

# EPM 2010 Add-On Resource Management



**The Resource Management Extension (RME) increases reliability of resource planning by time-phased commitments in matrix organisations**

RME integrates in the current process – the Resource Manager is managing the allocation in an active way

## The Add-On Solution brings:

- A Request-Tool for the project lead (State of resource demand from schedule)
- Request-Overview for the resource manager (Display of all requests for "own" resources)
- Planning-Cockpit for resource manager (Allocation of resources to projects, time phase-based approval)
- Notification service (Project Lead receives information about approval)
- Reports (Comparison between allocations, assignments and actual work)

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## Manage supply and demand

- Central registration of resource capacities
- Possibility to enter projects and line activities
- Transparent resource planning
- „Pipeline“ for Resource Manager (which projects and demand are pending)
- Tracking of agreement between Resource Manager and Project Lead

	Microsoft Project Server	RME
Planning of projects and tasks	✓ Standard Features in Microsoft Project Server	✗ Not in scope, done via Microsoft Project Server
Requesting resources (Report demand)	✗ Requests can not be send automatically	✓ Communication of requests on project and resource level
Cockpit for RM for actual assignments	✗ Not available	✓ Overview over requests, Cockpit for actual assignments
Reservation of resources	✗ Not available	✓ Reservation of resources before approval
Documentation of resource allocations	✓ Entered values in baseline, manual export to Excel	✓ Enter values in Cockpit, Analysis via reports
Saving the allocations in a separate database	✗ Values can be changed in the project plan	✓ Values are secure: recorded in separate database
Approval process for allocations	✗ Not available	✓ Configurable approval process (e.g. including an assistant)
Deviation analysis „Allocation vs. Assignments vs. Update“	✓ Planning values can be analysed	✓ Dedicated reports

## Transparency between project and line in matrix organisations

### RME supports clear agreements and way-of-working

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**Transparency** Transparency in Microsoft Project Server is expanded by allocations from the Resource Manager

**Small change** Implementing RME is only a small change in planning process for Project Lead (extended by resource request)

**Own workspace** The Resource Manager has an own workspace for resource allocations, approvals and reports

**Allocations** Allocations are saved in a separate database for extended reporting capabilities. Allocations are not lost.

**Comparisons** Reports compare allocations (Resource Manager) and assignments (Project Lead)

**Reservations** Possibility to reserve resources for projects

This add-on was developed by our partner Campana & Schott.

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