



PRINCE2[®] 2009 Refresh Overview

Overview

PRINCE2[®] has gone through two major updates since its launch in 1996, in 2002 and 2005. These updates were mainly corrections to the manual with incremental improvements, whilst the method remained largely unchanged.

However, the pace of change today means that projects now face challenges that didn't exist when PRINCE2 was introduced in 1996, resulting in an evolutionary change to the approach, bringing in new, practical best practice as used by practitioners and consultants worldwide.

The updated PRINCE2 method was released on June 16th. Some of the advantages of the 2009 manual are that it:

- Is refreshed in a manner that makes the PRINCE2 methodology more user-friendly and straightforward to use.
- Makes PRINCE2 more usable to a wider audience.
- Makes the linkages between the PRINCE2 and other frameworks like Managing Successful Programmes much clearer.
- Can now be leveraged in a lot more operating environments.

So, what has changed in the updated version?

The new method is simpler. This was a key requirement from users.

The new method introduces seven basic principles which do not exist in the 2005 version. These seven principles are universal and self-validating, in that they contribute to successful projects. In other words, principles can be thought of as a guide to good project management best practices.

The process model still describes the activities to be performed throughout the project, but it has been improved and simplified, with seven instead of eight processes, with sub-processes removed and replaced by activities describing what needs to be done, when and by whom.

The eight existing components have been replaced by seven "key themes." Key themes are aspects of project management that need to be continually addressed.

The themes are:

- Business Case
- Organization
- Plans
- Risk
- Progress
- Quality and
- Issues & Changes.

Approach and Direction

This one day event is facilitated by an experienced trainer. The differences between the 2005 version and the 2009 version are clearly defined, with examples and guidance on how to integrate into your current way of working. A guidance document is provided.

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