



Dialog between process and project

RPlan-Stages interface



Process and project: Same goals, different approach

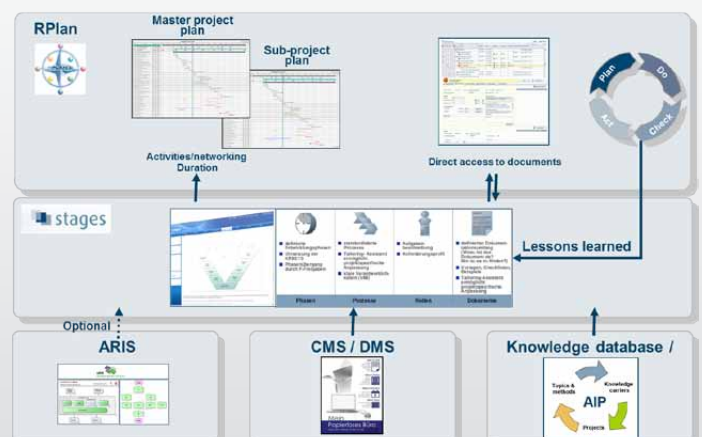
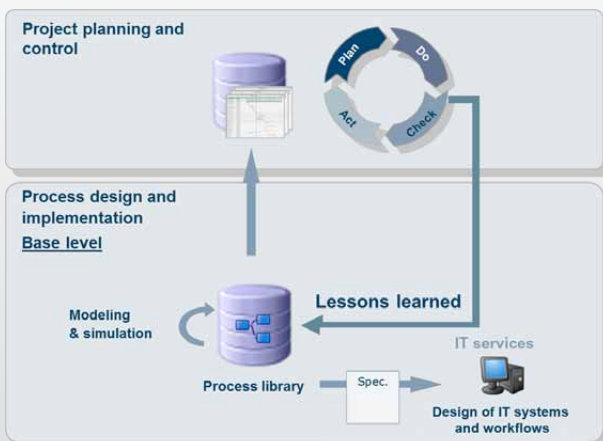
In many companies there is already an established project management culture based on the RPlan project management software. Process flows too are defined and controlled using an appropriate tool such as the Stages process modeling software.

Process and project departments each act in the best interests of the company but adopt different approaches. This results in communication breakdowns and gives rise to increased effort, resources, and costs.

ACTANO has the solution you need. Clear benefits are gained by integrating the two systems via the RPlan-Stages interface.

Your benefits

- High savings potential due to the rapid transfer of process knowledge
→ More efficient project startup based on standardized corporate processes
- Empirical knowledge gained in real-world projects flows into new projects
→ Knowledge edge over competitors
- Creation of process transparency in projects
→ No need for training courses, less coordination effort, information procurement
- Process expertise generally available to the company and not tied to individuals
→ Minimization of corporate and project risks
- Guaranteed sustainability of process projects
→ Competitive edge through sustainable investment





The RPlan product portfolio

- Schedule Manager
- Resource Manager
- Project Controller
- Reporting
- Timesheet
- Presentation Graphics
- Cross Company Planning
- Add-on
 - Portfolio Manager
 - ARIS to RPlan Interface
- System Integrations
 - RPlan API – Programming Interface
 - RPlan-SAP PS Interface RSI
 - RPlan-Stages Interface

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In RPlan, your CMMI/SPICE-compliant processes modeled in Stages are automatically made available to projects at defined intervals. The processes can be customized for each specific project by answering a series of preliminary questions.

Project members work with this information and make modifications as needed. For example, process times are changed or activities are added or deleted.

This new empirically-grounded process knowledge is fed back to process management during the lessons learned exercise and is used to continuously improve process flows.

Summary

Future challenges lie in mastering complexity in product development. The process and project management disciplines are particularly affected. Communication and cooperation between the two need to be enhanced by means of methods and systems to ensure that product development remains competitive in the future.

The RPlan-Stages interface bridges the gap between the two disciplines by permitting efficient project planning on the basis of process models. Project startup is made more efficient by the rapid transfer of process knowledge to new projects. Further high savings potential is available in the operation of projects that are already underway.

The methodical, tool-supported feedback loop in the continuous improvement process ensures that experience gained in real-world projects is also made available to new projects.

And last but not least, the solution offers outstanding value for money.

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