

PREPARING FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT MATURITY ASSESSMENT

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Organizations often have problems understanding what to do in preparing for an audit, let alone a project management maturity assessment. Understanding the goals, drivers, and overall intent of the organization is key to preparing for such an event. All too often, organizations look to assessments as a check the box, and do not appreciate how to strategically align itself for an assessment which can assist with the organization's benchmarking and improvement opportunities. Instead, preparation occurs at the last minute leaving the community and assessor at a disadvantage when beginning an assessment. Planning and preparing for an assessment ensures a more accurate view the organization's capability and maturity.



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