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## **Semcon and Antura launching “Antura Projects for XLPM”**

*Semcon and Antura are launching a completely new product, Antura Projects for XLPM, where the project tool, Antura Projects, and the project methodology, XLPM, are fully integrated.*

In most organizations the project methodology and project tool live in symbiosis. The project tool helps the project model to be spread and accepted throughout the organization in a better way. Meanwhile it's necessary to have a fully-functioning project methodology to completely utilize a project tool. Antura and Semcon provide leading products in these areas and our joint customers and the market in general has demanded a more integrated solution between project tool and project methodology. To meet these requests Antura and Semcon have signed a strategic agreement to provide a fully integrated solution between Antura Projects and XLPM. *Antura Projects for XLPM*, will be provided to companies and organizations that currently use Antura Projects and XLPM or intend on introducing these products.

*“The collaboration with Antura provides full potential for XLPM, and shows that we are at the leading edge in terms of solutions that create major benefits for entire organizations. The combination of XLPM and effective operative IT support for projects, programs and portfolios in the form of Antura Projects, provides a solution for the future for organizations who really want to improve their project activities and achieve excellent standards. We are the first on the market to provide an integrated solution that solves many of the costly problems that organizations face today – having an effective project methodology, combined with an operative IT tool. The collaboration will provide our customers with customized opportunities for further improving their project activities by cost effectively receiving a complete solution for managing their project activities,”* says Patrik Bergström, CEO, Semcon Project Management AB.

*“We are very pleased to be able to present this collaboration with Semcon. Creating a fully integrated solution between a leading project tool like Antura Projects and a leading project methodology like XLPM is completely new to the market. We see Semcon choosing Antura for such a unique collaboration as proof that Antura Projects has cemented its position as a leading project tool in Sweden,”* says Mattias Andersson, CEO, Antura AB.

### **About Antura Projects**

*Antura is a leading supplier of project tools on the Swedish market with Antura Projects – a web-based complete solution for projects, portfolios and resource management. Antura Projects provides modern, complete, user-friendly support for entire projects activities. Antura Projects has many corporate customers and almost 100,000 satisfied users worldwide. Customers in Sweden include some of the most well-known companies and organizations like SJ, Folksam, Sveriges Radio, Lantmännen and Husqvarna.*

### **About Semcon Project Management and XLPM**

*Semcon Project Management AB, a subsidiary of the Semcon Group, owns and develops the XLPM project methodology, which is Semcon's version of Ericsson's PROPS for users outside Ericsson. XLPM is a world-leading methodology for controlling and managing projects, programs and project portfolios and provides support for project activities in all kinds and sizes of organizations and companies. It's used today by companies and organizations including Vattenfall, Sveriges Radio and Trafikverket.*

*Read more: <http://www.semcon.com/spm>*



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