PR///POS optimal flow





How PROPOS software helps you to achieve your QRM goals



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This presentation

- What is PROPOS software
- Mow PROPOS can support a QRM implementation:
 - Shop floor cell screen;
 - Digital POLCA;
 - MCT and QRM number.



- Some other features that will minimize lead times, minimize overhead and help you improve:
 - Real time pull production / smart shop floor scheduling;
 - Digital attachments (e.g. drawings), pictures, work instructions where you need them;
 - Analysis / insights for continuous improvement.



What is **PROPOS** software

- PROPOS software is a unique solution for
 - production planning;
 - shop floor control and optimization;
 - continuous improvement of manufacturing processes.
- It is especially suited for manufacturing companies with a lot of variety (typically HMLV).
- It was developed at BOSCH Hinges in the Netherlands to support and enhance their successful QRM / Lean Mfg implementation.







What is unique about PROPOS?

- First QRM based software in Europe (probably in the world) -> designed for lead time reduction.
- % Three level, company wide approach
 - Shop floor (QRM cells, production management);
 - Office / QROC's;
 - Continuous improvement teams / management.
- PROPOS can actively improve flow, detect bottlenecks and guarantee flow.









PROPOS today

- More than 20 implementations in The Netherlands, Belgium and the United States.
- M At manufacturing companies that work with metal, wood, glass, plastics.
- M Connected to SAP, Navision, Axapta, Epicor, Exact, PdC, Ridder, etc.
- M Available in Dutch, English and French language.
- More than 400 people are using PROPOS on a daily basis.
- More than 100,000 job flow through PROPOS screens each year.









- We cannot emphasize enough the importance of this screen.It supports all your manufacturing cells. It will:
 - make your manufacturing process transparent;
 - involve people in planning, meeting due dates, improving precalculated times, etc.;
 - stimulate cross training (= better flow);
 - make sure teams are working on relevant jobs;
 - improve flow (pull, sign off in next cell, POLCA);
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- Mow much work will there be this week? How much capacity do we need?
- Ø Do we have enough capacity for next week or should we ask for help?
- What kind of capacity do we need?
- What is the most important job for my team (for the company)?
- M Are there any exceptions that we should pay attention to (critical jobs, inventory, subs)?
- We have finished a job, let's get it to the next cell as soon as possible.
- If we have spare capacity now or next week, which team should we help?







- POLCA was developed by dr. Suri as part of QRM.
- It is a mechanism/tool that uses capacity signals (cards) between cells or departments.
- It makes sure that jobs are only started when the can be processed by the downstream cell
 → flow is guaranteed.
- The other way around, it will stop jobs that cannot be processed by the downstream cell
 → bottleneck detection.









Rajan Suri and Godfried Kaanen at BOSCH's first POLCA board.



Improved POLCA board with help from Rajan Suri.





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- Routes are detected by PROPOS and $\langle \rangle \rangle$ POLCA cards can be created easily.
- If no POLCA cards left then routes are automatically blocked.
- Load based POLCA is easy to implement. 1
- 11 Cards are returned fast and automatically.

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Cards cannot get lost. $\langle \rangle \rangle$



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The Practitioner's Guide to POLCA

The Production Control System for High-Mix, Low-Volume and Custom Products



Rajan Suri

Routledge Taylor & Francis Group



MCT: Manufacturing Critical-path Time

- MCT is a time-based metric that supports continuous improvement processes.
- PROPOS will generate MCT maps for your jobs or complete projects.

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MCT

PROPOS will help you analyze your white space per cell or for a certain route over a certain period of time, for certain items or for certain groups.

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Real time pull production / smart scheduling

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| www.propos-software.nl | | Cell C not so busy in C = m pull = more jobs fro A to C |

not so busy in C = more pull = more jobs from A to C

quite busy in B = less



Digital attachments

- Work instructions, drawings, pictures, etc. can be attached to each cell for each job.
- Pop-up can appear when starting a job.
- PDF files can be printed automatically (or on demand), saves time and paper.

| PROPOS software | | | | | | – 🗆 X |
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Analysis / insights for continuous improvement







Per cell OTD performance.



Average waiting times in relation to nr. of jobs and capacity.



Conclusion, wrap up

- Based upon QRM and its successes, PROPOS software offers unique features that directly support QRM implementations:
 Support for QRM cells, digital POLCA, MCT maps and QRM number.
- Together with other features, PROPOS helps you to shorten lead times, improve OTD and cut overhead costs.
- If anyone needs our help with further improvement, using and understanding the analysis module, etc. please feel free to contact us.





Thank you for your attention.

Any questions?