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Introduction

This document provides guidance on the principles of project and programme portfolio management. Typically, management of a project and programme portfolio supports the organizational strategies to deliver value.

This document is intended to be used by:

- a) executives and senior managers responsible for setting and implementing organizational strategy and business planning;
- b) decision-makers responsible for selecting, authorizing and governing projects, programmes and portfolios;
- c) teams and individuals responsible for implementing and managing the project and programme portfolios;
- d) project and programme managers and other stakeholders.