FH St. Pölten

Smarter Budgeting, Reporting, HR Controlling and Project Performance Management

Founded in 1996, the Austrian university of applied sciences FH St. Pölten today has around 3,200 students and offers a total of 17 degree programs as well as numerous advanced training courses.

INFO

INDUSTRY: Higher Education & Research

SIZE: 3200 students

EMPLOYEES: 330

SALES: approx. 28 M EUR

LOCATION: Austria

PRODUCT: Unit4 Financial Planning & Analysis (FP&A)

The Challenge

FH St. Pölten had reached the limits of what it could achieve with spreadsheets. The team were looking for an integrated business software solution to plan the working hours and salaries of employees and student employees, to allocate and balance subsidies, to plan budgets and to manage projects.

How did Unit4 help?

- Step-by-step approach: started with budgeting, then focused on reporting
- Introduction of plan/ actual comparisons and comparisons of current budgets with the previous year's figures
- Connection to the accounting program via an interface in order to drill down to receipt level

Budgeting	Reporting
HR Controlling	Multi-project management
Unit4 FP&A	

Achievements

Advanced budgeting
FH St. Pölten's HR budgeting is now done at an employee level, based on a 40-hour week and separated by cost center. It can also now plan for lecturers and student employees and budget for subsidies for each degree program at federal, state and municipal level.

Great usability
Corresponding charts for all financial key figures and easy drill-downs to related data highlight the user-friendliness of the Unit4 FP&A solution for FH St. Pölten.

Multi-project analysis
There are always approximately 90 to 100 simultaneous projects, with the hours per employee and work packages for each project planned on a monthly basis. At a later point, all planned positions are compared with the actual values and submitted for project accounting.

All in all we can say that the project has brought us a long way. Now we can really be sure that our data is correct. It feels good to know that data reliability is ensured at all times. In addition, we gained a lot of quality time, which we now can use for the essential tasks.

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Impacts

DATA RELIABILITY

FH St. Pölten can now always be sure to have correct data in their system

30 days/ year

TIME SAVINGS

Up to 30 man-days per year can now be put to much better use

EMPOWERED TEAMS

Release from ineffective processes frees up more time to make a real difference