

Steve Cotterell looks at an addition to the Project in a Box template range and at a project management application for business users and then has a little play with a web design tool.

MSP Method Templates

Project in a box (PB) has been designed to make use of a range of available templates, including PRINCE2. To this range has been added a set of templates based on the 2007 edition of Managing Successful Programmes (MSP). The latter is an official OGC licensed product, but, because MSP doesn't include its own template pack, the PB people have created one, which has been verified by the OGC. The package includes everything from the MSP manual and all the included processes and templates.

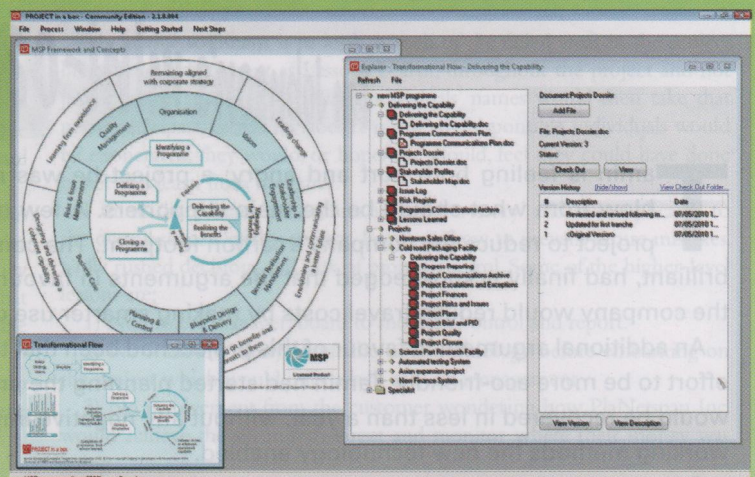
The MSP Method Templates can be downloaded from your Project in a box user account and you can then run your project using them. The tools provided include Word document templates, Excel logs and other structured tools.

On opening your project you see an interactive MSP Framework and Concept wheel. Clicking on any part of this wheel takes you to a dialog box giving you access to the relevant part of the manual and, where applicable, the appropriate templates and tools.

Clicking in the centre of the wheel opens the appropriate interactive process diagram.

When using either of the multi-user versions, your documents can be shared with other team members and projects. There's full version control over the project documentation, indexing for searches, etc.

The MSP Method templates are included free in the Project in a box Enterprise Edition. You can add them to the Personal and Community editions for £75 each, while adding them to the Small Team Edition (for up to twenty users) costs £500. For further information, visit www.projectinabox.org.uk.



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