



We optimize your production



# Intuitive and easy-to-use graphical interface

In order to plan the production and evaluate different scenarios, Stello Planner provides an intuitive and user-friendly interface. From this interface the user can access different configuration functionalities, search and interact with the planning, as well as compare different simulations and their indicators (KPIs). This way, the user can, in a consistent way, decide which simulation can be approved and sent to production.

### Advanced algorithms which help manage production

Stello Planner incorporates flexible and efficient algorithms based on meta-heuristics (relatively general techniques for combinatorial optimization problems), its multi-objective variants and sophisticated decision support systems that reinforce the role of the decision maker and its interaction with the entire system. The algorithms are developed in constant collaboration with INESC TEC, having already been subject to several scientific papers and academic thesis.

# Easy integration with other systems

It is important that Stello Planner is fed with reliable information about production-related data. Communication with other systems is done through XML files.

### APS Advanced Planning and Scheduling

Within the desired

timeframe

Planning, in a first analysis, is to resolve conflicts of interest between commercial and production departments. The need to monetize available production capacity represents an opportunity to optimize resources and improves the process:

Where they

were planned

The Stello Planner stands out as an indispensable tool for production, with the goal of contributing to the increase of productivity and competitiveness of the company's production process. To achieve this, its way of working is focused on three basic pillars:



Stello Planner's main goals and features

In the order they

were planned

- O Meet delivery deadlines; Minimize setup time, downtime and stoppages; Maximize the use of resources and subresources; Manage parallel operation overlaps.
- Use of mathematical algorithms to obtain, in a timely way, the optimum solution, enabling the use of various optimization criteria at the same time.
- f b Providing a graphical interface to support the user in navigation and decision making, intuitively, easily and comfortably.

## Track the simulations using several charts

#### o Gantt chart of Resources

Allows the interaction and visualisation of plans, with all operations by resource and time, links between them, general and specific data, delays, and other features.

Gantt chart of Subresources

Allows the view of their usage over time associated with the resources where they are needed.

#### • Gantt chart of Production Orders

Allows the view of their temporal arrangement, as well as the information about them.

#### • Chart of Loads

Allows the view all the information related to the different types of loads placed on the resources.



#### **HR** Department

**Q** Operators' information Availability of workforce

# Stello Planner

Workflow diagram

#### Importance and weighting of KPIs

O Production time **O**Downtime Stoppage time Brought forward production orders O Delayed production orders Average delay days **O** Maximum delay days Average anticipation of delivery date A Maximum anticipation of delivery date Average lead time Average wait time **b** Subcontracting time • Priorities sactisfaction levels Billing in a given period • Percentage of energy efficiency transitions in resources • Percentage of energy efficiency transitions in

#### **Optimization elements**

- **O** Product and work centers' characteristics
- Change time matrices by work center
- Energy labels
- Energy characteristics
- Change cost matrices
- Capacity classes and compatibility arrays for batches and tunnels

operations

Overlap rules

# Project with CIN

In order to optimize the production process of CIN, we implemented together with INESC TEC our Stello Planner solution in one of its factories, in order to obtain a greater profitability of its resources and subresources.



Main project highlights:

- Collaborative work between project teams of CIN, Soffi9 and INESC TEC, were fundamental to characterize CIN processes, existing problems and goals to be achieved:
- Mapping of complex processes in capacity models and engineering information;
- Restrictions and variability management
- Integration with ERP;
- Raw materials checking;
- Priorities management;
- Link between production and packaging orders;
- Use of historical information to determine adequate execution times, considering variability and thus correctly characterize the capacity available in the factory;
- Multi-objective solutions.

# Reference

"The result of the work has numerous advantages for CIN:

A complete overview of the state of the factory (with eye-visual graphic appearance 0

- and intuitive navigability);
- Efficient use of resource and subresources capacity; ¢
- Υ The option to develop alternative scenarios in a few seconds to support the decision.

In short, faced with a complex challenge, the consulting team presented an efficient working method with a collaborative attitude of enhancement, achieving all the proposed objectives."

Pedro Cruz, Manager of Industrial and Production Information Systems

