



Navigating to the NEXT Normal

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NAVIGATE YOUR BUSINESS TO ITS NEW NORMAL







TRIAGE

STOP THE FREE FALL TO STABILIZE YOUR BUSINESS FOR THE SHORT TERM

- Create models to get a clear financial picture
- Shore up cash by reviewing all expenditures, including staff
- Increase communication to maximize client retention
- Assess infrastructure to minimize risk



FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT

CREATE ACTION PLANS FOR VIABILITY BASED ON LEARNINGS

- Analyze products and services to attain best market potential
- Navigate regulations to determine best applications
- Communicate pivots to your stakeholders and gain alignment from your board
- Create or adjust delivery models

TIMING: 1 MONTH

TRANSITION

IMPLEMENT YOUR PLANS AND MEASURE RESULTS

- Roll out new or reposition existing products and services and test pricing models
- Formalize human capital infrastructure and policies
- Reevaluate forecasts and models
- Ensure compliance with applicable regulations

TIMING: 1-2 MONTHS

OPTIMIZATION

INVEST IN WHAT'S WORKING AND DIVEST OF WHAT'S NOT

- Measure business performance to ensure benchmarks are being met
- Invest in modernized technology to meet new customer expectations
- Secure funding for strategic investments
- Re-benchmark key cost centers

TIMING: 3 MONTHS

GROWTH

ADAPT TO THE NEW NORMAL AND OPERATE AT A HIGH CAPACITY

- Form task forces to look for new opportunities
- Add leadership to execute innovative initiatives
- Leverage the latest technology such as Al, bots and mobile platforms to increase business functionality
- Capitalize on expansion strategies and directives such as M&A, geographic growth and new product development

TIMING: 3-6 MONTHS

TIMING: 2-4 WEEKS



Why Building an FP&A Infrastructure is Critical for Growth and Navigating Disruption

Live Webinar | Monday, July 20, 2:00 PM PST







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Agenda

Financial Planning & Analysis (FP&A) Overview Identify the People Outline the Process Determine the Technology Q&A





Why FP&A





- Understand (and learn from) the past
 - Reporting
 - Analysis
- Know the future
 - Forecasting is kind of magical
- Why do any of this?
- To make better decisions
- This should be one of your highest ROI investments









- Infrastructure ≠ Technology only
- Infrastructure: the basic organizational structures needed for the operation of an enterprise
- People, Process and Technology need to move in lockstep
 - Or, more likely, in a bit of a zig zag
- Technology may = Excel
- Technology is an enabler, it doesn't run the show





People





- Curiosity
- Analytical skill
- Two-way communication
- A nose for customer service
- And all that stuff to the right $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$
- This person is custom made for navigating growth and disruption







- Are you clear on the mission?
- Build a plan. Get agreement.
- Align talent with their clients
- Let them run
 - Encourage new ideas
 - Clear, straight (and dotted) lines of communication
 - Enable with process and technology
- Communicate frequently with the team and their clients









- Stability and Scalability comes from great people, learning and delivering
- Innovation comes from supported risk taking
- Don't get comfortable Force rotations
- Build flexible 'capability'
- The biggest single issue I see is leaders being complacent with their staff



- Ever heard this one: "I hire qualified people; they don't need training."
- Do you hire for existing knowledge or the ability to learn?
- Never stop training
 - Remember external training
 - Set hard goals for learning
- Always set minimum learning goals and make the time available







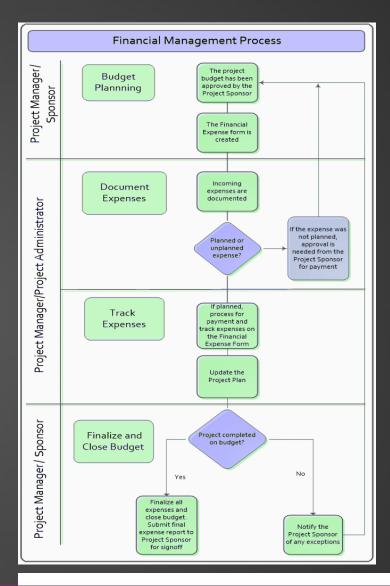


Process





- The biggest single problem I see is organizations sticking with process that doesn't work well
- They lack either the knowledge or the desire to change
- Successful companies eat their young
 - Google, Apple, Amazon
- FP&A must do the same

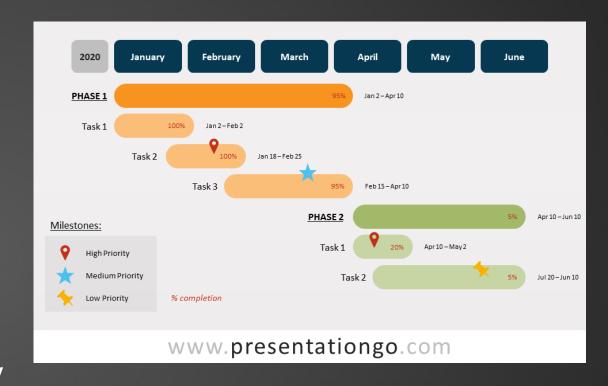








- Find your needs, your desired outcomes
- Do a gap analysis then prioritize for ROI and speed
- Build a plan of attack
- Put together tiger teams with the right skills mix
- Each project revolves around narrow deliverables and fixed dates with highly visible reporting

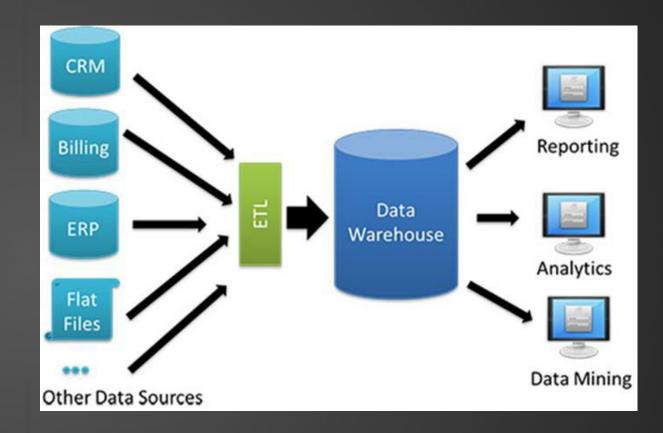








- Data collection
 - Sources financial and non-financial
 - Automation
 - Accessibility
- Involve all product and functional groups
- Design data and data collection for analysis
 - Architect in collectability
 - Hooking in afterwards is slow, costly, and frequently just not done.
- Why are you doing this?









- Reporting
 - KPIs
 - Delivery methods
 - Frequency
 - Push, pull, or both
- Focus on reporting that makes a difference
 - What if you stopped sending out reports?
- Why are you doing this?









Forecasting

- Who is involved?
- Top down or bottom up?
- Centralized or decentralized?
- What is the process beyond the technology?
- How many iterations?
- When is it done
- How do you make it muscle memory?
 By doing it frequently
- Why are you doing this?









Analysis

- How often
- Who chooses
- How long does it take?
- Can you break it down?
- Who learns? Do you spread new knowledge?
- Why are you doing this?

Income Statement	Year 5
Revenue	14,953,224
Total Revenue	14,953,224
Cost of Revenue, Total	8,368,961
Gross Profit	6,584,263
Selling/General/Administrative Expenses, Total	1,849,000
Research & Development	964,842
Depreciation/Amortization	310,357
Unusual Expenses (Income)	163,800
Other Operating Expenses, Total	0
Operating Income	3,296,264
Interest Expense	100
Income Before Tax	3,296,164
Income Tax - Total	809,366
Income After Tax	2,486,798
Total Extraordinary Items	0
Net Income	2,486,798
Vertical Analysis	Year 5
Gross Profit Ratio	44.0%
Operating Profit Ratio	22.0%
Net Profit Ratio	16.6%
Tax Ratio	24.6%
Interest Coverage Ratio	32,962.6





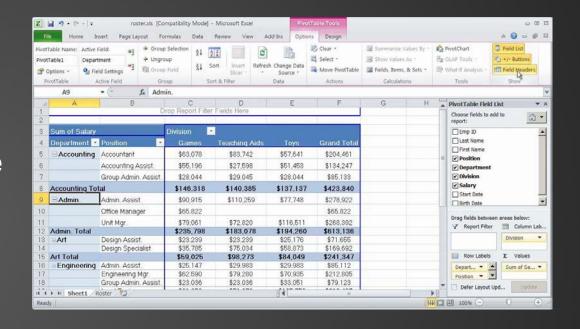


A Solid Start - Excel





- It's both. But if it works well, who cares?
- Incredibly powerful and flexible
- Perfect tool for ad hoc analysis
- You already have it and it's (virtually) free
- It typically falls short on scalability and controls
- Don't fear it, but always be looking for better









Technology Beyond Excel

Why Building an FP&A Infrastructure is Critical for Growth and Navigating Disruption





- More
 - Budgeters
 - KPIs
 - Complexity
 - Frequent Forecasting
 - Analysis
 - What-if Scenarios
- Excel Files Breaking
- Many Versions of the Truth









One Version of the Truth

- Fast, Validated Actuals
- Single Version of a Scenario/Forecast
- All Using Latest Formulas

Decentralization

- Instant Distribution & Consolidation
- Self-Serve Variance Research
- Budget Owner Collaboration

Controls

- Single Version of the Truth
- Versions
- Broken Formulas
- Variance Reports
- Managing What-if Scenarios









Users

- Administrators
- Contributors
- Readiness
 - Understand Desired State
 - Bandwidth
 - Executive Support
- Product Selection
 - Gartner
 - Demos
 - Trusted Partner
- Integrations









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