

Enterprise Project Management

Enterprise Project Management (EPM) enables the achievement of strategic business objectives by empowering your organization with the information required to allocate precious financial and human resources with projects that best align with your overall business strategy. EPM provides organizations better visibility, insight, and control of projects and resources for key informed decision-making.

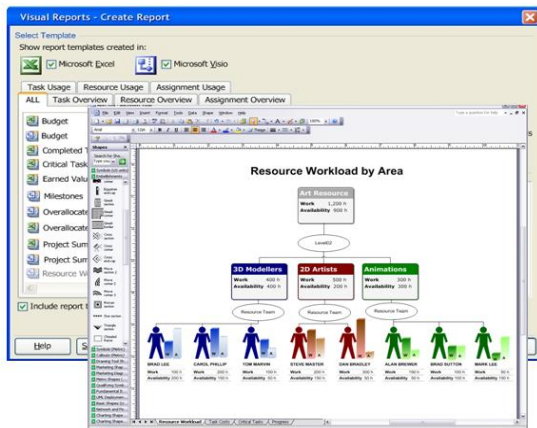
The Catapult Benefit

Catapult Systems' personalized approach begins with understanding your organization, your existing processes, and your vision for improving your Project Management Maturity.

We take the time to educate you on the solution's capabilities. We combine your prioritized business needs with our EPM implementation experience, and work with you to adapt the technology to your business, helping you install, configure, customize, extend and integrate the solution that will serve your organization most efficiently and cost-effectively.

It's this expertise that helps you realize the benefits of EPM:

- **Benefit: Establish a Framework for Project Governance.** Management needs the ability to make swift decisions based on consistent, objective evaluation of project investments throughout all stages of a project's lifecycle. This becomes increasingly important that companies implement best practices around governance and risk management.
- **Benefit: Standardize and Simplify Project Reporting.** Typical reporting requires the project manager to act as information broker and interpreter. EPM simplifies this by standardizing reporting at the lowest level of detail, applying filters up the reporting chain. Management can easily drill down further, without requiring the project manager's involvement.
- **Benefit: Improve Forecasting of Material and Human Resources.** Having a system for managing resource availability is essential to a company's strategic staffing process. EPM empowers those charged with resource allocation to take immediate action based on current and forecasted activity across prioritized projects.



Monitor resource workloads and availability across teams

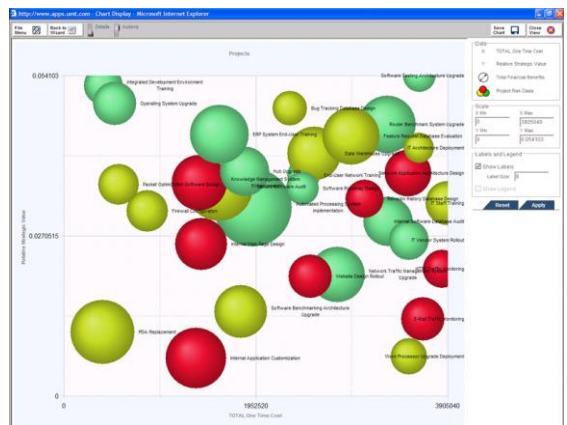
- **Benefit: Improve Communication and Collaboration.** Web-based access to timely project information enables teams to share knowledge, collaborate on tasks and deliverables, and adjust quickly to accommodate changes. And the ability to quickly find project artifacts is a time saver, and foundational for organizations looking to establish a base of knowledge.

The Value of EPM

The value of any investment depends on the types and speed of improvements gained. By enabling increased employee productivity, faster cycle times, reduced costs and improved time management, an EPM solution helps to provide a positive and sustainable ROI, by providing benefits across four key areas:

1. Better visibility and insight

Making accurate decisions quickly is critical. Microsoft EPM enables organizations to gain visibility into all project and non-project work within their organization. It supports capturing, tracking and managing work at all levels of complexity: from idea generation to funded projects to maintenance work. Microsoft EPM delivers important advances in portfolio management, supports an extended set of business analytics and metrics, and provides deep reporting and analysis.



Evaluate competing project requests considering multiple facets, such as cost, benefits, risk, and strategic value.

2. Faster Adoption

Microsoft EPM makes it easy for users to get started, promoting adoption while lowering the barriers to entry. It leverages technologies like Outlook and Excel, allowing you to get the most out of existing investments. And by integrating EPM with your line-of-business systems, you can get a comprehensive view of your organization's activities for better decision making.

3. Enterprise Ready

Microsoft EPM is ready for the enterprise, with a scalable high performance infrastructure that includes:

- Active Cache that enhances efficiency of data transfer from Project to Project Server and improves offline work experience.
- Server-Side Queuing delivers better control of server resources and generates improved performance for users.
- The ability to create programs, easing management of multiple sub-projects and their cross-project dependencies.

4. Extensible and Programmable

Microsoft EPM also makes it easier than ever to integrate, automate and connect with other enterprise applications. Built on .NET and the SharePoint platform, the EPM infrastructure includes Windows Workflow Foundation, SharePoint Services and Office Servers, and provides a rich application programming interface (API) for extending project management capabilities into Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) solutions, financial applications, timesheets and other line of business systems.

Products: The Elements of Microsoft EPM

Microsoft Office Project Server 2007 and Microsoft Office Project Portfolio Server 2007 form the Microsoft EPM solution. Project Portfolio Server 2007 integrates with Project Server 2007 via a bidirectional gateway to provide an end-to-end project portfolio management solution. The gateway enables administrators to link multiple Project Servers to Project Portfolio Server, providing executives with a consolidated view of all projects within the organization.

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