

CHRIS COGBILL - CV

Senior Unit4 Business World Consultant, with 10 years of Unit4 experience across multiple sectors. Ambitious and enthusiastic Cambridge Physics Graduate with a keen interest in technology and innovation.

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Experience

SystemsAccountants

March 2017 to date

Unit4 Business World Consultant

Projects Summary

HAVAS Worldwide

- I joined the HAVAS Worldwide project in 2017 and since then have helped them to migrate around 60 of their legal entities onto Unit4 Business World over 5 years, including over 3000 active users.
- I lead the setup of their Planning and Budgeting module and Financial Planning and Analysis reporting as well as numerous smaller Unit4 projects, plus I was the on-site support contact when the Chicago office launched in 2019.
- I continue to provide ad-hoc support when required.

HAVAS Media

- In 2019 I wrote a successful bid for SystemsAccountants to implement Unit4 Business World, having used my contacts from HAVAS Worldwide to originally get an introduction
- I headed up the consulting team that implemented the financial modules of Unit4 Business World, configuring their environment, setting up their interfaces, creating their financial reports and training end users.
- For the second phase of the project, which went live in April 2021, we launched the Accounts Payable and Fixed Asset modules.

Other Smaller Projects:

University of Toledo – Financial Reporting

The Reinvestment Fund – AP Bank Transfer Project

Oanda – Bid for Full Implementation

Independent (Cogs Technology Solutions)

Oct 2015 – March 2017

Lead Consultant

Projects Summary

UK Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA)

- The UKAEA project was a full-cycle, Unit4 Business World Financials and HR Implementation. Initially I was contracted by Methods Consulting as the lead consultant for the modules Record-to-Report (General Ledger and Reporting) and Fixed Assets, before I later became the solution architect to oversee the project as a whole.
- After the implementation, I was contracted directly by UKAEA to setup their system support team, assist with end-user training and continue to resolve any post implementation issues

Methods

Dec 2014 – Oct 2015 Senior Consultant
April – Dec 2014 Consultant
June 2013 – April 2014 Junior Consultant

Projects Summary

Having joined Methods in June 2013, I initially worked on various projects, including the first Salesforce implementation into local government, before becoming more specialised as a UNIT4 Business World consultant. In my time with Methods I was promoted twice to become the youngest senior consultant across the Methods group.

West Suffolk Shared Service – Milestone 3 Financials Implementation

- This was a full-cycle implementation that went live April 2014. I was the implementation consultant for all the financial modules and the project went live successfully in a short timeframe (approximately 9 months) and on a tight budget. I returned to West Suffolk at later points to carry out smaller pieces of work and system improvements.

Middlesbrough Council – Milestone 4 Full Implementation

- This was a full implementation (including HR and Payroll) with a phased rollout in 2015. I was the implementation consultant for the Record to Report and Budgeting modules, plus stayed on to assist with the procurement and sales go-live.

Other Smaller Projects:

Hereford Council – Purchasing Project
John Laing – Report Writing Project
Intu Properties – General Ledger Project
Carillion – System Support

Education:

2009 - 2012:	Cambridge (Fitzwilliam College)	
	MA (Hons) Natural Sciences: Physical Sciences	2.1
2002 - 2009:	Whitgift School, South Croydon	
	International Baccalaureate (A level alternative)	41/45 (632 UCAS points)
	11 GCSEs (including Maths, English and Sciences)	8A* & 3 A

Technical Skills

Unit4 Business World expert

Record to Report, Sales to Cash, Procure to Pay, Fixed Assets, Budget to Control, System Administration, Report Writing (Excelerator, Xtra reports and Worderator). Passed U4 R2R exam on first attempt with 3rd highest score at time of passing.

BI Tools Experience – including Microsoft PowerBI and Unit4 FP&A

Databases

SQL database experience with Oracle, Microsoft SQL and ASQL (Agresso/Unit4 SQL).

Web development

HTML, CSS and Javascript and experience using WordPress.