



# CONVERSATION FRAMEWORKS™

by Innovative Management Tools

## Team Definition and Charter: Foundational Activities for Team Success

In the dynamic landscape of business, the effectiveness of workgroups can make or break an organization's success. Many companies grapple with inconsistent team results, falling short of goals, and the need for a formal approach to large team projects. To navigate these challenges, Innovative Management Tools™ introduced **TEAMS™ - Workgroup Management Activity**, a collaborative framework to address these issues and set the stage for team triumphs.

## Deciphering Workgroup Woes: Unraveling the Challenges

In an ongoing survey, a staggering **76.92%** of companies identify challenges in the realm of workgroup definition and launch management. Three scenarios from the survey where **TEAMS** emerges as the beacon for teams striving for synergy and success are:

### Scenario 1: Crafting Consistent Results with Team Charters

*Official teams and workgroups have inconsistent results. An analysis of why this is taking place reveals that they tend to jump into the work without taking the time to create a Team Charter.*

### Scenario 2: Rethinking Team Planning for Enhanced Success

*There are several teams that fail or fall short of their goals and outputs, signaling a need to approach team planning differently.*

### Scenario 3: Designing Success into Large Team Projects

*A large team project is coming up and can't fail. A more formal approach to organizing the team from the beginning is needed so that team and project success is designed into the project.*

These challenges 1) introduce the risk and probability that a team will launch without a clear identity and purpose, minimizing pitfalls associated with the Forming Stage, 2) perpetuate the current team launch formula that may not be giving the best results possible, and 3) rely on each team design a formal approach to team definition, creating inconsistent approaches across the organization when teams are formed.

## TEAMS - Workgroup Management Activity: Blueprint for Launch



**TEAMS** redefines workgroup management and paves the way for team success by focusing the group on the cornerstone for success – the Team Charter. **TEAMS** emphasizes the creation of a Team Charter their Forming stage, ensuring that every team member understands their roles, goals, and how they contribute to the collective success. This foundational document becomes the cornerstone for effective team organization and progress.

While various team management tools exist, **TEAMS** stands out by being hyper focused on the very first activity of the team's existence – its charter. It gives the team its first success as a team and sets them up for a more unified journey together. It walks the team members through the information collection process needed to write a complete and aligning team charter.

**TEAMS** is more than a tool; it's a critical foundation driver for team success. It doesn't merely focus on picking people and rushing into action; it addresses the underlying factors that impact team success. By involving team members in the definition process, it fosters a culture of intentional and proactive group alignment.

### **Cracking the Code: Focus on Forming**

Why do so many teams fall short of desired goals or expectations? The answer often lies in the lack of team foundational work – developing the team charter. **TEAMS** takes a collaborative and holistic approach by involving team members in their own team definition with sponsor guidance.

It's not about simply jumping into doing something as a team when created. It's about setting up the team for success, being intentional about the team definition through the charter and aligning on the various aspects of the way they will work as a team. Without this Forming activity in place, teams have a much lower probability of getting to the Performing stage successfully. **TEAMS** is dedicated to guiding members through this crucial team journey phase.

### **The Path to Transformative Shifts: A Call to Action**

As we navigate the challenges of team definition and launch, it's evident that a strategic approach is essential. Innovative Management Tools invites organizations to embrace a mindset shift when creating teams.

Let's engage in a dialogue about your unique challenges in team development and definition. Share your experiences, and let's collaboratively shape an environment where teams are allowed to spend the needed time to form the team, define their “rules of the game”, and launch into their team journey with more confidence and probability for success.

In the ever-evolving world of business, the ability to create, leverage, and launch effective teams and workgroups remains a cornerstone of organizational success. It's time to rethink, optimize, and pave the way for a future where every team contributes significantly.

Ready to empower your teams and unlock their full potential? Click on this link: [TEAMS - Workgroup Management Activity - Innovative Management Tools](#)

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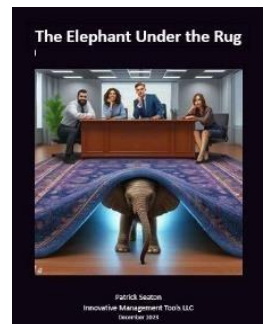
### **Addressing the Elephant Under the Rug: Navigating Team Dynamics**

To truly excel in workgroup management, organizations must address the challenges that often go unnoticed. Our eBook, "The Elephant Under the Rug", offers invaluable insights into navigating team dynamics and ensuring a harmonious collaboration.

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