GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (GFOA)



ERP Readiness and System Selection: Denver, CO

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Day 1

		Description			
	1. Understanding the ERP Market				
Objectives:	Objectives:				
 Underst 	Understand the current market for administrative and enterprise information technology systems				
 Identify 	the various func	tions that could be included in scope of a systems replacement p	oroject		
8:30 - 9:00	Introductions	 Intros 			
		Why are we here?			
9:00 - 10:30	Presentation	What is an ERP system?			
		 Overview of an ERP project 			
		 ERP market overview 			
		ERP Trends			
		ERP Risks			
10:30 – 10:45	Break	•			

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	2. Gettin	g Started – Project Governance			
Objectives:					
 Organiz 	Organize the key stakeholders necessary for the project				
10:45 - 12:00	Presentations	 Governance Structure 			
		 Steering committees 			
		Project teams			
		Project Manager			

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	3. Proce	ess Improvement and Change Management,				
Objectives:	Objectives:					
 Underst 	and the tasks in	volved with a business process review including cataloging func	tions, process			
mappin	g, and systems i	nventory				
 Develop 	Develop techniques for identifying process inefficiencies, duplicative work tasks and system redundancy					
1:00 - 2:30	Presentation	 Approaches to process improvement 				
		 Business process mapping 				
		 Managing change 				
	Goals, Process, Requirements					
2:30 - 2:45	Break	•				
2:45 – 3:45	Exercise	Business process mapping	Exercise 1			
3:45 – 4:30	Presentation	Action Planning				



Day 2

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	4. Best Pract	tices in ERP Procurement		
Objectives:				
 Learn the practices involved with developing system requirements to support the improvement of identified process inefficiencies Understand the concepts of developing a comprehensive request for proposals for both software and implementation services 				
8:30 – 10:15	Presentation	ERP Procurement Strategy		
		RFP development		

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	5. Evaluating	Software and Vendor Due Diligence	
Objectives:			
 Identify 	various methods to e	valuate replacement system functionality, implementar	tion services, and
integrat	ion of systems into th	e government business process	
10:30 - 11:30	Presentation	Evaluation criteria	
		Evaluation plans	
		Best Value	
11:30 – 12:00	Exercise	Financial Foundations Exercise	Exercise 2
1:00 - 2:00	Presentation	Proposal Review	
		• Demos	
		Discovery	

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	6. Project Rea	diness			
Objectives:	Objectives:				
Identify various methods to evaluate replacement system functionality, implementation services, and					
integration of systems into the government business process					
2:00 – 2:45	Presentation	 Project Prerequisites 			

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	7. Transitioning to Implementation – Contracts, SOWs, and SLAs				
Objectives:	Objectives:				
 Learn the skills to negotiate fair contracts, develop complete statements of work, and minimize the risks to a government that are inherent to system replacement projects 					
3:00 – 3:45	Presentation	Contract NegotiationsSoftware AgreementStatement of Work			
3:45 – 4:15	Exercise	Change Orders	Exercise 3		

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	8. Wrap Up		
Objectives:			
4:15 – 4:30	Discussion	Overall themes	
		Other questions	