

# Microsoft Project for the Web Accelerator vs. FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator

Project, program, and portfolio managers need the best solutions to efficiently manage your PPM lifecycles. With Microsoft Project for the Web, organizations have a robust PPM system to meet your evolving needs. However, some organizations prefer not to spend much time on Project for the Web deployment. They want it quickly configured with minimal involvement. They also seek for more out-of-the-box capabilities.

- PMs require capabilities to manage projects, portfolios, and programs more efficiently. But Project for the Web features are limited to task and resource management.
- Project for the Web doesn't provide the capabilities to promote and escalate risks and issues in their projects, programs, and portfolios. It undermines efficient risk management.
- PMs need to manage requests and changes to avoid scope confusion. But Project for the Web does not provide request management capabilities.
- PMs cannot streamline their budgets because Project for the Web doesn't support project, program, and portfolio financials.

As a PM, you need a robust solution to extend these capabilities. Currently, Microsoft Accelerator and FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator lead the pack.

	Microsoft Project for the Web	Microsoft Project for the Web Accelerator solution	FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator for Project for the Web
<b>Task Management</b>			
Task Management	✓	✓	✓
Project teams and assignments	✓	✓	✓
Scheduling	✓	✓	✓
Task Dependencies	✓	✓	✓
Timeline (Gantt)	✓	✓	✓
<b>Resource Management</b>			
Project team setup	✓	✓	✓
<b>Portfolio, Program and Project Management</b>			
Roadmaps	✓	✗	✓
Portfolio Management	✗	✗	✓
Portfolio Health	✗	✗	✓
Portfolio Financials	✗	✗	✓
Portfolio Issues	✗	✗	✓
Portfolio Risks	✗	✗	✓
Promote Portfolio Risks to Portfolio Issues	✗	✗	✓
Program Management	✗	✓	✓
Program Health	✗	✓	✓
Program Financials	✗	✓	✓
Program Issues	✗	✗	✓
Escalate Program Issue to Portfolio Issue	✗	✗	✓
Recall Issue escalation to Portfolio with approval process	✗	✗	✓
Program Risks	✗	✗	✓
Escalate Program Risk to Portfolio Risk	✗	✗	✓
Recall Risk escalation to Portfolio with approval process	✗	✗	✓
Promote Program Risk to Program Issue	✗	✗	✓
Project Management	✗	✓	✓
Portfolio-Program-Project association	✗	partial (Program-Project association)	✓
Project Health	✗	✓	✓
Project Financials	✗	✓	✓
Project Issues	✗	✓	✓
Escalate Project Issue to Program Issue	✗	✗	✓
Recall Issue escalation to Program with approval process	✗	✗	✓
Project Risks	✗	✓	✓
Escalate Project Risk to Program Risk	✗	✗	✓
Recall Risk escalation to Program with approval process	✗	✗	✓
Promote Project Risk to Project Issue	✗	✗	✓
Status Reports	✗	✓	✓
Lessons Learned	✗	✗	✓
Documents	✗	✗	✓
Project Lifecycle business flow	✗	✗	✓

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<b>Requests Management</b>			
Change requests for projects	✗	✓	✓
Approval workflow with Power Automate for change requests	✗	✗	✓
Email notifications for change requests	✗	✗	✓
Project requests/ideas		✓	✓
Email notifications for project requests/ideas	✗	✗	✓
Voting for project requests ideas	✗	✗	✓
Project creation from project request/idea	✗	✓	✓
<b>Reporting</b>			
Power BI report pack	✗	✓	✓
In-built report dashboards	✗	✗	✓
Embedded Power BI reports	✗	✗	✓
<b>Consulting Services</b>			
Changes and customizations to Accelerator configuration	✗	✗	✓
Changes and customizations to Power BI reports (up to to 3 reports)	✗	✗	✓
<b>Project Data Migration</b>			
Migration from Microsoft Planner	✗	✗	✓
Migration from Microsoft Project Online	✗	✗	✓
<b>Security</b>			
Backup	✗	✗	✓
Restore	✗	✗	✓

## How FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator simplifies PPM lifecycles

FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator is built on Microsoft Power Platform, like Project for the Web. It extends Project for the Web functionality, allowing for:

- Flexible portfolio, program, and project management.
- Extensive project data collection, analysis, and processing.
- Efficient identification, management, and escalation of risks, with automatic recording of identified issues in your projects, programs, and portfolios.
- Quick budget reviews and strategic allocation of funds using a context-specific Budget Allocation module.
- Efficient change request management with approval flow.

FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator offers real-time dashboards and an embedded Power BI report pack. It also encourages stakeholders to share ideas and challenges. You can create portfolios and projects using bottom-to-top or high-level planning. These capabilities eliminate complexities and streamline your PPM lifecycles—from ideation, implementation, and management.

## What differentiates FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator from Microsoft Accelerator?

Both solutions are built on the Power Platform and extend Project for the Web. However, FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator offers more features and advanced PPM capabilities.

- Unlike the Microsoft solution with zero portfolio management options and limited choices for program and project levels, FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator supports a wide range of capabilities.
- The FluentPro solution offers capabilities for managing portfolio, program, and project health, issues, risks, and financials. Microsoft Accelerator only includes these capabilities for project and program levels.
- FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator allows you to promote portfolio and program risks to issues. You can also escalate project and program issues and risks to the program or portfolio, and recall them with approval. Microsoft Accelerator does not support these capabilities.
- FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator supports Lessons Learned, Documents, and Project Lifecycle Business Flow. Microsoft Accelerator does not support these options.
- FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator offers extended request management like voting for project ideas, change request email notifications, and workflow approvals with Power Automate. Microsoft Accelerator includes limited options, and only change requests for projects and project ideas.
- The FluentPro team offers excellent consulting services, including customized configuration and Power BI reports.

FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator's advanced PPM capabilities enable flexible portfolio, program, and project management, strategic budget allocation, efficient risk prevention, and change control. It will help you efficiently adopt and leverage Project for the Web.

# Benefits of using FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator for Project for the Web

Extending Project for the Web functionality using FluentPro Portfolio Accelerator offers several benefits for your organization.

## Quick Start

With Portfolio Accelerator, you get a fully configured Microsoft Project for the Web environment. You get up and running instantly.

## Avoid Complexities

Portfolio Accelerator provides 100% automation of project and portfolio management processes. It simplifies project creation, risk management, budget request reviews, fund allocation, and more.

## Save Time

Portfolio Accelerator delivers up to 90% in time-saving on Microsoft Project for the Web deployment.

## Eliminate Risks

Portfolio Accelerator enables efficient risk and issue management. It can help you identify and eliminate risks before they become problematic.

## Enhanced Decision-Making

With Portfolio Accelerator, you get predefined performance reports for decision-making. You can rely on the FluentPro team to optimize and customize Project for the Web to your business goals, PPM processes, and specific needs.

The FluentPro team offers consulting services and performs fully managed deployment, enabling 100% work reduction.

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