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Sustainability in Project Management

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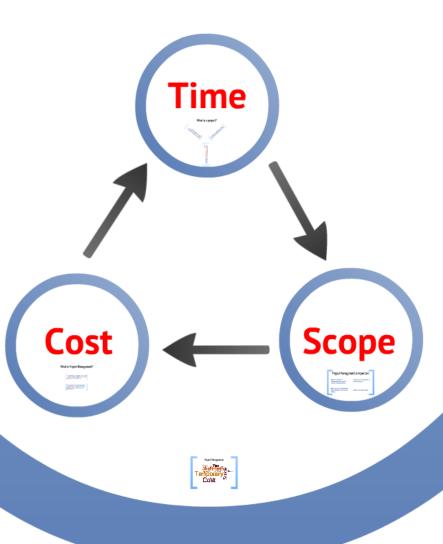
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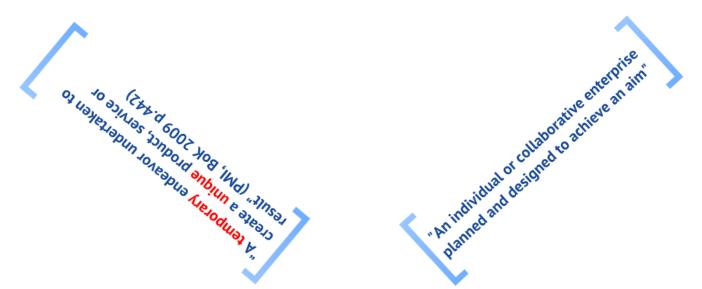
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Project Management



What is a project?



"A unique, transient endeavor undertaken to achieve a desired outcome" (APM BoK 2006 p.150)

"An individual or collaborative enterprise planned and designed to achieve an aim"

"A temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service or result" (PMI, BoK 2009 p.442)

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What is Project Management?

"The application of knowledge, skills, tools and techniques to project activities to meet project requirements" (PMI, 2009 p.443)

"The process by which projects are defined, planned, monitored, controlled and delivered so that agreed benefits are realised" (APM BoK 2006 p.151)

Project Management



Project Management is Important

Projects and Project

Management are a crucial

activity of organisations....

Projects are the 'business' of doing 'business'....

Project are how organisations deliver products, services and change...

Projects are about change...

Sustainable Development

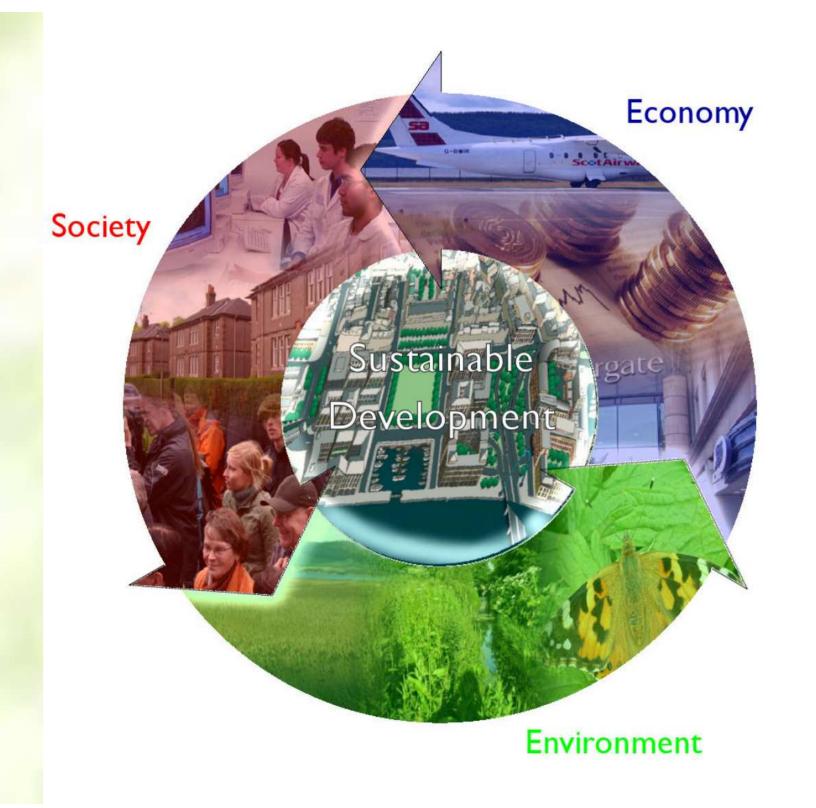






"Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (Brundtland, 1987).

"Adopting business strategies and activities that meet the needs of the enterprise and its stakeholders today while protecting, sustaining and enhancing the human and natural resources that will be needed in the future" (International Institute for Sustainable Development)



Sustainability



Sustainability is important

The choices we make today affect the future...

Maintaining ecosystem services without which we cannot survive

Creating a more equitable and just society

Sustaining human development

Project Management and Sustainable Development







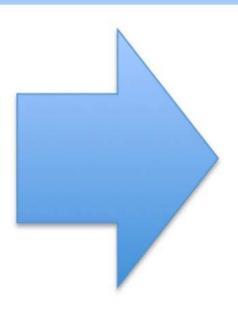




Project Management vs Sustainability

Project Management

Short term oriented
Sponsors – narrow stakeholders
Deliverable/result orientated
Scope, Time, Budget
Reduced Complexity
Top Down Decision Making
Fact Based
Linear & Mathematical Analysis
NPV – IRR



Sustainable Development

Long term oriented
Current and future generations
Life-cycle oriented
People, Planet, Profit
Increasing Complexity
Consensus/Bottom up
Precautionary
Systemic Approach - Ecosystem
Triple bottom line

Adapted from Silvius & Schipper (2011)

Unsustainable Projects?





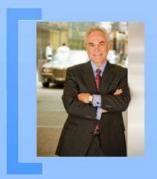








Views from the Field...



""PM's need to consider environmental and social constraints as part of the planning process and identify risks, challenges and opportunities to the company before the project is launched" Gregory Balestrero - Ex President and CEO of the Project Management Institute (PMI)



"The further development of the project management profession requires project managers to take responsibility for for sustainability" Mary McKinlay - Adjunct Professor of Project Management ESC Lille



"Delivery of sustainable communities will depend on embedding principles and understanding... ...in the approach to project management and amongst project management professionals." Academy for Sustainable Communities - Mind the Skills Gap



"Project Managers are ideally placed to make contributions to sustainability practices" (APM, 2006; Taylor, 2010)

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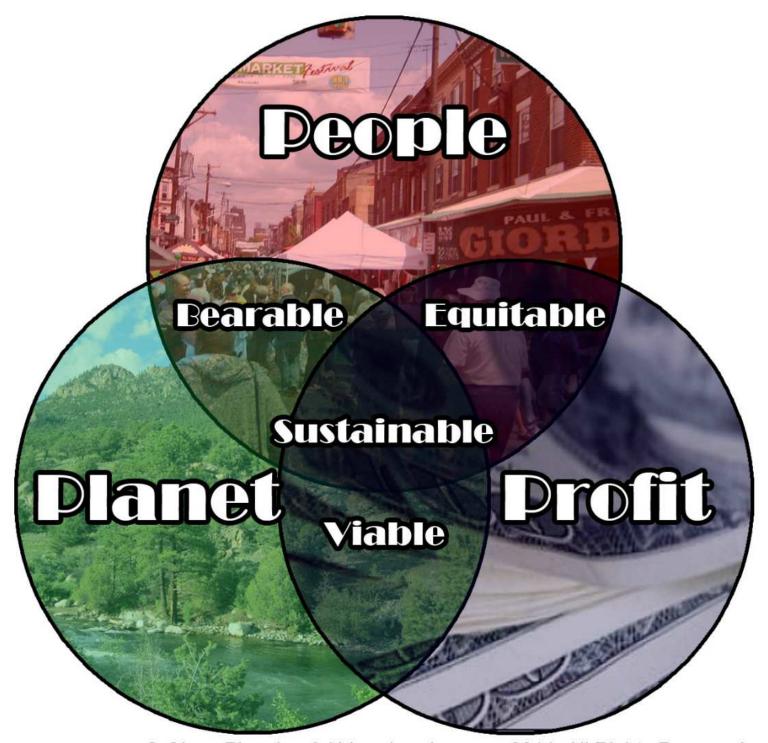




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Sustainable Project Management

Sustainable Project
"An endeavor undertaken to achieve a desired transient outcome whilst protecting, sustaining and enhancing the human and natural resources required for future generations to meet their needs"

A Research Agenda









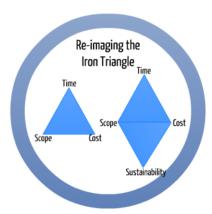


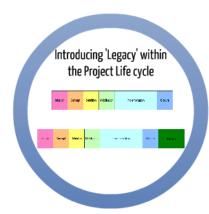
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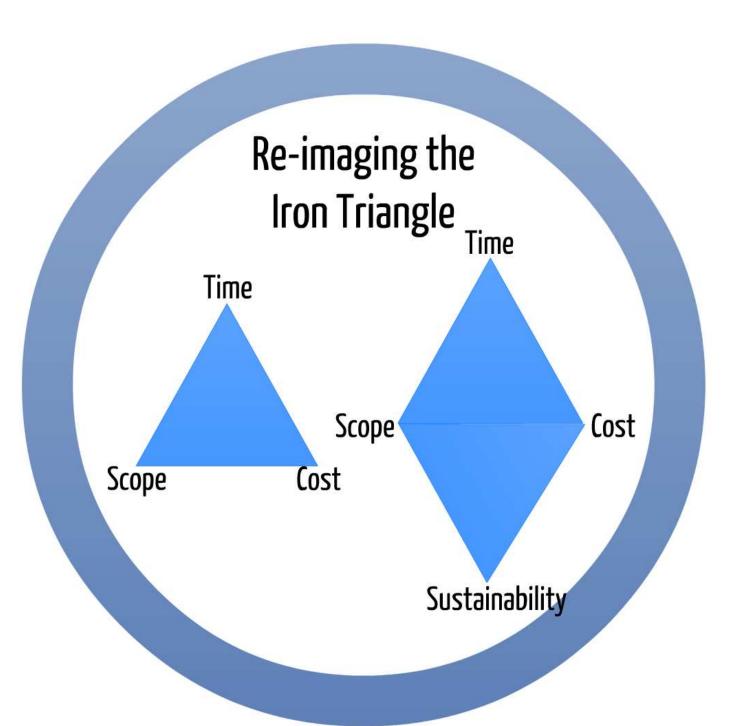
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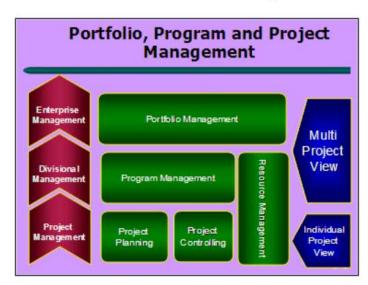


Introducing 'Legacy' within the Project Life cycle



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Programme & Portfolio Management - Planning for sustainability









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