## A Process Performance Models Case Study

## Based on sample (from) 450 project feasibility checks

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Presented with practical usage and implementation tips

## Agenda and Topics

Organizational Background and Process ROI

- Project Idea and Proposal Preposition Development
- Quality Audits and Progress Check Calibration
- Call and Incident Center Performance

Case Studies and High Level Process

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- Main Questions for High Maturity Process Improvement
- Pilot Lessoned Learned

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#### **Definition of Process**

A set of interrelated activities, which transform inputs into outputs, to achieve a given purpose.



#### Process Control



#### Measuring Process Performance

#### Key Questions

- What is the current performance?
- Is this value "good"?
- Is it changing?
- How can I make the value "better"?
- Candidate Attributes
  - Definition (completeness, compatibility)
  - Usage (compliance, consistency)
  - Stability (repeatability, variability)
  - Effectiveness (capability)
  - Efficiency (productivity, affordability)
  - Predictive Ability (accuracy, effects of tailoring and improvements)

## Some Examples

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Goal	Measure
Completeness	The number of process elements added, changed, and deleted during tailoring.
Compliance	Number of discrepancy reports generated by Quality Assurance audits
Stability (volatility)	The number of process elements changed within a specified time interval.
Effectiveness	Product quality
Effectiveness	Defect leakage to subsequent phases
Efficiency	Productivity (or production coefficient)
Efficiency	Rework as a fraction of total effort
Predictability	Probability distribution for an estimated quantity or related population statistics



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Typically when one read the CMMI-SVC he may think on the classic service provider organization The model provides guidance for the application of CMMI best practices by the service provider organization. Best practices in the model focus on activities for providing quality services to the customer and end users. In this presentation the 'services' is a project feasibility checks provided by a dedicated group



#### Organizational Background and Process ROI

#### Project Idea and Proposal Preposition Development

- If an average developer day cost is ~7000
- The total Program effort was 10220 day (100%)
- The testing phase was 1480 day (14.5%)
- Defect that are the result of documentation are 69% of all defects
- If we will assume the to correct 69% of all defects will take around 40% of the testing duration; 
   means that:
  - that will be 740 day
  - With the overall cost of 518000
- However to add 100 review days in the static tests and another 20 of code inspection will end with the cost of 2100000
- And still we have saved at least 3080000 (440 days)
- Means that we ware able to reduce 4.5% of the project time

#### Organizational Background and Process ROI

#### Quality Audits and Progress Check Calibration

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- As for today most of major industries which runs and mange large and complex programs need to comply with more than just one quality standards in many disciplines (e.g. HW, optics, software) use large groups of internal and external assessors that perform implementation checks, progress checks, readiness reviews and formal appraisals.
- These communities are typically composed from groups of very experienced and professional individuals that have the best knowledge in their professional domain but not necessarily on how to conduct an efficient and effective appraisal which provide meaningful results
- The combination of the effort and expected resources increase the risks on qualification of auditors, domain knowledge, and calibration of results and findings effectiveness

#### Organizational Background and Process ROI

#### Quality Audits and Progress Check Calibration

- By measuring the following attributes, we were able to increase usability of the progress checks by 47%, and quality of deliverables by 37%
  - Role based profile and criteria

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- Calibration mechanism and criteria
- Evaluation mechanism and criteria
- Leveling the different quality engineers and 'auditors'
- Flowing specific trainings (on different levels) as personal development and qualification criteria
- Listing specific performances as indicators for leveling justifications
- Structuring the different audits and reporting guidelines in a single mandatory to follow process,

#### Main Steps for High Maturity Process Improvement

During our analysis and planning, we were able to identify improvement targets in main lifecycle areas such as

- operations,
- information,
- governance,
- people
- organizational structure,
- portfolios,
- project execution,
- finance.

And as in core process that are critical to the system success such as stakeholder management, technical interfaces and integration.

### Main Steps for High Maturity Process Improvement

As the result of this observation we have built an action plan,
Then in the second step we have built a services roadmap using the CMMI-SVC, that allow companies to begin the improvement journey, and manage the transformation to maturity by building on each successive step, and ultimately delivering the benefits expected:

- service reuse,
- improved perception
- response time,
- interoperability,
- business agility.

Service performance and its impact on the organization governance is a significant part of that journey

## Organizational Background and Call and Incident Center Performance

The service provider provides a large number of services to its customers, which are mainly departments from a sibling organization.

To manage the communication with customers regarding those services, the department has implemented helpdesk management and problem management processes.

The implementation of these processes has been based on the CMMI-SVC with elements of other CMMIs (for the organization maturity) and ITIL (for the individuals' education).

#### Organizational Background and Call and Incident Center Performance

Program Management Office is used to guarantee the continuity of services, while Analysts Management Team is used to improve the level of service in the future. So, PMO deals with *requests*, whereas Requirements Management Team is concerned with solving the *challenges* that cause these requests.

The goal of this case study was to assess the quality and performance of the feasibility checks Management process.

#### Process

Project Idea and Proposal Preposition Development



#### Managed Process for Innovation





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#### Process Quality Audits and Progress Check Calibration



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# Questions ?

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