or remove a step in the processes, we can do it quite easily. If a buyer is starting a project, they will enter it in Buyer Central and be able to see its status and which system it is in, linking all the systems in one place to help guide the buyer through the processes and advise on which is the next logical step."

The benefits of the platform are plain to see, ensuring total visibility from start to finish. Nicolas explains, "There are lots of advantages. Buyer Central enables the flow of information across systems, improves data congruency, and ensures flexibility. We are not reinventing the specialised tools, but connecting them with this additional layer on top. It also provides the buyer with consolidated information in one system, so they do not have to check all the different systems for alerts. It is a whole new world in terms of visibility and efficiencies."

Mondelez International is looking to mirror the same Buyer Central experience for its vendors, as well as utilise the information gleamed from the project to improve internal operations. Nicolas explains, "We have generated a huge database of information, enabling us to analyse our processes and optimise on inefficiencies. The data will give us details about our performance, which will then help us to improve on such things as quality and sustainability."

As for the recent coronavirus pandemic, Nicolas saus that the company's focus has been on resolving any operational issues they have faced as a result. He continues, "Our aim continues to be making the right snack for the right moment. We want to keep doing what we are doing, especially during times of uncertainty. In terms of the procurement function, our goal is to have good, flexible processes in place, enabling us to adapt to the new world we are living in."

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