



## Project management

Project management is a specialist discipline and widely recognised in its own right. Organisations which practice sound project management methods have a competitive advantage over those that operate on a hit-and-miss basis. Effective project management ensures that projects undertaken by an organisation are completed within a specific budget, timeline and scope giving such an organisation the competitive edge.

**Project management** is a carefully planned and organised effort to accomplish a specific objective and can be applied to almost any kind of project. It is a methodical approach to planning and guiding project processes from start to finish.

These definitions may seem fairly simple, but the project management process could in fact be quite complex and successful execution is directly linked to the skills of the **project manager**. The project manager is at the centre of everything relating to the project, controlling the contributions of seniors and peers, as well as managing the work of the team.

It is common practice to set up a **project office** manned by a small team to deal with the administrative tasks of the project. The type of project and business requirements will determine the size, type and service offering of the project office.

It is imperative that everyone in the organisation has a common approach to the project and by developing a **project management methodology** this becomes an achievable goal. Project management methodology ensures that the initiatives undertaken are scoped, planned and executed at the right standard. It is possible to purchase a tried and tested project management methodology off the shelf, but it is always better to develop a customised one.

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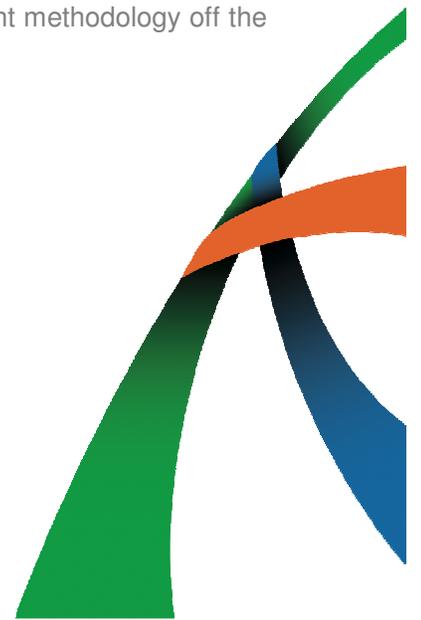
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This will ensure that the organisation's processes, procedures and systems are incorporated into the methodology making it much more effective.

**Project management information systems** are electronic systems that help to plan, execute and close project management goals. They range from basic to very sophisticated and differ in scope, design and features depending on the organisation's operational requirements. It is not optimal, but a project office can function without a system and the business needs of the organisation would determine if and what type of project management information system is required.

Appointing a project manager, setting up a project office, developing a project management methodology and implementing a project management information system without well trained staff would be short-sighted. **Training** should happen on two levels – in project management as well as in the use of the methodology. However, it is imperative that all employees should be educated in the generic project management principles agreed upon and how they are applied in the organisation.

### **The Bizmod approach**

Bizmod believes that a good project manager should be both strategic and detail orientated and should excel at stakeholder management. Bizmodian Project Managers have a solid theoretical understanding of good project principles, practices and theory and are pragmatic problem solvers.

Bizmod's Project Management services include:

- Facilitation
- Planning
- Project consulting
- Project management
- Portfolio set up
- Project management office set-up
- Methodology

Project management is an essential segment in every organisation. A good project management team will contribute to excellent product quality, adequate communication, reduced risks and ultimately the achieving of strategic objectives and goals.



Bizmod Consulting is a modern company which believes in flexibility, balance and collaboration. They specialise in services relating to:

- Business and Process Analyses
- Project Management
- Change Management

Bizmod Consulting is particularly well versed in designing and implementing solutions that are customised to meet a client's specific needs. The Bizmodian team work on a basis of trust and value creation and aim at building sustainable, long lasting relationships with their clients.

Bizmodian relationships are characterised by a project based approach, solution customisation, product independence, delivery focus and quality.

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