

# Blue Ant

## Update Information 25.2



Dear Users,

In this document you will find an overview of new functions and functional enhancements that are available to you with Blue Ant version **25.2**. The most important new features are:

- Optimisations for accessibility (Page 4)
- Search for individual fields from status reports (Page 6)
- Extensions to field mappings for electronic invoicing (Page 9)

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let us know via the Blue Ant support page (at [blueant.de](https://blueant.de)).

Wishing you success in your project work with Blue Ant

Your Blue Ant Team

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## 1. Basic system

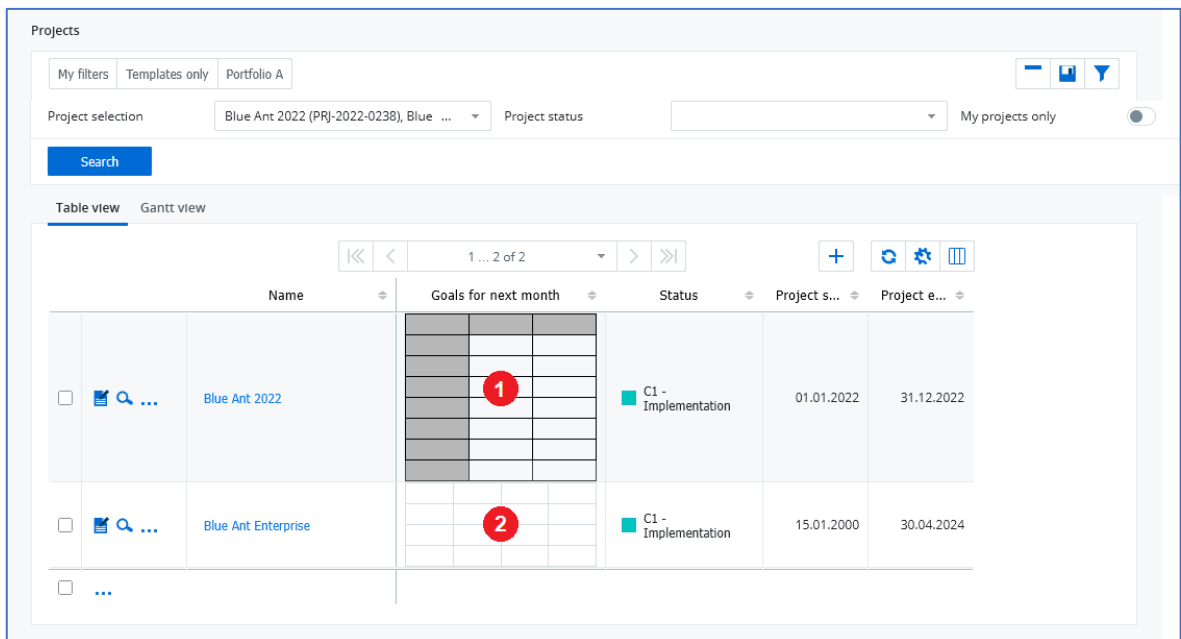
### Optimisations for accessibility

With the new version, we have further improved accessibility – with additional options for keyboard navigation. For example, the main navigation entries, all tabs, the action buttons in table rows, the language selection on the login page and many other interaction elements can now be accessed with the tab key and selected with the space bar or executed with the enter key. We have also integrated a *Skip to content* link, which allows you to change the focus to the main content area when navigating with the keyboard, if required.

To improve keyboard navigation, we've removed the explicit use of *tabindex* values. This ensures that the tab order – that is, the order in which elements are focused when using the Tab key – corresponds to the natural, intuitive, and visible order. Further improvements to keyboard navigation are coming soon.

### Adjustments WYSIWYG editor

A new WYSIWYG editor has been available in Blue Ant since version 25.1. When creating tables, the new version also displays the border colour for the table rows correctly (1). By default, all table cells now have a subtle light grey border (2).

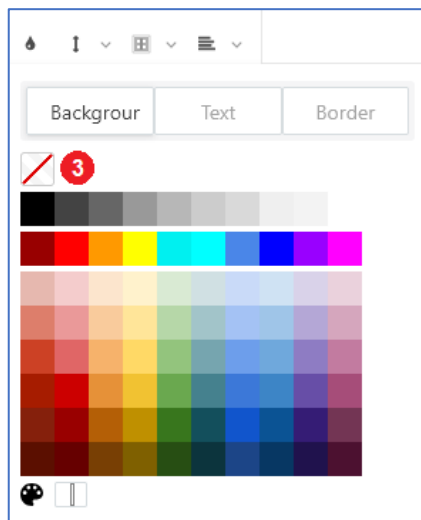


The screenshot shows the 'Projects' page in Blue Ant. It features a table with two rows. Red circles 1 and 2 highlight the border colors of the table rows. The table has columns for Name, Goals for next month, Status, Project s..., and Project e....

|                          | Name                | Goals for next month | Status              | Project s... | Project e... |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blue Ant 2022       |                      | C1 - Implementation | 01.01.2022   | 31.12.2022   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blue Ant Enterprise |                      | C1 - Implementation | 15.01.2000   | 30.04.2024   |

**Display of table border colour**

In addition, you now have the option of resetting the colour in the colour selection of the WYSIWYG editor (3).



***Reset selected colour***

## 2. Projects

### Search for individual fields from status reports

With this version, you can use individual fields from the **project status report** in project search.

**Important usage notes:**

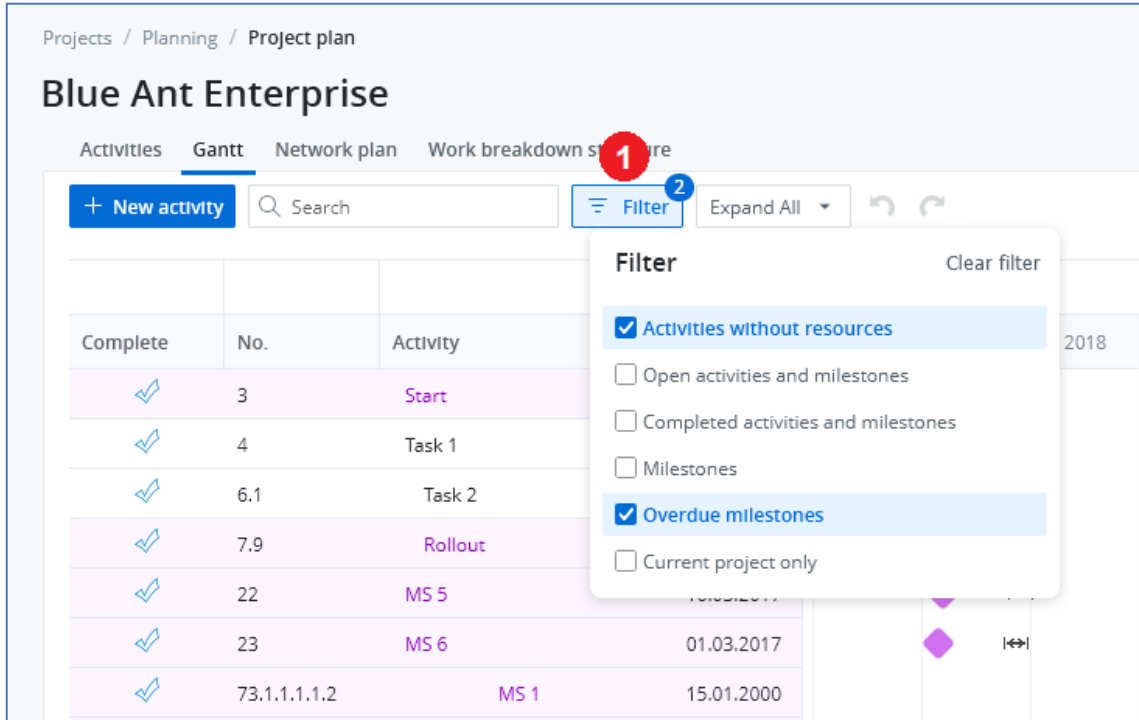
- The project status report must be **saved or sent** (manually or automatically) **after the update**.
- The search always uses **only the most recently saved report**. The report history is not searched.
- To use the fields, add the desired **individual fields from the *Status Reports*** context to the *Projects* search mask and then create a new filter configuration.

The following field types are available for project search:

- Integer
- Decimal number
- Calculation
- List boxes
  - Freely definable fields
  - Default values
- Date / time
- Text field

## Usability adjustments to the Gantt filter

We have improved usability in the Gantt view of the project plan. If you filter the project plan, you can now see the number of active filters (**1**) at a glance on the filter button.



The screenshot shows the Blue Ant Enterprise interface in the Gantt view. The breadcrumb navigation is "Projects / Planning / Project plan". The main title is "Blue Ant Enterprise". Below the title, there are tabs: "Activities", "Gantt", "Network plan", and "Work breakdown structure". The "Gantt" tab is selected. In the top bar, there is a "+ New activity" button, a search bar, and a "Filter" button with a red circle "1" next to it. To the right of the "Filter" button is an "Expand All" button and two circular arrows. A dropdown menu is open from the "Filter" button, showing a "Filter" title and a "Clear filter" link. The menu contains the following options: 

- ☒ Activities without resources
- ☐ Open activities and milestones
- ☐ Completed activities and milestones
- ☐ Milestones
- ☒ Overdue milestones
- ☐ Current project only

 Below the filter menu, a table is visible with columns "Complete", "No.", and "Activity". The table contains several rows with checkmarks, numbers, and activity names like "Start", "Task 1", "Task 2", "Rollout", "MS 5", "MS 6", and "MS 1".

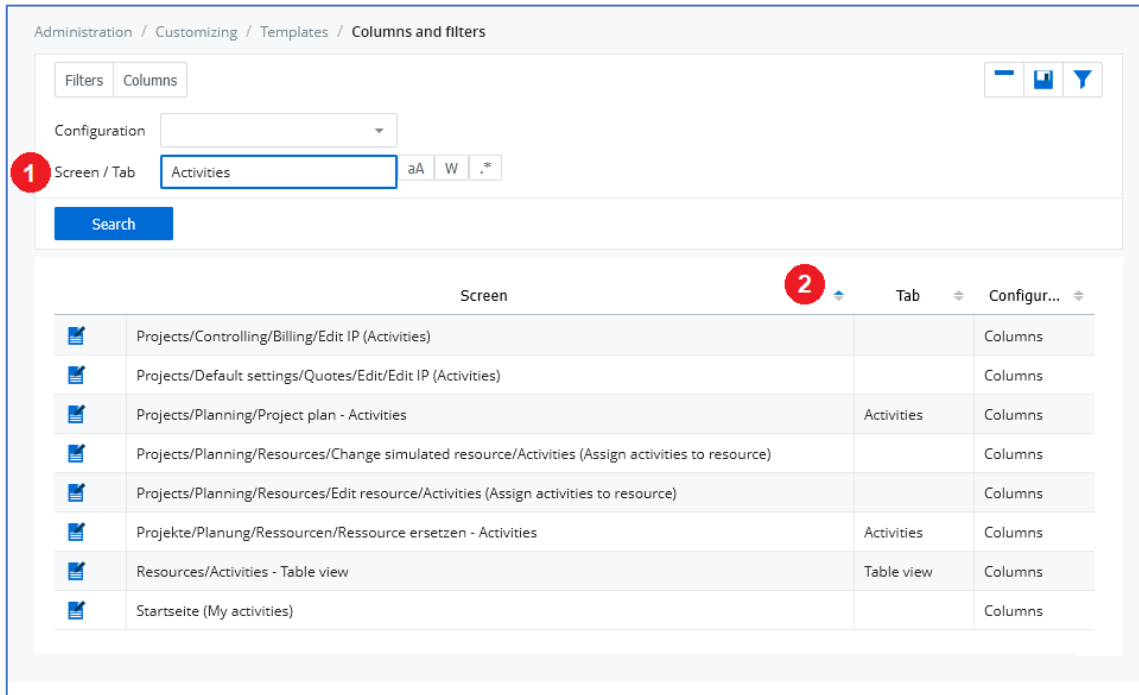
| Complete | No.          | Activity |
|----------|--------------|----------|
| ✓        | 3            | Start    |
| ✓        | 4            | Task 1   |
| ✓        | 6.1          | Task 2   |
| ✓        | 7.9          | Rollout  |
| ✓        | 22           | MS 5     |
| ✓        | 23           | MS 6     |
| ✓        | 73.1.1.1.1.2 | MS 1     |

**Number of filters selected**

### 3. Administration

#### Filter options for column and filter templates expanded

In the ADMINISTRATION / CUSTOMISING / TEMPLATES / COLUMNS AND FILTERS screen, the new **Mask / Tab (1)** field is now available for free-text searches. This allows you to specifically search within the *Mask* and *Tab* columns.



Administration / Customizing / Templates / Columns and filters

Filters Columns

Configuration

1 Screen / Tab Activities aA W .\*

Search

| Screen                                                                                           | 2 Tab      | Configur... |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Projects/Controlling/Billing/Edit IP (Activities)                                                |            | Columns     |
| Projects/Default settings/Quotes/Edit/Edit IP (Activities)                                       |            | Columns     |
| Projects/Planning/Project plan - Activities                                                      | Activities | Columns     |
| Projects/Planning/Resources/Change simulated resource/Activities (Assign activities to resource) |            | Columns     |
| Projects/Planning/Resources/Edit resource/Activities (Assign activities to resource)             |            | Columns     |
| Projekte/Planung/Ressourcen/Ressource ersetzen - Activities                                      | Activities | Columns     |
| Resources/Activities - Table view                                                                | Table view | Columns     |
| Startseite (My activities)                                                                       |            | Columns     |

#### Adjustments to the filter and standard sorting

In addition, the table is now sorted by the *Mask* column (2) in alphabetical order (A–Z) by default.



## 4. Billing

### Extension of field assignments

This version provides you with extensive enhancements to field mappings for electronic invoicing (XRechnung).

- **More fields:** The number of fields available for export has been significantly increased.
- **Extended logic & hierarchy:** Custom fields from different contexts can now populate the same XRechnung field.

**Example:**

- Context *Invoice*: custom field Name (*Seller*) with report ID INVOICE\_E-INVOICE-BT-41
- Context *Company* division: custom field Name (*Seller*) with report ID E-INVOICE-BT-41

Both fields populate the same XRechnung field **Name (BT-41)**.

The hierarchy is **Invoice > Company** division, meaning the information from the invoice takes priority over the information from the company division.

This logic gives you more flexibility in data entry while ensuring that all required information is fully available in the XRechnung.

#### Support for setup

If you need assistance with configuring these fields, please contact our [support team](#) or your personal consultant. The updated file with the new field mappings is available in the [support area](#) of our website.

## 5. Interfaces

### Jira Connect - technical adjustments

Due to the **deactivation of the previously used endpoint by Atlassian**, Blue Ant now uses a new endpoint to retrieve JIRA projects.

- This change has **no impact on existing mappings** in your Blue Ant projects.
- Currently, only **JIRA Cloud systems** are affected.
- For **JIRA Data Center**, the previous endpoint continues to be used.