

INCOSE Chicagoland May Meeting



Topic: *Managing Project Risk and Schedule for Highly-Technical, Cross-Functional Projects*

Presenter: Richard Matt



Date: Thursday, May 19, 2016
Agenda: 6:00-6:30 p.m. CT – Dinner (\$5 Member / \$8 Nonmember) & Networking
6:30-6:45 p.m. CT – Introductions & Announcements
6:45-8:00 p.m. CT – Presentation and Q&A

Locations:

1. **Schaumburg, IL** – IBM, 10 N Martingale Rd, Schaumburg, IL 60193 (3rd Floor Conference Room)
2. **Madison, WI** – bb7, 7 Fen Oak Ct., Madison, WI 53718 (Mendota Conference Room)
3. **Glendale, WI** – Johnson Controls Inc., 5757 N. Green Bay Avenue, Glendale, WI 53209 (MPR Conference Room)

Abstract

People commonly excuse missed product development dates with words to the effect of “This has never been done before” and “We can’t schedule discovery/innovation”. These statements are commonly accepted as inevitable for highly-technical concept products (where nothing like the product is currently on the market) and even more accepted for highly cross-functional products.

This presentation will show how System Engineers are uniquely qualified to organize, reliably schedule, and even accelerate, the development of products that most people assume cannot be developed/released on a schedule. Further, we will discuss how the skills of System Engineers can be used to simultaneously schedule innovation and assure that the resulting product meets the highest quality standards – all while maintaining the agreed-upon project budget.

About Our Speaker

Richard Matt has 30-years’ experience leading R&D groups as they bring both evolutionary and disruptive products to market in a variety of company environments: from start-ups companies to established multi-billion-per-year corporations. During this time, Richard has developed a step-by-step method to align cross-functional product development team efforts with the full spectrum of constraints that are placed on the team: Market Opportunity and Window, Company Resources and Budget, Technical Challenges with No Known Solution, and Routine Work that Consumes Needed Resources. Through the application of this method, Richard has repeatedly turned-around non-productive R&D groups and significantly accelerated the productivity of apparently well-functioning R&D groups.

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