

Bandwidth Analyser



Recognising the importance of securing the right team to support the change desired.

Will you adopt a disciplined approach to resource planning to ensure the best chance of success in your projects and programmes?





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Ensuring we secure the right resources, with the right capabilities, for the right duration to deliver change successfully

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Learning From Experience

ODNL's members often encounter an age-old problem in being asked to support, or help recover, projects that have been resourced poorly from the outset. The AOD approach to resource planning helps project teams answer a few fundamental questions that can improve the changes of project success before you kink off significant investment:

- Does your organization resource projects well?
- Do you set out to build teams with complementary skills from the start?
- Is the default choice normally to resource new change initiatives with the 'usual suspects' – well skilled staff who are too busy to devote enough time due to existing commitments

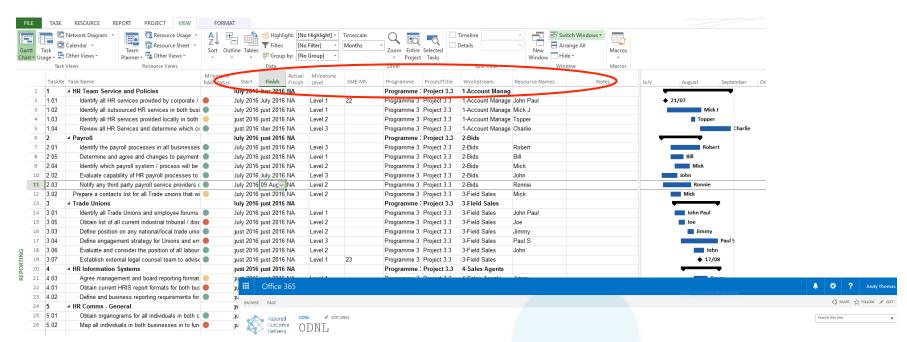
We have developed this bandwidth analyzer to address what we have observed in the 'usual' answers to these questions. Simply put, we use this tool to secure the right resources, for long enough, to the key responsibilities in the project RACI are discharged adequately. It also asks senior managers to protect the allocation of agreed time to enable the work to be carried out and not to withdraw capacity by allocating the same resource to the next priority / problem to be solve / or next boss' great idea!

Working Out What We Need

Proper resource planning starts with proper planning (if you think about it logically!). However we observe many PMs spending most of their time based on activity planning and scheduling, without securing adequately, or early enough, the resource levels needed to guarantee that the plan can be achieved. The plans therefore contain many untested assumptions, especially when resources are required from other parts of the organisation, or from subcontractors, prior to "contracts" being defined irrevocably.

So we use the AOD EZPMO tools to develop a plan focussed on delivering desired outcomes, and then allocate a resource pool for delivery that will ensure sufficient capacity is built into individual's work schedules and also into their performance contracts to enable timely achievement of key deliverable and tipping point milestones. We recommend that all proposed team members have their line managers commit in writing to the allocation of their time to the project (and what proportion of their working week is available for other tasks or responsibilities).

AOD Reporting Overview #1



MS Project plan templates ensure the relevant fields are available to support resource planning and progress reporting. And programme sponsors are asked to 'contract' for supply of resource and its duration.

Tasks are linked with Show Me **Events, Tipping Points and** Milestone following completion of AOD Right to Left Planning.....

Select a Show Me Event (using the select column), to see related Tipping Points. Then select a Tipping Point (using the Select column) to see related Milestones. Show Me Events Associated Tipping Points Workflow Histor ODNI. Actions ODNI Risks Stage Gate Automated Workflow BMS improves performance accountability for Delivering Change Show Me Events to Tipping Points to Project Change Design Authority pprject phases. BIM reduces costs and duration ✓ EDIT LINKS F_M 13 Safety Mobile devices used effectively by

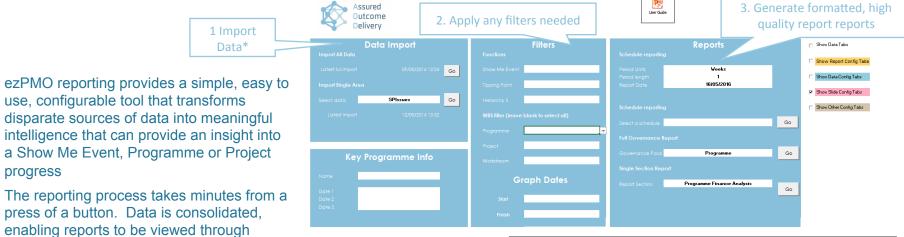
......Then, using the pre-prepared SharePoint Status Updates / Risk / Issues / Action logs, tag an item to a Show Me Event, Tipping Point or Milestone as well as a Programme or Project

Associated Milestones

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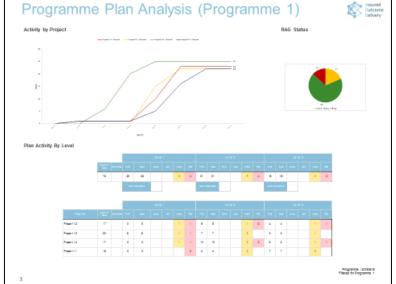
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AOD Reporting Overview #2



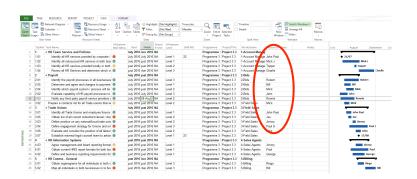
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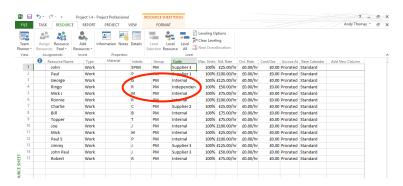




AOD Resource Analytics

Assign resources to an MS Project plan using the standard functionality. Use the Group and Code resource fields to indicate the resource's resource type and source.





Standard pre-configured reports can be generated that aggregate resources and provide an insight into over allocations or availability.

Resource Availability (Singer)







Securing & Building the Team

Once you have contracted for resource availability using the AOD Analyser, one of the best tools ODNL members use for team formation at initial assessment and bandwidth checking stage is the AOD Belbin Analyser. This will help create a balanced team ideally having your resources performing team roles that best complement their preferred working styles and preference.

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Further information and tools are available within the AOD Starting Smarter Guide.



Can AOD help you resource teams well from the outset?

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