

Actify APM

Release Highlights

This document describes the new features and improvements in this release and is intended for a management audience. See the Release Notes or contact ACTIFY for further information.

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Summary

Release 1.8 provides two key elements crucial for quick project deployment and task tracking.

- Project managers will benefit from fast and effective task assignment using role-based task allocation.
- In addition, automated task progress determination, with the flexibility of user-defined statuses allows program and project managers to quickly assess the status of task completion.



New Features

Role-based Assignment

Assigning users to tasks is generally a tedious job for project managers. Actify APM now simplifies this, allowing managers to define which role will perform the task. The system then automatically allocates appropriate team members to those tasks when the project is launched.

Automatic Task Progress

Program Managers no longer must try to get task level updates from each team member as Actify APM now automatically tracks task completion based on the work performed on the task's outputs. Users can apply their own progress updates to improve status accuracy and keep the team aligned.

Single Sign-On

Customers can enable Single Sign-On via Microsoft Active Directory to unify employee access and authentication with their enterprise practice.

Improved Messaging

Project initiation notifications have been consolidated into one email to each user assigned to that project and/or its tasks, which is sent when the project status is changed from Draft to Active.

This consolidated notice provides the project specifics and a summary of all the tasks that user has been assigned to, along with their target start and finish dates. active state.

Enhanced Project Scheduling

When setting up a new (Draft) project, managers can forward- or backward-schedule to create a different candidate schedule and visually compare it to the baseline, providing an easy and effective way to explore and evaluate the best schedule for the project before making it Active.

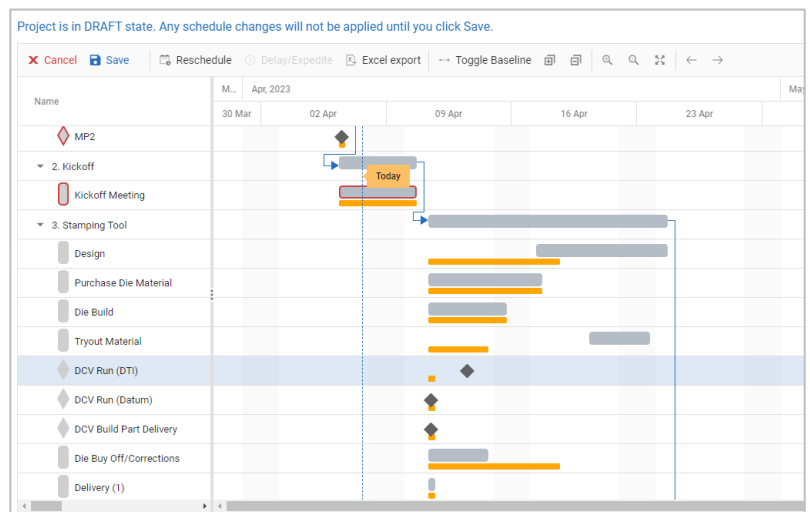
Individual tasks can be re-scheduled or project-wide delays applied to finalize the plan, with Save or Cancel flexibility.

In addition, Setup provides improved usability for reviewing or changing role-based Task assignments to provide a more comprehensive view of the project's configuration, work plan and schedule.

Timing Chart Updates

The Timing view is now role-sensitive and will highlight only those tasks associated with the selected Assignee, with the remaining tasks less prominently displayed to provide context.

The Timing chart has also been added to Project Set Up so that program managers now have an immediate visual view of the project schedule when modifying the project workflow.



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