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Industry:

Business and project management consulting

Location:

USA

Challenge:

Increase the functionality of business operations by providing and demonstrating the use of easy-to-use tools, templates, and techniques specifically designed for the needs of each client.

Toolkit:



Solution:

Use ConceptDraw Project 4 to develop and manage project plans. Utilize the large inventory within ConceptDraw Pro of drawing shape and clip art galleries to design tools, templates, and documentation to demonstrate business solutions.

Benefits:

The ability to deliver professional and impressive visual representations for clients with the additional bonus of collaborating more secure client relationships and success.

2008 - Functional Methods was founded in 2004 by experienced Six Sigma Quality, Project Management, and Team Collaboration Professionals. They provide professional services, expert resources, effective tools, templates, and techniques to their customers to help them meet their objectives and serve their own set of clients.

Functional Methods provides solutions that enable businesses to operate and grow successfully. They deliver solutions that increase the functionality of business operations.

To help their clients achieve immediate results, they provide and demonstrate the use of easy-to-use tools, templates, and techniques. Such tools and samples include:

- Project Charter Checklist
- Stakeholder Analysis
- Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) Analysis Worksheet
- Process Area Review
- Voice of Customer

Chris Peters is the Managing Director of Functional Methods. With over 20 years of experience in project management, business process integration, organization change management and Six Sigma Quality process management, Mr. Peters understands the critical elements required for any project management software application. "Most of our process consists of rapidly translating large amounts of disorganized information into structured and orderly processes, manuals, checklists, and marketing materials. That said, our main challenge is to produce structured and accurate materials that properly and professionally represent the business our clients are struggling to provide," Chris Peters explains, "The two primary software tools we utilize to provide our services to our clients is ConceptDraw PRO for our diagramming and ConceptDraw PROJECT for our project plan development and reporting."

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The majority of their clients do not have the resources or related skill sets required to develop and implement best business practices, develop and analyze business processes, and engage their internal resources or external customers from a structured process standpoint.

As a result, Functional Methods maintains an extensive and constantly growing inventory of "ready to use" business tools, templates, and techniques to help kick start client engagements, rapidly launch project efforts, and effectively measure and communicate client engagement success.

"We were amazed at how easy it was to get up and go with ConceptDraw PRO and ConceptDraw PROJECT. We were also impressed with how intuitive these solutions are. The large inventory of drawing shapes and clip art that are included with the product is so useful to us. In addition, we find the ability to save to .xml format very handy. The quality of the printed output is another extremely impressive bonus. We did not have to mess around with too many print settings. What we see on the screen is what we get," Chris Peters states.

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"Before going to a Mac platform, we were all using MS Visio and MS Project. When switching over to the ConceptDraw Productivity Line of products, we realized how much the ease of use, look, and feel and aesthetics of our deliverables had become a selling point to our clients," Chris continues, "In short, we need our deliverables to not only be functional but also professional and impressive visual representations. Thanks to ConceptDraw PRO and ConceptDraw PROJECT, that's exactly what we deliver."

Functional Methods was founded in 2004, and serves as a Project Management, Process Improvement Professional Services Company based out of Golden, Colorado in the USA. Functional Methods provides business solutions that enable businesses to operate and grow successfully. ■



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