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Migration paths to OpenOffice

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Agenda

- Migration
 - Analysis
 - Implementation
 - Training
 - Support
- phpGroupWare & OpenOffice.org
- Q & A





Migration / Analysis

- When is a migration reasonable?
 - Is there a major version change?
 - Are new licenses required?
- Which OS is/are in use?
 - Are you running Windows, Linux,... or several OS's?
- Which programs are in use?
 - Are you only using i.e. Word and Excel?
- Which languages are needed?
 - Do you need English, French, German,... software?





Migration / Analysis

- What kind of documents exist?
 - and how many of them?
- Are documents and templates distributed from a central Server?
- Are macros in use?
 - Do they have to be migrated?





Migration / Implementation

- Implementing in single departments or small groups
 - restricts problems to a smaller amount of users
- Full install vs. network install
 - Does every Workstation require an installation?
- Always use current release
- Setup spellchecking and wordbooks





Migration / Implementation

- Convert documents
 - Convert existing documents and templates
 - Make sure macros are converted or re-programmed
- Parallel use of "old" office suite and OOo
 - In the beginning it is useful to have some copies left
- Problems during implementation
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Migration / Training

- User / administrator training
 - Employees need to know how they can work
- Training by external trainer
 - In most cases an external person draws more attention
 - small group of trainees increases attention
- Training approx. 1 week after implementation
 - Employees can already evaluate the software and ask specific questions during lessons





Migration / Support

- Support by newsgroups / boards
 - Good knowledge of people who use and administrate OOo every day
 - www.oooforum.org, several newsgroups
- Support by external service providers
 - first- or second-level-support
 - user- and administrator-training
 - distribution of updates
 - macro programming
 - services offered by probusiness

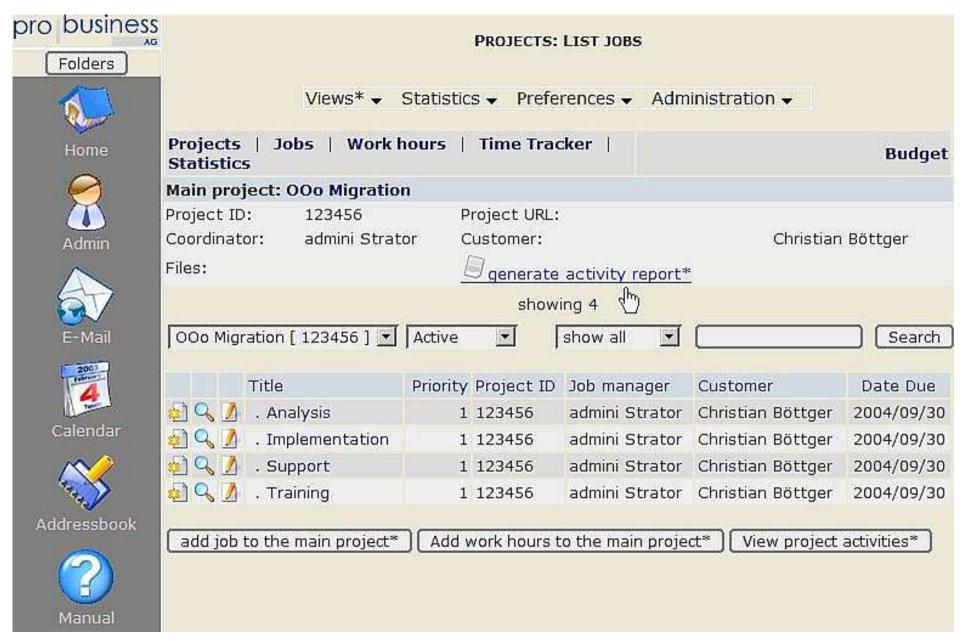




- generating OOo Document
 - Document as Template
 - php code unzips document and loads XML file
 - XML is duplicated and data gets parsed into XML
 - Contents is written back into XML file and zipped
 - OOo-file is offered for download
- No OOo Install required on Server
- www.phpgroupware.org
- pclzip: www.phpconcept.net
- phpOpenOffice: www.pinasoft.de/projects/phpOpenOffice/

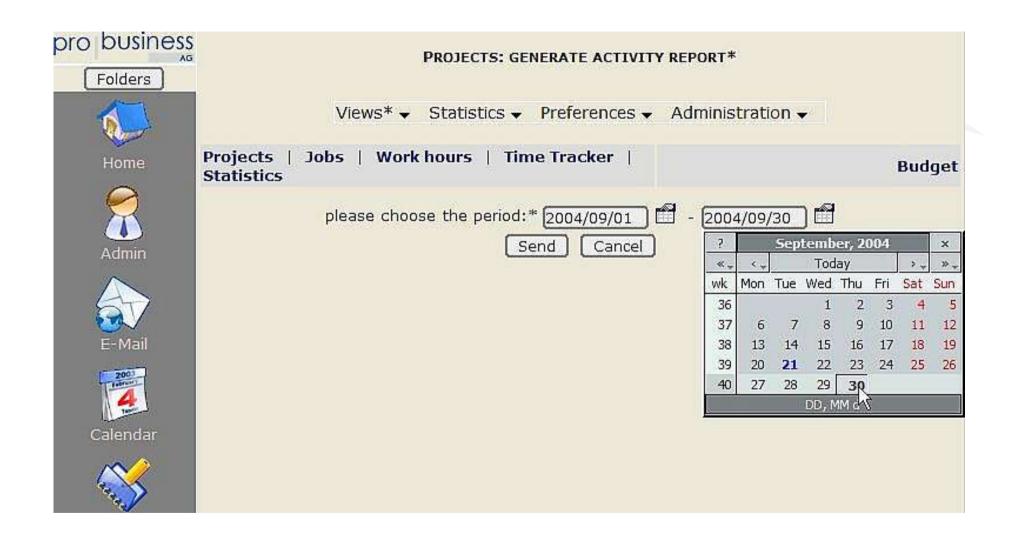






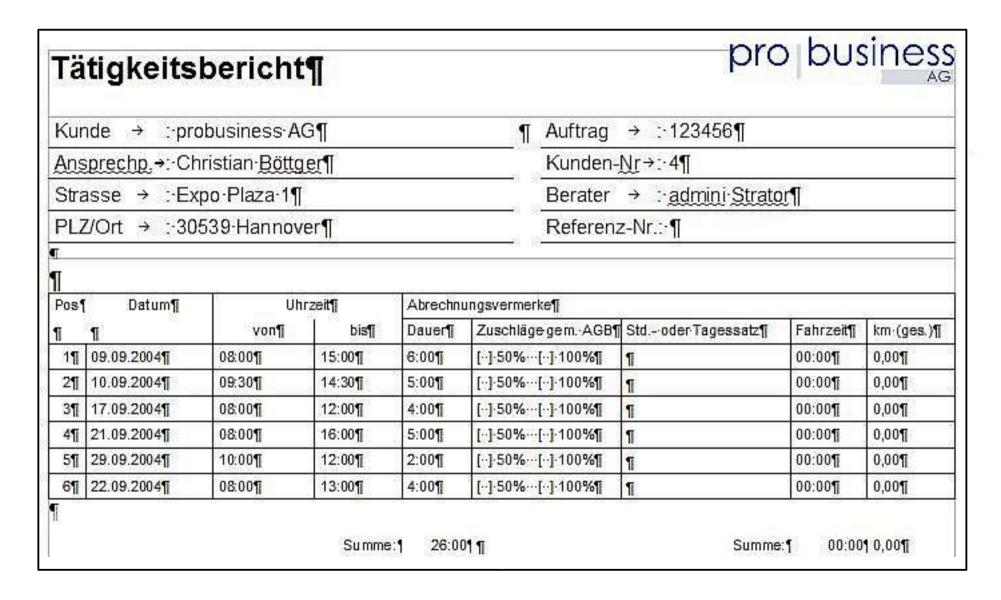
















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