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Standard Rate Card

	Strategy & Architectur e	Business Change	Solution Development & Implementatio n	Service Management	Procurement & Management Support	Client Interface
1. Follow	£750	£750	£750	£750	£750	£750
2. Assist	£850	£850	£850	£850	£850	£850
3. Apply	£950	£950	£950	£950	£950	£950
4. Enable	£1,100	£1,100	£1,100	£1,100	£1,100	£1,100
5. Ensure / Advise	£1,300	£1,300	£1,300	£1,300	£1,300	£1,300
6. Initiate / Influence	£1,500	£1,500	£1,500	£1,500	£1,500	£1,500
7. Set Strategy / Inspire	£1,7000	£1,7000	£1,7000	£1,7000	£1,7000	£1,7000

Standards for Consultancy Day Rate cards

Consultant's Working Day - 8 hours exclusive of travel and lunch

Working Week - Monday to Friday excluding national holidays

Office Hours - 9am to 6pm Monday to Friday

Travel, mileage Subsistence – Included in day rate within M25. Payable at department's standard T&S rates outside M25

Mileage - As above

Professional Indemnity Insurance - included in day rate



Level definitions

	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business Skills
1. Follow	Works under close supervision uses little discretion Is expected to seek guidance in expected situations	Interacts with immediate colleagues.	Performs routine activities in a structured environment Requires assistance in resolving unexpected problems	uses basic information systems and technology functions, applications, and processes Demonstrates an organised approach to work Learns new skills and applies newly acquired knowledge Has basic oral and written communication skills Contributes to identifying own development opportunities
2. Assist	Works under routine supervision uses minor discretion in resolving problems or enquiries Works without frequent reference to others	Interacts with and may influence immediate colleagues May have some external contact with customers and suppliers. May have more influence in own domain.	Performs a range of varied work activities in a variety of structured environments.	Understands and uses appropriate methods, tools and applications Demonstrates a rational and organised approach to work Is aware of health and safety issues. Identifies and negotiates own development opportunities Has sufficient communication skills for effective dialogue with colleagues. Is able to work in a team Is able to plan, schedule and monitor own work within short time horizons Absorbs technical information when it is presented systematically and applies it effectively
3. Apply	Works under general supervision	Interacts with and influences	Performs a broad range of	Understands and uses appropriate methods, tools and applications.





		department/project	work, sometimes	Demonstrates an analytical and
	Uses discretion in	team members	complex and	systematic approach to problem solving
	identifying and	Marialana	non-routine, in a	Takes the initiative in identifying and
	resolving complex	May have working level contact with	variety of environments.	negotiating appropriate development
	problems and	customers and	environments.	opportunities.
	assignments	suppliers		The state of the s
		опринего		Demonstrates effective communication
	Usually receives	May supervise		skills.
	specific instructions and has work	others in predictable and structured		Contributes fully to the work of teams
	reviewed at frequent	areas		Plans, schedules and monitors own
	milestones			work (and that of others where
		Malara da data a		applicable) competently within limited
	Determines when	Makes decisions		deadlines and according to relevant
	issues should be	which may impact on the work		legislation and procedures
	escalated to a higher	assigned to		Absorbs and applies technical
	level	individuals or		information
		phases of projects		
				Works to required standards
				Understands and uses appropriate
				methods, tools and applications
				memore, recordant approaches
				Appreciates the wider field of
				information systems, and how own role
				relates to other roles and to the
				business of the employer or client
4. Enable	Works under general	Influences team and	Performs a	Selects appropriately from applicable
	direction within a	specialist peers	broad range of	standards, methods, tools and
	clear framework of	internally. Influences	complex	applications. Demonstrates an analytical
	accountability	customers at	technical or	and systematic approach to problem
		account level and	professional	solving
	Exercises substantial	suppliers	work activities, in	Communicates fluently orally and in
	personal		a variety of	writing, and can present complex
	responsibility and	Has some	contexts.	technical information to both technical
	autonomy	responsibility for the work of others and		and non-technical audiences
		for the allocation of		
	Plans own work to	resources		Facilitates collaboration between
	meet given			stakeholders who share common
				objectives





	objectives and	Participates in		Plans, schedules and monitors work to
	processes.	external activities		meet time and quality targets and in
		related to own		accordance with relevant legislation and
		specialism		procedures.
				Rapidly absorbs new technical
		Makes decisions		information and applies it effectively
		which influence the		Has a good appreciation of the wider
		success of projects		field of information systems, their use in
		and team		relevant employment areas and how
		objectives.		they relate to the business activities of
				the employer or client.
				and amproper or enerm
				Maintains an awareness of developing
				technologies and their application and
				takes some responsibility for personal
				development
5. Ensure	Works under broad	Influences	Performs a	Advises on the available standards,
or Advise	direction	organisation,	challenging	methods, tools and applications relevant
		customers,	range and variety	to own specialism and can make correct
	Is fully accountable	suppliers and peers	of complex	choices from alternatives
	for own technical	within industry on	technical or	Analyses diagnoses designs plans
	work and/or project/	the contribution of	professional	Analyses, diagnoses, designs, plans, execute and evaluates work to time,
	supervisory	own specialism	work activities	cost and quality targets
	responsibilities	Han simulfinant	l la dantalia a consuli	cost and quality targets
	Danakan	Has significant	Undertakes work	Communicates effectively, formally and
	Receives	responsibility for the	which requires	informally, with colleagues, subordinates
	assignments in the	work of others and for the allocation of	the application of fundamental	and customers
	form of objectives			
	Establishes own	resources	principles in a wide and often	Demonstrates leadership
	milestones and team	Makes decisions	unpredictable	Facilitates collaboration between
	objectives, and	which impact on the	range of	stakeholders who have diverse
	delegates	success of assigned	contexts	objectives
	responsibilities	projects i.e. results,	33110/10	Objectives
		deadlines and		Understands the relevance of own area
		budget	Understands the	of responsibility or specialism to the
	Work is often		relationship	employing organisation
	self-initiated		between own	. , , ,
			specialism and	Takes customer requirements into





		Develops business relationships with customers	wider customer or organisational requirements.	account when making proposals Takes initiative to keep skills up to date. Mentors more junior colleagues Maintains an awareness of developments in the industry Analyses requirements and advises on scope and options for operational improvement Demonstrates creativity and innovation in applying solutions for the benefit of the customer
6. Initiate or influence	Has defined authority and responsibility for a significant area of work, including technical, financial and quality aspects Establishes organisational objectives and delegates responsibilities Is accountable for actions and decisions taken by self and subordinates	Influences policy formation on the contribution of own specialism to business objectives influences a significant part of own organisation and influences customers and suppliers and industry at senior management level Makes decisions which impact the work of employing organisations, achievement of organisational objectives and financial performance Develops high-level relationships with	Performs highly complex work activities covering technical, financial and quality aspects Contributes to the formulation of IT strategy Creatively applies a wide range of technical and/or management principles.	Absorbs complex technical information and communicates effectively at all levels to both technical and non-technical audiences. Assesses and evaluates risk Understands the implications of new technologies Demonstrates clear leadership and the ability to influence and persuade Has a broad understanding of all aspects of IT and deep understanding of own specialism(s). Understands and communicates the role and impact of IT in the employing organisation and promotes compliance with relevant legislation Takes the initiative to keep both own and subordinates' skills up to date and to maintain an awareness of developments in the IT industry





7 Set		customers, suppliers and industry leaders Makes decisions	Leads on the	
Strategy and inspire	Has authority and responsibility for all aspects of a significant area of work, including policy formation and application Is fully accountable for actions taken and decisions made both by self and subordinates	critical to organisational success Influences developments within the IT industry at the highest levels. Advances the knowledge and/or exploitation of IT within one or more organisations Develops long-term strategic relationships with customers and industry leaders	formulation and application of strategy Applies the highest level of management and leadership skills Has a deep understanding of the IT industry and the implications of emerging technologies for the wider business environment	Has a full range of strategic management and leadership skills Understands, explains and presents complex technical ideas to both technical and non-technical audiences at all levels up to the highest in a persuasive and convincing manner Has a broad and deep IT knowledge coupled with equivalent knowledge of the activities of those businesses and other organisations that use and exploit IT Communicates the potential impact of emerging technologies on organisations and individuals and analyses the risks of using or not using such technologies Assesses the impact of legislation, and actively promotes compliance Takes the initiative to keep both own and subordinates' skills up to date and to maintain an awareness of developments in IT in own area(s) of expertise.