

XMF Remote

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Online job submission, storage, proofing and approval module for XMF Workflow





Upload, review and approve jobs from anywhere

Providing additional online services is a way for printers to involve their customers more closely by allowing them to drive the print production process themselves. XMF Remote allows XMF Workflow users to offer their customers online job upload, pre-flighting, proofing and approval facilities. In addition to speeding up approvals and streamlining production, the additional convenience for the customer helps the printer to retain and expand the business.

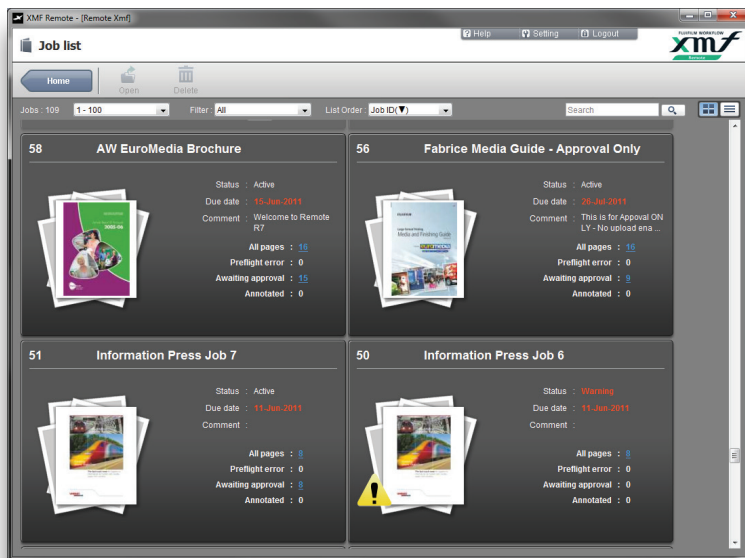
Job upload and online storage

The customer's involvement with XMF Remote begins with the upload of job files. A simple drag-and-drop web-based interface allows files to be uploaded from any supported platform at any time of day or night. The interface may be customized to reflect either the printer's or the customer's branding, and may be different for each customer.

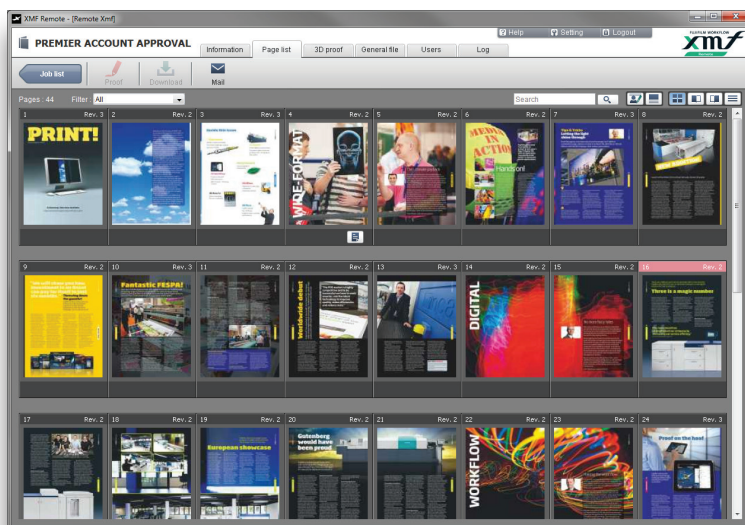
The job status is immediately visible to the customer as confirmation of the upload and XMF Remote can automatically email notifications of uploads to the printer for further action. As jobs progress, emails notifying the customer of individual pages or complete jobs awaiting their approval can also be sent automatically, including reminders of the deadlines necessary to meet agreed upon schedules.



XMF Remote supports online job pre-flighting, review, annotation, comparison of jobs and approval for print on the Apple iPad, via a free app, and on Android-based tablets through HTML5 support.



XMF Remote's Job List shows an overview of all current jobs with pre-flighting, proofing and approval status immediately visible for each.



Users of XMF Remote can go from the Job List to a page view of each job via a simple click and see pages based on RiPPed data, together with status information and annotations.



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XMF Remote also provides an online storage facility which adds convenience and value for customers. It's both simpler to use and more secure than conventional ftp servers, and may be used to upload and store native application artwork files, placed images, fonts or spreadsheets for variable data jobs, for example.

Pre-flighting and annotation

Uploaded jobs can be pre-flighted immediately via the industry-leading Enfocus PitStop Server that is incorporated within XMF Workflow. The pre-flight results are shown in the XMF Remote web browser window and if there are errors that require the customer to correct and re-submit the file, the full PDF report can be downloaded at a single click. There is also the option to download the original job file along with the report, so that links from the latter take the customer directly to the problem items in the job in order to assist in identification and correction.

A selection of intuitive annotation tools allows design and content issues to be discussed interactively online between multiple XMF Remote users involved with the same job, as might be found in agency-led marketing work. It is also possible to re-order pages within a job via XMF Remote and even to intelligently split spreads with center bleed items.

Online proofing

XMF Remote provides online proofs based on APPE* RiPPed data from XMF Workflow, giving complete consistency between what is shown on-screen and what will print. Jobs can be viewed as single pages or as reader's spreads and users may zoom and pan to inspect details. Side-by-side comparison of multiple versions of jobs allows corrections to be checked or alternative design options to be reviewed.

In addition to a variety of production-specific options such as viewing trim

* Adobe PDF Print Engine

and bleed, individual or progressive separations, XMF Remote offers a unique 3D previewing capability which simulates the stock and finishing options, allowing design and finishing choices to be previewed realistically before anything is printed. Self-contained 3D previews may be downloaded for onward email circulation and review by customers.

Approval by multiple reviewers

User account control within XMF Remote not only allows multiple users to be given access on a per-job basis, but also enables hierarchical approval sequences to be implemented. This supports working practices in complex collaborative jobs such as magazine production when various staff within both the printer's and the customer's organizations might need to approve different pages of the publication against different criteria at key stages in its production. The approval status is shown in the browser window and appropriate set-up of users' privileges means that once pages are approved by the relevant user they appear locked to other users.

Tablet-friendly

XMF Remote supports Apple iPads and Android-based tablets, allowing customers to log in, view, annotate and approve jobs from virtually anywhere. For the iPad there is a dedicated app available as a free download from the iTunes App Store; for other mobile devices, a rich HTML5 mobile interface is provided within XMF Remote.



Annotation tools within XMF Remote allow collaborative review of jobs in progress between multiple users on any supported platform.

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