

# D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution: Utilizing Digital Applications to Navigate the Gig Economy for Financial Well-being

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	navigate the gig economy with confidence. This innovation not only improves the financial
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Digital application; gig economy; creative industry; financial well-	economy itself. As we move forward in this ever-changing work landscape, D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution stands as a beacon of innovation, offering a brighter and more secure
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#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Gig Economy in Design Industry

The phrase gig economy was initially introduced by Tina Brown, the editor-in-chief of the Daily Beast, an internet-based daily magazine [1]. In 2020, eleven years later, the global gig economy is seeing a surge due to the economic crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, which led to widespread layoffs and business closures. The extensive utilization of the Internet and the emergence of digital platforms have facilitated those who have been unemployed to generate income, resulting in the surge in popularity and rapid expansion of this industry [2]. This transformation is particularly evident in the realm of digital platform jobs, commonly known as "freelancers," "giggers," or "work on demand," with their nomenclature varying depending on the specific industry they serve [3]. This industry encompasses a broad spectrum of creative domains, including advertising, graphic design, brand design management, photography, fashion, architecture, and notably, in the contemporary digital era, the advent of Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) [4]. Consequently, this research is dedicated to exploring the multifaceted evolution of the Islamic evaluation especially use of Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) in the gig economy system by adapting to digital shift with a specific emphasis on the dynamic and diverse design industry [5].

To fully comprehend the implications of these transformative developments, it is essential to engage with the body of scholarly research that has emerged in recent years. The disruptive influence of the global pandemic on work structures and economic paradigms has been extensively documented by numerous scholars [6]. It compelled individuals and businesses to adapt to the digital landscape, catalyzing a surge in the demand for freelance design services [7]. Furthermore, the design industry's landscape has been significantly reshaped by the emergence of NFTs, offering artists and designers unique opportunities to monetize their digital creations in innovative ways, introducing a new set of challenges and prospects [8].

The Ministry of Human Resource in Malaysia implemented an active policy aimed at promoting the gig economy, with a strong focus on "Futurizing the Future of Work" [9]. The rapid advancement and pervasive influence of technology have had a profound impact on various aspects of life, not only at the individual level but also in terms of how work patterns are evolving [10]. It is imperative to gain a comprehensive understanding of the gig economy's context within the framework of the Twelfth Malaysian Plan (RM12) for the years 2021-2025, which places a significant emphasis on economic restructuring, enhancing well-being, well-being, inclusivity, and promoting sustainability [11]. The gig economy has seen significant growth in recent years, with many professionals opting for independent work over traditional employment. However, this shift has brought about financial challenges, especially for gig workers who struggle with managing their finances, maintaining client relationships, accessing necessary resources, and ensuring data privacy. In response to these challenges, we present D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution, an innovative digital application designed to empower independent professionals, particularly designers and gig workers, by providing them with the tools necessary for financial stability and growth.

#### 1.2 Financial Challenges by Gig Economy Designers

Financial challenges confronting gig economy designers encompass multifaceted dynamics inherent to freelance and independent work [12]. These professionals often grapple with income instability due to fluctuating project availability and client demands, complicating financial planning and budget management [13]. Negotiating fair fees amidst pricing pressures can further impacts their earnings potential, while managing essential business expenses such as software licenses and

equipment upgrades adds financial strain [14]. The absence of traditional employment benefits such as health insurance and retirement plans leaves designers financially vulnerable [15]. Moreover, issues like delayed payments, tax complexities, and intense market competition heighten financial uncertainty and necessitate meticulous management of cash flow and legal obligations [16]. Addressing these challenges requires tailored strategies and support mechanisms to enhance financial resilience and empower gig economy designers in navigating a dynamic and competitive marketplace.

### 2. Literature Review

Global instability and fragility have been brought to light by the COVID-19 pandemic's catastrophic economic disaster [17]. In the gig economy, it has transformed the traditional employment landscape by providing workers with never-before-seen options and flexibility. However, it also comes with a host of difficulties, from social and psychological effects to economic uncertainty [18]. This paper examines how precarious workers manage financial uncertainty, especially those in the gig economy. Because gig employment has little to no labor laws, it is associated with financial instability and raises issues with the health and welfare of employees. In times of crisis, when financial uncertainty can quickly turn into high precarity, these worries become even more pressing. Numerous academics have contended that "flexibility" is frequently linked to job instability. In fact, studies show that an individual's health and wellbeing are impacted by employment (in) well-being, which includes having control over how and when they work [19].

Moreover, numerous studies on the gig economy have revealed the ways in which job wellbeing, control over work, and timetables affect employees' health and well-being [19]. The independent workers' themselves concerns about their financial stability have grown significantly. Gig workers have to deal with a variety of difficult situations. As workers become increasingly independent, they must contend with existential and economic precarity in order to make ends meet and preserve a consistent sense of self at work [20]. Managing funds, client interactions, resource access, and data protection are challenges that many gig workers encounter. These difficulties may impede their general wellbeing and ability to advance professionally. In order to solve these problems, D'ROOM, a digital technology platform provides a comprehensive solution that combines client management, financial planning tools, a resource center, and a caring community network.

Digital technology significantly enhances how people learn and understand various subjects by providing access to a vast array of resources and interactive tools. These digital tools break down complex topics into digestible parts through tutorials, videos, and educational apps. Visualization is greatly improved with dynamic visual aids like simulations, animations, and virtual models, making abstract concepts easier to grasp. Additionally, the interactive nature of these tools increases motivation and engagement, turning learning into a more enjoyable and immersive experience. Overall, digital technology makes education more accessible, interactive, and fun, fostering deeper understanding and enthusiasm for learning [21].

# 3. Innovation Research Objective

The capacity to achieve financial stability and improve financial management and business operations for independent professionals relies on adopting a new approach to managing the gig economy. Research indicates that gig workers have significant challenges related to the unpredictability of their income, absence of traditional employment perks, and complex tax obligations [22]. Modern digital applications have advanced to address these issues by offering features for instant income monitoring, automated tax submission, and comprehensive financial strategizing. By promoting the practice of saving and investing, these tools not only empower gig workers to effectively manage their daily finances but also contribute to the establishment of lasting financial well-being.

Revolutionizing the way independent professionals handle their money and run their companies guarantees long-term financial stability and helps one negotiate the gig economy. Given the particular difficulties gig workers experience-including income fluctuations and the lack of conventional job benefits-this paradigm change is absolutely vital. Coupled with tailored financial planning guidance, enhanced digital tools for budgeting, revenue tracking, and cost management will help freelancers better negotiate changing income sources and maximize tax efficiency [23]. Moreover, using creative fintech solutions with customized insurance products and retirement savings alternatives fit to the gig economy would help to reduce financial risks and improve longterm financial stability [24]. This all-encompassing strategy not only helps gig workers reach stability but also creates a sustainable framework for resilience in an often changing economic scene. The primary objective of D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution is to provide a transformative approach to navigating the gig economy while ensuring financial stability for independent professionals. This innovative application seeks to revolutionize how gig workers manage their finances and operate their businesses. By fostering financial well-being, professional growth, and resilience, D'ROOM aims to empower gig workers and enhance their overall experience in the gig economy.

# 4. Utilizing Digital Application

In the rapidly evolving gig economy, gig professionals face unique challenges that necessitate specialized tools for managing their financial and professional lives. D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution is a pivotal application designed to address these needs comprehensively. This digital platform offers a suite of features meticulously tailored to support gig workers in achieving both financial stability and professional growth. By integrating financial planning tools, client management capabilities, a resource hub, and a robust community support network, the app positions itself as an indispensable asset for gig professionals navigating the complexities of their work environment.

One of the cornerstone features of the app is its advanced financial planning tools. These tools enable gig workers to meticulously track their income, expenses, and savings, thereby fostering a structured approach to financial management. With functionalities such as budget planning, tax estimation, and goal setting, users can better prepare for financial uncertainties and make informed decisions that enhance their financial well-being. This financial transparency and foresight are crucial for gig professionals who often face variable income streams and lack traditional financial safety nets.

In addition to financial planning, D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution app provides a centralized platform for gig workers to organize client interactions, manage contracts, and schedule tasks. This feature not only streamlines administrative duties but also enhances client relationships through improved communication and project tracking. By offering tools for invoicing, payment tracking, and client feedback, the application helps gig professionals maintain a high level of professionalism and reliability, which are essential for building a sustainable career in the gig economy. Moreover, the application's resource hub and community support network are designed to empower users with knowledge and connections. The resource hub offers a wealth of

information, including industry insights, educational materials, and best practice guides, which are invaluable for continuous professional development. Simultaneously, the community support network fosters a sense of belonging and collaboration among gig professionals. This network provides opportunities for users to share experiences, seek advice, and form partnerships, thereby creating a supportive ecosystem that encourages growth and resilience.

### 5. Innovation Project Method

D'ROOM would provide a positive effect on gig workers in developing financial well-being methods, especially in terms of enabling well-being and stability in their finances. The application offers customized solutions to efficiently handle variable incomes, revolutionizing financial well-being for gig workers. Gig workers frequently deal with unpredictable income and inconsistent cash flows, in contrast to typical employees whose pay is predictable. D'ROOM provides specialized financial management systems that can adapt to these variations in order to meet this difficulty. D'ROOM encourages financial resilience by giving gig workers the tools they need to save, invest, and budget wisely depending on their particular earning patterns. This empowerment improves general well-being by lowering financial stress and boosting confidence in handling personal finances.

Additionally, efficiency in client management is crucial for gig workers, who rely on maintaining a steady flow of projects and clients. By providing integrated project management, billing, and client communication capabilities, D'ROOM simplifies this process. These features make administrative duties easier, freeing up gig workers to concentrate more on producing excellent work. Enhanced professionalism and dependability are also brought about by better client management with D'ROOM, which may raise client satisfaction and encourage repeat business. In the gig economy, this efficiency ultimately leads to increased pay and steady job advancement. D'ROOM offers access to a multitude of materials that are crucial for professional development and advancement, in addition to financial tools. Knowledge on industry trends, skill development, and financial literacy gives gig workers the edge they need to succeed in their careers. In addition, the platform creates a friendly environment where users may interact, exchange experiences, and network. In addition to preventing the loneliness that gig workers frequently experience, this sense of belonging also opens doors for mutual assistance and mentoring. Gig workers' resilience and agility in negotiating the changing freelance work landscape are bolstered by the mix of tools and community support.

On the other hand, D'ROOM would make a positive impact on users' financial stability and professional effectiveness, which strengthens and sustains the gig economy. Gig workers with steady finances are more equipped to withstand economic turbulence and spur expansion. Furthermore, D'ROOM users' improved professionalism and client management raise industry standards and foster dependability and confidence in the gig economy ecosystem. This positive knock-on effect raises the profile of freelancing generally and makes it seem like a desirable career option. It may also draw in more talent and encourage innovation across industries. D'ROOM will bring significant impact on gig workers and the sector by providing game-changing advantages that empower financial well-being, improve professional effectiveness, and cultivate a friendly community. D'ROOM enhances the resilience and sustainability of the gig economy overall by providing gig workers with the resources, tools, and assistance they need to succeed in their freelancing jobs. It is anticipated that the platform's beneficial effects on gig workers and the industry will increase as it innovates and broadens its offerings, positively influencing labor in the future.

#### 6. Designers Community Impact

#### 6.1 Sustainable Development Goals 8-Decent Work and Economic Growth

D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution is dedicated to promoting decent work and economic growth by addressing the financial and professional challenges faced by gig workers in the design industry. The platform provides essential financial management tools, such as invoicing systems and budgeting aids, ensuring that designers can manage their income effectively and achieve financial stability. Additionally, D'ROOM facilitates continuous employment by matching designers with suitable job opportunities through advanced algorithms, thereby fostering productive and sustained employment. By offering educational resources and training programs, D'ROOM empowers designers to enhance their skills and stay competitive in the ever-evolving job market, ultimately contributing to a more stable and prosperous economy for gig workers.

#### 6.2 Sustainable Development Goals 9-Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure

D'ROOM plays a pivotal role in building resilient industry infrastructure and fostering innovation within the design sector. As a robust digital platform, it connects designers with clients, resources, and professional networks, creating a seamless and efficient communication channel. The platform's continuous innovation in services, driven by user feedback and data analytics, ensures that it meets the evolving needs of its users, providing personalized recommendations and insights. By serving as a marketplace for freelancers, D'ROOM supports the growth of startups and small businesses in the design industry, promoting a more inclusive and dynamic economy. Through these initiatives, D'ROOM not only enhances the digital infrastructure but also drives sustainable industrialization and innovation.

#### 6.3 Sustainable Development Goals 17-Partnerships for the Goals

D'ROOM exemplifies the power of partnerships in achieving sustainable development goals by collaborating with educational institutions, industry associations, and international organizations. These partnerships enable D'ROOM to offer comprehensive support to designers, including certifications, professional development programs, and access to industry events. The platform's community forums and knowledge base foster a collaborative environment where designers can share resources, best practices, and support each other. Additionally, D'ROOM's global outreach and efforts to establish international partnerships enhance its diversity and inclusivity, providing opportunities for cross-border collaborations. Through these collaborative efforts, D'ROOM strengthens the means of implementation and revitalizes the global partnership for sustainable development, making a significant impact on the design industry and beyond.

#### 7. Stage of Implementation Level

Currently, D'ROOM is in the ideation stage of development. While the application concept is fully defined and its features are planned, it is yet to be developed and brought to the market. The project is poised for further development, seeking investment and partnerships to take it from ideation to a fully functional digital application. The incorporation of D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution presents a transformative approach for independent professionals and contract workers to capitalize on investment opportunities, plan future development, and navigate financial stability. This approach forecasts income volatility using sophisticated financial modeling tools, therefore

evaluating risk factors including client dependency and market swings. Professionals can create proactive plans to reduce uncertainty and maximize resource allocation by modeling many financial situations and doing thorough risk analyses. Furthermore, the strategic planning tools of D'ROOM help professionals evaluate investment prospects, therefore allowing them to prioritize projects that fit long-term development goals and improve corporate resilience. By including fintech solutions into D'ROOM, it improves its capability with automated savings programmes, tax optimisation tools fit for the gig economy, and retirement account management. In a constantly changing economic environment, this all-encompassing approach not only helps experts to make wise financial decisions but also promotes sustainable company practices.

# 8. Uses and Applications

D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution is crafted to meet the diverse needs of independent professionals, especially designers and gig workers. It offers a comprehensive platform for managing finances, fostering client relationships, accessing educational resources, and setting financial goals. For gig professionals, financial stability is often elusive due to irregular income streams. D'ROOM addresses this by providing advanced financial planning tools that track earnings, monitor expenses, and facilitate budget planning. This ensures users can make informed financial decisions and maintain economic resilience.

Additionally, D'ROOM enhances client management by organizing client information, tracking project progress, and scheduling tasks, leading to improved client satisfaction and repeat business. The application also supports invoicing and payment tracking, crucial for maintaining professionalism and ensuring timely payments. Access to a rich resource hub enables continuous learning, allowing gig workers to stay competitive by updating their skills with the latest industry insights and best practices. Moreover, the app's goal-setting features empower users to define and monitor financial objectives, promoting disciplined financial habits and motivating them by visualizing their progress. Overall, D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution serves as an essential tool, simplifying the complexities of gig work and supporting the long-term financial and professional growth of independent professionals.

# 9. Authenticity and Novelty

D'ROOM's authenticity and novelty lie in its innovative integration of financial planning, client management, resource hub, and community support within a single, secure digital platform. The platform has a more sustainable and prosperous future for independent professionals. D'ROOM distinguishes itself in the market by creatively fusing necessary tools and resources with support systems designed with gig workers in mind. D'ROOM provides strong financial planning tools that adjust to gig workers' sporadic income streams combined with effective client management tools for tracking projects and billing, a well-curated resource library for ongoing education and skill building, and a thriving community platform for networking and support. D'ROOM improves user ease and productivity by combining these features into a single digital platform, enabling gig workers to organize their workflow and concentrate more on their primary tasks. This unique combination addresses the multifaceted challenges faced by gig workers.

What is more interesting, D'ROOM sets itself apart with its constant dedication to privacy and data well-being. The platform follows industry best practices for data protection, employs strong encryption techniques to protect user data, and puts strict access controls in place to prevent unauthorized use. By establishing a secure environment, D'ROOM fosters a sense of reliability and

credibility, positioning itself as a trustworthy partner in the professional lives of freelancers. In supporting gig workers' well-being, D'ROOM's community support feature encourages user cooperation, knowledge exchange, and mentoring. Through the community forums and networking elements of the platform, gig workers can interact with other members of the profession, ask for guidance, and have access to insightful information. This cooperative setting improves overall job happiness and well-being by fostering professional growth and preventing the isolation that gig workers sometimes face.

# **10. Development and Commercial Potential**

This application exhibits strong commercial potential, addressing the growing market of gig professionals seeking comprehensive digital tools for their work. In today's rapidly evolving job market, the gig economy is flourishing, with more professionals opting for freelance, contractbased, and independent work. This shift demands innovative solutions that cater specifically to the needs of these gig professionals. D'ROOM is uniquely positioned to meet these demands by offering an all-in-one platform that includes tools for project management, design, communication, and collaboration. The application's user-friendly interface and powerful features enable freelancers to manage multiple projects efficiently, communicate seamlessly with clients, and deliver high-quality results. By providing these essential tools in a single platform, not only simplifies the workflow for gig professionals but also enhances their productivity and competitiveness in the marketplace. The application can be monetized through various avenues, including subscription models, in-app purchases, and licensing agreements, ensuring a steady revenue stream while offering flexible options for users. Subscription models can be tailored to different levels of service, from basic access to premium features, catering to both novice freelancers and seasoned professionals. This tiered approach allows users to select a plan that aligns with their specific needs and financial capabilities, ensuring that D'ROOM is accessible to a wide audience. In-app purchases offer additional functionalities, such as advanced design templates, enhanced collaboration tools, and exclusive content, providing users with the opportunity to customize their experience and gain a competitive edge. Licensing agreements with businesses, educational institutions, and industry organizations can further expand the application's reach and revenue potential. These partnerships enable D'ROOM to integrate seamlessly into corporate and educational ecosystems, providing tailored solutions that support professional development and productivity.

D'ROOM's availability for download and use on major app stores such as Google Play and Apple App Store enhances its accessibility and convenience for independent professionals. The widespread presence of these platforms ensures that D'ROOM is easily discoverable by potential users across the globe, facilitating quick and effortless downloads. This accessibility is crucial for gig professionals who often rely on mobile and flexible solutions to manage their work on the go. Furthermore, being listed on reputable app stores like Google Play and Apple App Store lends credibility and trustworthiness to the application, encouraging more downloads and positive user engagement. With its publishing status marked as "live," the application is poised to attract a broad user base, further solidifying its market presence and commercial viability. The live status also indicates that this application is continuously updated and supported, providing users with ongoing enhancements and improvements. The combination of strategic monetization, robust functionality, and widespread availability positions to become an indispensable tool in the digital toolkit of gig professionals. As the gig economy continues to grow, D'ROOM's comprehensive solutions will play a pivotal role in empowering independent workers, driving both adoption and long-term success in the market.

### **11. Uniqueness and Potential Collaborators**

To achieve its full potential, D'ROOM seeks collaboration with industry partners such as the Graphic Design Association of Malaysia (wREGA), Higher Institution Merchant Bank, Ministry of Human Resource, Ministry of Finance (MOF), and Ministry of Communications and Digital Malaysia. Partnering with wREGA will provide valuable insights and feedback from seasoned graphic design professionals, ensuring that the application meets the high standards and specific needs of this industry. Their endorsement and promotion can significantly enhance D'ROOM's credibility and adoption within the graphic design community, positioning it as a go-to tool for designers across Malaysia and beyond. Engaging with the Higher Institution Merchant Bank can open up financial opportunities and resources that will drive D'ROOM's growth and scalability. Financial support from such an institution can facilitate advanced research and development, marketing efforts, and expansion into new markets. Additionally, this partnership can help in creating customized financial solutions and support for gig professionals, further adding value to the application's offerings.

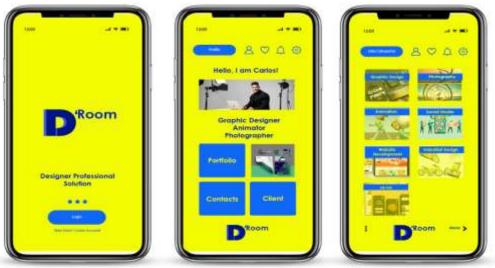
Collaboration with the Ministry of Human Resource can ensure that D'ROOM aligns with national workforce development strategies and policies. This partnership can promote the application as a vital resource for enhancing the skills and productivity of gig workers, aligning with government initiatives to support and develop the freelance and gig economy. By working together, D'ROOM and the Ministry can create training programs and certifications that leverage the application's features, contributing to the professional growth and recognition of gig workers. The Ministry of Finance (MOF) can provide crucial financial insights and support, aiding in the creation of sustainable business models and financial strategies for D'ROOM. Their involvement can also facilitate access to grants, subsidies, and other financial incentives that can accelerate the application's development and market penetration. Additionally, collaboration with MOF can help in ensuring that D'ROOM's financial management tools are compliant with national regulations and standards, offering users a reliable and trustworthy platform.

Partnering with the Ministry of Communications and Digital Malaysia will enhance D'ROOM's technological infrastructure and digital presence. This collaboration can support the integration of cutting-edge technologies and digital solutions, ensuring that the application remains at the forefront of innovation in the gig economy. Together, they can work on campaigns and initiatives that promote digital literacy and the adoption of digital tools among gig professionals, driving the overall growth of the digital economy. These collaborations will support the application's development and ensure its successful implementation in the gig economy. By leveraging the expertise, resources, and networks of these industry partners, D'ROOM can enhance its functionality, reach, and impact, ultimately empowering gig professionals with the tools they need to succeed. This multifaceted approach not only ensures the application's robustness and reliability but also fosters a supportive ecosystem that drives innovation and growth in the gig economy.

# 12. Digital Application Solution: Product Descriptions

D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution is developed to meet the diverse needs of independent professionals, especially designers and gig workers. Figure 1 show flows of the mobile digital application product descriptions and pages such as application download page, introduction page, user login, profile creation, portfolio addition, self-branding highlights and job categories

exploration. As shown in Figure 2 is the income organization and client management that will be beneficial for the user.



**Fig. 1.** Mobile mode features in the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution application, (mainpage, profile and job categories)

# 12.1 Application Download

Users initiate their engagement with the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution application by downloading it from established digital distribution platforms such as Google Play or the Apple App Store. This initial step ensures accessibility and convenience for professionals seeking a comprehensive digital toolkit tailored to the demands of the gig economy.

# 12.2 Introduction Page

Upon launching the application for the first time after download, users are greeted with an introduction page where the distinctive D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution logo prominently appears. This visual branding serves not only to establish a cohesive identity but also to acquaint users with the application's interface and functionalities from the outset.

# 12.3 User Login

To access the full spectrum of features and personalized services offered by D'ROOM, users must authenticate themselves through a secure login process. This involves entering a valid email address and providing necessary personal particulars, ensuring that each user's interaction with the platform remains secure and tailored to their professional needs.

# 12.4 Profile Creation

Once logged in, users are prompted to create a detailed professional profile that aligns with their specific role within the design industry. Whether they specialize in graphic design, animation, photography, or other creative disciplines, this step allows users to define their expertise and professional identity within the application. By customizing their profiles, users can effectively showcase their skills, portfolio, and contact information, thereby enhancing their visibility and credibility among potential clients and collaborators.

# 12.5 Portfolio Addition

Central to the professional profile is the ability for users to augment their presence within D'ROOM by adding comprehensive design portfolios. These portfolios serve as dynamic showcases of their work, encompassing past projects, client testimonials, and relevant case studies. Moreover, users can include a client list that highlights their professional engagements and achievements, providing prospective clients with a compelling overview of their capabilities and experience.

# 12.6 Self-Branding Highlights

Within the portfolio section, users are encouraged to regularly update and highlight key aspects of their professional journey, including notable tasks completed, valuable experiences gained, and ongoing projects. This strategic self-branding not only reinforces their expertise but also positions them effectively within the competitive landscape of the design industry, fostering opportunities for career advancement and client acquisition.

# 12.7 Job Category Exploration

Navigating through the diverse offerings of the D'ROOM application, users gain access to a comprehensive array of job categories tailored to various sectors within the design industry. From graphic design and industrial design to UI/UX design and beyond, these curated categories facilitate seamless job searching and networking opportunities. By exploring and engaging with these job categories, users can proactively pursue new professional opportunities, connect with potential clients, and expand their professional network within their specialized field.



**Fig. 2.** Mobile mode features in the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution application (organize income and client management)

#### 12.8 Income Organization

Integral to the financial management capabilities of D'ROOM is the 'Organize Income' feature, which empowers users to meticulously track and manage their earnings within a streamlined digital framework. This comprehensive tool provides users with a detailed overview of their financial activities, including records of payments received, client transactions, income tax management, and the facilitation of e-wallet transactions for seamless income management. By centralizing these financial operations within the application, D'ROOM enhances efficiency and transparency, enabling users to optimize their financial resources and maintain fiscal responsibility in their freelance endeavors.

#### 12.9 Client Management

The 'Client Management' functionality within D'ROOM represents a pivotal component in fostering productive client relationships and ensuring operational efficiency for users. This feature enables users to structure and customize fee structures for their gig tasks, facilitating transparent negotiations and agreements with clients. Moreover, users can maintain a comprehensive client list that includes detailed profiles, transaction histories, and invoicing capabilities. By facilitating seamless communication and transaction management between clients and designers, D'ROOM empowers users to uphold professional standards, manage project timelines effectively, and cultivate long-term client partnerships. Additionally, administrative management tools further streamline operational workflows, encompassing invoice receipt transactions, client communications, and comprehensive administrative oversight, thereby optimizing productivity and enhancing user satisfaction.

These expanded figures provide a thorough and detailed overview of the functionalities and user interactions within the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution application, emphasizing its utility in enhancing professional visibility, managing financial resources, and cultivating meaningful client relationships within the dynamic landscape of the design industry.

# **13.** Conclusions and Discussions

In an era defined by the rapid expansion of the gig economy, achieving financial stability remains a formidable challenge for independent professionals. The introduction of the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution represents a pivotal innovation aimed at addressing this pressing issue. This digital application not only acknowledges the complexities inherent in the gig economy but also offers a transformative approach to enhancing financial well-being. D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution distinguishes itself by integrating advanced digital technologies with user-centric design principles, thereby empowering designers and other gig workers to navigate their professional journeys with greater confidence and efficacy. Central to its value proposition are a range of user-friendly features meticulously designed to streamline financial planning, client management, skill enhancement, and community engagement.

The application's suite of financial planning tools equips users with the ability to establish financial goals, create and manage budgets, and track income and expenses in real time. By providing actionable insights and personalized recommendations, D'ROOM facilitates informed decision-making, optimizing earnings potential and long-term financial security. Moreover, D'ROOM simplifies client relationship management through a centralized platform that facilitates seamless communication, project tracking, and invoicing. This not only enhances operational

efficiency but also fosters stronger client relationships, driving satisfaction and loyalty. Beyond operational functionalities, D'ROOM offers a curated resource hub featuring educational content, industry insights, and skill development opportunities. This continuous learning environment empowers gig workers to stay abreast of industry trends, refine their skills, and remain competitive in a dynamic marketplace. Crucially, D'ROOM prioritizes data security and privacy, ensuring robust safeguards for sensitive financial and client information. This commitment underscores its dedication to maintaining trust and confidentiality within its user community.

Furthermore, D'ROOM cultivates a vibrant community where gig professionals can connect, collaborate, and exchange valuable insights and best practices. This supportive ecosystem not only fosters networking opportunities but also cultivates a sense of solidarity and resilience among its users. In conclusion, the D'ROOM Designer Professional Solution represents a groundbreaking initiative poised to revolutionize the gig economy by promoting financial well-being and professional growth. By equipping independent professionals with the essential tools and resources needed to thrive, D'ROOM not only enhances individual livelihoods but also contributes to the overall resilience and sustainability of the gig economy. As we navigate an increasingly digital and interconnected world of work, D'ROOM stands as a beacon of innovation, offering a brighter and more secure future for gig workers worldwide.

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