

*"Project management is hugely important when you have 2,200 employees in 5 countries. The Microsoft Office EPM Solution will be a strategic tool for us in coordinating our global efforts."*— Leon Billis, CEO, AXA Tech

## Global insurance and services company deploys the Microsoft Office Enterprise Project Management Solution to centralize project operations

### Situation

AXA Technology Services (AXA Tech) is the infrastructure subsidiary of AXA Group, which provides products and services that meet evolving insurance, protection, savings, retirement, and estate planning needs. AXA, based in Paris, France, operates in 50 countries, spanning North America, Western Europe, and the Asia Pacific markets, and generating 2005 earnings of U.S. \$3.3 billion. With a global workforce of more than 112,000, AXA Tech needs a better solution for managing projects across the enterprise. The company has been using a collection of locally deployed project management systems, based on Microsoft® Office 2003 products, including Microsoft Office Project 2003. The solution has served the company well, but AXA needs to implement a centralized solution to provide a portal-based global view of project activity. The company also wants to enhance its activity tracking, timesheet management, and overall project management for its domestic and multinational projects. AXA Tech needs the new solution to support analysis and reporting from the repository of collected project data to provide better insights for project management and budgeting across the enterprise.

### Solution

AXA Tech, as a participant in the Microsoft Office Rapid Deployment Technology Adoption Program, is planning an early deployment of the Microsoft Office Enterprise Project

Management (EPM) Solution based on the 2007 Microsoft Office system. The solution, which will be deployed at the AXA Tech Data Center in Brussels, Belgium, is based on Microsoft Office Project Server 2007, an EPM platform that provides centralization and standardization of project and resource information. The solution, being deployed with help from Getronics, a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, includes Microsoft Office Project Professional 2007, which provides powerful tools for aligning investments with business objectives. AXA also looks forward to the enhanced performance of Office Project Professional 2007 across wide area networks. AXA Tech will use Microsoft Office SharePoint® Server 2007 to support intranet access to the Microsoft Office EPM Solution across the company's global operations. Information will be stored using Microsoft SQL Server™ 2005 database, and AXA Tech plans to use SQL Server 2005 Analysis Services and SQL Server 2005 Reporting Services to analyze and report on data.

### Benefits

- To provide a global view of project activity by supporting a centralized deployment of enterprise project management to replace locally deployed solutions
- To improve activity tracking for projects and recurring activities by using enhanced timesheet functionality
- To enable more informed decisions on resource commitments by increasing visibility of resource capacity



### Fast Facts

**Customer:** AXA Technology Services **Web Site:** [www.axa.com](http://www.axa.com) **Country/Region:** France **Industry:** IT services  
**Partner** Getronics **Web Site:** [www.getronics.com](http://www.getronics.com)

#### Customer Profile

Based in Paris, AXA Tech provides infrastructure support for its parent organization, AXA Group, which provides insurance and financial services in more than 50 countries.

#### Software and Services

- The 2007 Microsoft® Office system
  - Microsoft Office Project Professional 2007
  - Microsoft Office Project Server 2007
  - Microsoft Office SharePoint® Server 2007

#### Business Situation Summary

AXA Tech needs to enhance its enterprise project management and create a centralized solution to replace a collection of locally deployed solutions.