

Consultancy Services

Centre
for SOFTWARE
Engineering



The Consultancy Challenge

Sometimes we all need a helping hand. Often we are too busy with day to day development issues to take time out, stand back and see how we might make life easier for ourselves by changing the way we do things. Bringing in someone from outside of the company can help.

Our consultants will be able to give you an independent view of your strengths and weaknesses by drawing upon:

- their own background in software development
- their knowledge of international Best Practice
- their experience of having helped others through similar problems and knowing the practical difficulties that might arise
- their understanding of the cultural issues involved in implementing change and how to obtain company buy-in

We will help you work out a strategy for change and improvement and help you to implement it.

Our aim is not to do things for you but to help you do to them for yourself.

In this way you gain and retain valuable knowledge that will help your company both now and in the future. Our services are flexible and are very much tailored to your needs.

Our Consultancy Service

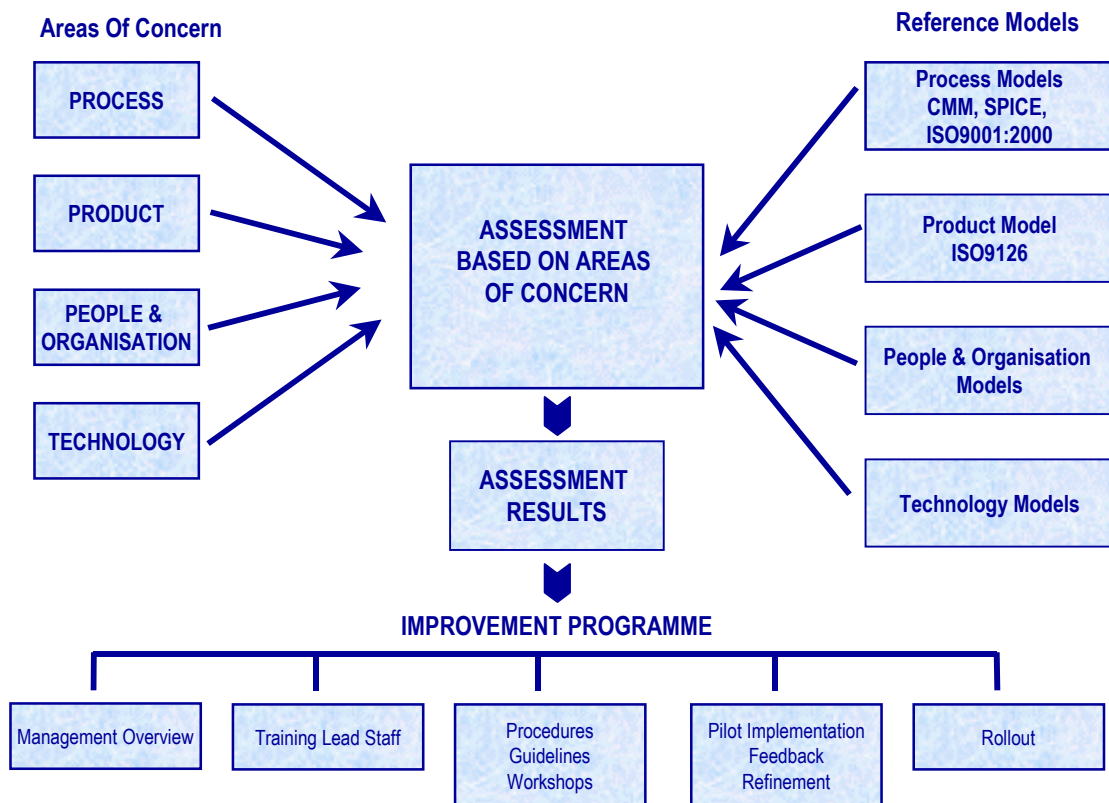
Typically you will have concerns in one or more of the following areas:

- Process
- Product
- People & Organisational
- Technology

We offer a range of consultancy services which can be carried out as individual assignments or which can be packaged together with in-house training (from our portfolio of public courses, or specifically tailored for you needs). While providing a service to all size of companies, we are particularly conscious of the issues which are specific to SMEs (small and medium sized enterprises).

Our approach allows us to combine our expertise with your problems to produce a solution both appropriate and relevant to your specific situation.

The Consultancy Process



Typical Assignments include:

- mentoring for companies to help them implement a Quality System including preparation and pre-assessment for ISO 9001:2000
- informal and formal CMM[®] assessments
- process improvement strategy and implementation of an improvement programme suitable for your organisation
- advice and assistance on introducing RAD, object technologies and component-based development
- advice and assistance on product strategy
- product evaluations in terms of the feasibility of product development and also end product quality
- advice and assistance on business strategy
- advice and assistance on implementing cultural change
- advice and assistance on evaluating and introducing emerging software technologies
- advice and assistance on Intellectual Property Rights
- a mediation and arbitration service

promoting better software

CSE Profile

The Centre for Software Engineering was established in 1991. It is the national focal point and support service for the software development community within Ireland - helping it to improve its quality and productivity and implement best practice.

- We provide a varied and targeted range of **training** covering a range of software engineering topics
- Our **consultancy** services are aimed at complementing our training to provide more specific support to all types of software developers
- We also carry out product, process and technology **evaluations** for companies
- We organise a major **software conference** each year
- We provide a useful **information** service through our website and extensive on-site library
- Finally, by being involved in many European projects and other **international activities** we help to disseminate new ideas and best practice in software development

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