Comparing Traditional Portfolio Management and Lean Portfolio Management

92% of businesses report organizational agility, or the ability to rapidly respond to market conditions and external factors, is critical to business success.¹

Are traditional ways of working slowing business success?

What's your approach?

Traditional Portfolio Management

Lean Portfolio Management



Resources are told what to work on

Teams contribute to decision making



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People are moved from project to project and work on many projects at the same time

Work is flowed to the team and value is delivered incrementally





Detailed, requirement-laden project plans are created before work begins

Lean business cases are utilized to prioritize and fund the work that matters most





Plans are project-driven and typically follow inflexible annual plans that are difficult to change Plans are value-driven and are adaptive to produce maximum customer value





Work is very detailed before it is ever started

Work is incrementally delivered and customer feedback is gathered to define what is worked on next





Project-based budgeting and funding is tightly controlled by finance

Value-stream funding, with value delivery determined by the value stream leaders and team members





Adherence to waterfall, milestone or stage-gate project-driven work

Adherence and focus on outcome-driven value delivery



What if you could validate and align on priorities to increase delivery, improve speed, produce higher quality products, and improve organizational health? **Consider a Lean approach.**

To learn more, download Lean Portfolio Management for the Enterprise or contact us for a demo.

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