

# **AUTOPILOT**

**Healthy Business** 







### Introduction to AutoPilot

### What is AutoPilot

We provide an overall AutoPilot concept that creates perfect conditions for a healthy business.

AutoPilot is software, business development and software support.

Our target group is consulting engineers and consulting architects world-wide.

To us, it is crucial that we know our customers' position and the conditions in which they do business.

We are therefore always developing ourselves to ensure that we fully understand the niche, within which we work.

We pride ourselves in developing the best software possible, giving the best recommendations for the development of your business and providing excellent software support.

This is our philosophy and why we think you should choose us.

AutoPilot Healthy Business

### The Process Loop

AutoPilot is founded on three basic principles: sound project management culture, sound registration culture and a sound billing culture.

It reflects on the bottomline; a healthy business is good business.

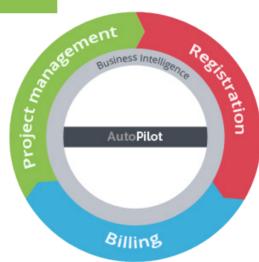
### The purpose of AutoPilot

The purpose of AutoPilot is to ensure our customers have a sound business by being at the forefront in all areas of project finance and capacity planning.

We provide this by giving your employees the right tools, training and support to achieve this.

### Sound project management culture

- Be at the forefront
- Intervention
- Communication
- Business awareness



### Sound and accurate registration culture

- Realistic registration
- Current and relevant information
- No duplication of work

### Sound billing culture

- Invoice as soon as the basis for billing occurs
- No duplication of work



# AutoPilot is tion Model

# Project Business Information Model

AutoPilot is founded on a Project Business Information Model (PBIM).

Using this model, all aspects that have implications on the management and invoicing of customer projects are registered and handled.

This model provides a sound basis for knowledge management and Business Intelligence possibilities.

### Project Leader

The project leader creates the basis for the company's earnings by planning, billing and managing projects.

The project leader ensures accurate registration by creating and managing individually specific project plans.

Accurate registration is of great importance to all employees regarding knowledge sharing and Business Intelligence.

### The Project Leader can

- Create and activate projects
- Register remuneration agreements
- Produce project plans including staffing and ETC
- Continuously revise the planning
- Monitor Expected Current Rate of Return against Target Rate of Return
- Plan future invoicing
- Create invoice proposals

The project leader is thereby business manager of his own projects.

All employees keep their timesheet in AutoPilot.

The company's project leaders use the booking and planning system to manage the fees and Estimated Time to Complete budgets of projects.

Altogether, this helps the project leaders in their business practice and keeps the organisation at the forefront regarding the financial circumstances of

### Administration

Administrative staff manages data concerning the company's staff and their terms of employment.

By these means AutoPilot knows future hourly attendance and - along with the project planning - forms the basis of reporting challenges regarding resource capacity.

Furthermore, administration manages information about cost and sales prices of their employees and, held together with the project planning, enables AutoPilot to predict future earnings.

#### The Administration can

- Manage terms of employment
- Manage pricing structures
- Register expenses and subcontractor expenses
- Record invoices
- Produce statistics of any kind

The administration is thus a support function for the project leaders.

all projects.

AutoPilot integrates all the company's other systems such as finance, customer relationship management and document management systems through modern xml-based integrations.

### Management

The Management team is able to keep up to date regarding projects and are therefore able to prioritise and direct their efforts to manage challenges accordingly.

The Management team analyses the earning capacity of the entire project portfolio, both completed and ongoing, and what is in the pipeline.

The Management team designs the framework that will form the basis of the earning capacity analysis. E.g., it is possible to mark projects concerning their specific sector and then create past, current and future reports of the earning capacity ability of that sector.

#### The Management can assess

- Projects that are not on track according to their Target Rate of Return
- The company's future capacity scenario
- The company's future liquidity
- The company's earning capacity according to self-selected criteria



# Planning

The planning overview is one of the cornerstones of AutoPilot. By regular revision of the project's ETC, the project leaders ensure that the finances are current in all projects.

The project leader therefore has control of the individual project's finances and can intervene, communicate and be business aware.

The project leader creates projects and activates them. Subsequently the project leader plans the progress of the project.

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1The project is then divided into work package and activities as required by the project leader.

Accordingly, the project leader is able to allocate the required staffing and create the ETC budget.

A simple colour coding will show if the activities are available for further registration of hours or not. This ensures a realistic registration and thereby reliable business intelligence data.

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2An Expected Current Rate of Return is calculated based on the number of hours used and ETC budget.

If the project's fee is divided between its activities, an Expected Current Rate of Return will be shown per activity. This gives the project leader an early warning for those activities that will have financial trouble. This makes it possible for early intervention if necessary.

⊗ Project no.	Identification		May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Undis Later tribute d	Done- budget Hours	Spent Hours	Prese. budget hours	Agreeme nt 1.000 £	TRR	CRR
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13-218	Church Quinquennial Inspections	■ ±	0	16		16	16		16	64.0	108.0	172.0		1.86	1.86
14-002	Special Needs Primary School	■ ±	0	25	25	15				65.0	67.0	132.0	12	1.90	2.00
14-003	Conservation Roadmere House	<b>=</b> +	0	35	65	55				155.0	100.0	255.0	22	2.00	1.84
14-031	Research facility		40	20						60.0	606.0	666.0	60	2.10	2.10
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	D - Design Development	<b>±</b>	25							25.0	68.0	93.0	18		4.71
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14-032	Arthur's Mission	■ +	20	24						44.0	40.0	84.0	7	2.00	1.93
14-034	Conversion warehouse to gallery	<b>=</b> +	12	60	65	100	95	45		377.0	186.0	563.0	35	1.90	1.82
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3 The planning overview shows the spare capacity for each employee and is used, in cooperation with other project leaders, to reallocate staffing resources that conflict with each other.

4The Capacity Graph will quickly reveal if the budgeted staffing hours are nearing their capacity limit, and if it is time to bring in external resources, or if there is too little

bring in external resources, or if there is too little work in relation to the staffing hours available.

Sound project management is the foundation of a sound project management culture.



### **Timesheet**

The timesheet is a cornerstone in AutoPilot. All employees fill in and submit their timesheets daily. This ensures the company has up-to-date information of all projects' management foundation.

1The project leader has decided what activities are open to registration for each project. The timesheet automatically shows the activities an employee is allocated to.

2The only thing the user needs to do, is to register the number of hours. It is possible to link notes and expenses to the hours. If the project leader has switched on the pencil icon, a note is needed about the number of hours spent.

3The Submit function provides the user with the possibility of checking the figures before submitting them. After submitting, the registrations will automatically become part of the basis of billing and automatically enter into the project leader's planning and forecast of the projects' Expected Rate of Return.

A sound and accurate culture of registration is fundamental for a sound project management culture.

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		D - Design Development			3	1	4	
Conservation Roadmere House		B - Design Brief						
		C-Concept					2	
Interior design Childrens' ward		A - Appraisal				2		
Research facility		C - Concept						
		D - Design Development			4	5.5		
		E-Technical Design						
		F-Production Information						
		B - Design Brief						
Dormouse Conservation Centre		K-To Practical Completion						
Administration								
In-service Training								
Computers and Network								
Paid Holiday								
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# Billing

The billing system has access to all elements in the Project Business Information Model, such as:

- The agreed fee
- The number of hours spent
- Subcontractor expenses and other expenses
- Instalment payment plans for billing

The billing system provides the most outstanding service to the customer:

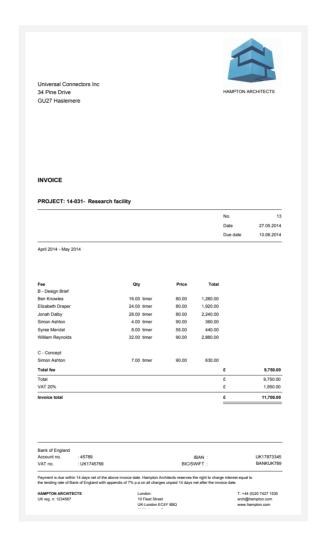
- The invoice can be sent as soon as the basis for billing occurs
- The invoice can show work packages to match the demands of the customer
- Previous invoices, the remainder of the billing and remaining balance can be shown
- The number of hours spent can be shown including any notes employees may have made

The project leader registers the agreed fees and the fee breakdown.

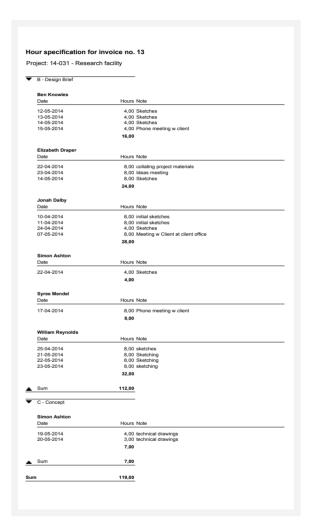
The project leader can continuously review the project's ETC Plan and create invoice proposals for the projects. Thereby the project leaders have an overview of the finances of all projects.

In this way, project leaders perform sound project management by:

- Being at the forefront
- Intervening
- Communicating
- Being business aware



A sound billing culture completes a sound project management culture.





# Knowing your Business

The Management team is able to analyse the company's earning capacity apportioned on self-selected criteria, by using business intelligence.

The Management team sets up the framework for the analysis themselves.

In the example below, the Management team has divided the company into sectors and grouped the projects by fee ranges.

The AutoPilot concept of software, business development and software support aids everything in regards to realistic registration.

Through continued and sustained support from the Management team, this will ensure reliable data and thereby reliable Business Intelligence.

Business critical decisions will then become well-founded.

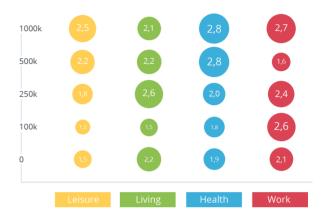


Figure: Current Rate of Return per sector and fee range.

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	Leisure	Living	Health	Work
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100-250k	1,2	1,5	1,8	2,6
250-500k	1,8	2,6	2,0	2,4
500-1000k	2,2	2,2	2,8	1,6
1000k+	2,5	2,1	2,8	2,7
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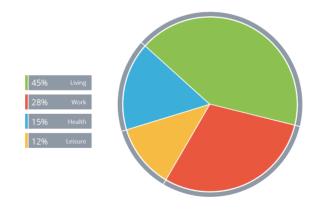


Figure: Distribution of turnover per sector.

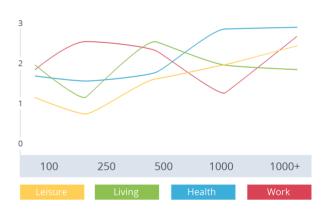


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## The road to success

AutoPilot is software, organisational business and software support.

We will develop an implementation plan to successfully embed AutoPilot in your organisation

A steering committee consisting of representatives from your management and administration teams will handle the management of the change process.

The steering committee's most important role is to define success criteria and follow up on them.

The implementation process will broadly consist of a mix of steering committee meetings and work-

shops, so everybody in the organisation knows their functional responsibilities in relation to the use of AutoPilot.

The aim of our software, training and support is to develop a lasting project management culture – as this is the road to success.

A sound project management culture consists of:

### Sound project management

The project leader therefore has control of the individual project's finances and can intervene, communicate and be business aware.

### Sound culture of registration

Your registrations will be realistic, relevant and current. This is the foundation for being at the forefront of a project's finances and resource capacity. Sound registration is a valuable underlying point for useful knowledge management and reliable business intelligence.

#### Sound culture of billing

The project leaders will provide your customers with the finest service with sound and documented invoices.

Healthy business is also good business.

### Steering Committee launch

Steering Committee reviews the Change Process timetable and allocation of resources.

Welcome aboard.

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### Point of no return

Today you stop using your old systems and start using AutoPilot!





### Timesheet kick-off

We get all employees up and running in the use of timesheets. Employees will input last week's hours and expenses. Consult the implementation project plan for further details.





#### Project Management Workshop 3

Project leaders are taught how to create invoice proposals.





### Steering Committee meeting

Decisions regarding:

- Areas of responsibility
- Project structure
- Business Intelligence framework
- Expectations of profit

### Project Management Workshop 1

The workshop focuses on:

- Fee agreements
- Project structure
- Allocation of resources

#### Project Management Workshop 2

Project leaders are taught how to use the planning and resource allocation functions in AutoPilot. They learn how to use Target Rate of Return and Current Rate of Return measures.

### Steering Committee Meeting

The Steering Committee undertakes:

- Review, and if necessary, fine-tuning of AutoPilot's set-up in meeting your
- Review of how well AutoPilot has been embedded

Corrective action is taken, if necessary.

Flow chart: Incorporation of the AutoPilot concept is an ongoing process with a steady focus on the development of the business and profit.

