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Consulting

Location:
Poland, Warsaw

Challenge:
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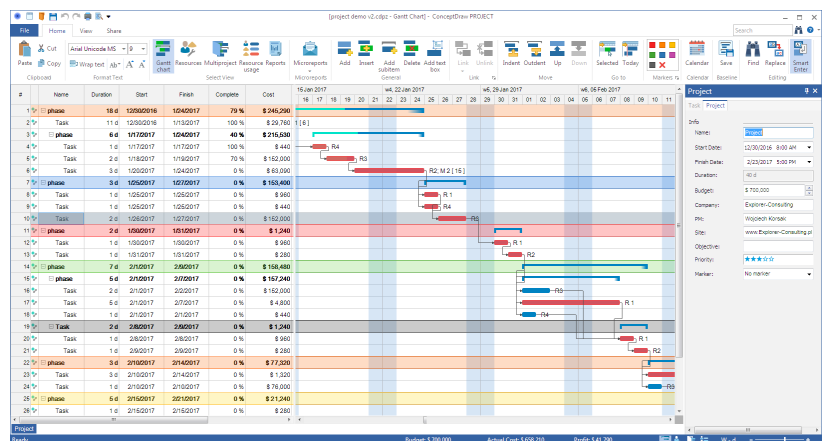
Toolkit:

ConceptDraw
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Solution:
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Benefits:
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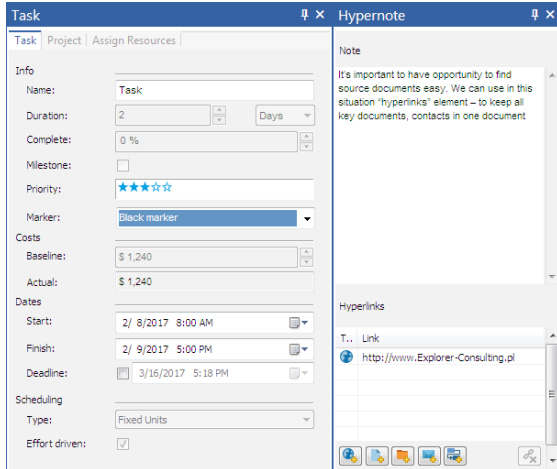
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Complex View of Projects

Driving projects it's very important to be able to see BIG picture of all important elements of Project Management. I use CS Odessa Project Office to manage & present key elements of PM – it helps to answer to all questions – structure of projects, resources, costs, dependencies, calendars and have linked documents to main file (WWW, floders, files).

What I like in CS Odessa Office is, that its's complex IT solution. What I mean is – there are 3 solutions (PROJECT , MINDMAP & PRO) and there is data exchange, so it's easy to present/see same data in different view.
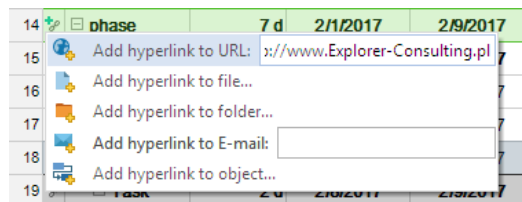
Managing project it's easy to create Gantt document – structures, relations, dates, realization %, creating resources sheets and see the most important information in one view.

Except view of table & Gantt chart it's helpful to see information in panels. There is drag-and-drop option, so I can change location of this elements in a few seconds. I can see general project information and tasks with other elements to focus of the task in global context.

It's important to have opportunity to find source documents easy. We can use in this situation "hyperlinks" element – to keep all key documents, contacts in one document.
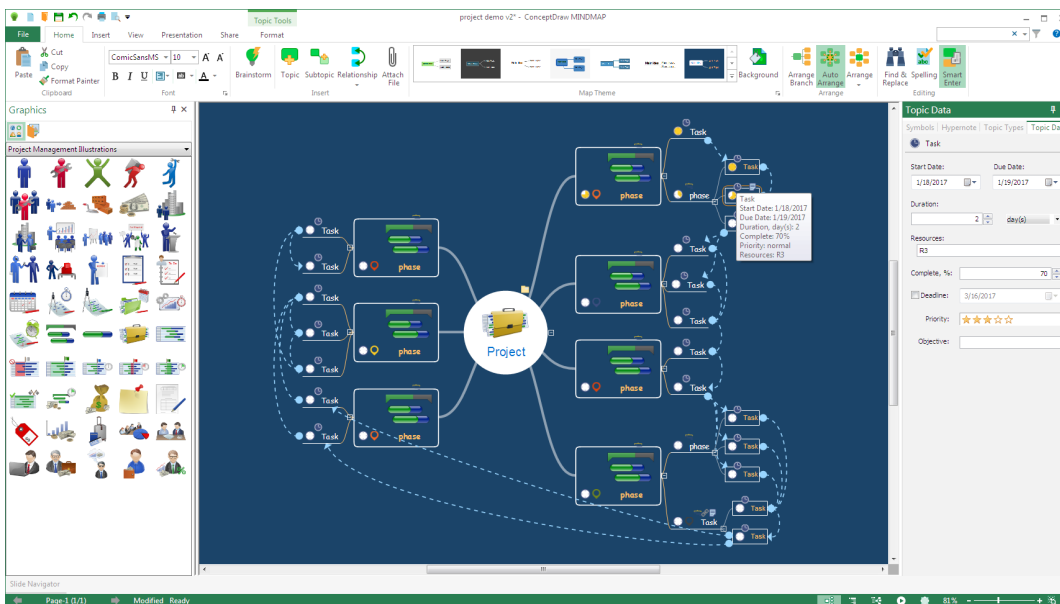

One thing is to manage project and other is to be able to present & share information with others – for example, as visual dashboards. It's possible to do it with ConceptDraw PRO. It's just 1 click to create presentation from ConceptDraw Gantt.

What's is great – many of reports are live – I mean, they are connected to source ConceptDraw PROJECT file. So, it's easy to create dashboards/reports once – for top management and then, managers can see them in actual view, without opening Gantt chart. Just to see overview in creative, visual way. What is important, in my opinion, we can export Gantt chart from ConceptDraw PROJECT to MS Excel. After that, we are able to create advanced controlling reports with all options in MS Excel (pivot tables, etc.) – to see our project in more analytic way.

As I mentioned, there is data exchange in ConceptDraw Office, so Gantt document can be presented as visual structure in ConceptDraw MINDMAP. It's great to be able to see same information as Gantt & Mind Map. It's important to know, that it's still the same file, so we don't need to create other file. It's just 1 click to see it in mind map view.

In ConceptDraw MINDMAP we can add more visual elements to present our project in its context. We can use illustration, icons or even external files (logos, photos, etc.)

MINDMAP solution has excellent elements to share project knowledge.

We can present our project sharing information via Skype, adding notes to Evernote, sending elements to MS OneNote or sending to MS Outlook and manage it in different view, using other option.

Except that, we can create ad-hoc presentation in a few seconds, using Presentation options located in Presentation tab.

It's GREAT time-saver. We don't need to create new/external file to present our project. We can just start presentation or create slides or export information to other formats.

As summary, I would like to write, that I love to have solution, when I can think in visual way, manage in organized way and share knowledge with others. ConceptDraw Office is great supporter in Project Management area giving us three integrated solutions to manage project as Gantt chart or MINDMAP and create advanced informative dashboard in PRO.

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