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EVPM QuickStart Guide



Translate Technology to the Language of Business!

For Free, Standard & Platinum Versions 2.0

The Rapid Response Institute

Welcome

This Rapid Response Institute Economic Value Proposition Matrix® (EVPM) QuickStart Guide is designed to give you the information you need to quickly start using this economic value solution. ¹ Please note that this guide covers the **Free**, **Standard** and **Platinum** versions of the software.

System Requirements

This Cloud enabled version of the Economic Value Proposition Matrix® model should work with any current release of major browsers such as MS Internet Explorer. Due the complexity and nature of the data input and output presentation, it is best using a PC or Laptop type device because of their larger screens.

The screens are dynamic and fit different resolutions as well. However, very small screens may be difficult to effectively navigate.

Version Overview

We offer three basic versions as listed in the following table. In addition, Enterprise and Custom versions are available. Not all functionality shown is fully available for the Free version in particular. For example, the *output of the Free version cannot be permanently saved*.

| Features | Free Version | Standard Version | Platinum Version |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Users | 2 | 5 | 10 |
| Economic Input | | | |
| Production | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Operations | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Possible Damages | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Personnel Cost/Hour | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Risk Assessment | 3 | 10 | 15 |
| COV (Direct) | 3 | 10 | 15 |
| COV (Not Direct) | 3 | 10 | 15 |
| COV (Personnel Cost) | 2 | 10 | 15 |
| COV (Risk Assessment) | 3 | 10 | 15 |
| COV (Possible Damages) | 1 | 4 | 10 |
| 3 Hr. Online Workshop | No | Yes | Yes |
| Cloud Collaboration* | No | Yes | Yes |
| Big Data** | No | Additional Cost | Additional Cost |
| Free Upgrade to APP | No | Yes | Yes |
| Print*** | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Save Work | No | Yes | Yes |
| Post to Your Website/Blog | No | Yes | Yes |
| Addition KPIs available for purchase | No | Yes | Yes |

^{*} See Collaboration Section for details

^{**} See Big Data Section for details

^{***} See Output Section for details

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Enterprise License

Organizations with multiple **Product/Service Lines** (PSL) should contact us for our Enterprise License. With EVPM you can set up an *instance* for each Product and/or Service your organization offers.

In the <u>Collaborative</u> section, we will show you how this powerful tool can be used to optimize your Value Proposition. Each Product or Service will require an EVPM for constant use by those responsible for the marketing and sales of their PSL.

Custom Configurations

We believe that the Standard version will satisfy most needs and the Platinum is probably more than most PSLs require. However, custom configurations have been provided customers and we continue to meet this need as required. Contact us for more information.

Who Should Use this Solution?

The Economic Value Proposition Matrix® model was originally developed with and in support of oil and gas field operations and the need to understand what the value of certain Capital expenditures in terms senior executives could understand—Finance! It has since been extended to all market segments.

EVPM is particularly useful when developing the business rationale for "soft" investments such as software, security, professional services, engineering and/or other *difficult-to-measure* investments. EVPM has been used for over a decade by many major global players as well as startup firms and others.

For example, if you are the ...

| Seller | Buyer |
|---|--|
| Prepare your presentation to your customer. Show were in the organization value can be attained from your product or service Demonstrate Believability and ability to | Assess all components of value for each department/business unit at a granular level Generate "buy in" for your project from all constituents |
| Defend your value propositionGenerate "buy in" at all levels | Prepare for your presentation to senior management |
| Speak the language of your customer, especially the economic buyer | Speak the language of the economic buyer |

How to Navigate the Model

Here are a few shortcuts about how the software works and how to navigate it. The model is straightforward and makes extensive use of "Drop-Down" lists and "Sliders" to minimize the amount of typing and data input.

You will notice that this product has the following six Tabs:

- Start—QuickStart and the legal stuff
- **Economic Input**—economic data input such as oil and gas production, drilling rig cost, and **Intangible** variables to drive the model
- **TCO**—the Total Cost of Ownership for the Investment
- Risk Assessment—expected costs from "potential" incidents
- **Economic Value Assessment**—develop your EVPM by inputting **Directly Measureable** values and **Not Directly Measureable** values. The **Economic Value Summary** and **Net Present Value** are the output of the EVPM
- Dashboard—how the results are presented

Additionally, within the model you will also find the following:

- I'm Done button that finalizes all model inputs
- Reset button that resets all model parameters to their default (this cannot be undone)
- Real-time Sync which will enable Collaboration among team members.

Components of Value Definition

In the Economic Value Assessment section, the model makes extensive use of our Components of Value taxonomy. For ease of readership they are defined below.

- Cost Takeout
- Cost Avoidance
- Productivity & Efficiency Gains (Prod & Eff)
- One-time Cash Flow Impact (One time CF)
- Intangible

| <u>Category</u> | <u>Definition</u> | <u>Example</u> | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Cost Takeout | Completely eliminating a specific activity or process | Redeploying a resource from a non value- added activity to a value-added activity | | |
| Cost Avoidance | Identifying and correcting an error that was not budgeted for correction but would have caused an expense had it not been corrected | Correcting an engineering design flaw before the flaw goes into production. | | |
| Productivity & Efficiency Gains | Increase in productivity that improves existing resource utilization. | Removal of a bottleneck that is causing capacity restraint Correcting a process to allow more productive time by shifting from wait time to production time | | |
| One-time Cash Flow Impact | Decreasing and or eliminating one-time cash flow impact | Elimination of redundant information/data stores Monetize Capital | | |
| Intangible | Benefits that improve operations of the business and /or are necessary to control, protect and enhance company assets, but are not quantifiable due to the nature of the area being improved | Improvement of communications between different operational units/supply chain Reduced small equipment shrinkage | | |

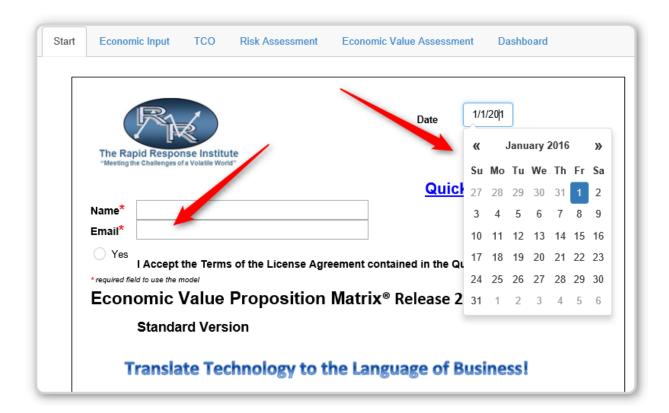
So let's get started

The purpose of the Economic Value Proposition Matrix® model is to provide executives, project managers, sales/marketing and others with a robust, flexible and mobility enabled solution. You will note that input cells are highlighted with **blue font**. This convention is used throughout the model.

Step One—Start Page

On the **Start Page** enter your **Name** and **Email** address. Both are **required** to go to the next step. You can also enter a date if you prefer from the "pop-up" calendar.

Note the "Tabs" across the top of the page for each of the six sections of the model.



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Step Two—Economic Input

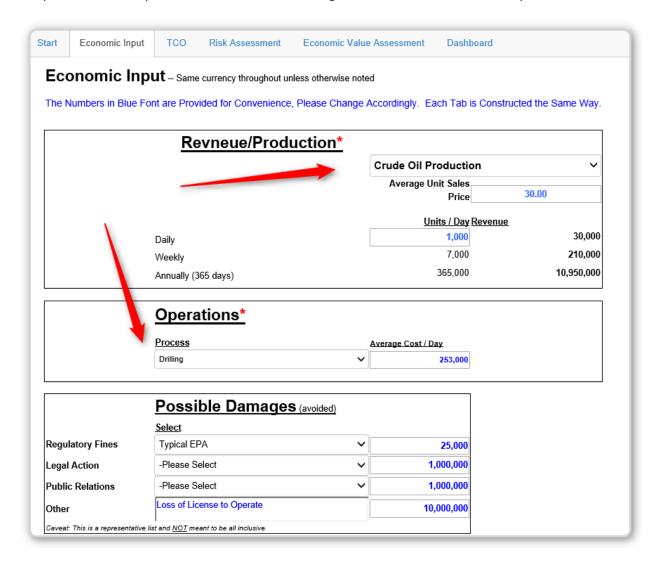
Open the **Economic Input** Tab and fill in the Required data—Type of Revenue or Production and the type of Operations involved. Also input production rates, market value of production, etc., as shown. Don't worry if you don't know the actual value you can:

- Put in a "plug" number that can be changed later
- Leave blank now—do your homework and generate appropriate values (this is part of the value
 of the system; verifying assumptions). This makes the model Believable and Defendable with
 management or customers.

Keep in mind that the development of robust Economic Value Proposition Matrix® model is an iterative process with input likely from a number of sources both inside and outside the organization. In addition to developing a better model, all parties contribute and "buy-in" to the results.

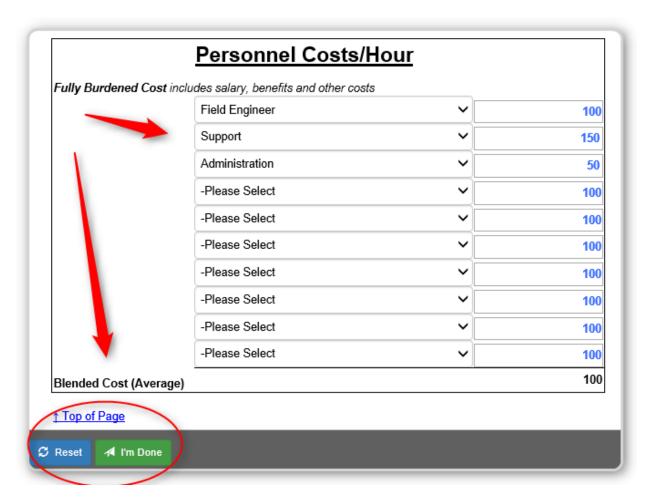
There are four categories of input data:

- **Revenue/Production**—from the drop down list select the type of product/service line revenue is generated from as well as the quantity of production each day
- Operations—select the operations process, i.e. Customer Service, Manufacturing, etc. as well as
 the Average Cost/Day of that operation. As before if you don't know the number leave it blank
 or put an estimate "pug" number that can be validated later.
- **Possible Damages**—select from the list of costs associated with the listed potential issues. Often these costs may <u>not</u> occur but the EVPM enables you to take them into consideration in your assessment process. In other words, damages "avoided" as a result of this procurement



• **Personnel Costs/Hour**—select the cost per hour for various job descriptions. The system will calculate the Blended (Average) cost. We recommend that you use the *fully burdened costs* to truly reflect the actual cost to your organization.

• Typically, fully burdened costs include salary, benefits, overhead and other costs associated with employees. If you don't know this number, ask Human Resources. Likewise, you can include 3rd party contractor personnel costs here as well.



As you will see, each Tab has a great deal of flexibility and you can tailor the model to your specific requirements. Often you will see "blank" input boxes so that you can input text to describe the issue being addressed.

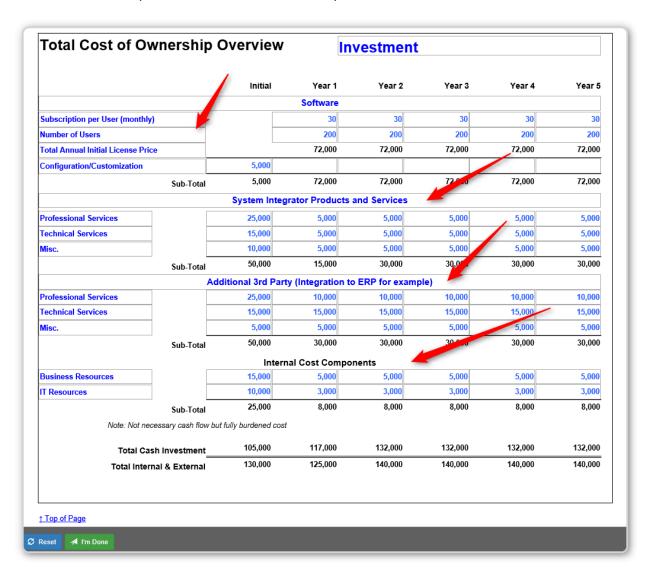
Note at the Top and Bottom of each page are the **Reset** and **I'm Done** buttons. This is true for all Tabs.

Step Three—Total Cost of Ownership

Complete the Total Cost of Ownership (**TCO**) Tab. The Default data in the model is for a software investment, but you can change the title and other aspects on this page to reflect the "Investment" you are modeling.

There are four major groups of costs:

- **License**—including initial license and maintenance as well as configuration costs specific to the software, i.e., number of users and cost of subscriptions.
- **System Integrator Products and Services**—professional and technical services provided by your systems integration (SI) or engineering company (this is a good way to compare actual costs from your bidding process).
- Additional 3rd Party—any other costs accrued from vendors and suppliers, i.e., SI Audit or Independent Verification & Validation (IV&V).
- Internal Cost Components—don't forget that the organization implementation of an Investment will have internal costs. Enter those here (we suggest you use the *fully burdened* number, i.e., salary, overhead, benefits, etc. as this is the actual internal cost). Often these costs are not direct out or pocket or cash to vendors so they can be treated as "non-cash" costs.



Note: the model provides the flexibility to change inputs during each phase or year of the project assessment.

Total Cash Investment and Total Internal & External cost are reflected over an assumed five (5) year project plan.

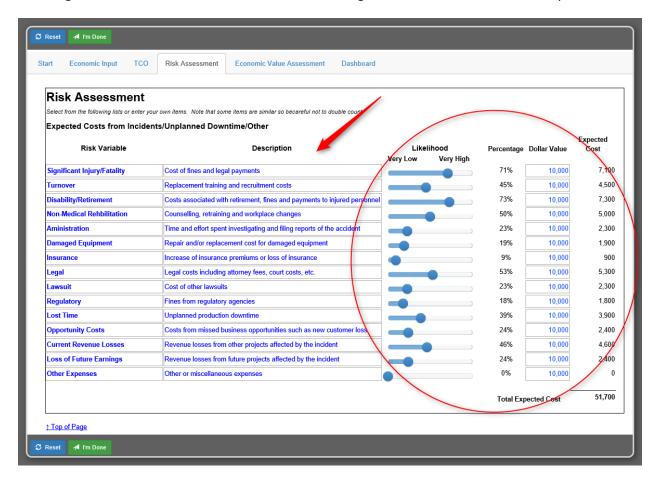
Step Four—Risk Assessment

Complete the **Risk Assessment** Tab. The user can input the "Likelihood" as a percentage from 0-100 that an activity will occur. In this case, the risk being modeled is the "Expected Employer Costs from Incident/Unplanned Downtime/Other."

Note that the Likelihood is determined by a "Slider Bar." This enables users to transform subjective input into qualitative input. This input approach is used extensively in the EVPM.

By multiplying the Likelihood by an estimated Dollar Value you get an **Expected Cost**—a probability of that value being attained.

The ability to address Risk Assessment is unique this type of model and is a very robust approach including customization as shown below. Users can change the Risk Variable and its Description



Be careful: as shown in the example, there are "Legal" and "Lawsuit" line items. There are similar variables on the Economic Input Tab—Possible Damages. This model is powerful and has a lot of flexibility but don't "double" count.

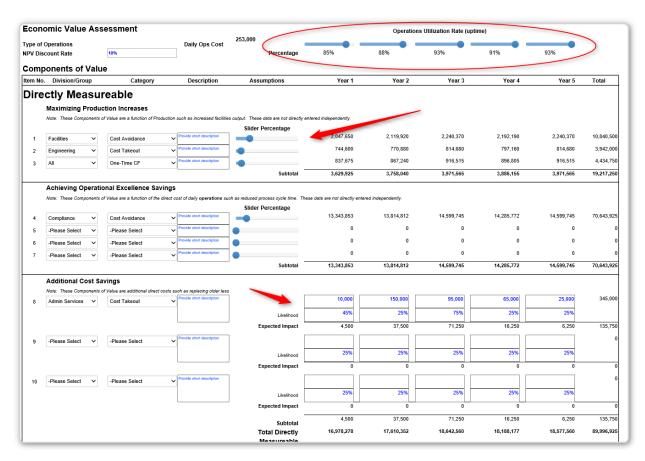
Step Five—Economic Value Assessment

Complete the **Economic Value Assessment** Tab. This is the most complicated yet provides a great deal of modeling flexibility. It is also where you will see the full robust model finally come together.

There are several components to this Tab:

Key Points

- The **Type of Operations** (note the corresponding **Daily Ops Cost** will automatically be updated from the **Economic Input** Tab.
 - The Net Present Value Discount Rate can be changed (typical projects use 10% as a default). NPV is defined as the present value of cash inflows and outflows over the period of interest.
 - Factor in the Operations Utilization Rate (percentage of uptime), i.e. down for maintenance or unplanned downtime. Use the Slider Bar as shown in the circle on the graphic below.



Components of Value

There are two types, those **Directly Measureable** and those **Not Directly Measureable**. With one exception, they are both set up with the same three major sections.

- Maximizing Production—impact on production the investment may have
- Achieving Operational Excellence—impact on the cost of operations the investment may have
- Additional Cost Savings—other cost savings that can be realized

The **Not Directly Measureable** Component includes the **Expected Costs from Incidents/Unplanned Downtime/Other** section.

Each Component of Value has the following characteristics.

- **Division/Group**—experience has shown that organizational constituents view value from different perspectives as well as a range of impact (positive and negative). Part of the power of EVPM is the ability to drill down into the organization in detail. In this model a drop down menu reveals typical departments.
- Category—the five Com are divided into those that are Directly Measureable (use drop down menu) and Not Directly Measureable (use drop down menu)

Directly Measureable Cost Avoidance

Cost Takeout
One-time CF (Cash Flow Impact)

Not Directly Measureable

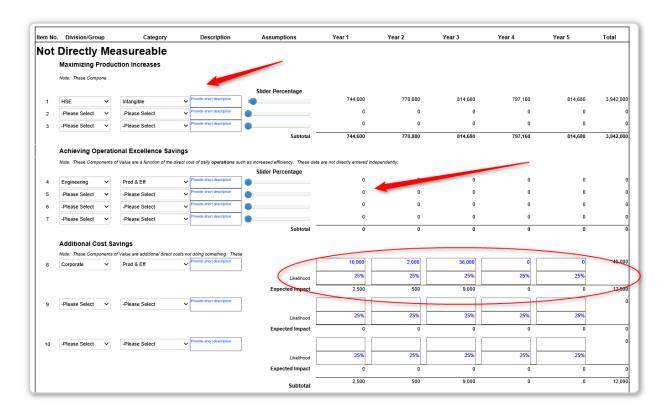
Intangible
Prod & Eff (Productivity & Efficiency Gains)

- **Description**—provides a brief description of this **Component of Value**. This helps with the understanding process and can be used as part of a sales or management presentation.
- **Assumptions**—It helps to document the rationale behind suppositions made.
 - Slider Percentage/Likelihood—probability that a Directly Measureable component or
 Not Directly Measureable component such as Productivity & Efficiency Gains will occur.

In many cases the Initial Value of Not Directly Measureable components is not known. If this is the case, the initial state is zero (0). Often over time and with additional research and assessment a good value can be determined.

Expected Impact—calculated impact on the Component of Value on the scenario.

The Real Power of this part of the model is the ability to determine the **Likelihood** of an incident in any given year using the slider bar, i.e., regulatory fines may only happen in a given year, not every year. Therefore, the model reflects reality.

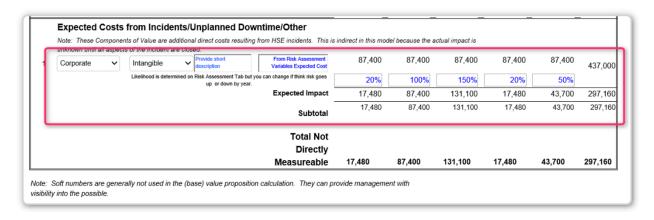


For **Additional Cost Saving**, you can type the costs in for each year separately. Likewise, you can change the **Likelihood** independently as well. As with other section of the model, this is a recognition that things change and allows the model to better reflect reality.

Expected Costs from Incidents/Unplanned Downtime/Other

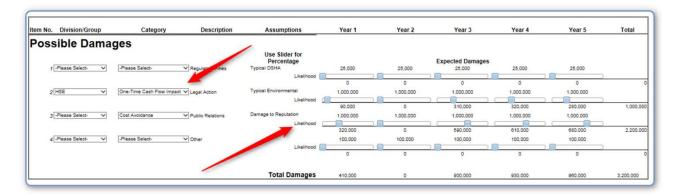
The yearly costs for this scenario are taken from the Total Expects Cost of the **Risk Assessment** Tab. You can change the **Likelihood** for each year. This enables you to independently model the Expected Impact for each year.

Since these are "possible" as opposed to direct costs, they are treated as **Not Directly Measureable**. As shown in the following figure you can also put in a short Description as well as your own Assumptions.



Possible Damages

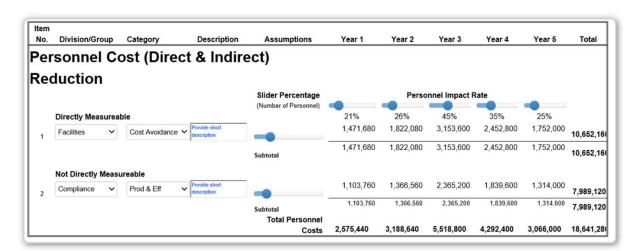
Taken from the **Economic Input** this section enables the user to input what the **Expected Damages** from regulations, legal action, PR and other may be in any given year. As with other inputs to the model, the user is allowed to express his or her option of the impact by year. This enables a high level of granularity.



Note: **Possible Damages** are included in the **Not Directly Measureable** line item in the Economic Value Summary below. As with other intangible or **Not Directly Measurable** variables, the goal is to reduce or eliminate this "risk exposure."

Personnel Cost Reductions

These are a function of the **Number of Personnel** (Slider Percentage) and their **Blended Cost** (Average) from the **Economic Input** Tab and the **Impact Rate** (Slider Bar) or the percentage of individuals who can tasked with other jobs as a result of the investment. You can also decide what percentage are a function of **Directly Measureable** and **Not Directly Measureable** scenarios. Note that either can be set to zero (0) if you desire.



Step Six—Economic Value Summary

Part of the power of the EVPM is the ability to easily run an unlimited number of *scenarios*. You are encouraged to experiment as assess the *sensitivity* of your project to impact of different **Components**. Play with this EVPM and develop one that has the maximum impact on your organization.

This is the final EVPM over the 5-year period and the Net Present Value of the project. Technically, a positive NPV suggests the project adds value to the enterprise, but in practice management likes to see this number as overwhelming high. This model factors in **SUBJECTIVE RISK ASSESSMENT** as well.

Components include:

- Investment in Solution—from TCO Tab
- Total Economic Value—from the three categories, Directly Measureable, Not Directly Measureable and Personnel Cost
- Net Total—Total Economic Value minus the Investment in Solution
- **Net Present Value**—defined as the difference between the Present Value (PV) of cash inflows and the PV of cash outflows. Generally, if NPV is positive the project is economically viable. Most large organizations use this metric when evaluating investments.

| | Initial | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Tota |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| nvestment in Solution | 130,000 | 125,000 | 140,000 | 140,000 | 140,000 | 140,000 | 815,000 |
| Total Economic Value | | | | | | | |
| Directly Measureable | | 4,168,665 | 3,808,410 | 3,190,830 | 2,984,970 | 3,139,365 | 17,292,240 |
| Not Directly Measureable | | 717,350 | 7,500,275 | 729,350 | 648,510 | 2,584,650 | 12,180,135 |
| Personnel Cost | | 1,538,840 | 1,538,840 | 843,880 | 1,191,360 | 1,141,720 | 6,254,640 |
| Total Value | | 6,424,855 | 12,847,525 | 4,764,060 | 4,824,840 | 6,865,735 | 35,727,015 |
| Net Total | -130,000 | 6,299,855 | 12,707,525 | 4,624,060 | 4,684,840 | 6,725,735 | 34,912,015 |
| | | Net Present Value ② 10% | | | | | 23,402,102 |

Step Seven—Dashboard

The **Dashboard** Tab provides different ways to view or report the Economic Value Proposition Matrix[®]. While simple in this version, data presentation can be configured to meet your requirements.

The Dashboard is an Output of the model. There is no input from the user for the Tab.

Managing the Model

The model is powerful and solves high value problems. While straightforward in its navigation and use, there are additional capabilities available (primarily) in the Paid versions.

AutoSave

The Free version is available to all and as such is an open system that users can use for small assessments. While, it does not save, the results can be preserved using the tools provide in the Output section.

For paid versions AutoSave is continuous and the iterative collaboration among organizational is always captured. Hitting the **I'm Done** button captures the final model

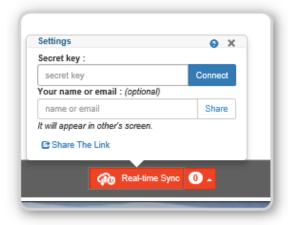
Collaboration

The Free version offers collaboration but it is not as secure as others. Therefore, exercise caution with the data and information input. Paid versions are licensed to organizations and are more secure hackers.

As shown in the following figure, you can invite others to collaborate with you on the model and finalize it. This collaboration is very powerful and adds a great deal of capability to it. The model is current, although if the model is **Reset**, the model reverts back to its default condition and is not recoverable.

The Secret Key is one you provide others who will collaborate with. Make sure you "Share The Link."

Tap on the "Real-time Sync" to start the process.



Then take the following steps:

- Enter your Secret Key. This is MINIMUM of seven (7) characters and you should follow normal password protocols, i.e., #4Uy7&qA1
- The Secret Key should be UNIQUE to this Collaborative Session
- Enter your Name or Email address to identify yourself to the other collaborators
- Now press **Connect** to create your real time collaborative session



- Cut and Past the Link and email to others
- Those you invited to collaborate on your project will receive the link in their email. Note that the Secret Key will identify this specific collaborative instance.

The Collaborative Process

To the right of the **Real-time Sync** button you will see a "bubble" which will state the number of collaborators working on the project. If you "mouse" over the bubble, the list of colleagues will appear.

Additionally, as changes are made a colored arrow with the name of the individual making the change is shown. Finally, each collaboration session is automatically saved and the next time the team "logs in" with the same Secret Key, they will commence where they left off—the changes are saved.

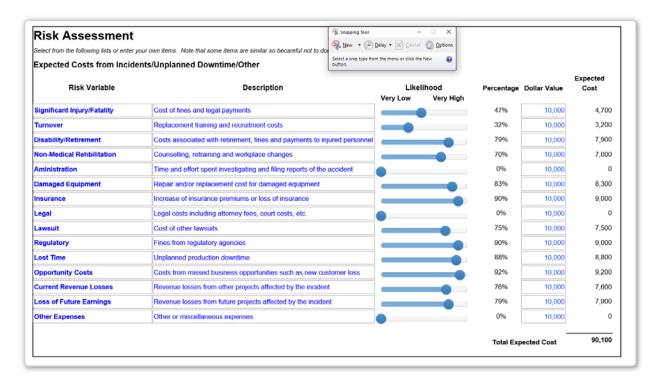
Output

When completed, the EVPM contains a wealth of information. Not just the data itself, but the process why which the team assembled and validated the data. As such it has a very high value.

This robust dynamic Cloud EVPM can contain output that is difficult to print using conventional tools. Each Tab is dynamic and may have different print/output presentation scales.

We have discovered using Screen Print solutions such as Microsoft's Snipping Tool (free) is the most effective way to "capture" this robust solution for purposes of presentations, proposal, and other static data requirements. We have found that this is the easiest way to develop high quality output images.

The following figure depicts the use of this tool. Others are available and we do not endorse any product. However, testing has shown this approach is the most effective way to capture analogue data.



Big Data

More dynamically, all of the data captured in the EVPM can be available in a database. We can provide a profile of your organization's games compared to your peer group or industry in general. This may provide insight that can impact on sales training programs.

Moreover, the output of the EVPM can be uploaded to organizational databases such as MS SharePoint or most object/relational/non-relationship databases. It can then be used for broader purposes outside EVPM purposes.

Contact us for additional information and price.

APP

In the near future, we will have a Mobile APP. Current users of the Standard and Platinum versions can be upgraded at no charge.

Addition KPIs

This Economic Value Proposition Matrix® model originated in in the first part of the century as the result of a consulting engagement to assess the value of a software investment in a heavy industrial environment. It has been extensively used for over a decade in a myriad of projects.

A number of Risk Assessment and KPIs have been developed including the following:

- Across the Petroleum Value Chain
- Security
- Power Generation and Transmission
- Software
- Manufacturing
- Others

These are available to customize your EVPM. Contact us for availability and price.

Conclusion

We hope you found this guide helpful. Other resources are available including online training, video (forth coming) and individual consultation. Talk to your RRI business development representative for more information.

info@theRRInstitute.com

See our **EVPM** webpage for additional information.

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Management will understand the output of the EVPM because it speaks in their language!

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- 3.7.1 The Trial Use is provided "AS-IS", without warranty or support of any kind, express or implied;
- 3.7.2 Unless you have notified RRI that you wish to convert the trial to a full subscription prior to the end of the Trial Use period, your account will automatically terminate at the end of the Trial Use period; and
- 3.7.3 Upon termination of your Trial Use Period, unless you have previously converted to a full subscription, all Client Documents stored by you as part of the Service will be permanently deleted without notice to you, and you will have no right to access the Service or any of your Client Documents after termination.
- 3.8 You warrant and agree not to:
- Violate any local, state, national or international law or regulation in connection with use of the Service, or otherwise use the Service in any way that is in furtherance of criminal, fraudulent, or other unlawful activity
- Interfere with or disrupt the Service or servers or networks connected to the Service
- Violate any codes of conduct, requirements, terms of use, policies or regulations of networks connected to the Service
- Interfere with or attempt to interfere with any other person's use of the Service
- Gain access to or attempt to gain access to any account, computers or networks related to the Service without authorization
- •Use the Service to send or otherwise make available any viruses, Trojan horses, worms, corrupted files, or any other similar software that may damage the operation of another's computer or property
- •Use the Service in a manner that results in excessive bandwidth usage, as determined in RRI's sole discretion

- •Impersonate any other person or entity, or misrepresent your affiliation with any other person or entity
- Forge headers or otherwise manipulate identifiers in order to disguise the origin of any content or communication transmitted through the Service
- 3.9 As part of the Service, RRI may offer access to one or more application programming interfaces ("APIs"). RRI provides the APIs on an "AS-IS" basis, without warranty or support of any kind, express or implied. You acknowledge and agree that your use of the APIs is at your own risk, and that the APIs may be removed at any time from the Service without notice to you.

4. Intellectual Property

- 4.1 You agree that RRI and its licensors own all intellectual property rights in and to the Service, the Software, and the Site, including but not limited to the look and feel, structure, organization, design, algorithms, templates, data models, logic flow, text, graphics, logos, and screen displays associated therewith. You will not reverse engineer, decompile or disassemble the Software, or otherwise attempt to reconstruct or discover the source code for the Software. You further agree not to resell, lease, assign, distribute, time share or otherwise commercially exploit or make the Service available to any third party for such third party's benefit. You may make a single copy of the Downloaded Software for backup purposes only; provided that any such copies contain the same proprietary rights notices that appear on the Downloaded Software. RRI reserves all rights in the Service and the Software not expressly granted to you hereunder.
- 4.2 You shall retain ownership of the documents and related materials and information you upload in connection with the Service ("Client Documents"). RRI shall not access or otherwise use the contents of any Client Documents, unless you give specific written permission to such access in connection with RRI's handling of a support or implementation issue. Solely in order to provide the Service to you, RRI may copy, archive, index, and create metadata relating to the Client Documents. RRI may derive and compile from your usage of the Service certain aggregated and/or analytical information, so long as such aggregated or analytical information does not reveal the contents of any Client Documents. Such aggregated data and metadata may be used for RRI's own purposes without restriction, including, but not limited to, using such data in conjunction with data from other sources to improve RRI's products and services and create new products.
- 4.3 RRI shall have a royalty-free, worldwide, transferable, and perpetual license to use or incorporate into the Service any suggestions, ideas, enhancement requests, feedback, or other information provided by you or any Authorized User relating to the Service.
- 4.4 RRI's trademarks include Economic Value Proposition Matrix, EVPM, and the RRI logo. SpreedsheetConverter(R) is a registered trademark of Framtidsforum I&M AB, Sweden. Office(R), Outlook(R), Windows(R) and SharePoint(R) are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation. Any other company or product names used on the Site or in connection with the Service are the property of the respective trademark owner.

5. Fees and Expenses

- You (or the legal entity you are employed by) shall pay RRI all applicable fees associated with the Service as set forth in the Site and/or Order Form, and in accordance with the terms set forth therein. All payments under this Agreement are non-refundable and, unless otherwise agreed, shall be made in United States dollars. Past-due payments will be subject to late payment charges of the lesser of: (a) one and one-half percent (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ %) per month, or (b) the maximum rate allowed by law. The fees and rates under this Agreement are subject to change by RRI upon at least thirty (30) days written notice, which notice may include by posting the updated fees and rates on the Site.
- 5.2 You shall be responsible for all applicable taxes, however designated, incurred in connection with this Agreement, including but not limited to state and local privilege, excise, sales, VAT, and use taxes and any taxes or amounts in lieu thereof paid or payable by RRI, but excluding taxes based upon the net income of RRI.
- 5.3 If a payment becomes past due, RRI reserves the right to suspend or terminate the Service as covered in section 7.3. RRI has the right to change payment terms, including by requiring upfront payment for the Service, in its discretion based on your payment history and/or financial status.

6. Confidentiality and Security

- "Confidential Information" means any information or data that is disclosed by one party to the other party pursuant to this Agreement that is marked as confidential. In addition, your Confidential Information includes the Client Documents (whether or not marked), and Confidential Information of RRI (whether or not marked) includes the Service and Software, as well as the structure, organization, design, algorithms, templates, data models, logic flow, and screen displays associated with the Service and Software. Confidential Information does not include information that the receiving party can show:

 (a) is or becomes publicly known or available without breach of this Agreement; (b) is received by a receiving party from a third party without breach of any obligation of confidentiality; or (c) was previously known by the receiving party as shown by its written records.
- A receiving party agrees: (a) to hold the disclosing party's Confidential Information in confidence, and to protect the disclosing party's Confidential Information in the same manner that it protects the confidentiality of its own similar confidential information (but in no event using less than reasonable care); and (b) except as expressly authorized by this Agreement, not to, directly or indirectly, use, disclose, copy, transfer or allow access to the disclosing party's Confidential Information. Without limiting the foregoing, you shall disclose and allow access to the Service only for the purpose of supporting and augmenting your use of the Service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a receiving party may disclose Confidential Information of the disclosing party as required by law, applicable regulatory authorities, or court order; in such event, such party shall use diligent efforts to inform the other party prior to any such required disclosure.
- 6.3 Each party acknowledges and agrees that any violation of this Section 6 may cause the disclosing party irreparable injury for which the disclosing party would have no adequate remedy at law, and that

the disclosing party shall be entitled to preliminary and other injunctive relief against the receiving party for any such violation. Such injunctive relief shall be in addition to, and not in limitation of, all other remedies or rights that disclosing party shall have at law or in equity.

- RRI will take reasonable security measures designed to protect your Confidential Information, including your Client Documents. These measures will include the use of reasonable physical, administrative, and technical security techniques and systems designed to prevent unauthorized access and disclosure, maintain data accuracy, and ensure appropriate use of your Confidential Information.
- 6.5 You agree to the terms of RRI's privacy statement, which is incorporated herein by reference (including any changes to RRI's privacy statement made in accordance with its terms).
- 6.6 Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, the receiving party will return to the disclosing party or destroy all Confidential Information delivered or disclosed to the receiving party (including, with respect to you as receiving party, the Downloaded Software), together with all copies in existence thereof at any time made by the receiving party; provided that return of Client Documents by RRI to you is covered by Section 7.6 below.

7. Term and Termination

- 7.1 This Agreement will be effective as of the Effective Date and, unless sooner terminated as herein provided, will continue for the period of time set forth in the Order Form (the "Initial Term"). Thereafter, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive renewal terms (each renewal term being the same length as the Initial Term) based on RRI's then-current fees, unless either party provides written notice of its intent to terminate this Agreement at least thirty (30) days prior to the end of the Initial Term or applicable renewal term.
- 7.2 Either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice if the other party materially breaches any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and such material breach is not cured within the thirty (30) day period. RRI will have the right to suspend your use of or access to the Service in the event RRI determines in its sole discretion that you have breached this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, termination and suspensions relating to late payments by you are covered in Section 7.3 below.
- 7.3 If a payment becomes thirty (30) days or more overdue, RRI reserves the right to suspend your access to the Service without liability to you, until payment is made in full. If any payment becomes forty-five (45) days or more overdue, RRI may terminate this Agreement upon notice to you.
- 7.4 RRI may terminate this Agreement without cause upon at least sixty (60) days prior written notice. In such event, you will be entitled to a refund of any prepaid amounts for Service not delivered.
- 7.5 The terms provided in Sections 4, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 of this Agreement shall survive any termination of this Agreement. In addition, upon termination you shall promptly pay RRI all outstanding amounts due to RRI under this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated by RRI due to your breach,

which you fail to cure after receipt of written notice, or if you terminate this Agreement without cause prior to the end of the then-current term, then all fees unpaid for the remainder of the current term shall become immediately due and payable by you to RRI as liquidated damages, without any further demand by RRI. The parties acknowledge that RRI's actual damages arising from such termination would be difficult to determine with accuracy and, accordingly, have agreed to the foregoing liquidated damages, which the parties acknowledge is a reasonable estimate of RRI's potential losses.

7.6 Within thirty (30) days after termination, you may request in writing that RRI provide you with access to a copy of all Client Documents, and RRI will provide such Client Documents so long as you pay the then-current fee for such service.

8. Independent Contractors; Publicity

- 8.1 The parties are and intend to be independent contractors with respect to the services contemplated hereunder. RRI agrees that neither it, its employees nor its contractors shall be considered as having an employee status with you. No form of joint employer, joint venture, partnership, or similar relationship between the parties is intended or hereby created.
- 8.2 You agree that RRI may include you as a customer in promotional material for the Service and/or for RRI, including use of your logos, trademarks, trade names and similar identifying material. You can revoke this right by submitting a request via e-mail to RRI. Upon receipt of such request, RRI will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove any reference to you from such promotional material within 30 days and make no further reference to you. Upon RRI's request, you agree to participate in a mutually agreed press release regarding the relationship established by this Agreement. In addition, you agree from time to time, as reasonably requested by RRI and subject to your approval, to participate in RRI promotional activities, such as preparation of case studies; participation in media interviews; and preparation of quotes and other marketing materials for RRI.

9. Warranties; Disclaimers

- 9.1 You and RRI each warrant that they have full authority to enter into this Agreement and are not bound by any contractual or legal restrictions from fulfilling their obligations hereunder. In addition, RRI warrants that the Service will substantially conform to the written or electronic documentation provided by RRI in connection with the Service. In the event of a breach of this warranty by RRI, as your sole and exclusive remedy, RRI will, at its expense, use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Service to conform.
- 9.2 You represent and warrant that all Client Documents and associated content and data ("Client Data") provided to RRI in connection with your use of the Site and the Service: (i) is owned by you, or you have the full right to provide the Client Data to RRI; (ii) does not infringe or misappropriate any copyright, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual property right; (iii) does not violate any person's right of privacy or publicity; and (iv) does not contain any unlawful, obscene, defamatory or libelous material. You further represent and warrant that your use of Client Data on the Site or in connection

with the Service is not in breach of any covenant or obligation of confidentiality that you have to any other person or entity. You are solely responsible for the Client Data, and acknowledge that RRI has no responsibility or intent to review or monitor any Client Data.

- 9.3 You shall be solely responsible for your use of the Service, and, except as otherwise agreed in writing by the parties, for maintaining backup copies of the Client Documents. You acknowledge and agree that the Service is strictly a tool to be used in conjunction with good and reasonable business judgment by competent personnel.
- 9.4 In connection with the provision of the Service, RRI may use third-party content, software, web sites, and/or systems ("Third-Party Systems"). RRI does not provide any warranties or guarantees regarding any Third-Party Systems, and you waive any claim against RRI with respect to such Third-Party Systems. However, RRI agrees to use reasonable efforts to correct, replace or provide workarounds for any issues with Third-Party Systems reported by Customer that affect the functioning of the Service. Your use and access of Third-Party Systems may be subject to the terms published or otherwise made available by the third-party providers of the Third-Party Systems.
- 9.5 RRI does not warrant that the Service will operate without interruption or error-free, or that the Service will be totally secure. Under no circumstances will RRI be held liable for any loss of Client Documents. To the extent that data is being transmitted over the Internet hereunder, you acknowledge that RRI has no control over the functioning of the Internet, and RRI makes no representations or warranties of any kind regarding the performance of the Internet. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT, RRI MAKES NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, NONINFRINGEMENT, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR ANY WARRANTIES ARISING AS A RESULT OF CUSTOMER USAGE IN THE TRADE OR BY COURSE OF DEALING.

10. Indemnification

You, at your expense, shall indemnify, defend and hold RRI and its officers, directors, owners, employees, and affiliates harmless from and against all liability, damages, injuries, losses, costs and expenses (including attorney's fees) arising out of or relating to your use of the Service, including but not limited to liability, damages, injuries, losses, costs and expenses arising from any claims relating to: (a) your breach of any representations, warranties, or covenants in this Agreement, (b) your compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and (c) the Client Documents. RRI shall provide you with prompt written notice of any such claim.

11. Liability

11.1 The limit of RRI's liability (whether in contract, tort, negligence, strict liability in tort, or by statute or otherwise) to you or to any third party concerning performance or non-performance by RRI, or in any manner related to this Agreement or the Service, for any and all claims shall not exceed in the aggregate the Subscription Fees paid by you to RRI hereunder with respect to the Service at issue

(excluding any fees or charges relating to approved expenses incurred by RRI on behalf of you) during the three (3) months prior to the date that the relevant cause of action accrued.

- 11.2 In no event shall either party be liable for special, consequential, incidental, indirect or punitive loss, damage or expenses whether arising in contract or tort (including but not limited to lost profits, loss of data, or the cost of recreating lost data), even if it has been advised of their possible existence.
- 11.3 The allocations of liability in this Section represent the agreed and bargained for understanding of the parties and RRI's compensation reflects such allocation. These limitations of liability will apply notwithstanding any failure of essential purpose of any limited remedy.

12. Dispute Resolution

- 12.1 The parties agree to work together in good faith to resolve any dispute regarding this Agreement internally and by escalating it to higher levels of management and optional mediation, prior to resorting to binding arbitration.
- 12.2 Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, that cannot be resolved by good faith negotiations shall be finally settled by binding arbitration conducted in the English language in Houston, TX (USA), under the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"). The prevailing party shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorney fees incurred in connection with the arbitration in such amount as may be determined by the arbitrator. The award of the arbitrator shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the parties and shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section to the contrary, each party shall have the right to institute judicial proceedings against the other party or anyone acting by, through or under such other party, in order to enforce the instituting party's rights hereunder through specific performance, injunction or similar equitable relief.
- 12.3 This Agreement shall be interpreted, construed, and governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to its conflict of law provisions. The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this Agreement.

13. Miscellaneous

- 13.1 If you are located in the European Union, you consent to the processing of personal information in the United States by RRI in connection with the Service.
- 13.2 Neither party shall be liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations (except for payment obligations hereunder) due to causes beyond the reasonable control of the party affected, including but not limited to war, sabotage, insurrection, riot or other act of civil disobedience, strikes or other labor shortages, act of any government affecting the terms hereof, acts of terrorism, accident, fire, explosion, flood, hurricane, severe weather or other act of God, failure of telecommunication or internet service providers.

- 13.3 This Agreement (including the Order Form and any attachments thereto specifically agreed by the parties) constitutes the entire understanding of the parties with respect to its subject matter, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous written and oral communications, understandings or agreements with respect to its subject matter. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement, or of any rights or obligations of any party hereunder, will be effective unless in writing and signed by the party waiving compliance. The failure by any party to exercise any right provided herein shall not be deemed a waiver or forfeiture of any such right. Headings used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed a part of this Agreement.
- 13.4 You shall have no right to assign this Agreement or any of your obligations hereunder. RRI may assign this Agreement and any of its rights hereunder to third parties.
- Every provision of this Agreement is intended to be severable. If any section of this Agreement is found to be invalid or unenforceable, then such section will be deemed amended and interpreted, if possible, in a way that renders it enforceable. If such an interpretation is not possible, then the section will be deemed removed from this Agreement and the rest of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.
- 13.6 This Agreement does not designate either party as the agent, employee, legal representative, partner or joint venture of the other party for any purpose whatsoever. There are no intended third-party beneficiaries under this Agreement.
- 13.7 You agree to comply with all relevant export laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the U.S. Export Administration Regulations and Executive Orders ("Export Controls"). You warrant that you are not a person, company or destination restricted or prohibited by Export Controls ("Restricted Person"). You will not, directly or indirectly, export, re-export, divert, or transfer the Software or Service, any portion thereof or any materials, items or technology relating to RRI's business or related technical data or any direct product thereof to any Restricted Person.

14. Agreement and Amendments

- 14.1 By completing the registration process, and/or using the Service, you represent that you are 18 years old or older, are authorized to bind any legal entity that you represent, and agree to all of the terms in this Agreement. You may print or download and keep a copy of this Agreement.
- 14.2 RRI reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify or change this Agreement at any time by posting the changes to the Site. Your continued use of the Site or Service following the posting of such changes constitutes acceptance of those changes. RRI will use reasonable commercial efforts to provide notice of material changes to you. RRI also reserves the right to modify the Site and the Service at any time without prior notice to you.
- 14.3 RRI will periodically send emails regarding the Service, including general information about RRI's technology and business. You can unsubscribe from email communications using our unsubscribe process.