# **Making Projects Work**



This 2-day highly interactive, results-focused workshop is ideal for project team members, practicing project managers and project leaders who need to achieve consistent project success through people. Participants will acquire advanced interpersonal skills and learn consensus-building techniques that help provide clarity and garner commitment from team members, customers and management. These influential skills are instilled in participants through real-world scenarios, which continually reinforce the skills, techniques and concepts necessary to improve project results immediately upon return to the workplace.

#### **Course Objectives:**

- Create and communicate a shared sense of purpose between the project team and stakeholders about your project.
- Involve and engage key customers and use the views of others to create commitment and advance your project.
- Learn how to prepare to make difficult requests and influence people with whom you do not have official power.
- Learn to use group facilitation skills to create a common reference point that includes the description of the business problem, where the project is going, how to actualize it, and stakeholder involvement at any given point in the project.

**Audience:** Those who must influence project customers and other team members.

**Prerequisites:** Experience in project management; that is for those who are indirectly or directly in a position to influence the outcome of a project.

**Number of Days:** 2 days

#### 1 Introduction

Situation Overview
Workshop Logistics
Workshop Materials
How to Get the Most Out of This
Workshop
About this Guide
Foundation Skills

Workshop Content Personal Learning Objectives

**2** Connected Listening

Purpose
Baseline Considerations
Key Terms Definitions
When do we need to use connected
listening?

Common Deficiencies and Problems in
Conversations
Connected Listening
The Process of Listening, Dialogue
Creation, & Problem Definition
Practice Instructions for Connected
Listening

#### **3** Contracting for Commitment



**Negotiation Principles** 

How Do You Do It?

Apply – Practice Instructions

Soliciting Feedback

## 4 Influence through Selling Ideas

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

When do we need to influence?

What Is It?

Opening Line

**SOCR** 

Simulation: Influencing an individual

Influencing a Group

### 5 The Art of Managing Resistance

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

**Definitions** 

What Really Happens?

Analyze Resistance Tool – ART

Apply – Practice Instructions for the

**Analysis Resistance Tool** 

Purpose/ Process

#### **6** Group Facilitation

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

Preparing for a Facilitation

**Summary of GARP Questions** 

Meeting Facilitation Design Worksheet

Facilitating for Commitment

#### 7 Process Start-Up

Purpose

When do we need to use the Process

Start-up Matrix?

What is it?

Using the Process Start-Up Matrix

How do we get started?

Apply

#### **8** Scope Facilitation Technique

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

**Key Terms Definitions** 

What is it?

Scope Facilitation Steps

Apply

## 9 Stakeholder Mapping and Analysis

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

When do we need to use?

What is it?

How to steps

#### 10 Force Field Analysis

Purpose

**Baseline Considerations** 

Human impact conditions

When do we need to use Force Field

Analysis?

**Project Characteristics** 

Three Approaches to Facilitation

Force Field Analysis