

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to our September issue of PM Insights.

At ILX, we believe that sharing knowledge can help people and organisations do better.

In the animal world as in business, knowledge is power and sharing it can make the difference between survival and extinction.

After the holiday break, there is no better time to refresh our knowledge and learn some new tips on how to apply best practice in **Project Management**. This will lead us to effectively initiate, plan, execute, monitor and close our projects in the most efficient way. Here are a few things that can help you achieve the best results:

- ✓ Our **whitepaper**, provides a guide on how to embed **Best Practice** and overcome some of the common barriers. [Read it here >](#)
- ✓ In our **Resource & Templates** session, you will find 9 tips on how to prioritise your projects and make your decision less of a gamble. [Download here >](#)
- ✓ Visit [ilxgroup.com](#), and let us know what you think on the new look and feel.
- ✓ On our website, you can find new products that can help your project and **business skills** go further. Business skills aimed to improve IT, Personal Development, Leadership and other competences and for corporate clients we have just launched Enterprise Licence, aimed to increase the effectiveness of your organisation and help improve your ROI. [Click here for more info >](#)
- ✓ Coming soon two more products: **Six Sigma**, designed for individuals actively involved in Continuous Improvement Programmes and **BCS**, targeted at people who want to demonstrate the knowledge and certifications of business analysis principles.
- ✓ **Sign up** for our upcoming webinar "Why Best Practice is not enough?" webinar, where our trainers will give advice and guidance on how to apply best practice in project management supported by some real life example from our Case Studies.
- ✓ At the end, we will have a look at the new NASA adventure and how the organisation handled the project designed to study a sample of an asteroid. [Read it here >](#)

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest."

Benjamin Franklin



APPLYING BEST PRACTICE FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUCCESS

Applying best practice starts by implementing the standards set out by international project management industry bodies.

Any individual and any organisation, in any sector, any level of development can take advantage of Best Practice resources. Embracing Best Practice is the key to succeed in project and programme management.

This **whitepaper** looks at where organisations can start the process of embedding Best Practices and how to address some of the common barriers to adoption, with some practical tips and points to consider. [Download it here >](#)

WHY BEST PRACTICE IS NOT ENOUGH?

REGISTER HERE 15TH SEPT 8AM/16TH SEPT 2PM GST

FREE WEBINAR

If you want to learn how to implement Best Practice and tailor it to your team's and business needs, don't miss our upcoming webinar with [Andy West](#) 'Why Best Practice is not enough?' on **Sept 15TH at 8am** or **Sept 16TH at 2pm** GST. He will give some tips on how to apply Best Practice to manage projects successfully while giving real-life examples.

[REGISTER HERE for the 8am session](#)

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"I'm writing you to express how much I enjoyed the webinar. I think it has been very interesting and want to thank you for taking time in answering all the questions the participants asked during the webinar even although it exceed the time of the webinar. Very interesting point of view of the change management and very useful."

Raquel López

RESOURCES & TEMPLATES

Look at these nine **Top Tips for Project Management** that will help you to set your priorities more wisely and make the project selection process less like playing roulette

[Download here >](#)



WHAT IS NEW...

We have refreshed our website, [www.ilxgroup.com](#). It is now bespoke and mobile responsive. The website has been redesigned with the user's experience in mind, to make it easier to navigate and find all the useful information.

[Have a look and let us know what you think >](#)



NEW PRODUCTS

We have recently launched few new products:

- ✓ **Business skills**: whether for personal development, leadership or management, we offer standard, tailored and bespoke classroom courses, ready to satisfy your and your company's needs.
- ✓ **Enterprise Licence**: combines the expertise of our **World-Class Consultants**, the quality of our trainers and the excellence of our **Award e-learning**, to deliver tailored learning solution that drive measurable business impact.



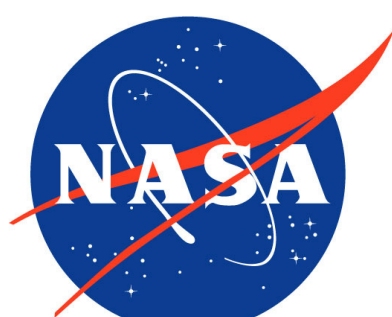
- ✓ **Six Sigma**, which introduces a standard approach for Project Solving while reinforcing a culture of **Continuous Process and Service Improvement**, is ideal for Project and Programme Manager who want to reduce waste and cost of poor quality.
- ✓ **BCS International Diploma in Business Analysis**, is about implementing changes to an organisation and making suggestions to stakeholders. This course is aimed to Business analysts and Change Managers who want to be more confident to analyse and make change within the business.

THIS MONTH IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT?

On the 8th September 2016 **NASA** is launching the first US spacecraft that will study and return a sample of an asteroid.

This sample will help scientists understand how asteroids are made, how the solar system works and is formed, the nature of bodies in the solar system and it will benefit understanding of resources and hazards of the solar system.

Three quarters of the sample taken will be left for future scientists within **NASA** to conduct research on and answer questions that haven't even been asked yet. This seven-year project has been planned out and organised by **Mike Donnelly**, Project Manager for OSIRIS-REx and works for **NASA Goddard**. He has been working with Universities to get high tech camera's for the spacecraft and organising, along with the scientists, each stage in this spacecraft's journey to asteroid Benu and back to earth.



"Our upcoming launch is the culmination of a tremendous amount of effort from an extremely dedicated team of scientists, engineers, technicians, finance and support personnel,"

"I'm incredibly proud of this team and look forward to launching the mission's journey to Benu and back."
said Mike Donnelly, Project Manager, OSIRIS-REx

From this it is clear that a **Project Manager** has to lead the team, bringing them together in order to achieve their goal. It is also important to inspire a shared vision and being enthusiastic to keep the team motivated, for example the outcome for **NASA** will benefit this area of science for generations to come.

[Read more about this MEGAPROJECT](#)

ARE YOU IN LONDON NEXT MONTH?

Pay us a visit at one of the biggest Project Management conferences in UK at the [Project Challenge expo, Olympia, 11-12 of October](#).



Project Challenge expo

11 - 12 October, Olympia, London

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Kind regards,

The ILX team.

"I AM STILL LEARNING"