AUTOMATED DATA CAPTURE WITH INCREASED VISIBILITY

Organizations are struggling to increase efficiencies as they grow while trying to keep costs down. Additionally, business is fueled by data which needs to be as accurate as possible. Today, as important documents enter the organization, staff organize the documents and find the important data to add to core systems. But utilizing staff to capture incoming data, validate it and update systems slows processes and exposes the risk of costly human errors. Additionally, as the company grows, it needs to invest in additional resources, increasing costs.

Brainware automates the document and information capture process, allowing your employees to focus on higher value tasks and projects.

Additionally, Brainware uniquely incorporates built-in intelligence to take automation to the next level, providing scalability, and the accompanying Visibility product to improve insight into the document and data capture process.

In addition, during critical processing time, load balancing is easy so that staff continue to move through this important step efficiently.

The biggest benefits of automated data capture

- **Improves process speed**
  Through automation and integration, capture solutions speed the data extraction process, including validation and distribution into other systems.

- **Reduces organization-wide costs**
  Reducing manual labor, data errors and transportation of documents decreases costs and misinformed business decisions.

- **Optimizes the workforce**
  Reallocation of resources efficiently and providing immediate access to information as it is received increases staff productivity and improves customer service.
DATA CAPTURE WITH BRAINWARE

Brainware automates several critical functions that otherwise require tedious, manual effort.

Classification
Brainware supports structured, semi-structured and free-form documents, and can automatically determine document type.

Data extraction
Using a variety of methods, Brainware can determine where the important information lies on a document. It then uses OCR technology to automatically extract the data, including both machine-printed and handwritten text.

Data validation
Leveraging integrations with other systems and learned intelligence, Brainware automatically validates extracted information and presents a simple verification screen for users wherever there is questionable data.

Information and content delivery
Brainware can interact with virtually any content or information management system to automatically deliver information and content to where they need to go.

Increased process visibility
Better visibility improves process management. The Visibility product surfaces valuable analytics that measure performance of the Brainware system. Clear indicators of success allow process owners to justify the investment into Brainware and empower managers to continuously improve the process over time.

CUSTOMER SPOTLIGHT

Siemens

With increasing volumes of invoices entering the organization, Siemens was on a mission to improve accounts payable (AP). And, not surprisingly, the company turned to technology to do so.

By investing in SAP and data capture solutions, Siemens was initially successful. However, they experienced limited efficiency gains. This approach also led to multiple SAP instances for different divisions and various optical character recognition (OCR) products. “We had almost 10 different OCR solutions in place for invoice processing in our different divisions,” said Nikolas Barth, head of strategy, Financial Shared Services, at Siemens. “It was very fragmented and not standardized.”

Siemens turned to Hyland’s Brainware solution to consolidate multiple OCR solutions, and to integrate with its many instances of SAP. Since its adoption, the solution has grown within the company, and its power has proven to be priceless for the company. Now receiving 3.5 million invoices from vendors worldwide, Brainware’s ability to quickly learn and accurately capture new invoices, as well as those in more than 20 different languages, has been crucial to maintaining and increasing process efficiency.

With Brainware’s built-in intelligence, Siemens extracts over 50 data fields from each invoice. And the integration with SAP has boosted process automation across shared services by an average of 30 percent due to the automated validation and delivery of data to Siemens’ core systems.
EXCEPTIONAL LEVELS OF AUTOMATION WITH HUMAN-LIKE INTELLIGENCE
Brainware intelligence facilitates higher accuracy in document classification and data extraction, driving automation and reducing human touch points.

Seeing patterns
Without reading the document, Brainware can see patterns to determine where the important information lies. Similar to viewing a document with blurry vision, without seeing individual letters and words, it can recognize clusters of tabular data and focus on those areas for extraction.

The technology can determine where information exists within a table, so that no matter how large that table is or how many times the table is repeated across pages, the software can easily find, identify and correctly extract information.

Learning and applying
The software only needs to see a small set of examples to understand how to classify that particular document type. With that, it can generalize and apply that classification to many variations by looking at word occurrence, colors and space on a page as well as images.

In addition, the software can learn from historical and real-time data corrections and manual data entry to improve its ability to capture information accurately. With real-time correction, it notices where staff are pulling specific data points — and where they are not — to learn context for the future.

Understanding variance
“Watching” staff make data corrections, while other products memorize the exact information and specific coordinates on the page, Brainware can generalize and apply what it learned, even as formats change or information shifts on the page.

Working directly with other systems and databases, Brainware can understand when information is misspelled or changed and still match the new with existing information. It can deduce near matches by performing comparisons, which helps to validate pulled data as well as automatically populate additional fields with related information from the other systems.

Humans behind the humanizing
Hyland employs PhD scientists with backgrounds in neuroscience, physics and engineering to enhance the intelligence within Brainware. They leverage expert knowledge of the human brain and sensory processing, and have more than 15 years of software development experience to develop the algorithms behind Brainware.

BUILT BY A RECOGNIZED INDUSTRY LEADER
Hyland, the developer of Brainware, has over 25 years’ experience building content solutions for businesses of all sizes across the globe. Hyland has been recognized as a leader in the industry by top analyst firms and offers an extensive array of content services, including capture technology, content management and workflow automation. Brainware can be leveraged alongside these other offerings to create a complete business content solution.

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