Graphical Scheduler Battle Card

For Microsoft Partners who sell Insight Works apps

Graphical Scheduler shows production operations on a visual schedule in Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central, organized by work center group, work center, and machine center. Drag an operation to another time or resource, and Business Central reschedules that production order. This is a completely free app from Insight Works for Business Central.

WHO TO CALL ON

Manufacturers on Business Central with work centers, machine centers, and routings set up.

Users include production planners and supervisors who need a schedule filtered to their own department.

AT A GLANCE

Business Central	Online (cloud)
Licensing	Completely free, no user limit
User license	Full user license, Essentials or Premium
Production orders	Premium tier only
Availability	All countries where Business Central is available

What changes when you add Graphical Scheduler to Business Central

	Business Central without Graphical Scheduler	Business Central with Graphical Scheduler
Work center load	When the schedule lives in routing lines and reports, planners piece together which work centers are busy. Problems surface on the shop floor.	Work centers and machine centers run down the left, with time from a full year to 15-minute increments. A loading view flags work centers above your thresholds.
Rescheduling	Changing a production date by hand means opening the order, finding the routing line, and typing a new start time.	Drag an operation to another time, work center, or machine center. Standard Business Central scheduling logic reschedules only that production order.
Team views	One shared screen shows a supervisor every work center in the plant, and another department's work can be moved by accident.	Each view stores its own time scale, filters, tooltips, and color rules. Views can be limited to certain work centers or set to read-only.

Selling points

Load by work center.
A loading view shows utilization by period and flags work centers above your thresholds.

Views for each team.
Each view stores its own time scale, filters, tooltips, and color rules.

No user limit.
No Insight Works license or subscription, and no limit on users, on Business Central online.

Drag to reschedule.
Standard Business Central scheduling logic applies the change to the selected production order only.

Color rules on any field.
Late orders, rush jobs, or overloaded work centers stand out on the schedule.

Setup needed.
Work centers, machine centers, and routings must already be set up in Business Central.

Qualify the opportunity

1. Are you on Business Central today, or another ERP system?
2. How do you schedule production today, and with which tools?
3. How do you see overloaded work centers before you commit to a date?
4. How quickly can you reschedule an operation when floor conditions change?
5. How do you track late production orders and decide which to move?
6. Would color coding help your team spot late orders or overloaded work centers?
7. Would a drag-and-drop schedule help your team adjust production dates?
8. Do supervisors need views limited to their work centers, or read-only views?
9. Are you on the Business Central Premium tier with production orders?
10. Are work centers, machine centers, and routings set up in Business Central?

Common questions

Does it run on Business Central online?
Yes. The free app runs on Business Central online (cloud).

What Business Central license is needed?
Each user needs a full user license on the Essentials or Premium tier. Production orders are only available on the Premium tier.

Does moving one operation reschedule other orders?
No. The change applies to the selected production order only, so other orders stay where they are.

Is there an Insight Works license?
No. Graphical Scheduler needs no Insight Works license or subscription and has no limit on users.

Which orders can be moved?
Released production orders whose operations are not finished. Drag and drop also works with any data source that has writable date and time fields.

Can it flag overloaded work centers?
Yes. A work center loading view shows utilization by period, with colors that flag work centers above your thresholds.

Resources

Sales kit: insight-works.com/partner-hub/graphical-scheduler

App page and demo: insight-works.com/apps/graphical-scheduler

Datasheet: Graphical Scheduler datasheet (PDF)

Partner hub: insight-works.com/partner-hub

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