# CONSULTANCY SERVICES



# DIAGNOSIS, MATURITY ASSESSMENT AND AUDIT

# **WHY GBMC?**

Global Business Management Consultants is a leading global provider of project, program and portfolio management consulting and professional development services. Top global companies engage GBMC as a 'niche' organization that uses experienced consultants directly on their issues and problems to develop their people, systems and culture to deliver high performance results in line with their strategic objectives. Our customers benefit from hundreds of years of cumulative experience with organizations worldwide from startups to Fortune 500 in a variety of industries. GBMC supplies its services through Centers of Excellence for Project Management that it has developed in partnership with leading institutions around the world.



# Value Realization Diagnosis & Analysis Options & Solutions Development

## **INTERVENTIONS**

enhanced project management solutions and organizational interventions to achieve the desired goals and maximize the return on investment. Each client challenge is unique in its scope and objectives. GBMC develops custom solutions drawing from our range of services listed:

### **OPERATIONS AND OFFICES IN:**

# DIAGNOSIS, MATURITY ASSESSMENT AND AUDIT

GBMC has provided a number of different organizations, across a variety of industries, diagnostic services to define the organizations' 'as-is' situation, from which issues and improvements can be defined into an overall 'blueprint', or 'road map' that provides direction. GBMC has a number of tools and approaches to this critical aspect of any change, such as Project Management Assessment Inventory; Assessment of Organizational Support; Project Management Maturity Model; Gap Analysis; and Project Audits/Health checks. These can be applied in a number of different ways depending on how much intervention the client requires, from a straightforward, 'hands-off', unaudited questionnaire, to on-site consultant co-ordination and 'challenge' through interviews and workshops.

There following are some of the key ways GBMC has used to diagnose the current organizational situation, assess maturity, and/or audit performance.

1. Utilization of a PM Maturity Model. There are many to choose from including the key professional PM bodies and GBMC's own model. Some can be very time consuming, requiring a very detailed focus on procedures and process, and necessitate a lot of internal support to complete the assessment. GBMC's own model blends our decades of experience to form a benchmark, looks at maturity from a 'real world', more practical perspective, covers organizational support and behavioral factors, and provides an indicative benefit of

2. An organization can carry out its own assessment/ audit by using an internal questionnaire and/or interviews. Whilst this option keeps costs down it does add to the existing workload of people if it is to be done properly, and the process can be influenced. There is little opportunity for benchmarking to a credible standard and therefore it is difficult to prove the 'true' level of organizational maturity and doesn't provide the neutral view point, or the potential added value from an external perspective.

increasing the organizations' maturity.

3. The other option is to interview personnel with a neutral, external body that can provide added value to the process. GBMC typically experiences people being interviewed will be more open to a third party. The interviews are conducted confidentially using a set of questions/statements that can be agreed in advance, and that are used to challenge the person being interviewed to determine true 'pain points' and issues.

4. GBMC is also able to provide a short duration, high impact workshop over three or more hours using a small assessment tool that diagnoses an organizations ability to support project management. It is aimed at small, executive level groups that find it difficult to commit to more than half a day. The GBMC consultant facilitates the workshop using GBMC's assessment inventory for PM Organization Support that defines

ten critical components/elements of a project management system. The workshop results in an agreed level of maturity and high level baseline, identifies next steps and defines overall road map for improvement.

# **CHOOSING THE RIGHT APPROACH**

When choosing the right approach for an organization it all comes down to the triple constraints of time, cost, and depth of deliverable. For example:

- For a construction client GBMC interviewed five key members
  of project staff in one day, performing simple analysis, and
  presented back the findings a week later to the executive
  board. The head of the PMO responsible to billions USD worth
  of projects said, "GBMC accomplished in one day, what it took
  us six months to get from using a well known branded maturity
  model".
- For a client in the aviation industry, GBMC conducted three days of interviews, existing methodology assessment, analysis, and one day presenting back to the senior team.
- For a client in the Nuclear Energy industry, GBMC modified its PMMM questionnaire which was then distributed to 90 project staff members and the results compiled. GBMC then held a 1 day workshop with the senior team to present and discuss the output.

# SEXAMPLE INTERVENTION ASSIGNMENT

# A typical intervention statement of work could be as follows:

### Step 1: Collection of Organizational Project Management

**Data** - meet with relevant personnel; discuss, gather, and identify successes, issues, and challenges experienced; review processes and procedures; formulate questions; clarification of questions; preliminary benchmark against GBMC Project Management Maturity Model (PMMM); brief relevant personnel on preliminary conclusions.

**Step 2: Interviews** - Plan and conduct interviews; document a summarized form of interview discussions; update preliminary benchmark against PMMM; brief relevant personnel on preliminary conclusions.

**Step 3: Diagnosis and Assessment** - Assess the results of the PMMM benchmark, interviews, determine gap analysis, establish roadmap for improvement; prioritize the roadmap goals and propose timelines for implementation; establish the implementation business case; prepare written report of findings.

Step 4: Road Map and Findings - "Create a Plan for Success" - Create a roadmap; facilitate an Executive Workshop to review findings, select and prioritize actions; document outcomes; create implementation, transition and migration plans; and validate final action plan.

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