

Blue Globe Management Consulting

Project Management using Facilitated Integrated Leadership and Teamwork for Results (PM-FILTR)

Project Management. Is it really making a difference?

Why are organizations spending more time, energy, and money on project management than in the recent past? Shouldn't people just be able to get a list of their task assignments with some realistic deadlines, and then just do their work? It is not that simple in most organizations, as flexibility, complexity, and conflicting priorities have made effective project management a must.

But officially having project management – i.e., “Yes, of course we have a project manager” – and having effective project management are two very different situations. Unfortunately, having official project management without effective project management is probably more common in most organizations today.

Why are Project Management functions often ineffective?

There are many reasons project management is often less effective than it can be. Certainly, the “cookbook” approach to project management that has become more prevalent since recent significant increases in the hiring of Project Managers has not improved project management effectiveness. Then there is the experience factor: it seems even “certified” project managers don't have enough of it. Significant, practical, school-of-hard-knocks experience is essential. Certainly, there are other significant factors that influence project management effectiveness.

One significant factor that is impacting project management effectiveness falls squarely into the Project Manager Leadership Performance column. Try Finding a project manager who is seasoned, detail oriented, and yet can look at the overall project opportunities and challenges, identifying the most critical elements of the situation, and you will likely have found your way to a successful project management experience.

Introducing Project Management using Facilitated Integrated Leadership and Teamwork for Results (PM-FILTR)

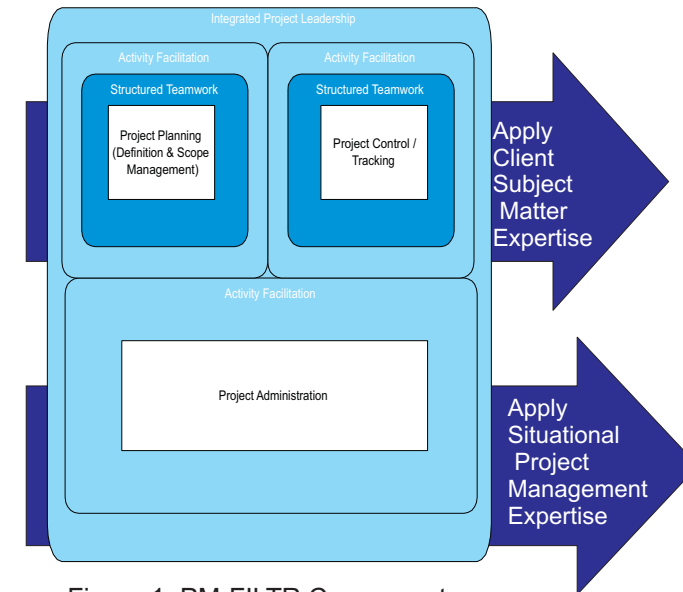


Figure 1. PM-FILTR Components

The unique approach of PM-FILTR is outlined in Figure 1, above. The Project Manager leverages consultative project management experience with multiple clients. This facilitative process draws out specific client Subject Matter Expertise, while the experienced PM-FILTR consultant applies the right project management techniques to the situation. Cookbooks are left in the kitchen, with the project moving forward with the right focus.

About Blue Globe...

Blue Globe Management Consulting, a division of Blue Globe Group, Inc, is a professional services firm that values actual client results. We will never be satisfied with a well written report or well presented recommendations, even though some consulting firms never get past this point with their clients. We are people-oriented, collaborative, flexible, and focused on the end goal, helping our clients move beyond credenza-ware.

About Our Principal

Peter Walzer is the Principal of Blue Globe Management Consulting and is an experienced consultant and strategic project manager with 20 years of experience delivering solutions for Fortune 1000 clients.

Mr. Walzer has worked with many large and small organizations. The following list is a representative sample of the prominent organizations he has worked with or within:

- Washington Mutual
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- IndyMac Bank
- New Century Financial
- Ameriquest
- The Money Store
- Experian

- Pacific Life
- Lincoln Financial Group
- State Farm

- Kaiser Permanente
- PacifiCare

- Dial / Viad Corporation
- Gap
- ExhibitGroup | GiltSpur
- Greyhound Exposition Services
- Nissan
- EMI Records
- Adecco

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