Treasury Guest Lecture:

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Guest Lecturer Steve Jenner

Realising Benefits from Projects & Programmes – The case for Disciplined Investment Management

Abstract:
Effective investment and benefits management is integral to ensuring that the NZ Government delivers the best possible outcomes for New Zealanders. Did you know that organisations are 40% more likely to succeed in meeting their project and business goals if they have high maturity in benefits management? Please come and hear UK’s international benefits expert Steve Jenner provide insights on ‘Realising Benefits from Projects & Programmes - The case for Disciplined Investment Management’. His presentation will be supported by two research papers (“Benefits management: Why do projects fail and what can we do about it?” and “Benefits realisation – building on (un)safe foundations or planning for success?”).

Steve has extensive experience at senior level as a member of the UK Senior Civil Service from 1999 to 2011. During that period he also worked on secondment for the Queensland government (Treasury) in Australia in 2001-02. From mid 2006 to 2008 he was Director of Criminal Justice IT, one of the largest IT-enabled business change programmes in Europe. He also headed the £2bn Criminal Justice System IT Portfolio from its establishment in 2005 to 2008. Steve designed, implemented and operated the CJS IT approach to Portfolio & Benefits Management that was recognised internationally (in reports to the OECD and European Commission and in a case study published by Gartner) and which won the 2007 Civil Service Financial Management Award. Since then he has worked on the development of Project Portfolio and Benefits Management for the Cabinet Office as part of the Transformational Government and Service Transformation agendas, and led on benefits management research for the OGC PPM Standards Group.

Steve left the UK Civil Service in April 2011 to provide independent portfolio and benefits management advice on major projects and programmes and training in Portfolio and Benefits Management. He develops and delivers Masters level courses for the Graduate Business School at Queensland University of Technology, as well as delivering project management courses at a number of other Business Schools. He is a regular speaker at international conferences, trainer and writer on the subjects of project portfolio and benefits management (many of his articles are free for download from www.stephenjenner.com). He has presented to the OECD, European Commission and to conferences and training courses in Sydney, Canberra, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Wellington, Chicago, Washington, Vancouver, Ottawa, Florida, Rome, Milan, Paris, Copenhagen, London and Tokyo. Steve is a professionally qualified management accountant (FCMA), fellow of the APM, with an MBA and Masters of Studies degree from Cambridge University.