



Enterprise Project Portfolio Optimized Resource Allocation

Projects are the lifeblood of nearly every organization. Organizations need to optimize their project selection to maximize their return on investment (ROI). Traditional project management processes and tools often result in late deliveries and exceeded budgets with fewer features than initially specified. If ROI for your projects is critical to your organization's present and future success, then EPS's EPPORA software tool is guaranteed to become a strategic asset for your organization. If you're wondering whether or not EPPORA is right for your organization, here are some questions you might consider with your staff:

1. Can your organization improve the way it currently selects which projects to implement?
2. Does your organization have an audit trail demonstrating due diligence for its selected projects?
3. Do your executives spend significant time deciding which projects are to be implemented?
4. Are Project Managers accurately estimating the task durations for their project team members?
5. Are your project cost estimates reasonably accurate?
6. Does your organization still create ambiguous requirements?
7. Are some of your requirements very difficult to test?
8. Does your organization sometimes finish a product without a requirement being tested?
9. Are key management personnel notified in time when schedules begin to slip?
10. Do your staff members complain that their evaluations are not objective or scientific?
11. Do your most important project tasks consistently receive your organization's best labor resources?
12. Are selected executives plus relevant Project Managers and Project Portfolio Managers automatically notified when a key project event occurs (late, projected to be late or completed)?

Do your most important project tasks consistently receive your There is no doubt that today's economic conditions have ignited a range of challenges for organizations trying to cope with less cash flow, declining demand, and decreased sales, revenues, and profits. Most organizations think this is a cue to go into bunker mode. Plagued by tunnel-vision, management is often tempted to not look to the future, but worry solely about surviving. As budgets decline and discretionary spending tightens in response to economic challenges, organizations cannot afford to stand still and wait for the storm clouds to pass them by. Organizations must look for innovative methods to streamline their processes and improve their ability to deliver services and products.



So how does EPPORA help improve your organization's ROI? EPPORA improves your organization's profit picture both in the short and long term by:

- ❖ Optimizing the project selection process across your organization's project portfolio
- ❖ Allocating scarce labor-resource across all ongoing projects assuring that the most productive available resource works on the most important project tasks
- ❖ Improving work-force productivity
- ❖ Improving the quality of your project requirements and project schedules
- ❖ Warning key project stakeholders of critical project events (for example, projected late milestone or deliverable) in a timely fashion

It may sounds like hyperbole, but it's true. EPPORA's features include:

- ❖ Built-in project selection criteria with predefined importance factors for each of its 22 criterion
- ❖ Ability to customize project selection criteria
- ❖ Flexibility to add and adjust the importance of each predefined criteria
- ❖ A notification system alerting selected personnel to evaluate a designated project's specific criteria and to change the project selection process from an intuitive choice to a process that uses an organization's foremost experts to evaluate each criterion New methods for specifying and maintaining unambiguous requirements, coupled with an analysis tool that helps assure the requirements for each project are testable Scheduling tools (akin to MS Project, Primavera, etc.) are used by each Project Manager to create schedules; tools include an analysis tool that helps assure the schedules are following industry (or organization) approved standards
- ❖ Computation of a project team members' productivity for each assigned labor category as assigned project tasks are completed. Automated assignments of the most productive labor resources to the most important project tasks for the selected labor categories.
- ❖ Ability of Project Portfolio Managers to override EPPORA assignments or make pre-assignments as they please

If the answers to one or more of the questions above are yes, then you should seriously consider discussing with an EPS representative how EPPORA can help improve your organization's ability to conduct successful projects. To better understand how EPPORA can help your organization, contact EPS via email at Info@EPPORA.com or you can call EPS at 310-287-0800.