

Professional Services



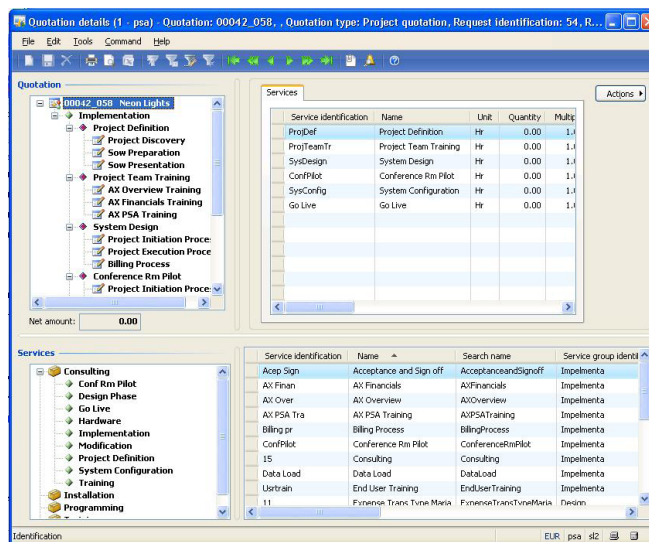
Professional Services for Microsoft Dynamics AX 2009

BENEFITS

- **Work faster in a familiar interface.**
Streamline access to critical project information with Role Centers that present relevant tasks and information, including powerful business intelligence tools for reporting, key performance indicators (KPIs), and data cubes.
- **Easily monitor project finances and tasks.** Assess project progress using flexible reporting to gain a consolidated, real-time project view, and build custom quotations for clients with the ability to create more than one quotation per project request.
- **Optimize resource utilization.**
Quickly match qualified and available resources to tasks with a robust scheduling engine to help maximize profits, reduce costs, and increase client satisfaction.
- **Control cash flow with automated vendor payments.** Use the Pay When Paid functionality at the project or vendor level to manage invoices and release payments to vendors automatically only upon customer payment.
- **Reduce non-billable time with workflow.**
Minimize physical paper routing and reduce invoice cycle times with automated workflow for Project Request, Timesheet, Expense, Quotation, and more.

Professional Services for Microsoft Dynamics® 2009 provides professional services and project-based companies with an end-to-end solution that delivers a greater level of control over project accounting practices and resources, and improves usability with a familiar, Microsoft® Office 2007-like user interface.

Professional Services for Microsoft Dynamics AX 2009 leverages Microsoft Dynamics AX 2009 to bring new levels of project and contract management capabilities to users and administrators. Make the most of your resource utilization and revenue with a new scheduling engine that matches qualified resources to tasks based on task requirements, and create comprehensive, custom project quotations to meet client specifications. With significant improvements to project functionality, such as the ability to create complex visualization structures and track detailed project information and approvals, you can gain business insight and improve productivity.



Quickly track multiple versions of quotations in a detailed view.

Professional Services for Microsoft Dynamics AX 2009 gives you the flexibility to track multiple versions of quotations with embedded scheduling scenarios, and then easily transfer a quotation to a project. You can also soft-book resources to a quote, with the option to hard-commit those resources upon project creation. The project structure, including sub-projects, tasks, activities, assignments, and the project budget, can easily be created directly from the quotation.

FEATURES*

Role Centers

- Take advantage of intuitive, customizable Role Centers that provide access to the relevant information, reports, and actions people need for daily tasks.
 - Get up and running quickly with preconfigured Role Centers for Project Manager and Project Team Member.
 - Access Role Centers via the Web using Enterprise Portal in Microsoft Dynamics AX.
 - Extend business intelligence tools to every level of your organization with out-of-the-box content, predefined cubes, and analytical views—all available from your Role Center.
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Automated vendor payments

- Gain better control of cash flow and avoid incurring non-recoverable costs by allowing vendors and subcontractors to be paid only upon payment by the customer.
 - Use the Pay When Paid workbench to view and manage vendor invoices.
 - Easily identify the amount paid on a contract on the Contract Status form.
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Resource scheduling

- Easily match qualified and available resources to appropriate tasks with the ability to schedule by project or resource.
 - Define Project Service templates for transaction types, pricing, and resource scheduling.
 - Soft-book resources to a quote with the ability to hard-commit those resources when you create the project.
 - Support a complex execution structure with the Activity Breakdown Structure (ABS), which includes an Activity Template, a robust tree presentation, and the ABS Inquiry for managing projects from an activity perspective.
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Robust budget revision and tracking tools

- Manage project budgets in real time so you can identify finance issues before they become a problem.
 - Eliminate redundant data entry and reduce errors with the ability to import budget items into the purchase requisition.
 - Create discrete budget revisions for specific project tasks and activities.
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Compliance management

- Help ensure complete and accurate calculation and compounding of burdens or other indirect cost components for project costing and billing.
 - Control billable expenses applied to client or project billing by creating threshold-based expense rules that help keep expense payments compliant with budgets, contracts, and standards.
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Customizable project billing rules

- Calculate effective labor rates to capture actual costs; bill customers for actual rather than standard costs; and produce more accurate revenue projections and invoices.
 - Streamline A/P and A/R retainage when you can track retainage amounts by client, vendor, contract, and project.
 - Automate retainage releases and invoicing processes.
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* Professional Services for Microsoft Dynamics AX is licensed as a comprehensive solution under Advanced Management Edition with Additional Components. Contact your local Microsoft subsidiary or Microsoft Partner for more information.

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