Siemens Planning Solutions



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"It will help improve fuel efficiency and network fluidity. It's another way to leverage data."

Progressive Rail Oct 2019 – Quote tied to Siemens Meet/Pass Planner Tool





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Who is HaCon?

HaCon is a company that has a background of **over 35 years** that specializes in the creation and development of high-quality software solutions for traffic, transport and logistics planning and optimizations.

HaCon was **purchased by Siemens in 2017** and has a US location based in Jacksonville, Florida with their Global HQ being based out of Hannover, Germany.

HaCon employs 400 IT and transport planning specialists.

With their rich history in development and project execution, HaCon has established **itself as a leader in the industry** for planning, scheduling and information solutions.



TPS A large community of Railroads sharing features and experience







TPS Available products for Planning and Dispatching

TPS.live



Real-time network optimization system to improve on-time performance & rail utilization

TPS.trackworks



One solution for request, planning, coordination, validation and publication of track works and maintenance possessions

TPS.plan



Multi-user system focused on train and capacity planning for railway networks

TPS.yard



Efficient planning and dispatching of all track and facility capacity inside yards, depots and stations



Future additions to the product suite

TPS.fleet



TPS.fleet allows the management of **Rolling stock rosters**, their **assignment to running trains and train profiles**, and maintenance constraints

TPS.crew



Planning shifts and assigning crew members according to HR rules

AI based analytics



Learning from data with **statistics**, and taking better decisions with **AI**



TPS.live

Real-time network optimization system to improve on-time performance and rail utilization

Features

- Highly accurate runtime calculation, conflict detection and delay propagation engine provides reliable train and delay forecasts
- Fast recovery to planned rail operation in case of disruptions
- Highly precise and automated data fed to passenger information and internal stakeholder
- Up-to-date and fully scalable architecture A major step towards the digital railway

Runtime Calculation Online Runtime

Forecast

ROI

- 1. Fuel efficiency savings
- 2. Velocity improvement
- 3. Improve ETA
- 4. Decrease dwell time

- 5. Crew planning efficiency
- 6. Efficiency with personnel improvements
- 7. Forecast simulation tools to support decision making



TPS.live Network wide assisted and automated real-time train dispatching





TPS.live Supports Both Assisted and Automated Dispatching

Assisted dispatching



Automated dispatching



Forecast calculation

Resolves an occupation conflict by stopping one of the involved trains in a multi-track station before the occupation conflict occurs. Here are two examples.



Occupation conflict types

Two trains want to occupy the same part of the network at the same time.





Movement Planning features of TPS



- Across network meet/pass planning
- Continuous automatic re-planning of meet and pass operations
- Creation of a detailed train schedule based on rough planning & for unplanned trains
- Integration: Subdivision files, Train profiles, live Train positions, Dispatcher messages, …





Functionality TPS.live Infrastructure

- Seamless subdivision activation
- Properties of the infrastructure like HTUA, Key Train prohibited sidings and Double Stack prohibited sidings are persistent infrastructure properties



• Temporary infrastructure restrictions (e.g. weather restrictions, blocking restrictions put out by Dispatcher)

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Functionality TPS.live Routing and runtime calculation

For routing a profile is routed by TPS.live from start to end taking all infrastructure and train properties into account

Routing works in Signaled as well as Dark Territory





Functionality Automatic Conflict Resolution



Forecast window in which conflicts are solved is 8 h (setting)

Additional Stop added by TPS.live to resolve a train/train conflict (dispatch event)

Functionality Solution proposal dialog





Graphically preview of solutions



Functionality Energy efficient in runtime calculation



TPS.live Infrastructure Data Import and Activation

An automated import and activation process without downtime keeps TPS.live always aligned with the ever-changing railway infrastructure

- Integrated with the central infrastructure data management systems
- Separation of import and validation from the activation
- Import of sub sections of the network
- Activation on the fly without any down time



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TPS.trackworks

One system for request, planning, coordination, validation and publication of **track work and maintenance**

Features

- Long-term and short-term planning in one system
- TPS Track Works provides comprehensive overviews of the track work to find synergies/Work plans and calendars help to coordinate
- Integrated view for different stakeholders Every involved party can see what is planned
- Separation of work location and operational impact

On the roadmap

- Generation of the legal documentation of maintenance works
- Calculation of the remaining capacity and optimization tool to suggest maintenance slots automatically







Running trains

Conducting track work

Contractors need to conduct track works

RUs need to run trains

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	High punctuality	Economical building			
Customer demands	Short travel times	Safe work sites	Business aims		
	High network connectivity	Technical constraints			

TPS.trackworks

Define how trains operate during the track restriction

Overview the work status

on a certain line

(Track Work Operation Plan)

Find train-free times and optimize possession times (Blocking Time Finder)



TPS.trackworks

Microscopic route band

 Technical restriction for a line closure in Leeds





Approach Coordination



- Less impact on running times
- Less delay minutes
- Higher schedule reliability
- Earlier information for RUs and IMs



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TPS.plan

Multi-user system focused on train and capacity planning for railway networks

Features

- Track occupation plan and various output options
- Automated search for conflict-free train paths
- Runtime calculation/conflict detection
- Sophisticated data integration via multiple interfaces
- End-to-end bid-offer process for infrastructure managers and train operation companies
- Graphical, infrastructure and timetable editor
- European Communication Standard TAF TSI







TPS.plan

View the track infrastructure

along routes and in the train stations in microscopic detail

Edit train paths and show calculation, validation and publication status Visualize information on track occupations and possible train path conflicts





TPS.yard

Web-based application focused on capacity planning for railway yards and stations

Features

- Planning of all track and facility capacity inside the yard or station
- Planning and live operation view
- Management of train consists and relations to inbound and outbound trains

On the roadmap

• Full control of movements into and out of the track with train roster relations











TPS.yard

Efficient management of capacity in yards and stations

Features

- Planning of all track and facility capacity inside the yard or station
- Planning and live operation view
- Management of train consists and relations to incoming and outgoing trains

On the roadmap

• Full control of movements into and out of the track with train roster relations





