

Colas Rail:

Keeping complex projects on track with the support of digital technology



Deliverables at-a-glance

- » Immediate overview of workflows allow tight quality control at every stage
- » Multiple users can access the latest documents at every stage of a project for greater transparency
- » Teams can manage workloads and project paths effectively - on time and budget

Challenge: Reducing errors and ensuring information accuracy

As one of the world's leading providers of rail infrastructure services, Colas Rail won the tender for the Serqueux-Gisors railway line upgrade in France.

The project involved a significant paper trail and needed to follow specific business processes to optimize collaboration and communication between different project partners. As such, an electronic document management solution (EDMS) was part of the project specification, to help the Colas Rail team deliver the project quickly and efficiently.

Solution: Collaborative working with Opidis for improved document management

Colas Rail selected Opidis' (formerly McLaren Software) electronic document management software as it offered all the functionality required by the team in a single, cost-effective solution.

François Guiot, Project Director at Colas Rail explains: "The solution from Opidis was chosen because it not only fulfilled the technical specifications of the project in terms of document management and process, but also met our financial requirements. The functionality and intuitiveness of the solution, as well as its successful use in similar projects, reinforced our software choice."



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The Software as a Service (SaaS) solution is scalable, giving Colas Rail the flexibility needed to manage large volumes of data, as well as retrieve that information in a timely, seamless manner when required. With multiple users able to access documents via the application, the team can also ensure transparency at every stage, with all project members able to access the latest version of a document.

Outcomes: A 360-degree view of workflows and improved document visibility

Despite the sheer volume of incoming and outgoing documents flowing between project partners, the team is now able to manage workloads and project paths effectively – on time and to budget.

The history of any document can be viewed easily at the click of a button, and errors have been minimized through greater transparency and easier validation.

The software has also been pivotal in enabling senior management to generate reports, offering an immediate overview of all workflows and maintaining tight quality control at every stage.

For more information about Opidis solutions for transport and infrastructure, visit www.opidis.com

Opidis (formerly McLaren Software) is a leading supplier of collaborative document management solutions to Owner Operators and EPCs, globally. Focused on maintaining complex engineering assets and large capital projects, Opidis solutions provide a single source of truth for all engineering content including P&IDs, drawings, vendor documents, safety manuals, as well as mobile and commissioning solutions – throughout the asset lifecycle.