White Paper

Organizational Model and Key Roles for an ITIL Implementation Program

Overview

Introduction

This paper describes a recommended approach for how to organize an ITIL Implementation Program. It identifies the key roles involved with such a program along with their key activities and responsibilities.

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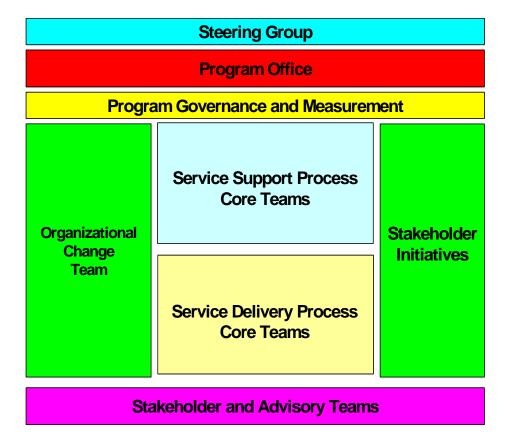
Program Organizational Model

Introduction

It is highly recommended that a structured Program be put into place to guide the overall ITIL Implementation effort. The Program should be structured to maximize the need for solution design, solution communications and solution acceptance. This is highly critical as process solutions are only as successful as to the degree that they are actually adopted and used.

Program Organization Model

The following model identifies the key organizational components needed to ensure that process solutions will be embedded within the business organization:



Program Organizational Model, Continued

Steering Group

Sets project direction, makes key decisions and provides final approval of program deliverables. Represents the ITIL Implementation Program to other business units.

Program Office

Oversees the day-to-day management of the Program efforts. Ensures correct and timely deliverables completed and sent to the Steering Group and ensures the overall objectives of the Program are met.

Program Governance and Measurement

Controls and manages overall scope of the Program effort. Key activities include:

- Acts as escalation point for EC SIP Program changes
- Coordinates research to identify impacts of proposed EC program changes
- Coordinates approvals for program changes
- Focal point for communicating new technology/process ideas to teams
- Utilizes the Change Management Process to underpin scope containment
- Tracks and reports on overall Program metrics

Organizational Change Team

Manages and coordinates tasks related to developing and leading the organizational change effort to alter behaviors towards alignment with the solutions being implemented. Key activities include:

- Stakeholder management
- Communications planning
- Awareness Campaigns
- Training Development
- Working Session Facilitation

Service Support and Service Delivery Core Teams

This consists of a number of implementation teams usually split by ITIL Process area. These teams perform the actual implementation work. Each Team:

- Is led by a Process Owner
- Implements the related process foundation
- Coordinates with tool developers supporting the related process
- Coordinates implementation of Initial Wins associated with the process

Program Organizational Model, Continued

Stakeholder and Advisory Teams

Stakeholder and advisory teams are the key vehicle for obtaining overall business buy-in and agreement to the solutions being developed. They leverage communications between the Service Support and Service Delivery core implementation teams and other business units by providing feedback, acceptance and input from those units.

Each team member is linked with one or more process core teams. There are two kinds of Stakeholder Team Members:

- Extended Stakeholder
- Advisory Stakeholder

Extended Stakeholders

Those personnel designated as Extended Stakeholders actively participate in the Program effort on a day-to-day or week-to-week basis to produce or assist on Program deliverables. These stakeholders:

- Actively participate in the development of process solutions
- Represent the particular needs of a business or IT unit
- Provide input to the Core Teams from the unit they represent
- Communicate solutions/issues to the unit they represent
- Obtains buy-in from the unit they represent

Advisor Stakeholders

Those personnel designated as Advisory Stakeholders have limited participation and do not work day-to-day with the Program effort. They are typically high level managers and directors that need to have awareness of what the Program is producing and may be consulted for key decisions. These stakeholders:

- May provide input/review of key program deliverables
- May provide direction and guidance on Program decisions and issues
- May assign others within the department represented to work on teams
- May be involved only on a need-to-know basis

Program Organizational Model, Continued

Stakeholder Initiatives

Represent other related service initiatives that are underway within the business organization that may be impacted, or have impact on Program activities and outcome. Examples of these might be a Change Management initiative occurring in a different business unit or a Six Sigma improvement effort that the corporate office has been running.

For each initiative identified, the Core/Extended/Advisor teams will determine a strategy of how to engage. Examples of these might be:

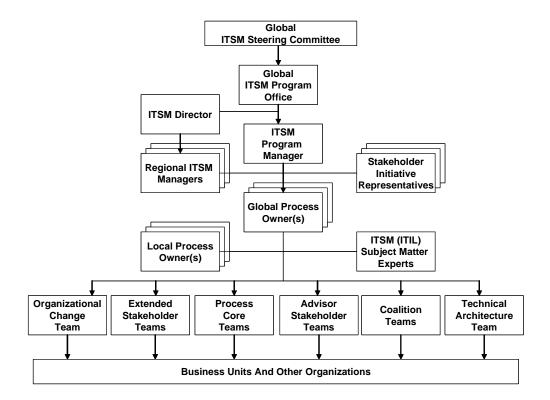
- Attend regular meetings held by the initiative
- Invite initiative teams to Program Working Sessions
- Engage on a need-to-know only basis
- Make an initiative team member a Program Stakeholder
- Don't engage at all

Program Organizational Structure Example

Introduction

The organization structure below represents one possible way to organize an ITIL Implementation Program using the model described earlier.

Program Organization Structure Example The Program Organizational structure below presents one possibility for how to organize a large ITIL implementation effort across a global organization.



Program Organizational Structure Example, Continued

Management Unit Descriptions In the above organizational structure, each organizational unit conforms to the model presented earlier. The management units make up the overall model in the following ways:

Organizational	Description	
Unit	-	
Global ITSM	Consists of ITIL Steering Group members who will	
Steering	guide and oversee the direction of the entire	
Committee	implementation effort.	
Global ITSM	Consists of an ITIL Program Manager and	
Program Office	Administrative Analysts who will oversee and manage	
	the entire implementation program on a day-to-day	
	basis.	
ITSM Director	In this example, there is a new IT Service Management	
	organization that was started within the company. This	
	shows where the Director of that organization links to	
	the overall program.	
Regional ITSM	Since this is a global organization, regional ITSM	
Managers	Managers have been appointed to represent and oversee	
	Program activities within key geographic areas of the	
	company (i.e. Americas, Asia and Europe/Africa).	
ITSM Program	This calls out the Program Manager role that is part of	
Manager	the Program Office. This person also is part of the new	
	ITSM Director's organization in the example.	
Stakeholder	In the example, it was discovered that several IT service	
Initiative	improvement initiatives plus a corporate TQM initiative	
Representatives	were already underway. Selected representatives from	
	these efforts have been linked into the Program.	
Global Process	Process ownership at the global level has been	
Owner(s)	established here. These owners will lead and coordinate	
	their process efforts from a global perspective.	
Local Process	Process ownership has also been established at the	
Owner(s)	regional levels. These groups report to a regional ITSM	
	Manager, but work directly with and for the Global	
	Process Owners as part of the Program.	
ITSM (ITIL)	This unit covers Program experts and consultants that	
Subject Matter	will be assisting and helping with many of the ITIL	
Experts	Implementation Program tasks.	

Program Organizational Structure Example, Continued

Team Unit Descriptions

Per the above organizational structure, each team organizational unit makes up the overall model in the following ways:

Organizational	Description	
Unit	_	
Organizational	Represents the team that will focus on business cultural	
Change Team	change and awareness to meet the Program objectives.	
Extended	Represents Extended Stakeholders (see Program Role	
Stakeholder	Descriptions) that will assist the Process Core Team	
Teams	efforts on behalf of their business units.	
Process Core	Represents Process Core Team (See Program Role	
Teams	Descriptions) members, each of which are assigned to	
	one or more processes.	
Advisor	Represents Advisor Stakeholders (see Program Role	
Stakeholder	Descriptions) that have a major interest in the Program	
Teams	outcome. This group may be asked to help make key	
	decisions on solutions chosen and to identify other	
	Stakeholders that should be involved with the Program.	
Coalition	Consists of groups of people (see Role Descriptions) that	
Teams	Teams represent major geographical or large groups of	
	organizational units within the company. An example	
	might be a selected group of people who will represent	
	all the data processing centers in the company. This	
	group will be actively involved in ensuring process	
	solutions developed globally can actually be deployed	
	within the units they represent.	
Technical	Consists of personnel who will focus on ITSM technical	
Architecture	architecture and tool solutions.	
Team		

Program Organizational Roles

Introduction

The remainder of this paper describes the typical roles that exist as part of an ITIL Implementation Program. A summary of these roles and where they map into the organizational model presented earlier is as follows:

Program Role	Model Component	
Steering Group Member	Steering Group	
Program Manager	Program Office	
Process Owner	Service Support and Service Delivery	
	Process Core Teams	
Core Team Member	Service Support and Service Delivery	
	Process Core Teams	
Extended Team Stakeholder	Stakeholder and Advisory Teams	
Advisor Team Stakeholder	Stakeholder and Advisory Teams	
Subject Matter Expert	Can be part of any component	
Tool Architect	Service Support and Service Delivery	
	Process Core Teams and/or	
	Stakeholder and Advisory Teams	
Tool Developer	Service Support and Service Delivery	
	Process Core Teams and/or	
	Stakeholder and Advisory Teams	
Organizational Change Leader	Organizational Change Team	
Facilitator	Organizational Change Team	
Trainer	Organizational Change Team	
Technical Writer	Can be part of any component	
Coalition Team Leader	Service Support and Service Delivery	
	Process Core Teams and/or	
	Stakeholder and Advisory Teams	
Administrative Analyst	Can be part of any component	

Role Descriptions

The remainder of this paper describes each of the above Program roles in more detail on the following pages.

Steering Group Member

Description

This role sets project direction, makes key decisions and provides final approval of Program deliverables.

Key Activities

- Champions process solutions across the BOFA/EC enterprise
- Conducts periodic meetings for Program progress and issues
- Provides final review and approval of program deliverables
- Coordinates approvals from non-EC business units as necessary
- Identifies and appoints EC/SIP Program team members
- Coordinates major program decisions that are escalated to steering group on a timely basis to meet program objectives

Program Manager

Description

Ensures correct and timely deliverables to the Executive Steering Committee and ensures the objectives of the project are met.

Key Activities

- Responsible for the overall project objectives.
- Provides direction to the project teams for deliverables due as well as the overall status of the project.
- Co-ordinates with other project managers.
- Provides status of work in progress and/or issues to the Executive Steering Committee
- Develops project work plan, schedule and staffing requirements.
- Communicates as required to executive management or IS&TS staff.
- Conducts weekly change, issues and status meetings to track progress and risks.
- Ensures that outstanding project management, process implementation and design requirements and/or issues are being addressed.
- Communicates activities and status of the project throughout their working environment.
- Schedules workshops and meetings as required.
- Provides overall leadership and management of the project.

Process Owner

Description

Ensures executive support of the process, coordinates the various functions and work activities at all levels of a process, provides the authority or ability to make changes in the process as required, and manages the process end-to-end so as to ensure optimal overall performance. Process Owners work with one another ensuring that process changes and improvements benefit the whole rather than help a specific function at the expense of another.

Key Activities

- Communicates the organization vision and the process's strategic goals to the Process Design and Implementation team
- Identifies and assimilates similar and/or overlapping activities/initiatives within IT.
- Co-ordinates inter-process changes with other process owners.
- Provides process ownership through design, implementation and continuous improvement activities in the process life cycle.
- Works with all functions within the IT community to ensure processes are executed as designed and measured accurately and completely.
- Communicates purpose, direction and status of the project throughout the IT community.
- Ensures alignment of the process to the corporate and IT strategy.
- Creates a new environment by displaying a motivational impatience for results (be a behaviour change leader)
- Publicizes activities and build commitment toward the new process
- Facilitates resolution of interface problems with other process owners
- Communicates with and manage the expectations of customers of the process's
- Oversees the implementation of process(es), including assignment of correct and adequate resources as well as imposing formal changes in existing management control systems
- Manages organizational expectations and buy-in by supplementing the level of participation with representatives from the middle and lower ranks of the organization & customer organizations (to aid in prototyping and piloting activities).
- Implements modified reward and compensation systems to solidify the behavioural and operational change recommendations resulting from the process innovation.
- Intervenes to determine where the replacement of resisters and those who cannot adapt.

Core Team Member

Description

Implements the process in the organizational functions. Communicates with users of the process and with tool developers to implement and continuously improve the process. Communicates with the Process Owner to receive direction and to provide feedback on how well the process is being implemented. Communicates with the Tool Architect for interfacing processes and tools to ensure integration of the processes.

Key Activities

- Develops project work plan, schedule and staffing requirements
- Communicates with users of the process as to what is expected of them
- Assesses the current state of readiness and effort required to implement the processes, tools and organization.
- Coaches the users of the process on tools and procedures.
- Communicates with the Process Owner on process design, status and issues
- Manages resources during detailed design and implementation
- Ensures the process documentation is maintained.
- Participates with the Project Implementation Team at communication events
- Manages changes to tools and organization to support the process as required.
- Delegates tasks to additional resources as required. Examples of this may be writing procedures, developing job descriptions, producing analytical statistics or developing education material.
- Ensures interfaces to other processes are working well.

Extended Team Stakeholder

Description

Actively participates in the development of process deliverables and solutions. Responsible for representing the business or IT unit interests in the solutions being developed, managing communications between the Core Team and their department and obtaining departmental approval of process solutions being developed.

Key Activities

- Actively assists in the review and development of solution deliverables
- Provides input and feedback on solutions being developed to the Core Team
- Provides requirements to the Core Team based on departmental business objectives
- Obtains departmental consensus and agreement on the solutions being developed

Advisor Team Stakeholder

Description

Provides review input and/or key decisions and direction to the Core Team on the solutions being implemented. Assigns others within the department represented to serve as additional Extended or Advisor Team members to the effort.

Key Activities

- Reviews output of the implementation effort
- Provides key decisions and approvals on a timely basis to meet implementation project needs
- Assigns other department personnel to serve as additional Advisor and Extended team members as needed
- Works in conjunction with other Advisor or Extended Team members within the department as needed

Subject Matter Expert

Description

Provides expertise in technical, operational and/or managerial aspects for the design and implementation. Participates in the implementation as required. Provides specialized expertise in the design and implementation of the processes.

Key Activities

- Provides technical, operational, business and/or managerial subject matter expertise.
- Provides input into the design of the procedures, tools or organization as required.
- Develops solutions as required.
- Supports the development and execution of test scenarios designed to validate the functionality of the design.
- Validates the Design and Implementation Team designs for processes, tools and organization and any recommendations.
- Communicates activities and status of the project throughout their working environment.
- Provides consultative and facilitation support to the Implementation Project Teams.
- Assists in creation of the project plan
- Provides Intellectual Capital as required during the Implementation Project, based on external experiences
- Coaches team members as required.

Tool Architect

Description

Establishes the overall strategic tools architecture and to ensure a well-architected solution. The primary benefit and focus of this role to co-ordinate common activities between the project teams to ensure maximum efficiency.

Key Activities

- Ensures the tool architecture meets the strategic needs of IS&TS
- Co-ordinates product selections and tailoring
- Conducts cross project early launch planning
- Ensures maximum integration of tools
- Coordinates product selections and implementation
- Coordinates Technical resources to optimize use
- Conducts cross project early launch planning
- Communicates tool architecture to program teams
- Interfaces to vendors

Tool Developer

Description

Implements and customizes the tools based on the detailed designs for the processes.

Key Activities

- Understands the processes, tool requirements and data requirements for the processes.
- Provides input to the detailed design for the processes.
- Customizes the tools based on the detailed design.
- Tests the tools.
- Assists in developing procedures to install the tools.
- Sets up the education environment.
- Implements the tools into the pilot environment.
- Resolves problems with the tools.

Organizational Change Leader

Description

Develops and leads the organizational change effort to alter business culture and behaviors towards alignment with the solutions being implemented.

Key Activities

- Performs Stakeholder Management activities to identify Stakeholder concerns and issues with solutions being developed
- Monitors stakeholder acceptance/rejection of solutions being developed
- Crafts and controls key communications and messages about the implementation effort
- Identifies opportunities to win acceptance of solutions being developed by those who are impacted.
- Identifies channels for communications and builds the overall communications plan
- Develops a Resistance Management Plan to provide strategies for dealing with rejection or resistance to solutions being developed
- Ensures appropriate levels of the organization are involved and demonstrating active commitment and leadership to the solutions being developed.

Facilitator

Description

Leads and conducts working sessions and meetings in a neutral fashion to ensure that the goals of those sessions and meetings are met.

Key Activities

- Leads meetings and working sessions in a neutral manner to ensure goals and outcomes of those sessions are being met.
- Develops session detail agendas and agrees these with those involved
- Develops discussion strategies and methods to ensure all participants are involved and to obtain consensus on key decisions in an efficient manner.
- Monitors sessions to make sure all sides of discussed issues are being considered and that session groups do not "go with the flow" unless truly in agreement.

Trainer

Description

Provides training on the procedures to be followed and on how to use the processes and tools. May also prepare or provide input into the training material.

Key Activities

- Understands the processes and what is required to implement them
- Performs analyses as required to provide input to the detailed design.
- Responsible for the documentation of procedures, defining of staffing levels, input to the customization of the tools.
- Trains the users of the process on tools and procedures.
- Prepares training material if required.
- Provides input into the development of the training material if required
- Is aware of the project plan and highlight issues as they arise to the Project Management
- Provides status of work in progress to the Project Management
- Provides resource requirement information for the design and implementation tasks.

Technical Writer

Description

Documents process guides and work instructions in a manner that is easily understood by those executing the processes. May also participate in documentation of tool architectures and tool changes. May also document specific work instructions associated with use of tools.

Key Activities

- Reviews process and tool solutions being developed
- Produces documentation for process guides and work instructions
- Provides guidance on how to best present documented information so it is quickly and easily understood
- Identifies improvements for existing documentation

Coalition Team Leader

Description

Active Stakeholder Leader for larger implementations that represents a number of similar organizations or business units. Responsible for providing input to the Core Team on solutions being developed and then ensures those solutions are rolled out to the organizations and business units being represented.

An example of this might be a Data Center Operations Manager who represents other Data Center Operations Managers at other processing sites. This avoids overly large stakeholder teams – i.e. if there were 196 processing locations, not having 196 stakeholders actively involved.

Key Activities

- Serves in a Stakeholder role on behalf of others in similar organizations and business units.
- Responsible for rolling out solutions to similar organizations and business units.
- Meets on a periodic basis with the organizations and business units being represented to communicate Core Team decisions and progress.
- Feeds back information to the Core Team from organizations and business units being represented on concerns and issues that may exist from those entities.

Administrative Analyst

Description

Performs administrative and clerical duties and activities as needed to support the Implementation Program.

Key Activities

Activities vary depending on need. Some examples might include:

- Gathering and collating status report information.
- Administering Program document repositories and web pages.
- Collecting labor hour information on Program participants
- Managing Program Email distribution lists
- Managing and publishing the Program calendar
- Setting up Program Meetings and schedules
- Coordinating travel arrangements for Program participants
- Other duties as directed by the Program Office