

Enable organizations to reduce project failures & optimize performance!

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The future of this platform is very bright, with the current trend towards improved project management practice, especially with the increase in virtual activities in light of the COVID 19 outbreak. The Uruk Platform would be unique in its ability to handle project management, as it comes from developers who have abundant hands on experience with project management. The spread and implementation of the platform is already planned, and will take place on a global scale. I believe their success is forecasted in the near future.

Invested \$15,000 this round & \$45,000 previously

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Highlights

- 1 Uruk facilitates product delivery & benefits realization, possibly generating 20%+ in savings.
- 2 The platform is ready for use by early adopters; we have about 60+ users exploring the platform.
- 3 Uruk Founders has more than 100 years of project leadership & worked on projects worth >\$5 billion.
- 4 Founders are project management thought leaders, building a pioneering PM digital solution.
- 5 Uruk Platform would save organizations significant time & money in getting their product to market.
- 6 Uruk offers teams, management, and community collaboration leading to informed decision making.
- 7 Uruk enables real-time performance tracking and facilitates performance optimization.
- 8 Uruk is built with experience, backed by expertise, and nurtured by passion.

Our Team



Mounir A. Ajam CEO & Chief Innovator

Project management (PM) Innovator with decades of global expertise. Developed management models to help organizations Lead Projects Concept to Success. Author of many PM books. Product Owner and creator of the Uruk Platform!

It is painful to see too many failed and troubled projects and not learn our lessons. Failures to meet some or all projects' objectives cost the global economy trillions of US\$, and a fraction of that could help improve humanity. We know the root causes, and our solution will revolutionize the way organizations manage projects.



Victor Sawma CIO and Head of Development

A technology expert with 20+ years in producing and maintaining web & mobile applications with scalable architectures, high-performance hosting, security auditing, and IT consultancy. Victor is



passionate about technology serving humanity.



Nada Chaban Outreach and Professional Services

Ms. Nada Chaban holds a Master's Degree in Project Management and PMP® certification with over eighteen years of management experience in Project Management and Sales & Marketing.

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The Uruk Platform



The pitch deck and value proposition

For a presentation of our investment pitch, please [check this link](#).

Our Unique Value Proposition is:

Uruk aims to help organizations improve their project management practice by providing enterprise-specific tailorable methods to support collaborative and frictionless decisions and effective performance tracking and optimization.

If you're good, we'll make you better.

If you want to discuss this opportunity in person, you can book time with me via [this link](#).

Traction

Currently, we have 60+ people already using or exploring the platform. We have signed one memorandum of understanding with a partner in Oman to sell Uruk for their customers in their territory, and we are currently negotiating with four other potential partners.

We started to work on our go-to-market strategy and started a social media campaign to raise awareness about Uruk.

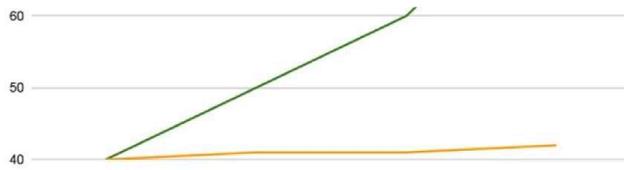
The problem

Despite the proliferation of project management software, the project success rate is still surprisingly low and stagnant. The resulting impact can amount to millions and billions of dollars of sunk costs and opportunity losses for organizations of all sizes. Although the severity might vary, the high failure rate is across all sectors.

The research on projects indicates a great deal of pain due to delays, budget overruns, and even failure of projects. Many projects fail to meet their targets and objectives. Consequently, they do not produce the anticipated profit or benefits, directly affecting shareholders' value.

The Dilemma In Project Management





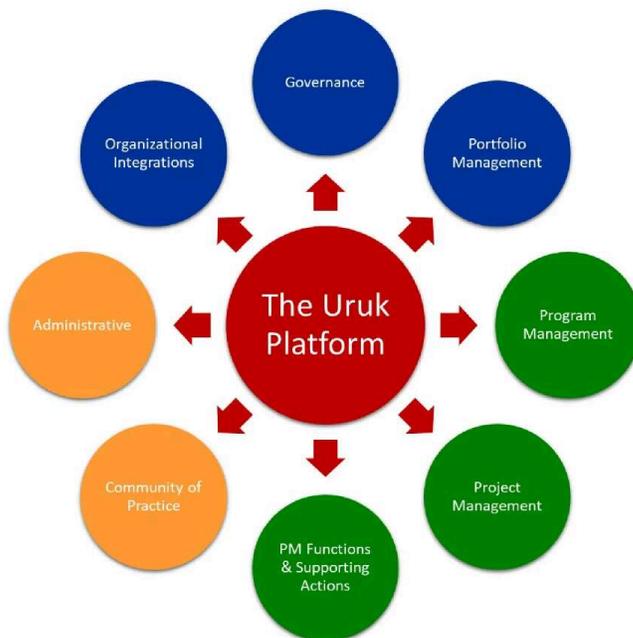
The symptoms and root cause

Project failure is a symptom of deeply embedded and numerous causes. Many experts and researchers agree that one of the primary reasons for failures is the inadequate front-end development of the project (pre-implementation). However, this is also a symptom.

We believe that the root cause is the lack of understanding and recognition of project management's true strategic value, which manifests itself in the absence of adequate and effective project management systems, if they exist at all. Poor systems (and project management culture) lead to improper practices, wasted effort, and lack of integration of project management with the business and product management, among many other factors.

The solution, long term vision

The attached image presents Uruk's long-term vision. Once the vision is accomplished, it offers our community a versatile, comprehensive, integrated project management solution. Our aim is for the Uruk Platform to become an enterprise project management and organizational solution.



The project management solution will include/integrate:

- Benchmarking and predictive analytics models
- Portfolio management enables CPOs & executives to manage the portfolio and enhance strategic alignment
- Program and project management, integrating life cycle management with business, operations,
- Consolidating the results of the various project management functions
- Collaboration at various levels, including within the team during the project development work, with management for informed decision making, and with all Uruk users to create a Community of Practice
- Enhanced learning and knowledge sharing via the built-in knowledge portal and discussion forums.

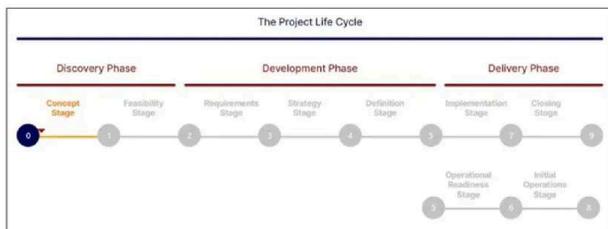
The solution, currently available for early adopters

The initial product of the Uruk Platform is available today, and we are already using it on real projects. For a video showing updates and a demo, please see below. It is a long video, but you can jump around.

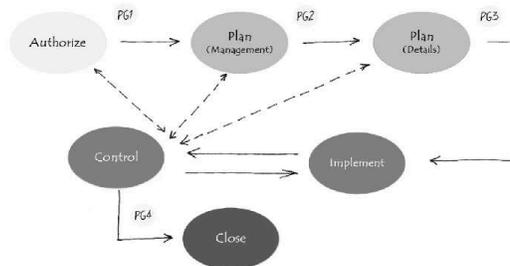


Uruk offers users the following functionalities:

- The functionality to manage the project life cycle with tailorable methods (end-to-end, concept-to-success).

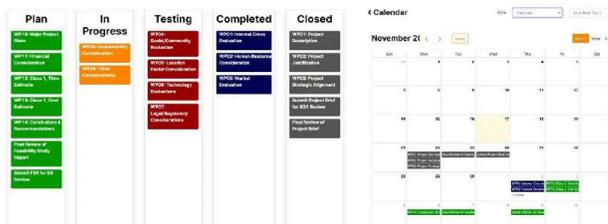


- The above image represents the standard project life cycle model. However, this is only an example of what is already included. Uruk will include numerous tailored methods applicable to a specific sector-domain-project type and class.
- Simplified and advanced modules with the processes for managing each stage.



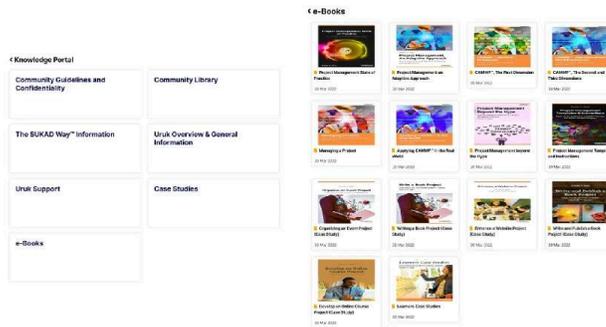
© 2017 Mounir A. Ajam | The revised process groups (main processes) per the CAMMP™ Model

- Simplified modules to consolidate the output of project management functions/actions.
- Performance charts, reports, and dashboards.
- Task management, with different views, including calendar & Kanban views.



- Time tracking and timesheets.
- The knowledge portal has numerous e-books, case studies, clarifications,

and guidelines. The portal also includes a section for contributions by any Uruk user.



- Collaboration at various levels, including within the team, during the project development work with management for informed decision making, and with all Uruk users to create a Community of Practice.
- There are numerous built-in templates for stage deliverables, stage gates, schedule, cost, captured lessons, issues and risk management, etc.

2	Project Name	825.5 hrs	Wed 11/17/21	Mon 3/21/22	89 days
3	Project Set-up (Uruk)	4 hrs	Wed 11/17/21	Fri 11/19/21	2.19 days
9	Discovery Phase	174.5 hrs	Fri 11/19/21	Wed 12/15/21	18.81 days
10	Concept Stage (CS)	70.5 hrs	Fri 11/19/21	Wed 12/1/21	8.81 days
11	CS Plan the Stage	6.5 hrs	Fri 11/19/21	Fri 11/19/21	0.81 days
16	CS Develop the Project Brief	16 hrs	Mon 11/22/21	Wed 11/24/21	3 days
22	CS Manage & Control Stage	32 hrs	Mon 11/22/21	Thu 11/25/21	4 days
27	CS SG1 Review (Project Brief Approval)	16 hrs	Wed 11/24/21	Fri 11/26/21	3 days
31	CS Close the Stage	0 hrs	Mon 11/29/21	Wed 12/1/21	3 days
35	Feasibility Stage (FS)	104 hrs	Fri 11/26/21	Wed 12/15/21	14 days
36	FS Plan the Stage	32 hrs	Fri 11/26/21	Wed 12/1/21	4 days
41	FS Conduct Feasibility Study	16 hrs	Thu 12/2/21	Thu 12/9/21	6 days
58	FS Manage & Control Stage	32 hrs	Thu 12/2/21	Tue 12/7/21	4 days
63	FS SG2 Review (Initial Project Approval)	8 hrs	Wed 12/8/21	Mon 12/13/21	4 days
67	FS Project Authorization Document	16 hrs	Mon 12/13/21	Tue 12/14/21	2 days
70	FS Close the Stage	0 hrs	Mon 12/13/21	Wed 12/15/21	3 days
74	Development Phase	319 hrs	Wed 12/15/21	Mon 2/14/22	44 days
75	Requirements Stage (RS)	103 hrs	Wed 12/15/21	Wed 1/5/22	16 days
76	RS Plan the Stage	32 hrs	Wed 12/15/21	Mon 12/20/21	4 days
81	RS Develop the Project Requirements Document (PRD)	31 hrs	Tue 12/21/21	Thu 12/30/21	8 days
99	RS Manage & Control Stage	32 hrs	Tue 12/21/21	Fri 12/24/21	4 days
104	RS SG3 Review (Stakeholders' Alignment)	8 hrs	Thu 12/30/21	Mon 1/3/22	3 days
108	RS Close the Stage	0 hrs	Mon 1/3/22	Wed 1/5/22	3 days

Differentiators

The following are the primary differentiators:

- Project lifecycle management (from concept to success, vs. task or phase management)
- Democratization of project data, integrating functional silos (business & operations)
- Tailoring (customize to domain & project type, adapt to project size & complexity)
- Always-on, real-time access, anywhere, any time, and on any device
- Informed project decision-making due to historical project performance & analytics
- Expedited initiation and planning of projects using historical data
- Methodology-agnostic, you can use Uruk with traditional or agile development approaches.

Significant differentiator

Uruk can be a critical element in a PMO and help enhance the success of PMOs:

Significant differentiator (Uruk vs. PMO)

- Less than a week to set up Uruk versus many months for a PMO
- Initial investment cost for Uruk is a fraction of building a PM System
- Benefits starts immediately with Uruk
- Tailoring and customization is quick to implement and at a fraction of the cost



- It takes **Less than a week** to set up Uruk.
- **Hit the ground running** with an expedited onboarding and a **minimal initial investment**, at a fraction of building a system from scratch.
- **The benefits start immediately** with Uruk; instead of waiting months to build the process.
- **Tailoring and customization** are quick to implement at a fraction of the cost.
- **Client staff involvement is minimal** for set-up and maintenance, and the update is by Uruk.
- **Risk: with Uruk, Try before you Buy!**

A unique and pioneering concept, tailored methods

The Project Management Institute (PMI) and many other professional associations advocate the concept of tailoring. However, they offer concepts and theories with no practical approach. Uruk is filling this gap with the Uruk Platform's Tailorable Methods approach. The tailorable methods offer maximum diversity and flexibility. The following video is only a slide presentation but presents this concept.



Awesome features

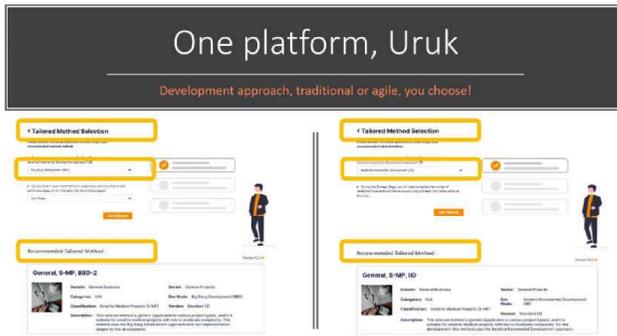
In addition to the differentiators listed earlier, check out these awesome features.

- Cloud-based
- Every stage deliverable is built-in (and customizable)
- Customizable and tailorable PLC framework
- Chat and collaboration tools
- Trigger-based notifications
- Manages project assets
- Library of PLC templates, including built-in PLC and domain-specific PLCs
- Library of [stage] deliverable templates
- Library of tailored and tailorable methods
- Review-based collaboration tools, including role-based permission levels and multiple levels of reviews
- Team-member access to deliverables

Flexible development

There is a great deal of debate about waterfall and agile. However, we prefer to take project management beyond waterfall and agile. The Uruk Platform is suitable for all methods and approaches, including traditional, hybrid, iterative,

incremental, or agile; this is why Uruk is an adaptive project management solution.



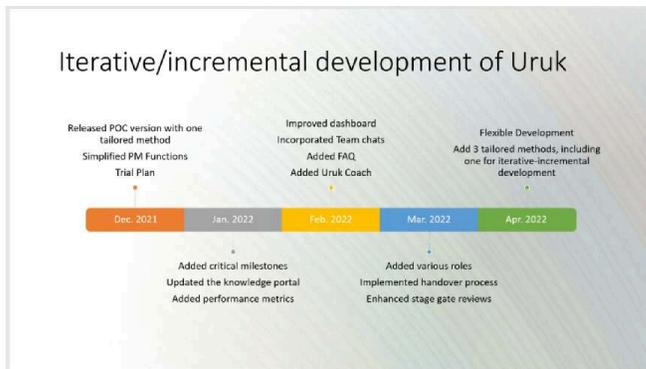
Why invest in Uruk Project Management (dba of SUKAD)?

Clarification: the company's full legal name is SUKAD Project Portfolio Management Solutions, Corp. However, we have filed with the State of Texas to operate with an assumed name (dba - doing business as) Uruk Project Management.

We know that many PPM (Project Portfolio Management) software tools are available. However, none of them offer Uruk's uniqueness, especially regarding tailorable methods with much flexibility and customization at various levels and sections of the platform. We know Uruk can become the leading project management digital solution and would enable the transformation of the project management practice.

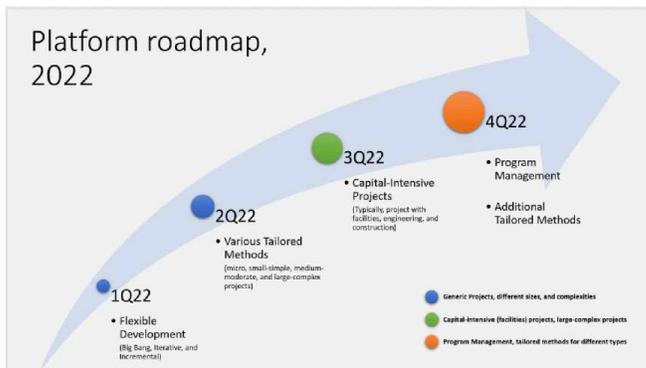
Progress to date

The following image is a high-level view of the recent releases and their scope.



2022 plan

We close with an image of the plan for 2022.



Directors and Advisors

The following image displays our board of directors and advisors. For more

information about each, please check their LinkedIn profiles. We are honored and excited to have them with us, and we appreciate their trust and support. Each of them has at least 20 years of professional experience and holds senior roles in their organizations. At least four of them are leading organizations offering project management services. They bring in expertise from hospitality, program management, pharma, medical, mining, technology, education, oil & gas, PM standards, project controls, and risk management.



1. Mr. Amr Maraie: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/amrmaraie/>
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Personal: Mounir Ajam, the Innovator behind Uruk

First-generation college graduate, immigrant entrepreneur

Growing up in a civil war enticed me to go abroad to become an engineer and help rebuild my country. I had worked my way through college and got a civil engineering degree from the University of Houston and a master's degree from the University of California at Berkeley in Engineering and Construction Management. During these years, I discovered my passion for project management.

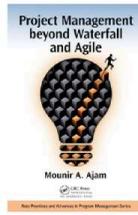
Over the years, I have obtained numerous project management certifications and am also a graduate of the PMI Leadership Master Class in 2007.

During the first half of my career, I worked on numerous capital-intensive projects, mainly in the oil & gas industry. In other words, I had learned project management in the real world, working on projects small and large, even megaprojects. I have learned the good, the bad, and even the ugly. I had seen success and failure. I learned about culture and project management maturity and how they directly contribute to project success and failures. I have been putting all of that experience into the Uruk Platform.

The learning from the second half of my career empowered me to become an entrepreneur and start SUKAD FZ-LLC (2004-2019) and SUKAD Corp (2019-present), which is now dba as Uruk Project Management.

The above experiences and our work at SUKAD led to publishing numerous e-

books and books. The main books, and most recent, were published by CRC Press (a Taylor and Francis company). These include Project Management beyond Waterfall and Agile (2017), Leading Megaprojects, and a Tailored Approach (2020). These books are directly relevant to the Uruk Platform and serve as its knowledge foundation.



Two great books about CAMMP™

The Customizable and Adaptable Methodology for Managing Projects™

Awards and Recognition

In 2011, we were selected as one of the leading 100 small companies by the Dubai Government. Ranked No 81.

This image touches on some of our other awards and recognitions.



Downloads

[Uruk PM Pitch Public Short.pdf](#)