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Step 1: Identify project scope and objectives

- Identify objectives (what the project must achieve) and practical measures of the effectiveness in meeting those objectives
- Establish a project authority Project Management Board (PMB), has the responsibility for setting, monitoring and modifying decisions?
- Stakeholder analysis identify all stakeholders in the project and their interests
 - Internal to the project team
 - Internal to the organization
 - External to the organization (i.e. customers)
- Modify objectives in the light of stakeholder analysis
- Establish methods of communication with all parties



Step 2: Identify project infrastructure

- Identify relationship between the project and strategic planning
- Identify installation standards and procedures
 - change control and configuration management
 - quality standards and procedures
 - measurement programme
 - ...
- Identify project team organization

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Organizations

Organizations and Projects

Organizations are systematic arrangements of entities (persons and/or departments) aimed at accomplishing a purpose, which may involve undertaking projects. An organization's culture and style affect how it conducts projects. Cultures and styles are group phenomena known as cultural norms, which develop over time. The norms include established approaches to initiating and planning projects, the means considered acceptable for getting the work done, and recognized authorities who make or influence decisions.

Common experiences

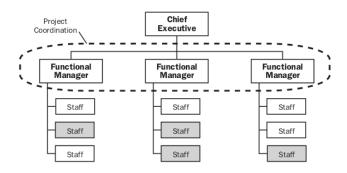
Organizational culture is shaped by common experiences:

- Shared visions, mission, values, beliefs, and expectations
- Regulations, policies, methods, and procedures
- Motivation and reward systems
- Risk tolerance
- View of leadership, hierarchy, and authority relationships
- Code of conduct, work ethic, and work hours
- Operating environments

Organizational structures

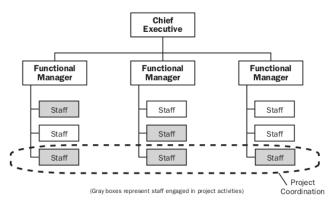
Organizational structure is an enterprise environmental factor, which can affect the availability of resources and influence how projects are conducted. Major types of organizational structures go from Functional to Projectized structure and a mix of the twos

Functional Organization



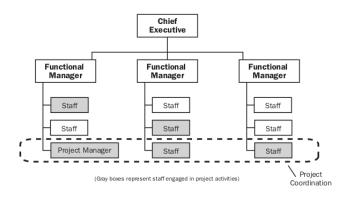
Matrix Organization 1/3 – Weak matrix

Matrix organizations reflect a blend of functional and projectized characteristics:

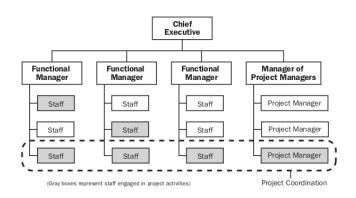


- Project expediter works as staff assistant and communications coordinator. The expediter cannot personally make or enforce decisions
- Project coordinators have power to make some decisions, have some authority, and report to a higher-level manager

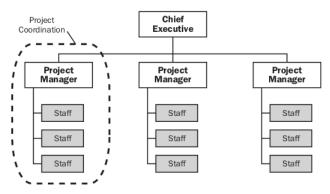
Matrix Organization 2/3 – Balanced matrix



Matrix Organization 3/3 – Strong matrix



Projectized



(Gray boxes represent staff engaged in project activities)

Organization and project characteristics

Organization Structure Project Characteristics	Functional	Matrix			
		Weak Matrix	Balanced Matrix	Strong Matrix	Projectized
Project Manager's Authority	Little or None	Low	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	High to Almost Total
Resource Availability	Little or None	Low	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	High to Almost Total
Who manages the project budget	Functional Manager	Functional Manager	Mixed	Project Manager	Project Manager
Project Manager's Role	Part-time	Part-time	Full-time	Full-time	Full-time
Project Management Administrative Staff	Part-time	Part-time	Part-time	Full-time	Full-time

PM and communications

Many organizational structures include strategic, middle management, and operational levels. The project manager may interact with all three levels depending on factors such as:

- Strategic importance of the project
- Capacity of stakeholders to exert influence on the project
- Degree of project management maturity
- Project management systems
- Organizational communications

This interaction determines project characteristics such as:

- Project manager's level of authority
- Resource availability and management
- Entity controlling the project budget
- Project manager's role
- Project team composition



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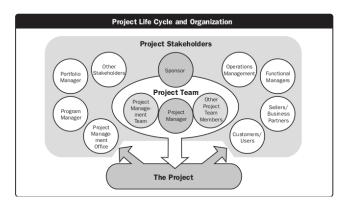
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Stakeholders include all members of the project team as well as all interested entities that are internal or external to the organization. The project team identifies internal and external, positive and negative, and performing and advising stakeholders in order to determine the project requirements and the expectations of all parties involved. The project manager should manage the influences of these various stakeholders in relation to the project requirements to ensure a successful outcome.

Stakeholders



Stakeholder identification is a continuous process throughout the entire project life cycle. Identifying stakeholders, understanding their relative degree of influence on a project, and balancing their demands, needs, and expectations are critical to the success of the project. Failure to do so can lead to delays, cost increases, unexpected issues, and other negative consequences including project cancellation.

Stakeholder management process

- Identify Stakeholders The process of identifying the people, groups, or organizations that could impact or be impacted by a decision, activity, or outcome of the project; and analyzing and documenting relevant information regarding their interests, involvement, interdependencies, influence, and potential impact on project success.
- Plan Stakeholder Management The process of developing appropriate management strategies to effectively engage stakeholders throughout the project life cycle, based on the analysis of their needs, interests, and potential impact on project success.
- Manage Stakeholder Engagement The process of communicating and working
 with stakeholders to meet their needs/expectations, address issues as they
 occur, and foster appropriate stakeholder engagement in project activities
 throughout the project life cycle.
- Control Stakeholder Engagement The process of monitoring overall project stakeholder relationships and adjusting strategies and plans for engaging stakeholders.



Identify Stakeholders

How to get a stakeholder list:

- Interviews
- Brainstorming
- Expert judgement

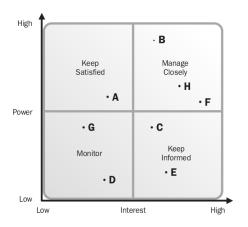
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Stakeholder analysis quadrant



Stakeholder engagement analysis

The current engagement level of all stakeholders needs to be compared to the planned engagement levels required for successful project completion. Stakeholder engagement throughout the life cycle of the project is critical to project success. The engagement level of the stakeholders can be classified as follows:

- Unaware Unaware of project and potential impacts.
- Resistant Aware of project and potential impacts and resistant to change
- Neutral Aware of project yet neither supportive nor resistant.
- Supportive Aware of project and potential impacts and supportive to change.
- Leading Aware of project and potential impacts and actively engaged in ensuring the project is a success

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