

PSM Workshop - ERPs

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Celia Model – moderator

Focus – ICM Table: questions recorded by Celia Model

General questions from the group:

How customized is the system? We have RICE counts/points, but we've been exploring other opportunities to show correlation. We don't have anything prior to RICE counts (in the earlier states). We have number of migrated systems and external systems in the early stages.

How far into the future can the ICM table cover? If in the short term future, then we look at the number of servers. If 5+ years into the future, then we look into cloud computing. Are these right knowing the sizing? Sizing changes.

Don: We need to redefine the lifecycles.

Wilson: How do we define test cases for an ERP implementation?

Don: You have different requirements for an ERP system than a weapon system.

How do we count customizations?

RICE counts – changing artifacts.

Blueprinting is system architecting.

What are the key activities for blueprinting? (we need to define the lifecycle)

Different types of issues for security and safety in ERP (financial, policy & regulation, privacy act...)

Action items:

Most ERPs are being managed by DISA, over 80% of our ERPs as a matter of fact.

Tongia: Ask DISA if we are moving to a publisher subscriber architecture? (a pull rather than a push). Then the next option is moving to a cloud architecture, then it's a CIO question/answer.

Cheryl proposed the writing of a white paper. Starting out as a discussion table.

Should there be a separate project level table specific to ERP? We think that we do analyze these programs on the project level and many of the general and/or generic concepts and questions do apply, it's when you get to specific measures the real differences happen.

Action items:

DISA or Army has an ERP workgroup that meets on an annual basis

Possible monthly telecon among the ERP group. (Cheryl suggestion)

Set up meeting to discuss ERP issue – Paula

Reach out to Brian Kolstad, Max Holdal and others involved on ERP presentation to be involved in this group for a monthly telecon.

See if Corinne Wallshein wants to be involved or lead.

Fill in the ICM table (in red) any pertinent information or data that refers specifically to ERP versus traditional SW development projects. See notes from Celia.