

SEAMLESSLY INTEGRATE MICROSOFT® PROJECT WITH PLANVIEW™ ENTERPRISE USING THE MICROSOFT PROJECT CONNECTOR

Planview now offers Microsoft Project Connector, a fast, efficient, cost-effective way to integrate Planview Enterprise solutions with Microsoft Project. Planview Enterprise enables organizations to introduce a new level of accountability and control to project, resource, and portfolio management.

Streamlined Integration and Adoption

Project Connector helps streamline and enhance the entire integration process for Planview Enterprise and Microsoft Project.

The integration procedure itself ensures the seamless transfer of data between the two products through fully-supported two-way integration. Users can import, or “check-in,” Microsoft Project data such as project schedules and resource assignments directly into Planview Enterprise. Once this data has been modified, users can then “check-out” the data for use in Microsoft Project.

The entire process is fast, simple, and convenient. Large data transfers between the two products occur seamlessly in the background, delivering email notifications to users upon completion. Enhanced version control ensures that the transferred data remains accurate.

In addition to projects, users also have the option of checking out resource pools. This guarantees that the resource pools used in Planview Enterprise perfectly match those in Microsoft Project, and allows users to fully leverage the resource-management capabilities of the Planview solution.

Further convenience is provided by Planview Enterprise’s Web-based format, meaning individual desktop installation is not required.

Insightful Best Practices Guides

Planview also provides a Planview PRISMS™ Best Practices Guide specifically for integration with Microsoft Project, delivering a proven roadmap to successful implementation and use of Microsoft Project Connector.

Topics covered in the Planview PRISMS™ Microsoft Project Guide include:

- project management
- check-in and check-out procedures
- process controls

Planview Enterprise

Planview Enterprise is a comprehensive IT portfolio management solution that optimally balances the supply of IT resources with business demands. It maximizes business value by applying best practices and portfolio management disciplines to strategies, projects, and the delivery of business services.

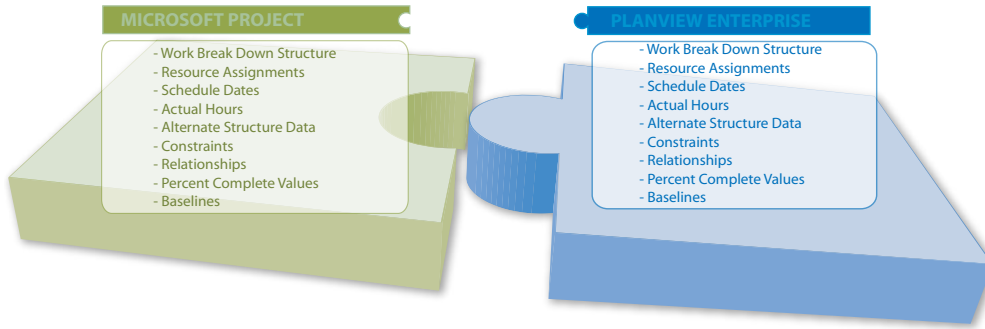
Why Use Planview Microsoft® Project Connector?

- Fast, tight, and efficient integration of Planview Enterprise and Microsoft Project
- Proven methods for the successful adoption of Planview Enterprise by project managers
- Full range of Planview Enterprise benefits:
 - o Improved financial accountability and audit trails
 - o Enhanced, centralized administrative controls
 - o Increased productivity for product managers

Integration Options

Project Connector is included as a standard tool with Planview version 7.4.1(SP3) and Planview Enterprise.

For organizations that do not wish to transfer data between Planview Enterprise and Project, administrators can easily disable the Microsoft Project Connector using a Global Option.



Planview's Microsoft Project Connector features two-way integration that allows users to "check in" Microsoft Project data directly into Planview Enterprise, and then "check-out" the data for use in Microsoft Project.

Improved Recordkeeping and Accountability

Government regulations such as Sarbanes-Oxley have made accountability more important than ever before. Planview Enterprise and Microsoft Project Connector offer organizations an effective way to extend the functionality of their Microsoft Project solution to support today's rigorous requirements for recordkeeping and accountability.

With Planview Enterprise, decision audit trails are backed by a detailed history of procedural steps, resources utilized, milestones, costs, and other relevant criteria, helping to ensure regulatory compliance and improve overall IT governance.

Consolidated Administrative Controls

Staff members can sometimes be burdened with administrative duties that reduce the time available for actual project work. With Project Connector, managers can globally move a number of key transfer options to the administrative level.

This means that users can concentrate on project work while administrators can ensure consistent, efficient project administration within projects across the enterprise.

Microsoft Project Connector Can Be Utilized in the Following Ways:

- **one-time check-in of project data from Microsoft Project:** Supports the implementation of Planview Enterprise by importing "in-process" projects from Microsoft Project
- **check-out project data from Planview Enterprise:** Allows users to share project information with an outside source lacking access to Planview Enterprise
- **bidirectional transfers:** Lets project managers within an organization to use the tool of their choice: Planview or Project
- **resource pool check-out:** Guarantees that resources in Project perfectly match the resources in Planview Enterprise

Make the Connection

Visit www.planview.com/projectconnector.asp today to learn how you can take advantage of Planview Enterprise to extend the business value and functionality of Microsoft Project.

"This is just the solution we need to help project managers that have become accustomed to using Microsoft Project take it to the next level with the Planview software."

- Director, IT PMO,
Ceridian



Since 1989, Planview has been a market leader and trusted partner in software for comprehensive IT management. Our flagship product line, Planview Enterprise, brings the most comprehensive IT management solution to the market, combining adaptive IT management best practices, best of breed resource management and portfolio management software. Planview enables business leaders to integrate the decision-making process to improve alignment of IT resources with business strategies. We serve an active and growing global customer community of over 400 organizations in financial, insurance, healthcare, government and other industries. Planview is privately held and has been profitable for over a decade.

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