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## 3.11.04 The Contact System

The contact system in Projectile consists of the document types [customer](#), [contact person](#), [action](#) and the [customer chart](#).

The document type customer manages all contacts of the company with their contact persons. Customers can be customers, prospective customers, suppliers, etc.. Each customer can be assigned any amount of contact persons. The contact persons can be (for example, be assigned to the project acquisition) assigned user-defined actions.

### Customer Data

The document type “customer” administers the business contacts of the customers, suppliers and misc. business partners.

Master data				Information	Sales	Address	Communication	Financial data	Misc													
Customer	Contact number	2							ShortName	TLC												
Company name	TLC Telecommunications Corporation																					
Old Name																						
Organization	Category	Customer - Supplier		Type	Firma																	
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When a new customer is created, several fields are automatically pre-populated. In the standard version of Projectile are the:

- **Number:** The contact number is pre-populated from the system, but can be changed by the user.
- **Country:** Pre-populated with the country of the location.
- **Language:** Pre-populated with the language of the location.
- **Currency:** Pre-populated with the standard currency of the company.

**Required fields Customer:** number, company name, category, currency

#### Characteristics:

- If the field “currency” is filled out, the customer currency overrides the standard currency from the [configuration](#). And the customer currency can be overridden from the project currency in the document type [project](#). For billing of the services, the system applies the project currency first and then the customer currency.
- If the field “external rate” is filled out, the external rate from the document type [occupation](#) is not used for billing purposes, but this customer rate. This rate is then applied for all occupations with this customer. The customer rate can be overridden from the project hourly rate in the document type [project](#) (see also [costing](#)).

## Contact Persons

The document type contact person administers the contact persons in “customers”.

The screenshot shows the Infodesire CRM software interface for managing contact persons. The main window title is "Contact Williams George". The top menu bar includes "Document", "Edit", "View", "Back references", and "Actions". Below the menu is a tab bar with "Master data" selected, along with other tabs: "History", "Office", "Details", "Privat", and "Misc".

**Master data:**

- Number:** 1
- Customer:** Customer TLC Telecommunications Corporation
- Type:** Entrepreneur
- Salutation:** Mister
- Title:** Dr.
- Contact name:** Williams
- Contact first name:** George
- Department:** (empty)
- Function:** (empty)

**Contact details:**

- Phone number:** +44 845 400-5000
- Fax number:** +44 1234564567
- Cell phone number:** (empty)
- Email:** williams@tlc.com (verified, indicated by a green checkmark)
- Note:** (empty)

When creating a new contact person, various fields are automatically pre-populated. In the standard

version of Projectile the following fields are pre-populated:

- **Number:** Pre-populated with a number automatically
- **Contact:** Pre-populated with the customer of the document
- **Telephone, Fax:** Pre-populated with the values of the customer
- **Address data:** Pre-populated with the values of the customer

**Required fields of the customer:** Number, Salutation, Name

## Actions

The document type “action” administers the actions of the contact person of a company. The contact persons can be assigned to user-defined actions, e.g. call, mailing, presentation, public relations.

Master data		Misc
Action	1-8	
Customer	TLC Telecommunications Corp	Contact Williams George
Projectdescription		
DueOn	30.10.2009	00:00:00
Actiontype	Reminder offer	
Priority	3 - normal priority	
Arranger	Conner Jane	
Note		
Checked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

When creating a new contact data record, various fields are automatically pre-populated. In the standard version of Projectile the following fields are pre-populated:

- **Action:** Pre-populated with a number automatically
- **Date:** Pre-populated with the current date
- **Priority:** Pre-populated with “3 - normal priority”
- **Arranger:** Pre-populated with the logged on employee
- **Definition date:** Pre-populated with the current date

**Required fields:** Action, Date, Action type, Employee, Definition Date

## Characteristics:

- In the check box “checked”, the processing status is defined. Tasks, which are only entered but

not yet processed are (e.g. advance), given the status not completed.

## Example Customer Administration

In the following example, a new customer with various contact persons and some actions are created. First, a new customer is created using the action "create".



A new document type "customer" is opened with the above described pre-populated fields.

A screenshot of a 'Customer' creation form. The top navigation bar shows 'Customer' selected. Below it is a toolbar with icons for Document, Edit, View, and Actions. The main area has a tab bar with 'Master data' selected, followed by Information, Sales, Address, Communication, Financial data, and Misc. The 'Master data' tab contains fields: 'Customer' (Contact number: 5), 'ShortName' (empty), 'Company name' (empty), 'Old Name' (empty), 'Organization' (Category dropdown empty, Type dropdown empty), 'Parent customer' (empty), 'Sub customers' (button with 'No entries'), and 'Contacts' (button with 'No entries').

Finally, the relevant fields of the first tab are filled, e.g. the company name, the short name and the category. The category is not only an information field, but also has functional character. If the category "customer" is selected, this contact is the client for the projects or bill recipient for the contracts. If the category 'supplier' is selected, then this contact is the supplier of third-party services and foreign invoices. After defining the fields of the tab "master data", the document is saved.

This screenshot shows the 'Customer' application window with the 'Master data' tab selected. The form contains the following fields:

- Customer:** Contact number 5, ShortName (empty)
- Company name:** John Green Ltd.
- Old Name:** (empty)
- Organization:** Category Customer, Type Firm
- Parent customer:** (empty)
- Sub customers:** No entries
- Contacts:** No entries

Then change to the “information” tab. Various classifications for the customer, e.g. sales relevant information, can be stored here.

This screenshot shows the 'Customer' application window with the 'Information' tab selected. The form contains the following fields:

- Company Infos:** Branch (dropdown), Company Formation Year (dropdown)
- Company Infos 2:** Number employees (dropdown), TurnoverCategory (dropdown)
- Related Customers:** (with a search icon)
- FirstContact:** (dropdown)
- Partner:** (dropdown) with search and delete icons
- Employees:** Arranger (dropdown) with search and delete icons, Representative (dropdown) with search and delete icons

The branch, company formation year, number of employees, turnover and further information as the type of first contact, partner and employee can be entered here.

This screenshot shows the 'Customer' master data screen. The 'Information' tab is selected. Key fields include 'Company Infos' (Branch: Software, Formation Year: 01.05.2005), 'Company Infos 2' (Number employees: 15, TurnoverCategory: < 02.500.00,00), 'Related Customers' (button with magnifying glass), 'FirstContact' (Customer dropdown), 'Partner' (CONSULT GmbH dropdown), 'Employees' (Arranger: Tate Adam, Representative: Müller Georg).

On the "Sales" tab **sales pipelines** can be entered and order confirmation value, invoice value, planned sales and estimated sales are displayed.

This screenshot shows the 'Customer' screen with the 'Sales' tab selected. It displays fields for 'Sales Pipelines' (No entries), 'OrderConfirmationValue' (Find available documents, New document button highlighted with a cursor), 'InvoiceValue' (EUR), 'PlannedSales' (EUR), and 'EstimatedSales' (EUR).

Then change to the next tab is "Address".

This screenshot shows the 'Customer' screen with the 'Address' tab selected. It includes fields for 'Address' (empty input), 'Address line' (Postal code and City inputs), 'Country' (Germany dropdown), and 'Addresses' (No entries button). A cursor is hovering over the 'No entries' button.

The company address of the contact is entered here and further address can be created using the functionality "new document", if necessary.

The screenshot shows the 'Customer' application interface. The 'Address' tab is selected. The 'Address' field contains '0 Westminster Bridge Road'. Below it, 'Address line' is 'Postal code SE1 7RW' and 'City' is 'London'. The 'Country' dropdown is set to 'Great Britain'. Under 'Addresses', there is a dropdown menu with 'No entries' and two options: 'Find available documents' and 'New document'. A cursor is hovering over the 'New document' option.

Further (differing) addresses for the customer can be ...

The screenshot shows the 'Address 9' tab. The 'Address' field contains '9'. The 'Customer' field is 'John Green Ltd.'. The 'Street' field is empty. The 'Address line' section has empty 'Postal code' and 'City' fields. The 'Country' dropdown is 'Great Britain'. The 'Address code' and 'Address type' fields are also empty.

... defined here (here, a differing billing address).

The screenshot shows the 'Address 9' tab. The 'Address' field contains '9'. The 'Customer' field is 'John Green Ltd.'. The 'Street' field contains '1 Seven Sisters Road'. The 'Address line' section has 'Postal code N4 2HY' and 'City London'. The 'Country' dropdown is 'Great Britain'. The 'Address code' and 'Address type' fields are empty. The 'Address type' dropdown is set to 'Invoice Address'.

After saving the document ...

The screenshot shows the 'Address' tab of a customer record for 'Customer John Green Ltd.'. The 'Address' field contains '0 Westminster Bridge Road'. Below it, 'Address line' is 'Postal code SE1 7RW' and 'City London'. The 'Country' dropdown is set to 'Great Britain'. A sub-table titled 'Addresses' lists one entry: 'Invoice Address' at '1 Seven Sisters Road, N4 2HY, London'.

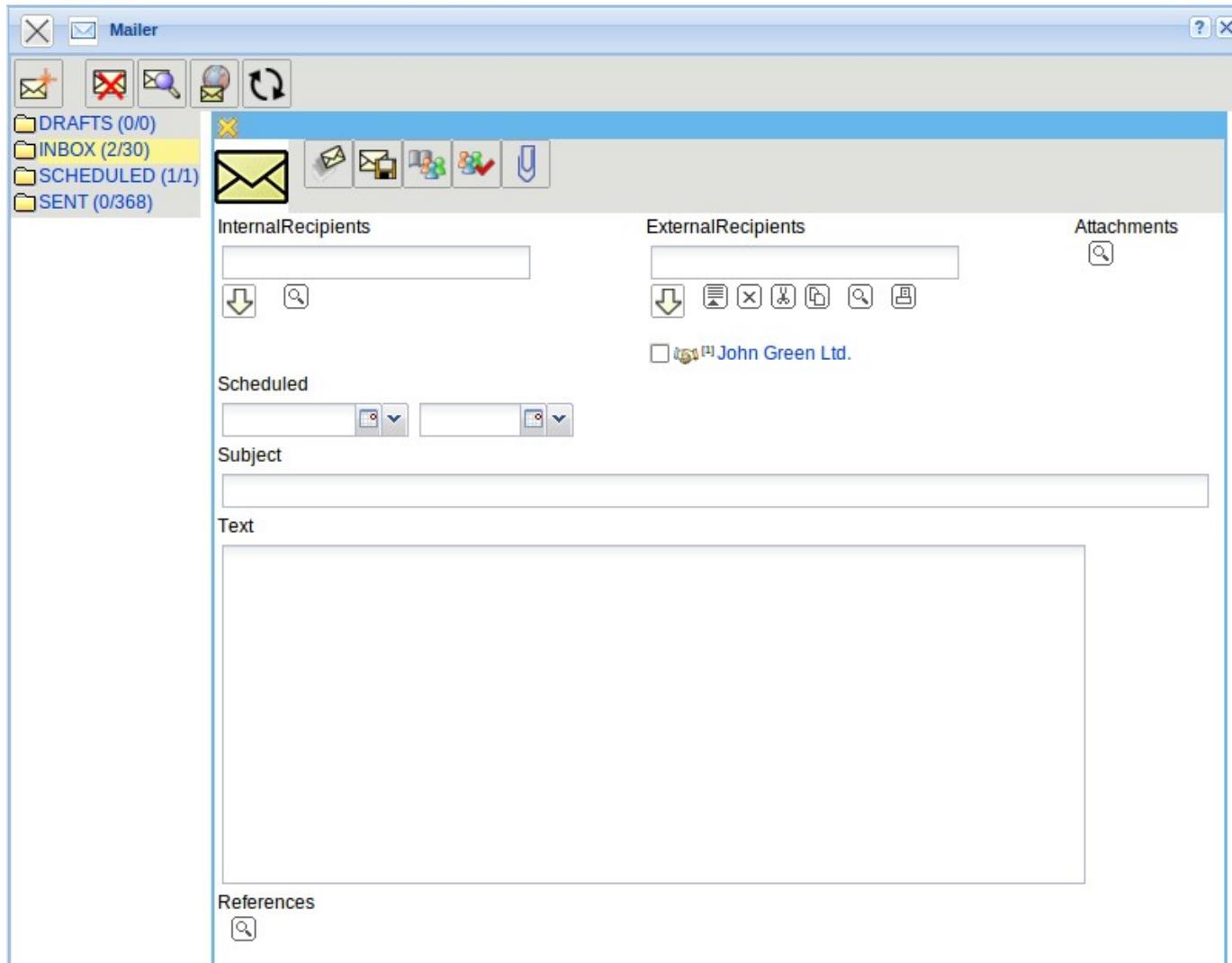
... the communication data can be entered in the "communication" tab.

On the "communication" tab, the contact's language, telephone number, fax, e-mail and website address can be entered.

The screenshot shows the 'Communication' tab of the same customer record. It includes fields for 'Language' (English), 'Phone number' (020-74008080), 'Fax number' (020-74008085), 'Email' (info@jgreen.com) with a green checkmark and a mailto link, and 'WWW' (www.john-green.com) with a green checkmark and a link. At the bottom, there is a 'Meetings' section with a button for 'No entries'.

After saving the document, the e-mail address and the website address are included by the system. The link to the e-mail address opens the standard e-mail client of the user. The link of the field "www" opens the website of the contact in the standard browser of the user.

If the optional mail system [mailer](#) is used, the appropriate e-mail address ...



... can be opened through the function bar.

On the “Financial data” tab, the pre-settings of the customer for the the invoicing module can be stored ...

**Customer John Green Ltd.**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Back references ▾ Actions ▾

Master data Information Sales Address Communication **Financial data** Misc

Debtor/Creditor Number	Debtor	Creditor
Zahlung	Terms of payment	within 14 days
Currency	GBP	
Value added tax	VAT-GB-15	
ValueAddedTaxId		
TaxId		
Own supplier number		
Hourly rate	EUR	
Account Number		IBAN
Bank code		BIC
Bank name		

... and on the "Misc" tab blocking criteria and comments can be entered.

**Customer John Green Ltd.**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Back references ▾ Actions ▾

Master data Information Sales Address Communication Financial data **Misc**

Blocked	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reason for blocking	
Note	

Customers can be further subdivided. In the following example, the company John Green Ltd. has two subsidiaries. Using the functionality "New document" in the field sub-customers ...

The screenshot shows the SAP Fiori interface for managing a customer named 'Customer John Green Ltd.'. The main fields displayed are 'Customer number' (5), 'ShortName' (JG), 'Company name' (John Green Ltd.), and 'Old Name'. Below these, under the 'Organization' section, 'Category' is set to 'Customer' and 'Type' is set to 'Firm'. The 'Sub customers' field shows a dropdown menu with three options: 'No entries', 'Find available documents', and 'New document'. The 'New document' option is highlighted with a mouse cursor.

a subsidiary or a branch can be entered.

The screenshot shows the SAP Fiori interface for creating a new customer. The 'Customer number' field contains '6'. The 'Sub customers' field shows a dropdown menu with 'No entries' and a 'New document' option, which is also highlighted with a mouse cursor. The 'Contacts' field also shows a similar 'No entries' dropdown.

After creating the first sub-customer, using the function ...

Customer John Green Information Ltd

Document Edit View Back references Actions

Master Save the document

Customer	Contact number	6	ShortName	JGI
Company name	John Green Information Ltd			
Old Name				
Organization	Category	Partner	Type	Firm
Parent customer	John Green Ltd.			
Sub customers	No entries			
Contacts	No entries			

... "Create new document from this template" a second customer can be created.

Customer John Green Information Ltd

Document Edit View Back references Actions

Master data Create a new document from this template

Customer	Contact number	6	ShortName	JGI
Company name	John Green Information			
Old Name				
Organization	Category	Partner	Type	Firm
Parent customer	John Green Ltd.			
Sub customers	No entries			
Contacts	No entries			

After saving the document ...

**Customer John Green Information Ltd**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Actions ▾

Master data		Information	Sales	Address	Communication	Financial data	Misc
Customer	Contact number	7					ShortName JGI
Company name	John Green & Co. Ltd						
Old Name							
Organization	Category	Supplier		Type	Firm		
Parent customer	John Green Ltd.						
Sub customers	No entries ▾						
Contacts	No entries ▾						

... the forms of the sub-customers are closed.

**Customer John Green & Co. Ltd**

Document ▾

Then, the sub-customers are available in the “customer” form.

**Customer John Green Ltd.**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Back references ▾ Actions ▾

Master data		Information	Sales	Address	Communication	Financial data	Misc												
Customer	Contact number	5					ShortName JG												
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Contacts	No entries ▾																		

Next, a contact person for the customer is created. First, the function “New document” is activated in the element Contacts:

The screenshot shows a CRM application window titled "Customer John Green Ltd.". The main area displays customer information: Contact number (5), ShortName (JG), Company name (John Green Ltd.), Old Name (empty), Organization Category (Customer), and Type (Firm). Below this, the "Sub customers" section lists two entries: "John Green & Co. Ltd" and "John Green Information Ltd". The entry for "John Green Information Ltd" is selected. The "Contacts" section at the bottom shows a message "No entries" and a button labeled "New document" which is highlighted with a cursor icon.

The system generates a new document of the type “contact person” and pre-populates the customer (and various information from customer) automatically.

**Contact**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Actions ▾

Master data	History	Office	Details	Privat	Misc
Number	5.2				
Customer	Customer John Green Ltd.	Type			
Salutation	Salutation	Title			
Contact name			Contact first name		
Department			Function		
Phone number	020-74008080		Fax number 020-740080805		
Cell phone number					
Email					
Note					

After filling out the relevant fields, the document is saved.

**Contact Green John**

Document ▾ Edit ▾ View ▾ Back references ▾ Actions ▾

Master data	History	Office	Details	Privat	Misc
Number	5.2				
Customer	Customer John Green Ltd.	Type			
Salutation	Salutation	Mister	Title	Dr.	
Contact name	Green		Contact first name	John	
Department			Function		
Phone number	020-74008080		Fax number 020-740080805		
Cell phone number					
Email	<a href="mailto:johngreen@green.com">johngreen@green.com</a> <a href="mailto:johngreen@green.com">mailto:johngreen@green.com</a>				
Note					

On the "History" tab, the actions, time entries, campaigns and meetings can be entered.

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The screenshot shows the Infodesire CRM software interface for managing contacts. The main title bar says "Contact Green John". The top menu includes "Document", "Edit", "View", "Back references", and "Actions". Below the menu is a navigation bar with tabs: "Master data" (selected), "History", "Office", "Details", "Privat", and "Misc". The "Actions" section displays a table with one row: DueOn (23.11.2009 00:00:00), Arranger (Conner Jane), Actiontype (General call), Checked (0), and Note (empty). The "TimeEntries" section displays a table with one row: Name (Action 6-6) and Date (23.11.2009 11:00:00). The "Campaign" section shows "No entries". The "Meeting" section displays a table with one row: Title (Meeting 2-4).

On the “office” tab, the office, supervisor, assistant, related contacts and employment date can be entered.

The screenshot shows the "Office" tab details for contact "Green John". The "Office" field contains "Management". The "Supervisor" field is set to "Green John". The "Assistant" field is empty. The "Related contacts" section lists three contacts: Mileson James, Sander Peter, and Smith Alice, each with a checkbox and a small profile icon. The "EmploymentDate" field is empty.

On the “Details” tab, the profession, organization, language and address of the contact can be

entered.

Auf dem Reiter “Details” werden die **Kampagnen** aufgelistet und können Beruf, Organisation, Sprachfähigkeiten, Tätigkeiten und Adressdaten eingegeben werden.

Master data		History	Office	Details	Privat	Misc
Profession	Business Management					
Organization	BMO					
Language	English					
Address	0 Westminster Bridge Road					
Address line	Postal code	SE1 7RW	City	London		
Country	Great Britain					

On the “Private” tab, the private telephone number, mobile number, fax and e-mail and other private information can be entered.

Master data		History	Office	Details	Privat	Misc
Phone private	020-11223344					
HandyPrivate						
FaxNumberPrivate	020-11223349					
EmailPrivate						
AddressPrivat	Viktoria Street					
AddressLinePrivat	Postal code	SL4	City	Windor		
CountryPrivat	Great Britain					
Birthday						
Hobby	golf, tennis					

On the “Misc” tab, the blocking criteria, employee, company and further information can be entered.

The screenshot shows a contact management interface with the following fields filled:

- Blocked: An unchecked checkbox.
- Reason for blocking: An empty text input field.
- Employee: A dropdown menu set to "Tate Adam".
- PreviousCompany: A text input field containing "SAP AG".
- AdditionalCurrentCompany: An empty text input field.
- NamePartner: A text input field containing "Mary".
- NameChildren: An empty text input field.

A further contact person can be generated using the functionality “Create new document from this template”.

The screenshot shows a contact management interface with the following fields filled:

- Number: "5.2"
- Customer: "Customer" (Type: Salutation)
- Salutation: "Mister"
- Contact name: "Green"
- Department: An empty text input field.
- Contact first name: "John"
- Function: An empty text input field.

The "Document" menu is open, and the option "Create a new document from this template" is highlighted with a cursor.

Herewith, the contact person is copied and the user is then able to modify the data.

After saving the document ...

**Contact Green John**

Save the document | Office | Details | Privat | Misc

Number	5.2		
Customer	Customer	Type	<input type="button" value="▼"/>
Salutation	Salutation	Mister	<input type="button" value="▼"/>
Contact name	Green	Contact first name	John
Department		Function	

... the contact person is then directly available in the document.

**Customer John Green Ltd.**

Master data | Information | Sales | Address | Communication | Financial data | Misc

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