# **Delivering Complex Big Change** Programme Management



# Traditional (Old World) Challenges

## New World Challenges

- managing scale managing diversity
- delivering something ensuring integration of the project with the organisation's strategy and down stream processes and activities

#### **Outcomes**

- Participants will leave with a worked out and checked programme of projects
- Clarity on the scope of accountability of a Programme Manager
- Clarity of what a programme is
- Less stress, more confidence
- Reducing risk in key International Programmes
- Pre-work to audit the current at-risk projects
- New tools and techniques for delivering programmes
- Familiarity with some key practical tools and techniques
- An ability to deliver Programmes

#### Coverage

To transform participants into Programme managers they will need to learn:

- What is the difference in thinking between a Project Manager and a Programme Manager?
- How to stop myself project managing my projects?

The Hour Glass Manager<sup>TM</sup>



#### **Pre-session Audit**

#### Programme Healthcheck

http://www.pentaclethevbs.com/healthchecks.htm Programme HealthCheck - to identify strengths weaknesses and areas for focus in each participant's programme. The results of this HeatIhCheck will influence the time spent on different topics during the Course

#### Pre-reading

Putting Strategy to Work - Dr. Eddie Obeng

Key areas for success in Programme Management:

- Understanding how to turn Organisational Strategic intention into deliverables
- Goal and Context Setting and Sponsorship

### Pentacle Framework



#### PENTACLE NEW SOLUTIONS FOR A COMPLEX WORLD

- Invisible Leadership (the art of the politics of influencing stakeholders and complex constituencies of stakeholders)
- Monitoring and Incorporating Outcomes and managing the integration of the programme into the organisation
- Managing a Flock of Projects and Leading Project managers

#### Preparation

#### Key Concepts, tools, techniques and frameworks include:

Strategic Event AnalysisTM

Risk profiling

Gap analysis

FutureMappingTM

Creating a ProjectFlockTM/ Portfolio

Constituency map

Selecting project Managers

**Constituency Communications** 

(Pioneer Craftsman model)TM

Change Type analysts

BluePrintTM

ChunkingTM

ChessBoardTM

#### Learning Methods

- Use of real life project from work for exercises
- Simulation/Blueprint

Participants will have fun while they learn

#### Continuous/e-learning

The e-learning support means that participants will need to have access to the internet from the workplace

#### Supporting documentation

- The course book will be *Putting Strategy* to Work by Dr Eddie Obeng
- Participants will receive a 'personal filofax' programme manager's handbook and will have access to electronic copies of all the materials used on the course

### **Timetable**

Topic

Welcome

Hopes and Fears

Delivering programmes in our New Complex World Delivering Big Change - The Programme Business Case

Understanding the power/political dimension

Understanding how the programme fits into the organisational mission/strategy

Ensuring organisational readiness to receive the change Change management/Integrating change into existing processes - Understanding the limits of organisations to absorb change

Benefits management

Where do project owners fit in?

Virtual Guest option -'The Impossible Programme' Ed Maguire

Leading major change across cultures

Virtual Guest option-'Delivering disperse change' Tony Teague

Healthcheck review Programme Working

Project management vs. programme mgt quiz

Coping tactics to prevent getting sucked into project

management

The role of the programme manager 1. Strategic intention to deliverables

Chunking

Issues & Risk visibility

Project vs. Change vs. Programme vs. Process

Programme office role Project OrganoWeb

2. Leading Project Leaders on a portfolio of projects

Consolidated Programme Plan Coaching Project Managers Constituency management

Influence

Interdependence diagrams

Chess board

3. Managing integration of the programme into the organisation

How to juggle several projects Process/ Service management

How to work with Change Managers Participant Teach-in

Learning review Action planning

Close

#### Post -Application

Pentacle Performance Enhancement Tool (PeT) called BluePrint<sup>™</sup>



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## **Programme Management**

#### Overview

#### Approach

Dr. Eddie Obeng at Pentacle has developed an integrated approach to managing and delivering change in a complex, fast, changing world. The approach provides clear and practical ways to deliver projects, programmes and human change management and ensures integration with the business processes.

His New World Programme Management Approach ensures that the 'softer' elements of leadership, engaging and taking people with you, effectively coaching the project managers and gaining the commitment of project and programme owners have as much emphasis as the traditional 'hard' task activities such as managing the portfolio and finances.

The approach also allows the Programme Manager to deal effectively with both clear 'closed' programmes and more open and less well defined programmes.

# Who is Dr. Eddie Obeng?

Dr. Obeng is Learning Director of Pentacle the Virtual Business School which he founded in 1993. He has been described as:

#### An agent provocateur

**Financial Times** 

Eddie Obeng has not only produced the most original thinking around Change Management since the invention of the Gantt Chart but, having applied it to more than a hundred business projects I can confirm that it really works in practice!"

Tony Teague Group Programme Director Abbey National

Our resident guru

**Project Manager Today** 

His books are split between a Raymond Chandler-like novel and a practical how-to section with Obeng's idiosyncratic tools and techniques.

**Human Resource** 

'Making it happen' is Obeng's constant refrain and his books are an antidote to the dryness of much managerial theorising

**Financial Times** 

#### Why Pentacle?

Pentacle's approach is down-to-earth novel and enjoyable. All the thinking, behaviours, tools and techniques we teach are practical, easy to apply and effective.

Programme managers will learn about the five factors for success: Interpreting the business/ organisation strategy and communicating to people at the strategic level the implications of programme delivery, invisible leadership and ensuring that the deliverables of projects are seamlessly incorporated in business operations and processes, developing and managing a 'flock' of projects and coaching the project managers to task and people related success.

# Who else works with Pentacle?

Pentacle Clients include:



How to make it work in your organisation

At Pentacle we believe that there are three elements to ensuring that Programme Management really takes root in your organisation and delivers benefits

- Well developed people
- Good, easy-to-use processes
- Infrastructure for supporting collaborative working



#### Well developed people - Training and development

Approach Modular apply-as-you-learn training courses

blending face to face classroom sessions with e-

**learning** 

Supporting materials/

**Publications** 

Putting Strategy to Work

Dr. Eddie Obeng

Published by Financial Times Publishing



Typical Client example Abbey National Bank

Not to be

The issue The Retail Bank had made decisions to implement a significant amount of

change. However at the rate of delivery the change portfolio would have taken

10 years to deliver

with consultants prior to deciding that they wished to work with Pentacle

Pentacle solution The Pentacle solution was to create a world class project management

resource (180 project managers) at the same time as developing a few key programme managers. The programme managers' modular course was used as

the vehicle for co-ordinating the new focus.

The project portfolio was reviewed in line with the Pentacle money making machine model - 75% of the project portfolio was cancelled or de-prioritised 6 Programme managers were trained via six modules, and e learning

During this Programme managers training programme:

The Programme managers reassigned their resources to the projects, reengaged the project owners, ensured that the business operations were ready

to receive the outputs of the programme and kept the Board aligned to

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Results The net result initially was the delivery of three times the level of projects

than originally planned in a one year horizon.

Subsequently the programme managers went on to lead the delivery of £140

million of cost savings



#### Good easy-to-use processes - Programme Methodology of Framework

Approach BluePrint<sup>™</sup> framework

Supporting materials Dr. Eddie Obeng's framework

which connects both

task/financial and people and programme and project activity



Typical Client example Nortel Networks

The issue Difficulties in co-ordinating development projects in order to deliver a co-ordinated

software upgrade release for telecoms network

Previous attempted solutions Meetings and discussions between directors.

Pentacle solution Develop an appropriate organisation within which a number of forums.

Develop programme managers in % programme management areas

Introduce the 'Blueprint' framework

Results Instant release of £2.5 million of resources form identified overlap/ duplication/ and

identification of nugatory work

Delivery of 30% higher project load with the same team Significant reduction in outages and issues at release

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Infrastructure for supporting collaborative working - Software Tools





Approach BluePrint<sup>™</sup>

Platform Web access browsable database

Typical Client example Lotus IBM

The issue As a result of increased competition in the software market Lotus needed to deliver a

significantly large programme of change in order to better access new markets and take

advantage of knowledge management opportunities.

Previous attempted solutions The top team had been using spreadsheets and meetings to try to co-ordinate the change

across Europe. This involved significant travel and meetings. Furthermore the reporting was frequently out of date and it was difficult to get an overview of both the task/

financial and the people related issues

Pentacle solution The Pentacle solution was to build a customised web access browsable version of Dr.

 $Obeng's \ BluePrint^{TM} \ framework$ 

The database was hosted by Pentacle in order to speed up deployment

Training in the use of the tool was via a short video

Results Reduction in the costs of managing and administrating the programmes of ~80%

Better co-ordination leading to 10% faster delivery and also early cancellation of non

value adding projects

Web Demo http://domino-212.pentacle.co.uk/blue-jig.nsf

