ITIL Software Release Management

Pre-defined templates ready for you to customize

- Pre-made best practice templates based on Microsoft Operation Framework ITIL documents
- All tasks involved in Software Release Management clearly defined including roles, guidelines, and resources
- Task data is linked to the bookmarks within the source document for easy access

All of the ITIL process maps created in this set are based on Microsoft ITIL extension documents provided from the Microsoft Operations Foundation and the ITIL standards 2.0 and 3.0 documents. These documents are long and can be difficult to understand. Our goal in creating the process maps for the ITIL documents was to develop a systematic approach to implementing ITIL best practices. By instigating these effective and repeatable best practices, we can monitor and improve upon quality, training and technology transfer, compliance and efficiency.

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Software Release Management Overview

Harvard Computing Group created the ITIL Software Release Management TaskMap by mapping each of the six key processes defined on page 12 of the Software Release Management Service Management Function document. These are further decomposed into detailed TaskMaps comprising seven main processes with one split across 3 pages. We also added bookmarks to topics of interest in the document and created hyperlinks to those topics from the TaskMap.

The ITIL Software Release Management TaskMap was derived from the Microsoft Software Release Management Service Management Function (SMF) document, which is available from Microsoft and included with the sample TaskMap. This Software Release Management SMF is one of 20 that comprise the Microsoft Operations Framework (MOF); more specifically, the Software Release Management SMF are in the Supporting Quadrant of the Microsoft Operations Framework.

Details of the Microsoft Operations Framework and the Software Release Management SMF are available at the following locations:
For more information on the Microsoft Operations Framework, refer to http://www.microsoft.com/mof
For an overview of the Supporting Quadrant, refer to http://www.microsoft.com/technet/solutionaccelerators/cits/mo/mof/mofsupport.mspx

Sub-processes included within Software Release Management:

- ITIL Software Release Dashboard
- Release Planning
- Release Planning Change
- Release Building
- User Acceptance Testing
- Release Preparation
- Staff Training
- Release Deployment (1 of 2)
- Release Deployment (2 of 2)

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