Practical Software Measurement

A guide to objective program insight



Systems Engineering Measurement

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Workshop Objectives

- Identify Initial User Requirements To be Addressed in PSysM
- Assess Current Plans for PSysM Guidance and Products - Identify Realistic Schedule and Content for Planned Product Versions
- Establish Basis for Joint INCOSE PSM Approach to Systems Engineering Measurement
- Establish PSysM Project Plan

Workshop Background

- PSM Guidance Focusing on Issue Based Measurement Developed Over Past 3 Years
- Interim INCOSE Guidebook Issued in 1996
- Collaboration of INCOSE and PSM Initiative

PSysM Overview

- <u>Objective</u> Joint INCOSE-PSM Systems Engineering Measurement Products
- SE Products Based on Existing PSM Approach - Structure
- Foundation PSM Derived Measurement Process With Specific SE Issues/Measures
- Link Systems and Software Analysis
- Joint Development Implementation Team
- Phased Development Plan

Key Discussion Topics

- PSysM Measurement Principles
- PSysM Target Audience Guidance Scope
- Specific Topics for Inclusion in PSysM
- **PSysM Products and Product Formats**
- PSysM Development Approach
- PSysM Training Requirements
- Participant Questions and Input

Workshop Agenda

- 8:30 10:00 Review Current PSysM Project Background and Goals
- 10:00 10:30 Break
- 10:30 12:00 Initial Topics for PSysM
- 12:00 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 3:00 Approach for PSysM Development
- 3:00 7:00 Free Time
- 7:00 9:00 Prepare Summary Briefing

Intended Audience

- System Engineering Project and Technical Managers
- PSM Technical Working Group Members
- INCOSE Metrics Working Group Members
- PSM Users with System Responsibilities

Intended Output

- Recommendations for Scope and Content of PSysM Guidance and Products
- Comments on the Proposed Approach to Development of PSysM
- Recommendations for Initial Measurement Topics to be Addressed
- Establishment of PSysM Project Plan

System vs Software Issues

- For Systems, interfaces become more complex and of major concern
- For Systems, the Human Element comes into play
- For Systems, Customer Satisfaction is a key measurement area for the system's developer
- Some measurements are unique to software (Lines of Code)
- Enginering disciples for both are not mature in some life cycle phases (e.g. the early phases)
- Basic management approach and concerns (cost, schedule, performance, quality, functionality) are the same