HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Program Management module

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HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Program Management module lets you collaboratively manage your programs from concept to completion. It automates processes for managing scope, risk, quality, issues and schedules.
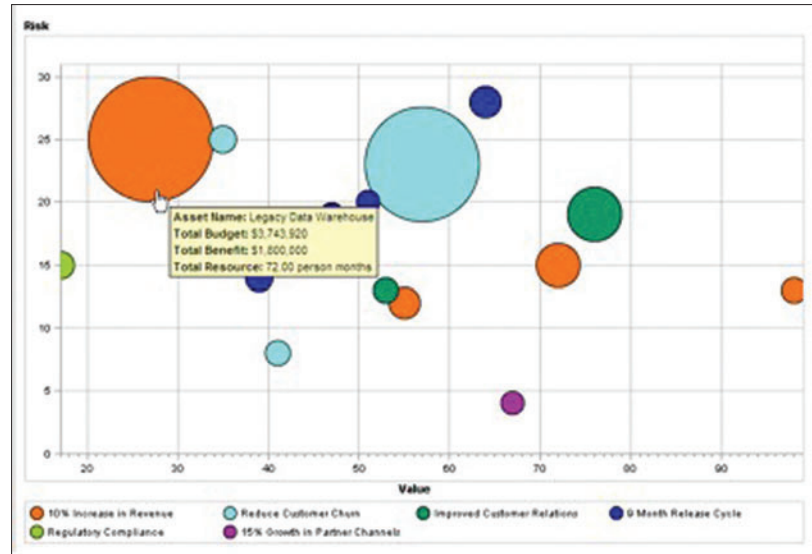
Optimize the value of your program management office

Delivering complex programs on time and on budget is a major challenge for any organization. With diverse but interrelated projects, resources and processes, conflicts are inevitable, and success is often elusive. IT organizations want to know which programs are in trouble at any given time and how to get those programs back on track. Yet, it is difficult to manage complicated program management processes. That's why many companies have implemented program management offices (PMOs).

HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Program Management module is an excellent way to optimize the value your PMO delivers to your business while reducing risk. From large programs to individual projects and tasks across your IT portfolio, HP PPM Program Management improves your PMO governance and execution. From business sponsors to program directors, project managers, software engineers and QA personnel, HP PPM Program Management provides the collaborative processes, visibility and control to keep your PMO humming on schedule and on budget.

Summary dashboard: HP Project and Portfolio Management Dashboard displays portfolio information, giving your IT and business leaders real-time views of portfolio performance to aid in decision making.

With HP PPM Program Management, you no longer need multiple point tools and paper manuals to manage program initiation, approval, scope changes, risks, issue resolution, resources or status. Best-practice PMO processes let you model and enforce corporate PMO standards while keeping your stakeholders and team members aligned at every step, a critical requirement for achieving business technology optimization (BTO).

Provide visibility and control across projects

Each week, PMO staff members spend hours or even days compiling status reports from multiple data sources. HP PPM Program Management frees staff time by capturing all this information, consolidating it into a single repository and automatically rolling it up into an included dashboard.

HP PPM Program Management provides real-time project status to all project participants and stakeholders, using personalized dashboard pages. Red, yellow and green indicators show program health, real-time updates and notifications for exception conditions. Managers reviewing a program's summary project status can drill into project details, including individual tasks or outstanding issues. Many views let you act directly on the information, reducing the time lag and overhead associated with approvals, status updates and priority changes.

Using an intuitive user interface, you can model your programs in HP PPM Program Management, specify which projects roll up to each program and link projects to multiple programs. The end result is real-time access to all aspects of your complex programs.

Facilitate collaboration and stakeholder visibility

HP PPM Program Management provides a shared repository, visibility and security features to give all interested parties the information they need. It also includes best-practice processes for involving the right people at the right time. Resource requests and allocations follow a codified process so that your managers and stakeholders gain real-time visibility into resource requirements and the prioritized projects that generated them.

HP PPM Program Management helps you work with dependencies, linking tasks or even entire projects that affect another particular project or task. A powerful scheduling engine automatically takes these dependencies into account to keep project views up to date, letting you make appropriate tradeoffs, using real-time information across projects.

Best-practice processes for managing risk, scope changes, resource requests and issues enable programs to share common processes for "apples-to-apples" comparisons and reduced risk. Your stakeholders can track benefits as they occur from start to finish—a proof point on the road to BTO.

How HP PPM Program Management works

HP PPM Program Management provides the structure and processes for managing scope changes, risk, quality, issues, schedules, resources, releases and costs. You select which features to use out of the box, without losing the ability to adapt and extend these processes as your business changes. Adding and changing processes is simple to do with the drag-and-drop process modeler of HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Foundation software. Each HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Center™ module requires HP PPM Foundation software and the HP User Administration License.

HP PPM Program Management includes an out-of-the-box program initiation process to get you started. Forms specify what data is required, requisite approval steps and established program dashboards for visibility and real-time status. The process then verifies that required data is collected and that approvals and change requests are appropriately handled.

Program budgets, schedules and resources are created as part of the initiation process. Projects and project plans can be tied to a program for detailed work breakdown structures, task management or summary milestone reporting. Resource management is also easier—you can view and request resources by skill and by name so that all of your resource requests are in one place.

Choose the delivery option that is best for you

HP PPM Program Management is offered as a managed service or as an in-house solution. You benefit from the flexibility to jump-start your implementation using HP Services and migrate in house when and if you choose. Plus, HP best practices are provided whether you opt for HP Services for faster time to value and lower total cost of ownership or for an in-house implementation backed by an expert team of consultants.

Key features and benefits

- **Automate complex PMO processes:** Provides and enforces processes for managing scope changes, risk, quality, issues, schedules, resources, releases and costs.

- **Out-of-the-box best-practice processes:** Offers best-practice processes right out of the box so you can implement them quickly. You can also adapt and extend these processes using a simple drag-and-drop interface.

- **Visibility and controls across projects:** Provides real-time information that lets your managers monitor complex, multi-project programs and drill into current project details at any time.

- **Collaboration and stakeholder alignment:** Provides resource and cost visibility across programs, projects and operational-type activities, coupled with a stage gate project lifecycle, to enable collaborative decisions on what takes priority. Detailed cost and schedule metrics—from program initiation through delivery—keep stakeholders informed and aligned on costs, schedules, expected benefits and realized benefits.

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