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The Challenge

Aligning Capacity Planning Across Teams and Different Project Types

- There was no common overview of the resource and project situation.
- There were different requirements for product development and customer implementation projects, which are handled by the same team.
- Resource planning in Excel made it difficult to depict the effects of project delays and reprioritization –
 especially when multiple teams were involved.
- · Higher-level resource planning and resource planning within individual teams needed to be aligned.

The Solution

Decentralized Capacity Planning, Centralized Capacity Monitoring with Meisterplan

With Meisterplan, GFT introduced a tool-supported process for capacity planning. The result: GFT transitioned from granular, rigid and confusing Excel planning to flexible, transparent team planning in Meisterplan. If there are changes in priorities or to a project's schedule, the impact can now be quickly identified, and conflicts can be addressed early on.

- All project and product development needs are maintained in Meisterplan by the project managers and steered by means of a simple process.
- · Every team has a resource manager who carries out their team's capacity planning independently.
- Management centrally reviews the overall situation in regular resource meetings and steers the portfolio.
- Meisterplan makes it possible for all involved parties to view the up-to-date and real-time status of resource utilization.
- Resource planning is based on the capacity realistically available for projects and takes into account planned absences, different working time models and activities that aren't related to the project.
- Management reduces their workload through monthly planning meetings and has the most important and up-to-date data presented visually Meisterplan.

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"Planning with Meisterplan means doing as much as necessary but as little as possible!"

Susanne Hofrichter, Managing Director

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