SharePoint® 2010 for Effective Project Management

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The Purpose of This Book

The purpose of this book is to assist teams in communicating and collaborating more efficiently with the use of the SharePoint technology. One of the immediate benefits of using SharePoint is that organizations can improve consistency in the standardization, optimization, creation and use of Sites and Workspaces in SharePoint. This book is designed to familiarize end users with the different capabilities, options, and ways to apply SharePoint (namely, SharePoint Foundation) in supporting teams.

This book is designed to assist team leaders, team members, management, executives and stake-holders in understanding how to best use the components of SharePoint in support of organizational initiatives. It includes industry best practices used by managers and team members to better manage and create results with technology leading to higher productivity and return on investment.

We have included a Glossary of terms at the end to familiarize you with terminology.

We hope that you enjoy this reference book. Please feel free to provide your comments or feedback to Advisicon, Inc. through our web site at www.Advisicon.com.

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- SharePoint Deployment, Custom WebPart Development, and Training
- Microsoft Access & SharePoint Application Development, Consulting and Training (see back of book for contact information or check our website, www.Advisicon.com)
- Project Management Office Formation and Development
- Project and Portfolio Management Consulting and Training
- Project Management Maturity Assessments
- On-Site Project Management Support
- Custom Application and Database Development

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We look forward to hearing from you. Happy learning!



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