Enterprise Integration for Value Creation

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Define Enterprise in a Lean Context

"A lean enterprise is an integrated entity that efficiently creates value for its multiple stakeholders by employing lean principles and practices."

Source: Murman et al., Lean Enterprise Value, Palgrave, 2002

Integrated Enterprise



Lean Enterprise System

A Lean Enterprise Requires the Integration of

- Processes
- People / Organization
- Information
- Technology
- Products
- Holistic View
- Enterprise as a System

What Does It Mean to Integrate?

Why Integrate?

- Where in the enterprise should integration take place?
- How much integration?
- Who needs to be involved in the integration process?

Enterprise System Issues

Standardization

- Across products, processes, technology and information management
- Integration
 - Within and across enterprise boundaries
- Leadership
 - Required for complex transformation
- "Enterprise Engineering"
 - New expanded tool set required

Leadership Issues

- Optimization across multiple stakeholder objectives
- Global communication and seamless information flow
- Change management and enterprise transformation
- Enterprise "value metrics"
- Organizational effectiveness

Multi-program Enterprises add Value beyond that Created by Programs in Isolation

Multi-program enterprises can:

- Increase scope of possible value creation activities by allowing specialization and integration of expertise
- Enhance productivity through coordination and creation of enabling infrastructures
- Manage knowledge creation and reuse to achieve economies beyond those found in markets

A Key Issue in Multi-Program Enterprise Design is Balancing Demands of Local Performance with Enterprise Integration/Capability

- Program enterprises typically generate revenue streams
- Multi-program enterprise typically provides enabling infrastructure as a service
- Overhead policy provides support for enterprise infrastructure
 - Dilemma: how to prioritize allocation of enterprise resources between "direct" and "indirect" functions
- Important multi-program enterprise value creating activity is integrating knowledge and processes across multiple enterprise boundaries

Example of One Challenge..... Value Streams, Processes & Program Phases



3 Approaches to Enterprise Integration

- Directive control: prescribe enterprise behavior by policies, rules, and resources
- Managing the architecture: direct enterprise behavior when a few but not all stakeholders are under direct control
- Collaboration: influence key stakeholders' behavior when they are outside direct control

Source: "Lean Enterprise Value", Murman et al., Palgrave, 2002

Directive Control is Used when Key Enterprise Stakeholders are Under a Single Management Structure

Have direct control over organizational and aspects of enterprise and technology architecture

Classic hierarchy structure

- Top-down definition of roles, responsibilities, policies and procedures, and incentives
- Examples from product development starting with the front end and running through design

A High-Performing PD Front End Relies on Deliberate Analysis Embedded in Organizational Capabilities



Source: Wirthlin, J.R., "Best Practices in User Needs/Requirements", Master's Thesis, MIT, 2000

Building Product Line Engineering (PLE) Capability in Enterprises



Cultural

Characteristics

PLE goals and metrics focus behavior; resource and technology sharing designed into organization and product architecture

Communication and training ensure that employees can execute to PLE objectives

Political Characteristics

Enterprise leadership plays a key role in defining responsibilities and incentives; consistency and followthrough on PLE strategy execution

Source: Beckart, Michelle, "Organizational Characteristics for Successful Product Line Engineering", Master's Thesis, MIT, 2000

Co-Location Improves Integration

- Scope: Class II, ECP Supplemental, Production Improvements, and Make-It-Work Changes Initiated by Production Requests
- Value stream simplified, made sequential/concurrent.
- Single-piece flow implemented in co-located "Engineering cell"
- Priority access to resources

Category	% Reduction
Cycle-Time	75%
Process Steps	40%
Number of Handoffs	75%
Travel Distance	90%

849 BTP packages from 7/7/99 to 1/17/00

Modern Tools Improve Cycle Time



* Indicates results from vehicle of approximate size and work content of forward fuselage

Implementation of Shared Services



- Map the HR&A Value Stream
- Identify & Eliminate Redundant Processes, Procedures and Shadow Organizations
- Standardize HR&A Processes Across the Sector
- Establish Pull by Providing Those Services on Demand
- Level-Load Processes
- Lower Costs

Source: Ellis, R. Northrop Grumman, "Lean Enabled HR&A" Presentation at LAI Executive Rountable, Dec 13, 2001.

Observations on Directive Control Approaches to Enterprise Integration

- Senior management buy-in to phase gate or PLE process essential
- Continuous review of how projects line up against enterprise strategy
- Discipline required to ensure new products fit within strategic plan
- Formal product development processes defined
- Formal portfolio management processes in place
- High performance using directive control involves deliberate organizational and product design

Source: Beckart, op. cit.

Manage the Architecture when Key Enterprise Stakeholders are outside Hierarchical Influence

- Key stakeholders (product line managers, risksharing partners, etc.) fall outside the domain of control of enterprise leaders
- Limited control over organizational dynamics compensated by emphasis on control over product architecture
- Ex: Toyota product centers
- Focus is to re-use knowledge, verified designs, existing infrastructure, and enterprise relationships
- Tradeoff is efficiency (enabled through reuse) with performance (in meeting a specific customer's demands)

Concurrent Technology Transfer in the Auto Industry Demonstrates NRE Savings



Cusumano and Nobeoka, "Thinking Beyond Lean," 1998 Data based on 6-year MIT IMVP study of 17 auto manufacturers, 103 new programs .

Improvements a result of concurrent technology transfer and multi-project management

Taking a Lifecycle View Requires Perspective Across Multiple Enterprises and Stakeholders