


# A Tiered Approach to Implement the *PMBOK® Guide*



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## Your Expectations

What are your expectations from this webinar?

Why are you here today?



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## A Tiered Approach to Implement the *PMBOK® Guide*



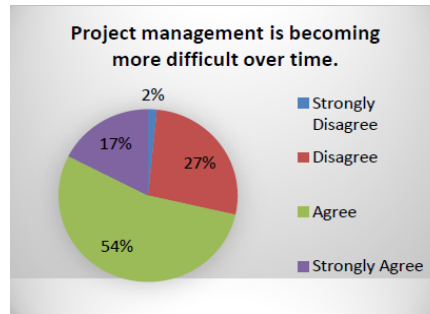
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- Change, Procurement, and Vendor Management
- Conclusion

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## About the Tiered Approach

- \* In our [survey of project managers](#), nearly 70 percent feel project management is becoming more difficult



- \* Not every project needs the full *PMBOK® Guide*
  - ✓ How to determine how much rigor is needed on a project?

*Where is the sweet spot?*

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## About the *PMBOK® Guide*

- \* First released in 1996 to record the standards and best practices in project management
- \* 2<sup>nd</sup> edition: 2000
- \* 3<sup>rd</sup> edition: 2004
  - ✓ Added practices “generally recognized as good practice most of the time”
- \* 4<sup>th</sup> edition: 2009
  - ✓ 42 processes, 9 Knowledge areas
- \* 5<sup>th</sup> edition: 2013
  - ✓ Added stakeholder management
  - ✓ 47 processes, 10 knowledge areas
- \* 6<sup>th</sup> edition: ????



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Source: Chung, Edward (2014, 13 November). A short history of the PMBOK Guide Published by PMI. Edward Designer. Web. <http://edward-designer.com/web/short-history-pmbok-guide-pmi/>

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## **PMBOK® Guide Fifth Edition**

- \* Released in 2013
- \* 47 processes, 10 knowledge areas
- \* Added stakeholder management as a knowledge area
  - ✓ Was in communications management
- \* Changed communications management
  - ✓ Removed stakeholder management processes from communications
- \* Added new planning processes for each knowledge area
  - ✓ i.e. Plan Scope Management, Plan Communications Management
- \* Changed and clarified many existing processes

## **Challenges of Implementing PMBOK® Guide**

- \* There are a lot of processes
  - ✓ 47 processes across 10 knowledge areas
- \* For each process, an organization needs to:
  - ✓ Learn how to implement the process
  - ✓ Learn best practices and pitfalls from experience
  - ✓ Refine and tailor the process
- \* Project managers have less time and fewer resources available to deploy the full *PMBOK® Guide*
- \* They may not need every process on every project
  - ✓ But which ones can you miss without causing problems?

***Where is the “sweet spot”?***

***A tiered approach can provide the answer***

## About the Tiered Approach

- \* Small Tier: For “Fast Track” projects
  - ✓ 1-2 full-time people on 1-2 smaller projects
- \* Medium Tier: For medium complexity projects
  - ✓ 4-8 full-time people on 2-6 medium-sized projects
- \* Large Tier: For large, high complexity projects
  - ✓ 10 or more full-time people on 6 or more large projects

*Which tier is right for you?  
What size / duration of projects do you have?*



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## Project Fitness

Tier / Complexity	# of Projects	Team Members (FTE)	Duration	Effort (Person months)	Recommended Processes
Small	1-2	1-2	2-10 wks.	Up to 50	4
Medium	2-6	4-8	4-12 mons.	Up to 200	8
Large	Over 6	Over 10	> 12 mons.	Over 600	17

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## Small Tier

- \* For “Fast Track” projects
  - ✓ 1-2 full-time people
  - ✓ 1-2 smaller projects
  - ✓ Duration may be measured in weeks rather than months
  - ✓ Total Effort may be up to 50 person-months/year

## Small Tier Processes

- \* Four Small Tier Processes
  - ✓ Project Charter
  - ✓ Stakeholder Analysis
  - ✓ Project Schedule
  - ✓ Communication Plan

## Why These Small Tier Processes?

- \* Every project needs these four processes
  - ✓ Project charter provides a project with authority
    - Charter can include high-level scope, budget, risks
  - ✓ Project managers need to know who stakeholders are
  - ✓ Stakeholders will expect a schedule
  - ✓ Communication plan is needed to manage stakeholder communications and keep them satisfied

## Medium Tier

- \* For medium size/complexity projects
- \* Or more smaller projects in a portfolio/program
  - ✓ 2-6 medium-sized projects
  - ✓ 4-12 months duration
  - ✓ 4-8 full-time team members
  - ✓ Total length up to 200 person-months/year



## Medium Tier Processes

### \* Eight Medium Tier Processes

- ✓ Project Charter
- ✓ Stakeholder Analysis
- ✓ Work Breakdown Structure
- ✓ Resource Allocation
- ✓ Project Schedule
- ✓ Communication Plan
- ✓ Risk Register
- ✓ Performance Reporting

*Same as Eight Powerful PM Processes*



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## Why These Medium Tier Processes?

### \* Extra processes help with increasing complexity

- ✓ WBS: keeps everyone on same page with scope
- ✓ Resource Allocation: Helps manage people working on multiple projects
- ✓ Risk Register: More complexity, greater risk
- ✓ Performance Reporting: More stakeholders means more reporting requirements



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## Large Tier

- \* For larger size/complexity projects or more projects
  - ✓ Over 6 large or complex projects
  - ✓ Over 10 months duration
  - ✓ 10 or more full-time team members
  - ✓ Total length likely closer to 600 person-months or greater

## Large Tier Additional Processes

- \* 8 Processes of Medium Tier + following 9 more:
  - ✓ Scope Statement
  - ✓ Requirements Traceability Matrix
  - ✓ Project Estimation
  - ✓ Project Cost
  - ✓ Quality Metrics
  - ✓ Risk Quantitative Analysis
  - ✓ Earned Value Management / Variance Analysis
  - ✓ Change Management
  - ✓ Lessons Learned

## Why These Large Tier Processes?

- \* Scope Statement: Minimizes rework due to misinterpretations of scope
- \* Requirements Traceability Matrix: Links requirements and team so you know who is doing the work
- \* Project Estimation: Solidifies project estimates
- \* Project Cost: Provides monitoring of money spent
- \* EVM / Variance Analysis: Provides better project status and ability to forecast future results



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## Why These Large Tier Processes? (cont.)

- \* Quality Metrics: Minimizes defects
- \* Risk Quantitative Analysis: Provides more rigor on risks
- \* Lessons Learned: Capture for process refinements
- \* Change Management: Necessary for large, complex projects or projects where scope changes could be lot more.



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## Procurement and Vendor Management

- \* Procurement management needed if many contracts are being used
- \* Vendor management needed if several vendor relationships are in place
- \* You may need these processes at any tier if you use vendors or buy resources/material for your project
- \* Important to develop these processes
  - ✓ Even if they're not used all the time
  - ✓ That way you are ready when they are needed



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## Processes By Tier

Process	Small	Medium	Large
Project Charter	✓	✓	✓
Stakeholder Analysis	✓	✓	✓
Project Schedule	✓	✓	✓
Communication Plan	✓	✓	✓
Work Breakdown Structure	x	✓	✓
Resource Allocation	x	✓	✓
Risk Register	x	✓	✓
Performance Reporting	x	✓	✓
Scope Statement	x	x	✓
Requirements Traceability Matrix	x	x	✓
Project Estimation	x	x	✓
Project Cost	x	x	✓
Quality Metrics	x	x	✓
Risk Quantitative Analysis	x	x	✓
Earned Value Management	x	x	✓
Change Management	x	x	✓
Lessons Learned	x	x	✓

*Which tier is right for you?*



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## Conclusion

- \* Too few processes: uncertainty increases
- \* Too many processes: value of project management decreases due to overwork
- \* Each organization may need additional refinements

*Find your organization's project management "sweet spot" today*

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- ✓ Should you schedule your exam before or after changes?

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