Agnès b. needed help to choose the right solution in terms of business information and reporting. Altic did a POC (proof of concept) with SpagoBi, Talend ETL, Jaspersoft and Mondrian that reinforced the choice of Open Source component.

An international group
Agnès b. is a French ready-to-wear brand for men, women and kids with ten subsidiaries, 246 selling points and management offices all around the world. Consequently data are coming and going from one place to another between Europe, Asia and the US. In this context, there is no single point of truth and business data are different depending on the people providing them.

Moreover, information can’t be organized from a business point of view like grouping the data that countries or subsidiaries provide on items, customers etc...

An unique point of trustworthy information
Agnès b. has set several goals for the project:

- To create a single point of truth
- To control data sources
- To produce a consistent, reliable and consolidated datawarehouse using a common vocabulary.

To do so, information from subsidiaries is assembled in a data warehouse and organized into business dimensions. Then it is accessed by department with specific views, screens and data restriction according to the role of the user.
Key Benefits

- The POC helped agnès b. to quickly rule on the choice of components and the architecture of the new system. They also have an operational web platform with
  - A set of customizable reports on financial aspects using Jasperreports
  - Several multidimensional analysis on selling and accountancy
  - Complete rights management thanks to Spagobi behavior model, tested on three roles

Professional Support

- Since 2004, Altic is creating an ecosystem based on its choices in terms of business intelligence and e-commerce solutions. Thanks to permanent reassessing of the market and continued participation in major events of the Open Source environment, Altic was able to identify, investigate and choose the solutions that it considered most promising.

- As an integrator, Altic is closely working with software publishers like Talend: Engineering, Jaspersoft, Jedox, Exoplatform.

- Altic is a member of many associations and organization of the ecosystem of Free and Open Source Software in France and Europe. (APRIL entreprise, ADULLACT, OpenDay, OW2, Ploss, Silicon Sentier ...)

About OW2

Founded in January 2007 as a result of the merger of ObjectWeb and OrientWare communities, OW2 is an independent industry consortium dedicated to developing open source code middleware and to fostering a vibrant community and business ecosystem. Building on the legacy of ObjectWeb and OrientWare, OW2 federates more than one hundred organizations and 6000 developers in Europe, Asia and the Americas. OW2 hosts over one hundred technology Projects, including Lomboz, Syno4j, eXo Platform, XWiki, SpagoBI and JOnAS. Several of the OW2 projects are combined into market-driven Initiatives, such as the ESB/SOA Initiative and the Business Intelligence Initiative, which facilitate their implementation by systems integrators, OEMs and end-users. A typical global open-source organization, OW2 aims to bring together grassroots communities across all continents through Local Chapters. More information about OW2 is available at http://www.ow2.org.