

Successful project

The construction of the new metro line between Helsinki and Espoo requires streamlined financial control and monitoring

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The initial situation/challenge: Control and coordination difficulties force Western Metro to evaluate a new project management solution

Many factors affect the configuration of the Western Metro. The new metro line will improve the service between Helsinki and Espoo. The multi-faceted project includes more than 20 companies and 150 designers. Its progress according to schedule is coordinated by a consortium of three companies. Finnmap Consulting Oy, a consulting firm specialising in the design of infrastructures and the environment, handles the financial monitoring of the whole project from monitoring of hours to reporting and invoicing. Since many people are involved in the project, control and coordination problems are a constant risk and must be prevented by the use of an effective project management solution. A detailed breakdown of hours must be guaranteed in order to generate more than 20 project invoices per month. Furthermore, the construction of the new Metro Line requires consistent financial control and monitoring to ensure its long-term success.

The solution: The myPARM user-friendly project management solution that even allows user training by the customer thanks to its simple handling

Accurate financial monitoring and control are critically important in a long-term and large-scale project like the Western Metro. Reports are issued to many parties collaborating in the project. Accurate data must be available on a daily basis. Starting to use myPARM does not take long, as the software is very user-friendly. Positive feedback from users often highlights the easy handling and monitoring of hours.

As a veteran user of myPARM, FINNMAP Infra provided training for other companies on the project. The users from the various subcontractors in particular received specific, flexible and individual training.

The success story: No loss of time and resources due to extensive data checks – significant project savings

The myPARM software is used as the key tool for the financial control of the project. All the subcontracting designers (external workers) of the project log their working hours into myPARM along with written comments. myPARM can be found on every user's desktop as a browser-based application, which allows project updates to be called up in real time without additional software. A project that produces over 20 detailed invoices per month demands very detailed itemisation of working hours. Without a unified project management tool like myPARM, the financial control staff would need a lot of time and resources to verify the data. Thanks to myPARM, Finnmap Consulting Oy was able to successfully implement the overall control and monitoring of the project.

About Finnmap Consulting Oy

Finnmap Consulting Oy is a leading European structural engineering company. Their extensive client base ranges from the public sector to companies and private individuals. The company was founded in 1993 in Helsinki and has about 260 employees. Finnmap Consulting Oy belongs to the FMC Group, which has been part of the Finnish Sweco company since February 2012. Their wide experience and competence ensure the best possible solutions for their clients in both financial and technical respects.

Kaarlo Sell

Project Manager of the consulting consortium and responsible for the project design of the Western Metro
Finnmap Consulting Oy

Statement of the customer:

«myPARM significantly reduces the basic number of phases in a large project like the Western Metro. Its comments relate to key project data that we can utilise in the future. We can apply this data in possible dispute situations, for example, and in planning the next phases of the project in advance.»

Esko Lahtinen
Quality Manager
Finnmap Consulting Oy

Statement of the customer:

«No additional administrative staff or complex spreadsheet calculations are needed to collect data on hours worked. The possibility of errors is reduced to the minimum as each participant in the project logs their own hours or in some cases the hours of their unit, into a common system from which we then generate the invoices.»

Larisa Samarina

Responsible for the project accounting of the
Western Metro project
Finnmap Consulting Oy

Statement of the customer:

*«Working hours are already
verified, and the necessary
additional clarifications can
be found in myPARM's
specifications. Using this
data I can concentrate on
the most important part of
my job, namely invoicing,
and rely on the fact that the
invoices I produce from the
same system are detailed
and sent to the right place
on time.»*



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