



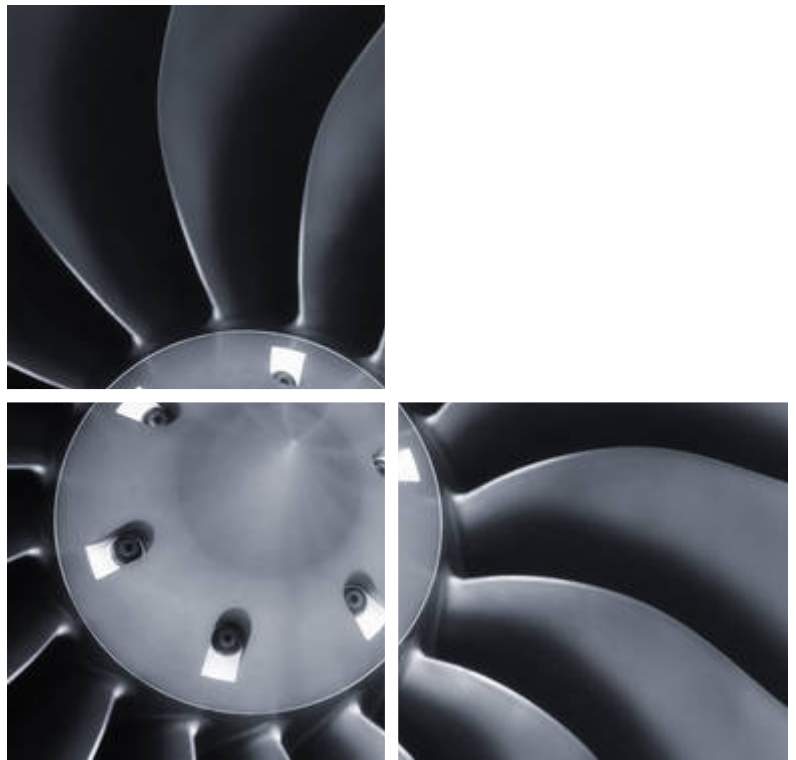
How Infor solutions can help A&D companies effectively manage multiple, simultaneous projects

As a contractor in the aerospace and defense industry, you often need to run multiple projects under tight cost and schedule control, while maintaining contractual and regulatory compliance. Infor® Aerospace & Defense can help you conduct complex manufacturing more efficiently by improving your ability to simultaneously manage multiple projects within a single enterprise view.

How Infor solutions can help

Manufacturers in the aerospace and defense industry often need to simultaneously manage many distinct projects that draw on the same resources and require similar materials. It's not uncommon to have several projects with deadlines that might conflict and delay each other, if the entire enterprise isn't managed in a way to minimize those conflicts. The only way to accomplish that consistently is to have multi-project management capabilities built into the core feature set of your ERP system in a way that makes those capabilities intrinsic to your manufacturing process.

Infor solutions give A&D firms sophisticated, multiple project management controls, to help them maintain peak operational efficiency and cost containment.



You get tools for:

- **Project scheduling**—Manage all customer project obligations within the same integrated Infor solution that you use for inventory management, manufacturing, and procurement. You can manage dependencies more accurately by putting the resulting information into a Gantt chart or spreadsheet to develop and document schedules that you can substantiate in an audit.
- **Project costing**—Reduce the time and effort required to perform project costing with Infor Aerospace & Defense, which gives you accurate project costs calculated and applied to contracts based on actual charges. It's not uncommon, for example, to have situations where variable costs of input materials, like precious metals, can have a large impact on your costs. You need to account for that impact as soon as possible. You'll be able to increase efficiency by having project costs available at the touch of a button.
- **Single view of multi-project plans**—In many cases, you use the same materials and components in several different projects. It's far more economical to order a large quantity of material and allocate that across several projects than to procure for each project. But that makes it somewhat more difficult to allocate costs accurately. You can take advantage of Infor's project co-mingling (or project grouping) capabilities to address the issue and increase the economies of scale in your procurement, engineering, and manufacturing processes. With Infor solutions, you can plan procurement of material and resources independently of project ownership. This allows you to combine supplier commitments and improve your resource utilization, so you can reduce supply chain costs and increase the profitability of your contracts.

You'll be ready to satisfy audits and inspections on short notice with the help of sophisticated, industry-specific reporting capabilities. And because Infor A&D solutions integrate deeply with your financials, analytics, planning, procurement, and

Reduce the time and effort required to manage projects.

engineering systems, you can keep tight control over critical tasks, as well as contract and regulatory compliance requirements. As a result, you'll be able to:

- **Maintain an integrated project plan**—A production schedule is only as good as the data used to create it and Infor A&D solutions provide a consistent, comprehensive source of information.
- **Report fully and quickly on project costs**—Project costing can be laborious and difficult, if it's not integrated within your business systems. That can be an especially important obstacle in maintenance contracts with "open and inspect" operations, where you don't know the scope of work until you've already begun. You can streamline the process of preparing required reports and project submissions with the help of Infor solutions to ensure that you can establish up-to-date costs quickly enough to keep the project on schedule.
- **Satisfy audit requirements quickly and completely**—Nobody wants an audit, but meeting audit requirements may help you beat the competition for new business. The secret to successful audit preparation is having centralized access to all relevant financial and operational data, so that you can assemble the information quickly and present it accurately. Infor A&D solutions offer deep, enterprise-wide integration that streamlines your audit preparation and helps you improve accuracy. You can satisfy the strictest Department of Defense compliance requirements

and Materials Management and Accounting System Compliance Statement (MMAS) mandates using Infor solutions for A&D.

How you benefit

With proven, end-to-end A&D solutions from Infor, you can streamline the way you manage the cost and schedule of multi-project programs. You'll also be ready to raise your level of operational excellence and sharpen your focus on your projects and customers. As a result, you'll be able to boost efficiency, increase innovation, and manage projects more efficiently, while growing your business.

Infor solutions help you manage the cost and schedule for multiple projects within a single view.

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