

# PPM: 100 Percent Project Management Module

Achieve real-time project visibility with collaborative project management.



## Key Features and Benefits

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- **Real-time monitoring and control:** PPM Project Management provides real-time project visibility into your project resources, processes, status, and dependencies to improve communication, productivity, and speed of decision-making.
- **Integrated projects and processes:** In addition to standard baseline, milestone, critical-path, and project-template capabilities, PPM Project Management includes project methodologies to drive project execution, so participants are engaged at the appropriate time with the appropriate information. You can use out-of-the-box processes or create personalized ones to meet your specific needs.

## Product Highlights

Micro Focus® Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Project Management module is a true, 100 percent, zero-client implementation for scheduling and managing projects. Superseding desktop and client-server technology, this next-generation project management software enables collaborative project management with a low total cost of ownership (TCO).

## Key Features and Benefits

### Accelerate Project Delivery

Successful projects can make or break an organization. A recent study by the Project Management Institute (PMI) found that projects

are 2.5 times more successful when proven project management practices are used.<sup>1</sup> PPM provides you with the structure to use these proven project management practices and increase your project success rate.

PPM Project Management offers a robust solution that integrates project management and process control, allows your staff to collaborate on project management, and provides real-time visibility into project and investment status.

<sup>1</sup> "PMI's Pulse of the Profession," 8th Global Project Management Survey, 2016

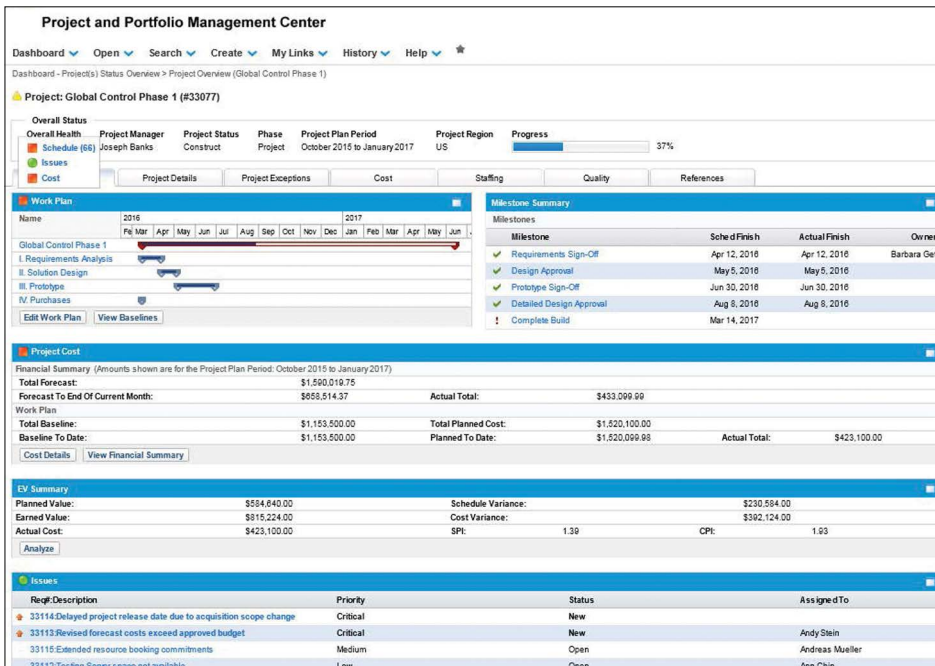


Figure 1: Dashboard view

### Reduce Cost and Risk

Managing projects across the enterprise today is dramatically different from managing them at the departmental level. Your enterprise may deal with portfolios of hundreds of projects, along with geographically distributed teams that can even include external partners, outsourcers, and offshore companies. To help you meet these challenges, PPM Project Management integrates project management and process control to reduce the number of project schedules and budget overruns, thereby reducing the costs and risks associated with failed projects.

Unlike traditional project management software that only plans, schedules, and reports on project status, PPM Project Management offers your project managers robust resource management functions, a task-level workflow to augment a work breakdown structure, and the ability to leverage best practice processes to accelerate project delivery.

PPM Project Management is a true, 100 percent, zero-client implementation for scheduling and managing projects. Project management offerings used to be limited to desktop or client-server applications: These first- and second-generation architectures, which leverage Java applets and plug-ins, introduced a high level of administrative overhead and a higher TCO. In contrast, PPM Project Management is third-generation enterprise project-management software that is seamlessly integrated within PPM and has a robust scheduling capability while reducing costs of overhead and ownership.

### Collaborate on Project Management

PPM Project Management gives team members and stakeholders a platform for project collaboration and provides real-time visibility into resources, processes, status, and inter-project dependencies.

The software includes out-of-the-box project management tools and processes that help you effectively initiate projects; plan and track project phases, milestones, and tasks; schedule and assign resources; and conduct high-level planning. Real-time project status views are provided through the PPM dashboard so that stakeholders are invited to the projects that concern them, and project managers don't have to waste time building project status reports or portals.

### A Dashboard View

Project status, milestones, and cost summaries are available from an included dashboard to keep your stakeholders informed and your projects on track, as shown in Figure 1.

### Integrate Project and Process Control

Effective project management requires more than just good project managers; you also need effective processes. PPM Project Management provides a unique combination of project and process control to help you manage complexity and increase the value of your projects, reducing the risks and costs associated with failed projects.

### Gain Real-Time Project Visibility

Without a strong project management tool, you may have to spend considerable time preparing status reports and updating project portals. PPM Project Management saves you time by giving you easy access to information on current project status, health, and deliverables availability in real time. The software includes Gantt charts to measure project progress and schedules visually. Each time a project is scheduled, the critical path is calculated and highlighted to provide visibility into the most important project tasks.

As tasks are assigned to resources, they automatically appear on each user's PPM dashboard. As users update their status, information is automatically rolled up through the project hierarchy so that project managers and stakeholders see current project status in real time, anytime. PPM Project Management also facilitates managing

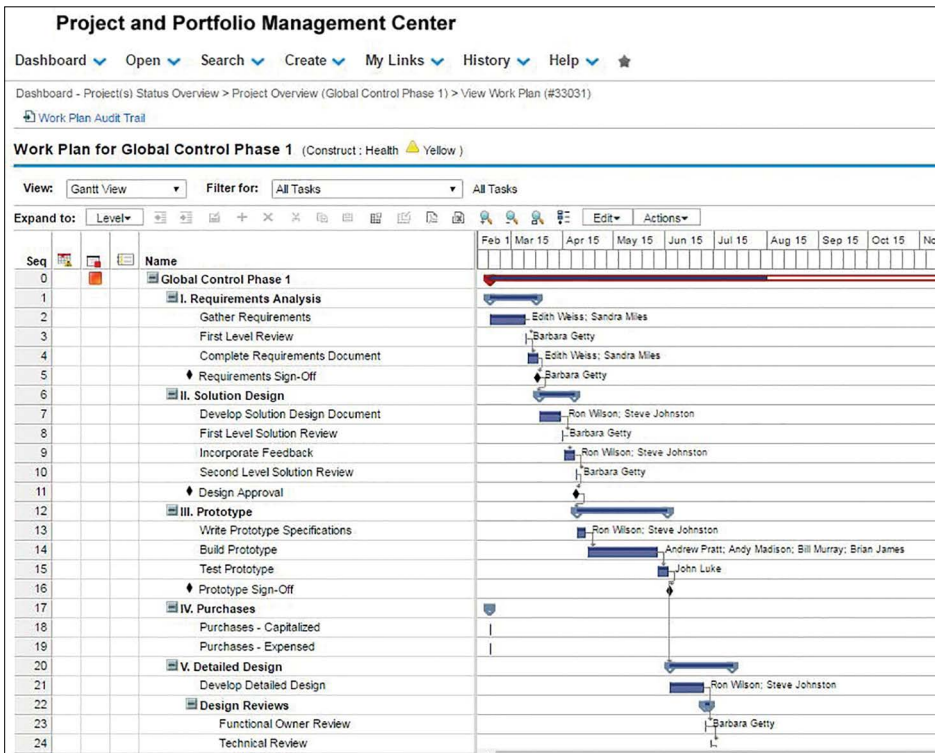


Figure 2: Project scheduling

by exception. Color indicators identify project health by cost and schedule so you can easily identify problems. The Project Overview page becomes the “one-stop shop” for managing and assessing the health of the project, with details just a click away.

### Scheduling Capabilities

PPM Project Management is a 100 percent, zero-client with full, advanced project scheduling capabilities, as shown in Figure 2 on the following page.

### Choose the Delivery Option That Is Best for You

Micro Focus offers a flexible range of options to customers who want to make the move to more effective project and portfolio management. You can get the full-featured power of PPM

Project Management either as an on-premise solution or through software as a service (SaaS).

The SaaS for PPM option delivers a ready-to-use service, with multiple environments of PPM to support lifecycle management. As part of your team, an IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL) and PPM certified technical account manager work with you to provide ongoing mentoring and guidance on best practices, which provide you faster time to value and lower overall deployment risk.

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- **Direct integration to financial and resource management:** Because this module is part of the Project and Portfolio Management solution, project management integrates to other key modules directly, such as financial management, resource management, and time management—allowing you to comprehensively manage your projects.

- **Project collaboration:** PPM Project Management supports inter-project dependencies to keep external tasks and projects from pushing deadlines without informing stakeholders of the changes because project status is continually updated in real time.

## A Complete Solution

### Comprehensive Training

Micro Focus provides a comprehensive curriculum of its products and Project and Portfolio Management courses. These offerings provide the training you need to realize the full potential of your solutions and achieve better return on your IT investments.

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