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TMK automates business tasks with RPA solutions

TMK is implementing robotic process automation (RPA) in its business processes to handle market research, HR and administration. A pilot RPA project run at TMK's Marketing Directorate has sped up execution fivefold in some areas.

An RPA marketing solution was developed together with MMK-Informservice's RPA and Innovation Center of Excellence (part of MMK Group). The robot prepares data for weekly reviews of global drilling markets and prices for semi-finished stock steel and crude oil. The RPA system collects information from various sources, checks collected data for correctness and groups it into tables, charts and diagrams.

"RPA and chatbots are among the most valued technologies in business process automation. They can handle big data, are self-learning, operate from a cloud and do not require large investments in infrastructure. Moreover, these solutions can boost performance dramatically by taking over all routine tasks from employees, who can focus on more creative ones. The pilot project at the Marketing Directorate has already demonstrated its effectiveness, with reporting time cut fivefold. We are also testing an HR robot and designing products for other corporate functions together with our partners," said TMK's IT Director Dmitry Yakob.

The HR robot, which was developed together with TMK2U Corporate University, shortlists applicants for existing vacancies against preset criteria. In the future, the robot will also draft HR documents. RPA solutions are also involved in payroll management and other functions.

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