

Eric van der Meulen

Areas of Expertise

- Project Management
- Process Improvement
- Phase-Gate Process Design and Management
- Innovation Management
- Product/Process Development
- Training Design & Delivery
- Operational Excellence (Six Sigma/DFSS)
- Coaching/Training/Facilitation

Professional Experience

- AgileChange, Senior Consultant
- Q'vive, Founder & President
- Exatec Automotive Glazing, Finishing Technology Leader
- GE Plastics Europe, Senior Assembly Specialist

Education & Certifications

- B.S. Mechanical Engineering, Avans Hogeschool (University), Breda, Netherlands
- Project Management Professional (PMP)
- Certified Rummler-Brache Process Improvement Professional (RBPMP)

Recent Publications

- "PMProcess Flow™ Poster", 18"x24" poster based on PMBOK® Guide–Sixth Ed., 2018.
- Set of six "Companion Documents" to the PM*Process* Flow™ Poster, 2010-2019.
- "Project Management Essential and Exam Preparation", course handbook, 2011-2018.
- "Project Management Essentials", course handbook, 2018.

Speaking Engagements & Trainings

- "Project Management Professional Exam Prep", on-site corporate trainings, 2015-2019.
- "Project Management Essentials", corporate trainings & Schoolcrat, 2011-present.
- "A Quality Approach to Project Management" course for project quality managers, Aug 2014.
- "The Value of Project Management for Defense Contractors", keynote at Society of American Military Engineers Conference, April 2012.
- "Actionizing Innovation Strategy", seminar for PMPs, 2011 - 2013 at PM Forum.

Background

Eric van der Meulen, Senior Consultant at Agile Change, is a Project Management and Process Improvement practitioner, trainer, and coach. His project portfolio includes project management capability building, strategic planning and deployment, phase gate project management implementation, planning, executing, and controlling of IT, HR, ERP, compliance, quality, and capital projects, and implementing operating systems among others. He has coached managers and project stakeholders at all levels including C-suite, executive teams, managers, project teams, and task forces.

His clients include global, regional, and local organizations such as Asahi-Kasei (multiple divisions), ADCO Global, SITumbra, Schoolcraft College, Ilmor Engineering, SABIC Innovative Plastics, Tetra Tech, Continental, Pilz Automation Safety, BrassCraft, and Jenoptik Automotive North America, among others. Eric has trained hundreds of project managers in a variety of industries and is highly effective engaging people from the C-suite to the front line.

Sample Impact/Results

- Coached executives and product development teams with implementation of phase-gate process.
- Planning, executing, and controlling of \$35M green-field plastics compounding plant project, including business process integration.
- Finished high risk product development project for global plastics company, with stakeholders across multiple divisions.
- Problem solving and process improvement of design and build process for gage manufacturer.
- Engineering project management training and process implementation at pharmaceutical test equipment and machine safety companies.
- Managed launch of new plastics technology program for Schoolcraft College in partnership with SPE.
- Trained 300 engineers, scientists, product developers, quality managers, educators, operations managers, HR managers, project managers, and executives at various clients in project management.
- Managed project planning and controlling of plant closing with budget of \$38M, involving 133 personnel.