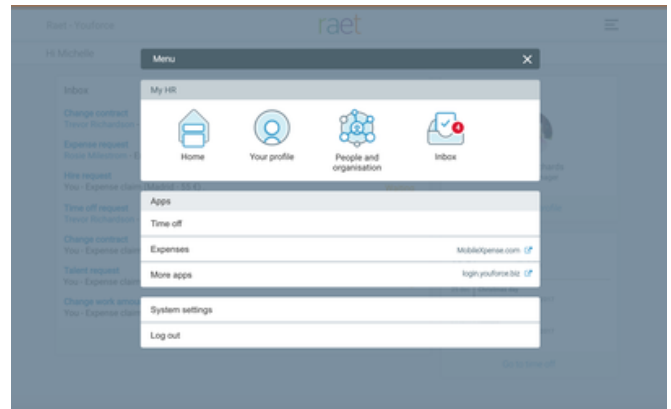# Main menu

Summary

The main menu component allows users to navigate to the different s
ections, successfully fulfil their goals or interact with the product from
any part of the platform.

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What

The main menu component allows users to navigate to the different
applications of the platform (E.g. Profile, People and organization,
Time off, Settings, etc.) including the Homepage. It is the highest
level of navigation in the platform and is, essentially, where the user
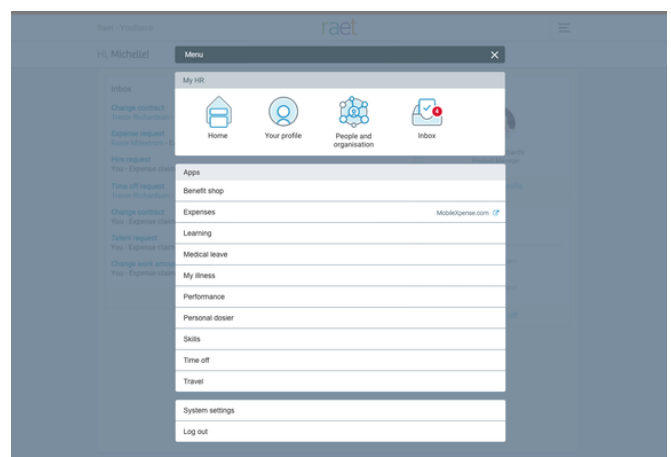makes his/her first "choice" of deciding where to go.

When

The main menu should be accessible from any page in the platform.
The purpose for using a hamburger menu icon is to save space and
allow the user to focus on the content.
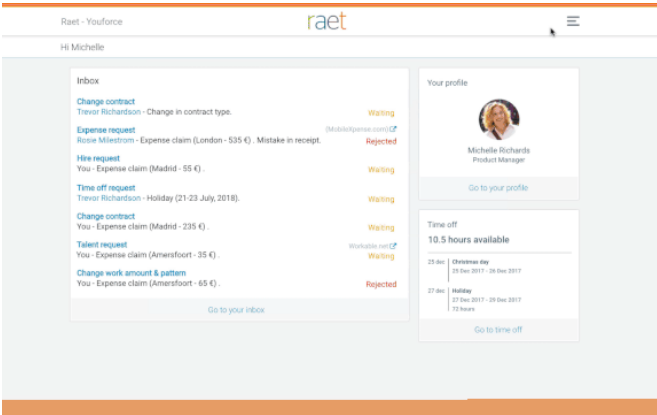

How

Navigate to Main menu

The user can access the different sections of the platform from the
hamburger icon located on the top right hand corner of the screen
and is accessible from any page of the application. The main menu

fades in and the background of the page is visible but blurred.

The Main menu is divided into three sections,

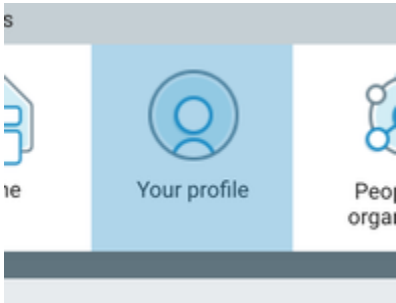Each section has its own list title and both lists and titles can be used if necessary.

Navigation

1/ Navigate to My HR (List 1)

Items on this list are most important and have more dominant larger icons. This list is used to put focus on a smaller selection of items. In this example it is used to navigate to the different apps that make up HR core (Home, Your profile, 'People and Organization' and Inbox).

- Items on this list are aligned to the left.
- The clickable area is marked in blue (padding:16px).

- Default state colour: #3A3A3A
- Hover state colour: #0099CC
- Icon size: 80px x 80px
- Smaller view ports: Icons collapse to a new line as the width of the menu gets smaller.

Icons

Icons help the user identify the different areas of the application the user can navigate to. Icons work well when only using a few to reduce cognitive overload for a better user experience.

2/ Navigate to Apps (List 2)

Items on this list are less important than List 1 and give the user access to the different apps available outside HR Core.

- Items on this list should be arranged depending on importance. More important apps should be positioned higher up in the hierarchy. Items that are less important should be positioned at the bottom of the list.
- The full area marked in blue should be clickable.

- Default state text colour: #3A3A3A
- Hover state text colour: #0099CC

Apps	
Benefit shop	
Expenses	MobileXpense.com ⤴
Learning	
Medical leave	
My illness	
Performance	
Personal dosier	
Skills	
Time off	
Travel	

3/ Navigate to Other (List 3)

3/ Other

Items on this list are less important than Lists 1 and 2. Items like System settings and logout are found here. Fewer users and fewer times will users need to navigate to these areas of the platform.

- Default state colour: #3A3A3A
- Hover state colour: #0099CC

System settings
Log out

Menu list title

List titles can be used to group the different items and should preferably be used to group items.

Apps
Benefit shop

Menu list item

Use nouns to describe items on the list. They should be **short and to the point**. Use **verbs to describe an item that refers to an action** (Eg. Log out).

System settings	⌄
Log out	

List icons or extra labels for List 2 and 3

The use of extra labels or icons can be used to bring across extra information about where the user can navigate.

- Use an external icon and website domain name for Apps that have a different user experience and/or are outside the Raet domain. These apps should be opened in a new browser tab. The label should be used if the app is outside the Raet domain. Once an external app has been opened in a new tab and the user has been directed to that new tab, the menu on the original tab should be closed to keep the user in context.

Salary	
Payslips	Enomina.net ⤴
Tax info	

- Items that navigate to a another page with an In-page menu are marked with an arrow.

Personal	
Personal details	›
Emergency contacts	

- List items should be short and to the point. Although for smaller view ports list items should be truncated using an ellipse. Icons and extra labels should stay the same across

all view ports.

Closing the main menu

The user can always close the main menu without selecting an item on the list.

Keyboard shortcuts

Another way of interacting with the main menu is by using keyboard shortcuts. To access the main menu use (Ctrl + ENTER). To close the main menu use the ESC key.

Visual design specs

To be included...