

Microsoft PPM and Resource Manager enables timely capacity planning at Grundfos

Improved capacity forecasting enables Grundfos BD to deliver on better product development and shorter time-to-market.



CUSTOMER PROFILE

Grundfos
HQ in Denmark
Founded in 1944



SITUATION

Grundfos needed a PPM solution with focus on resource management for better capacity planning.



SOLUTION

Implementation of Projectum Resource Manager for Microsoft PPM.

Overview

Grundfos has 70 years experience in the pump industry, and is represented in more than 55 countries with the headquarter based in Denmark, and employs more than 17.000 employees globally. Grundfos BD (short for Business Development) is the development organization in Grundfos responsible for developing new products according to market needs.

Challenge

Grundfos BD had used other PPM solutions as their Portfolio solution including resource management, but the tool did not manage to support their planning process.

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Solution

Grundfos wanted a simple, easy-to-configure Resource Management solution with good capacity planning capabilities which would support their processes around resource management.

Grundfos BD chose Microsoft PPM and the Microsoft Gold PPM Partner Projectum to deliver a Resource Manager solution.

We needed a solution supporting our matrix organization and would enable us to put simple processes in place for effective Resource Management – a key feature for us, which Projectum Resource Manager supports.

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Implementation

The implementation started out with 3 workshops. Projectum conducted these in a joint partnership with Global Projects & PMO and key stakeholders from the Grundfos BD organization. These pre-implementation workshops ensured an alignment between Projectum and Grundfos, and built the foundation for an iterative implementation.

With an open dialogue about challenges and needs from the beginning, the project had a strong focus on the processes around resource management.

As a result, the PPM and Resource Manager Solution was delivered by Projectum in just 3 months, in a rather short – but intensive – implementation process.

Benefits

With Microsoft PPM and Projectum Resource Manager in place, Grundfos BD now has one solution where the resource planning is maintained by all Line Managers.

Additionally, a good process for resource requests and allocations is rolled out to the organization, in turn giving management a great capacity overview, and insights into future bottlenecks. And finally, Line Managers have the overview that they need.

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About Resource Manager

Projectum Resource Manager is the solution for better resource management. It is easy to implement and maintain. Resource Manager provides you with a resource overview in a matrix organization, while also completing your portfolio and capacity overview. With this solution you are able to request and allocate resources in FTEs, get a single work view for Line Managers and it gives you full control of non-project time. Resource Manager is compatible for Microsoft Project Server.

You can learn more about the solution on www.projectum.dk.

About Projectum

Projectum was founded in 2004 with the distinct vision of becoming a leading solution partner within Project & Portfolio Management Solutions in Europe. As two time worldwide Microsoft PPM Partner of the Year winner in 2015 & 2017 and finalist in 2016, Projectum has a unique expertise within PPM and specifically Microsoft PPM. Our experiences give us the right industry and "change management" insights, as well as a long and proven track record of creating user-friendly solutions.