FireStart

Debug Workflows ⌄

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Execution

The most common ways to start a workflow are the manual start from the **FireStart Client** or **Process Portal** and automatically over a third-party system or over a timer event. All four ways result in the execution of the workflow, which can be viewed after starting the workflow.

Before starting the workflow, the **Start event** has to be configured depending on the way the workflow should be started. If the workflow does not start as intended, there might be an error in the configuration of the start event. So, you should probably re-check the configuration in that case.

Manual Start - FireStart Client

The start of the workflow is quite easy over the **FireStart Client**. In the **Publish** tab under the **Process** section, you can find **Start Process**. With a click on that button, the workflow starts the execution. Please note that the process should be deployed before. From now on tasks will be sent to the assigned person.

Manual Start - Process Portal

To start the workflow over the **Process Portal**, the model needs to be published, otherwise, you will not find the model in the **Workflow** section in tab **Start**. All published models can be started there. Select the model to start and with clicking the **Start** button, the workflow will be executed. The running workflow can be viewed under the **Active** tab. All finished workflows can be found under the **Archive** tab.

Automatic Start - Timer Event

That start is completely automatic, so it does not need any interaction from a person to start. When configured correctly the workflow starts with the configured timer event. Which could be an **Interval**, a specific **Date** or **Time**, it can be started **Daily**, **Weekly**, **Monthly** or **Yearly**, depending on the timer event you configured.
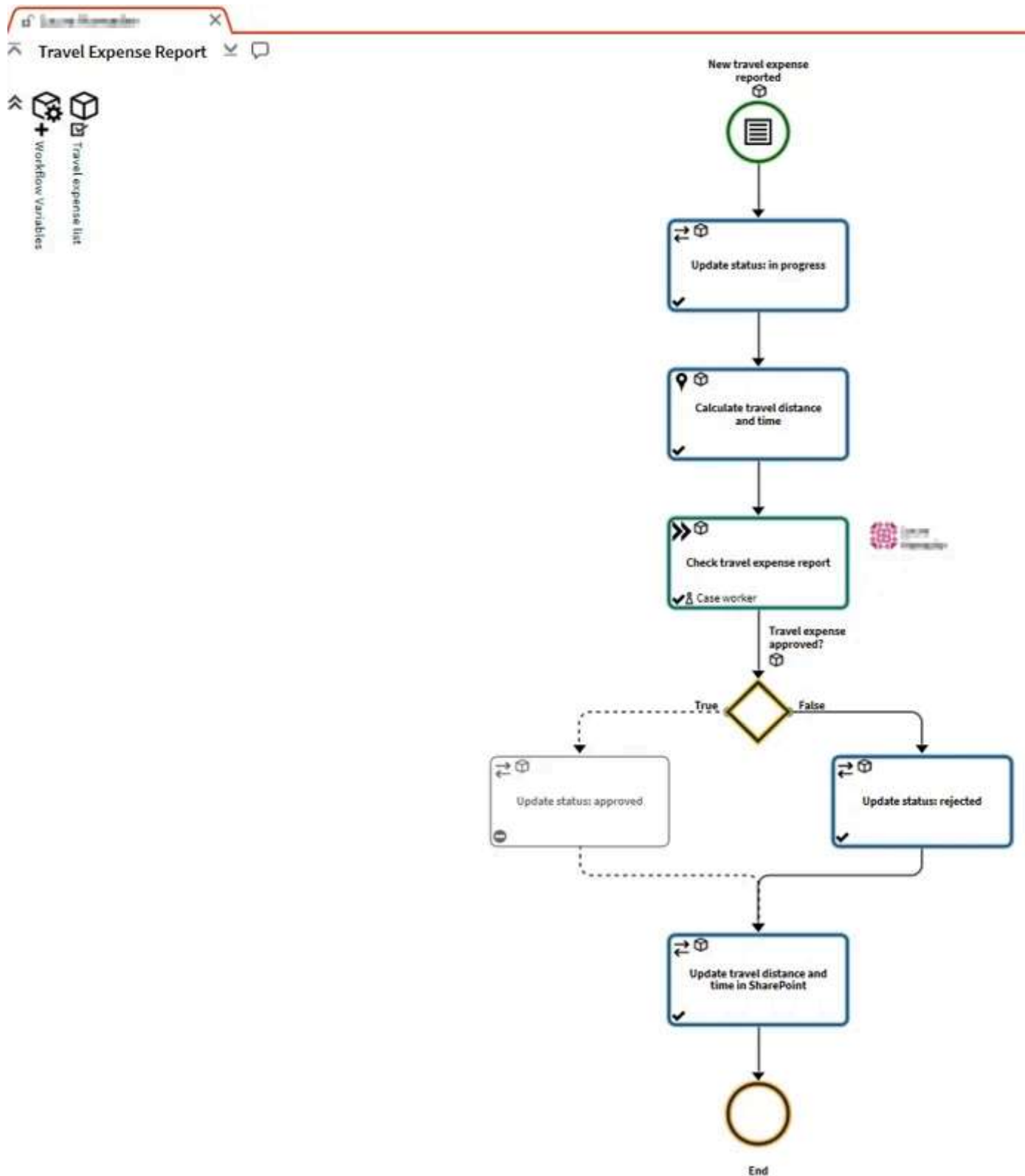
Automatic Start - Third-Party System

This needs a bit of an interaction of a user, as it can be triggered if an entry is added, updated or deleted. This depends again on the event you configured. It can also be triggered by more than one of these options but is not used/needed very often.

Once the workflow is executed it can be viewed under **Workflows**, and then click on the **Archive/Finished** tab.

If it is not finished yet the execution will be displayed under the **Running** tab.

By clicking the execution, the model opens and now you can see which paths were executed, especially when there is a condition you see which branch was executed.

Travel Expense Report

WorkFlow Variables

Travel expense list

New travel expense reported

Update status: in progress

Calculate travel distance and time

Check travel expense report

Case worker

Travel expense approved?

True   False

Update status: approved

Update status: rejected

Update travel distance and time in SharePoint

End

If the workflow is currently opened, the process model of the execution can be displayed by clicking the button **Open Process Model** in the **Main** tab.