

RESTRUCTURING IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

- In addition to already high personnel costs, accompanied by a shortage of personnel, there are persistently high energy costs and administrative hurdles.
- Supply and sales markets have become unpredictable.
 The order volumes of manufacturers (OEMs) are significantly more volatile.
- Planned profit margins are at risk, and planned investments need to be reconsidered.
- Production must be streamlined. Digital aspects need to be incorporated into all areas and processes to reduce costs.



Atreus – Your partner in restructuring



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"The return to economic normality (pre-COVID) is still not in sight. Therefore, many companies have to restructure to secure their survival. This can mean, among other things: Optimizing or closing locations, relocating plants, reducing staff, streamlining organization, and increasing digitalization. This applies both to Germany and internationally."



Atreus supports you in redefining your business

2030

Most companies are currently focusing on restructuring their business in order to prepare themselves for the years up to 2030. In more than **300 successful projects per year**, Atreus accompanies German and international companies in transformation situations. With our **efficient network of 15,000 experienced interim managers**, we support you especially in difficult restructuring and turnaround situations with tailor-made Chief Restructuring Officers (CROs). The motto is: **"FIX IT, SELL IT OR CLOSE IT"**



CRO FOR COMPANIES

The **Atreus CRO is an interim manager** with sustainable experience in optimizing / restructuring companies, i.e., a **senior manager with C-level experience** who has successfully restructured (multiple times) in relevant companies and similar scale. His/her task is to support you and your management in redefining / optimizing / restructuring. Depending on the requirements, he/ she can have a stronger commercial or technical orientation.

CRO FOR CORE TOPIC

In this case, the **Atreus CRO** is an **experienced restructuring expert** in a core theme. Core themes include, for example, procurement, logistics, development, production, sales, marketing, human resources, controlling, finance, treasury, IT, shareholder management, exit/carve-out, etc.

CRO WITH TEAM

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If necessary, a team can even be formed around the Atreus CRO, i.e., additional restructuring experts from the areas of procurement, logistics, development, production, sales, marketing, HR, controlling, finance, treasury, IT, shareholder management, exit/ carve-out, etc. provide support.

Sustainable success through efficient organization and smart decisions

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BUSINESS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	FOOTPRINT	CRISIS MANAGEMENT OF NON- PERFORMING BUSINESS UNITS / SUBSIDIARIES
 Planning of further business development until 2030: Products, revenue, costs, cash planning, financing, etc. CO₂-neutral production Separation of non-core activities Cooperations, outsourcing, etc. 	 Review of all locations and plants Capacity planning Site closure and relocation Reduction of excess capacities Consolidation of productions and plants Adjustment of the supply chain 	 Active cost management Reduction of the product portfolio Reduction in the number of employees Review of pricing Business planning
04	05	06

HR RESTRUCTURING

- Location analysis
- Development of downsizing scenarios
- Strategy in dealing with the works council
- Conducting negotiations with works council / trade unions
- Integration of transfer companies
- Ensuring legal certainty

RISK MANAGEMENT SUPPLY CHAIN

- Review of the supply chain
- Risk analysis
- Ensuring supply
- Initiating supplier turnaround
- Establishing escalation levels
- Conducting prevention

CASH MANAGEMENT

- Cash analysis and cash planning
- Discussions with banks, banking groups, and stakeholders
- Analysis and implementation of government assistance and funding programs
- Accounts receivable management



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07	08	09
ORGANIZATIONAL AND DECISI- ON-MAKING PROCESSES	PROCESSES AND WORKFLOWS	SHARE HOLDERS / INVESTORS
 Organizational review: Size and composition of the Executive Management Committees, number of hierarchies, central vs. decentralized, P&L responsibility Review of entrepreneurial complexity: Leaner, faster, more local entrepre- neurial responsibility 	 Analysis of organization and processes/workflows in each business unit/area Development and implementation of optimization measures focusing on cost, quality, time, and digital implementation capability 	 Shareholder management (ensuring factual and regular communication) Market analysis with regard to potential shareholders and investors Facilitating discussions involving all relevant decision-makers
10 EXIT / CARVE-OUT	11 DIGITALIZATION	12 IT INFRASTRUCTURE
 Preparation for the sale of non-core assets Market analysis regarding interested parties 	 Digitalization or automation of internal processes Digitalization of services: Further development of digital 	 IT strategy and transformation Reduction of the ERP systems used Hybrid vs. cloud approach IT carve-in/out

- Implementation of a profitability enhancement program
- Handling the M&A process
- Carve-out

- Better understanding of customer processes and utilization of Big Data
- Improvement of lead generation

business models

- Data management, analytics
- IT and cyber security



Examples of Atreus restructuring mandates

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PLANT CLOSURE

- Tier 1 | Supplier
- Closure of a production plant (down to zero)
- Negotiation/conclusion of agreements with trade union, works council and individual contracts
- Project management

STAFF REDUCTION Tier 1 | Suppliers

- Selection/reduction of employees in a production plant (partial reduction)
- Negotiating/concluding agreements with the works council and individual contracts with employees
- Project management

PLANT RELOCATION Tier 1 | Supplier

- Preparation of the receiving plant (Brown Field project)
- Relocation of all production activities to Eastern Europe

• Project management

REDUCTION SCENARIO Tier 1 | Supplier

- Location analysis D
- Development of HR reduction scenarios and strategies for dealing with employee representatives for submission to senior management
- Project management

EXIT / CARVE-OUT Tier 1 | Supplier

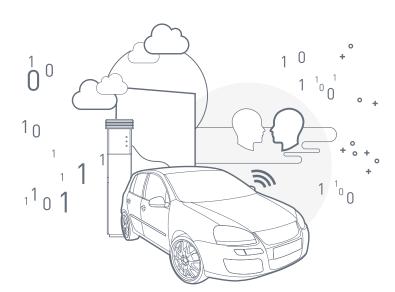
- Preparation of the sale of defined non-core assets; market analysis with regard to interested parties
- Profitability enhancement program; handling of the M&A process
- Project management

PROCESS OPTIMIZATION Tier 1 | Supplier

- Analysis of processes in a business area
- Process optimization

 (e.g. through digitalization), cost
 optimization, personnel optimization
- Project management







ATREUS AUTOMOTIVE RECEIVES MULTIPLE AWARDS

WE ARE DELIGHTED WITH THE RENEWED AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF OUR EXPERTISE IN 2023/2024:

Everything new, everything different - the automotive industry is in the midst of a shockwave of change. Those who do not adapt now will be slowed down. As a top consultancy, Atreus supports you with temporary automotive experience!

Atreus is among the top consultancies in 2023 for restructuring and for the automotive industry in Germany.



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