

Profile

I am a Chartered Engineer and have worked in the information management field, both in the UK and overseas, since the early 1990s.

I first implemented Agresso in 1998 and, since 2001, have specialised in this field via my consulting company, Empiria Ltd.

I have a thorough understanding of technology and business processes and practical experience of many diverse operational environments.

I have the soft skills to operate effectively in the board room, the IT and Finance departments and with end users, system administrators and system suppliers.

I have a proven track record of delivering practical, successful solutions and previous clients willing to support that claim.

I am completely independent of any organisation, other than my own company, and receive no commission or fees from any software supplier or recruitment agency.

I have a small network of trusted, highly skilled and experienced colleagues whom I can call upon to supplement my own efforts as and when necessary.

Major Projects

Some of the more notable projects undertaken in recent years include:

- **Workflow Customisation for a UK University**
Design and Implementation of an Oracle based solution to customise workflow processes for research project management.
- **Fixed Assets Implementation for a UK Housing Group**
Design and implementation of component accounting for a UK Housing Group with a portfolio of over 25 000 properties
- **New Agresso Implementation for a Multi-National UK PLC**
Design and implementation of a new Agresso system for a UK PLC with over 100 multi-national subsidiaries and including full data migration of all historical transactions
- **New Agresso Implementation for a National UK Retail Company**
Design and implementation of external interfaces, reporting templates, and historical data-load for a new Agresso implementation. Successful go-live within 6 month deadline.
- **Agresso Roll Out to an Overseas Subsidiary of a UK Engineering Company**
Data-loading, interface design, configuration and testing for a fast-track, high-profile implementation of a new Canadian acquisition within a live UK system. (150 new users within a 1200 user system).
- **System Integration for a UK Engineering Company**
Successful integration of Agresso and a document management system to provide tendering and specification functionality (1000 user system)
- **Roll Out of a Standardised Configuration to all Subsidiaries of a UK Financial PLC**
Design and implementation of a standardised configuration across a multi-country, multi-company operation (approx. 100 subsidiary companies)
- **Implementation of Project Based Accounting for a UK Software PLC**
Design and implementation of the addition of project accounting to an existing multi-country operational system
- **Bespoke Interface Design for a UK Higher Education Establishment**
Design and implementation of an interface between Agresso and a student record system

Knowledge, Experience and Skills

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| Technology | Agresso, ARC, ActiveReports, Excelerator, ARW, ACT Oracle, MS SQL Server, Postgresql, MySQL Ruby, Rails, Python, Django Powershell, Bash |
| Sectors | Professional Services, Retail, Finance, Higher Education, NHS Trusts, National and Local Government, Charities |
| Project Types | System Review, Selection, Implementation, Configuration, Testing, Troubleshooting, Upgrading, Interfacing, Supporting, Reporting |

Employment History

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| 2001 – Current | Owner and Director , Empiria Ltd In March 2001, along with two colleagues, I left Eutech to form my own Agresso consulting company, Empiria Ltd. |
| 1998 – 2001 | Agresso System Manager , Eutech Ltd In 1998, ICI decided to sell Eutech and I became the lead engineer on a project to implement Agresso. I then became the manager of that system and led its maintenance, development and support. |
| 1994 – 1998 | Technology Project Manager , Eutech Ltd Eutech was a wholly owned subsidiary of ICI PLC which provided engineering consultancy services to the process industries. I joined at its inception in a role providing technical leadership of collaborative R&D projects between ICI PLC and other EU organisations. I particularly specialised in the innovative design and use of relational databases. |
| 1990 – 1994 | Project Engineer , ICI PLC I joined ICI as a graduate engineer and worked on a variety of engineering projects for ICI businesses in the UK. |

Education and Qualifications

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| 1995 | CEng MIET Chartered Engineer, Member of the Institution of Engineering Technology (www.theiet.org Formerly the Institution of Electrical Engineering) |
| 1990 | BEng (Hons) Engineering Science and Technology (University of Loughborough) |

Interests and Hobbies

I am a founding Trustee of the UK Python Association and a one of the organisers of PyCon UK - the largest UK conference for users of the Python programming language.