FIT3138 Real-time Enterprise Systems

Tutorial 10

Data & System Integration and Managing Change in ERP Implementations

Objectives:

- Explore the key integration issues data & system integration
- Discuss Configuration Management and its importance
- Identify the main drivers for Master Data Management
- Discuss the impact of change management on ERP Implementation
- Define organisational change management
- Discuss Kotter's 8 Step Process for Leading Change

Discussion Questions:

Data and Systems Integration

- 1. Discuss some of the key integration issues that an organisation might face during ERP implementation.
- 2. What is configuration management and why is it important?
- 3. What is MDM (Master Data Management) and what are the main drivers for MDM?
- 4. Discuss the benefits of data integration.

Change Management

- 5. What do you understand by the term "change management"?
- 6. Why is it important to manage change?
- 7. What are some of the key points to note when managing change?
- 8. In general, there are 3 groups of people who respond differently to change: the pessimists, the "fence sitters" and the "early adapters". How would you manage each group when bringing about change in your organization?
- 9. Discuss some of the best practices in organisational change management.
- 10. What are some of the contributing factors to failure in change management?
- 11. Discuss Kotter's 8 step process for leading change.

Case Study:

When going through these case studies, identify how effective change management is imperative to the success of each project:

- An aerospace and defence organization determined that in order to <u>achieve the most ERP</u> ROI, it must address internal organizational issues prior to implementing the upgraded software.
- A professional services organization identified operational <u>savings opportunities of 29percent</u> of total labour costs.
- A City Government realized <u>quantifiable improvements in their change management process</u> <u>in less than two months</u> after the start of the engagement.