

#### **Problem**

Professional services firms / agencies face **major disruption** from:

- → new types of competitors,
- → increasingly capable internal teams
- → AI and automation

#### Our solution

We have developed the world's first comprehensive agentic AI platform for professional services.

We support a broad range of capabilities across admin, service delivery, account management, and more...meaning our offering applies to all agencies: financial advisory, marketing, consulting, legal, architecture, etc.

#### **Opportunity**

Professional services in the UK is a £90bn market, and the US market is worth \$400bn.

We believe that Folio can remove as much as **40% cost** reduction for all types of professional services business.

#### Our team

Two technical founders with a background in AI and natural language processing, and a combined 45 year's experience in professional services.

#### Funding need

We are seeking a **preseed investment of &1.5m** to get us to approx. **&1** ARR and unlock our seed round.

### Why are we different

Our origin story tells how Folio was born within a professional services business, as the solution to an industry wide problem. The industry insights, industry- and problem-oriented development process, and leading-edge AI expertise makes us unique.

.the professional services sector 1 is facing huge disruption.

.ai.

.freelance marketplaces.

.increasingly capable in-house teams.

.off-shore and remote delivery.

increased operational complexity.

.successful agencies now need to be built on a different platform.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Professional services (for us): Consulting, Accountancy, Legal, Marketing, Digital.

.the change required to survive is significant.

.in-house team.

.resource management.

.up to 40% on operations tasks.

.close to 0% on operations tasks.

.focus on deliverables.

.in-house + freelance + agent team.

.orchestrate and QA.

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Operation cost range by sector: Consultancy (20 to 30%, Managing Partners' Forum (MPF), Accounting 20 to 40% (ICAEW), Legal (25 to 35%) Thomson Reuters Peer Monitor

## .traditional agencies will struggle to adapt.

the old-world solutions of recruitment, training, and building large support functions will not work any more.

.agencies need to find a way to...

...put ai to work across the organisation to eradicate the operations overhead.

...build a blended workforce so you can scale your expertise as required.

...and make all this work in a really easy way.

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# .Folio enables radically different ways of working.

.old world (example project).

.total project effort: 42hrs.

. operations overhead: 10hrs(24%).

.chargeable work: 32hrs.

...workshop, meeting notes, follow-up, deliverable development

.operations work: 8hrs (+ 2hrs review).

...expenses, benefits, timesheets, billing, travel booking, CRM, knowledge management, team briefings, meetings .new world (with Folio).

.total project effort: 20hrs.

.operations overhead: <1hr (<5%).

.automated diary management.

.automated expense management.

.automated timesheet management.

.automated knowledge management.

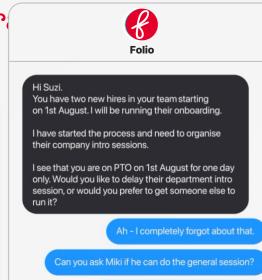
.automated project management.

.automated customer success.

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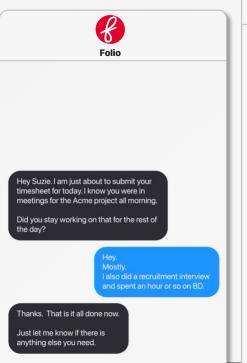
enabling agencies to run up to 40% leaner. 1

# .the secret is turning entire processes into micro-inter

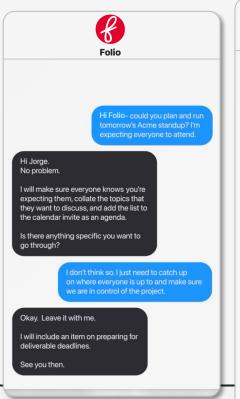


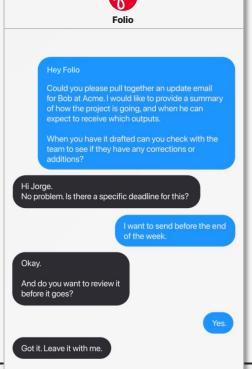
as their onboarding buddies. Does that

That works. Please let me know when you









get it all arranged.

Miki is working that day. I will ask him if he can do it.

Ana works as an onboarding buddy for one of the new recruits, but Scott is the wrong grade. Emer is

working that week and is the right grade. Should I

Okay.

ask her?

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## .this is only possible with a unified operations platform.

- ✓ Insight into clients, project allocations and schedules.
- ✓ Insight into expense and benefit spend (including via Folio card).
- ✓ Access to optimise corporate knowledge bases and CRM.
- ✓ Access to manage diaries, meetings, and more.
- ✓ Automated management and review via a unified workflow engine.
- ✓ All built on strict policies with human-in-the-loop.

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# .hugely scalable, hugely capable, in any channel.

Best practice professional services processes and policies

(Expenses, timesheets, benefits, onboarding, knowledge management, customer success, diary management, meeting management, ...)

AI-first design (Natural language)

Any Channel
(App, Voice, Email,
Messaging)

Unified data store

Unified workflow and policy engine Multi-agent collaboration

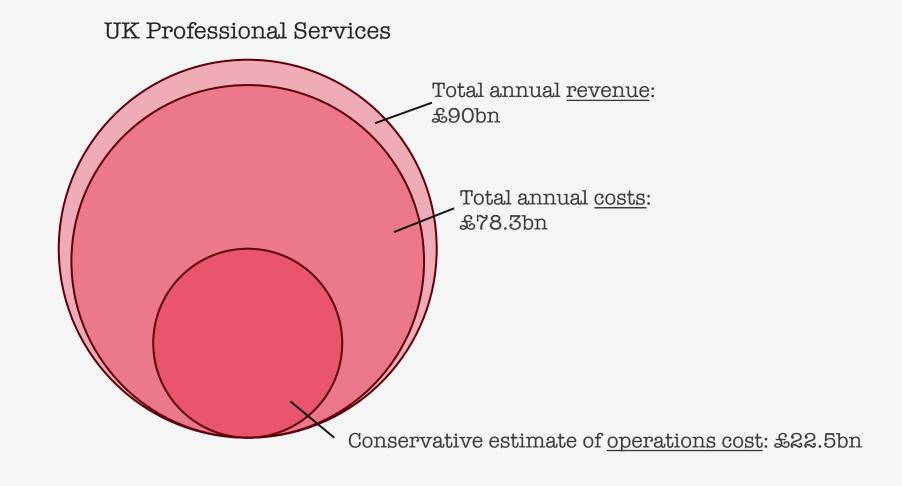
Folio card

Spend management

Access management

.the platform for successful agencies.

# .this is a large market, with a huge international opportunity.



## .we are uniquely positioned to solve the business model problem.

.traditional software solutions.



.GUI-based.

.multi-functional.

.limited automation (yet).

 $\rightarrow$  .not fit for the new world.

.strategy  $\rightarrow$  integrate or replace.

.toolkits.



.ai-native. 🗸



.not industry specialised.

 $\rightarrow$  .not specialised enough.

.strategy  $\rightarrow$  observe or use.

.emerging agentic solutions.

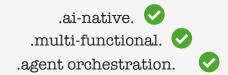


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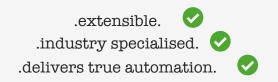
.narrow / single-function.
.mixed industry specialisation.

 $\rightarrow$  .helps with individual processes.

.strategy  $\rightarrow$  agent contractors.







## .we have lived and breathed professional services for 25 years.



NIALL LAVERY, CEO



SIMON MARKS, CTO



Deloitte. teradata.



### .we are raising £1.5m to get to c. £1m ARR and a seed round.

### .people costs.

.2 senior full-stack AI engineers <sup>1</sup>.

.automation designer <sup>1</sup>.

.agentic sales director <sup>1</sup>.

.marcomms lead <sup>1</sup>.

.founder salaries.

### .external spend.

.brand building campaigns.

.sales & success tooling.

#### .advisors.

.strategic IP lawyer.

.AI & data legal advisor.

.ex-SaaS CFO (fractional).

### .other opex.

.incentives buffer.

.3m runway buffer.

.travel, tech, etc.

### .target funding partner.

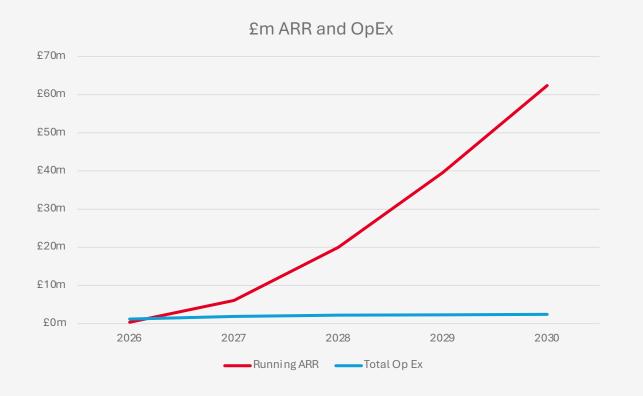
- > single lead investor
- > enterprise AI experience
- > active involvement

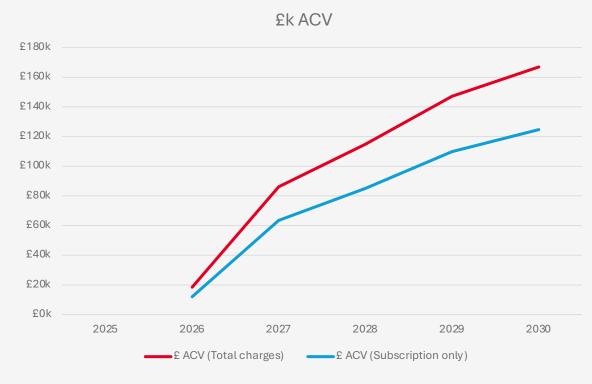
### .target advisory board set-up.

- > founders
- > funding partner
- > fractional CFO
- > 2-3 high value non-execs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Priority hires for 2025/26

### .commercial forecast.







Any questions?