

AccTech *Success*

African Marine Park uShaka deploys ACCPAC

uShaka MARINE WORLD, spanning over 15 hectares of prime beach front, is Africa's largest Marine Theme Park and incorporates fresh and sea water and lush vegetation. AccTech Systems implemented ACCPAC ERP 500 with Peresoft CashBook at uShaka.

According to Tertius Zitzke, MD at AccTech Systems, the project was a so-called 'greenfield' installation as no prior systems existed at the newly built theme park. "ACCPAC's reputation as the financial back office leader within the SA hotel and leisure industry, AccTech's national support and experience in this industry vertical and uShaka staff members' previous experience with ACCPAC assisted the company in its decision making process.

"uShaka was looking for a Microsoft SQL-based application that could be scaled as the business grows," he says. "The company's IT department insisted on a Microsoft platform and this complemented AccTech's initial advisory.

With the standard ACCPAC financial report writer link into Microsoft Excel, and the budget control functionality within ACCPAC General Ledger, AccTech developed divisional financial reports for the 20 divisions as well as monthly and annual MIS reports. External data on statistics like daily attendance figures are also carried in ACCPAC General Ledger for MIS reporting.

ACCPAC's speed of deployment

Prakash Govender, financial manager at uShaka, adds that speed of deployment was an important factor influencing the decision to go for the ACCPAC solution. "uShaka is a new entity and had no financial solution in place. We needed a solution that would be up and running in no time at all, based on our rigid time constraints with the opening of the Park's deadline looming," she says.

"Our accountant had used the product in the past and impressed on us its ease of use, flexibility and powerful features. In addition, the ACCPAC solution promised to take no more than two weeks to implement. We were sold. AccTech delivered the project in time and the solution was a perfect fit for our budget."

"Needless to say, traffic volumes through the park are vast and we needed a financial solution that would run smoothly with our current database and POS systems. ACCPAC fulfils and exceeds these requirements in that it can be scaled up as and when future growth demands."



SUMMARY

UShaka Marine world is the 5th largest aquarium in the world. uShaka was looking for a Microsoft SQL-based application that could be scaled as the business grows. The company's IT department insisted on a Microsoft platform and this complemented AccTech's initial advisory. AccTech also developed divisional financial reports for the 20 divisions as well as monthly and annual MIS reports.

ACCPAC SOLUTION

ACCPAC ERP 500

BENEFITS

Initially the major benefit for uShaka was speed at which ACCPAC could be deployed. Now they benefit from external data on statistics like daily attendance figures that are carried in ACCPAC General Ledger and that provides uShaka with thorough MIS reporting.

INDUSTRY

Entertainment/Tourism

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa

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