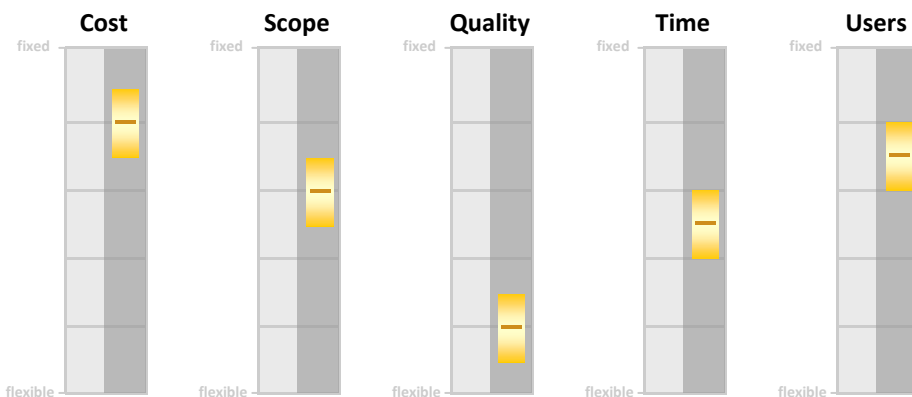


Sliders

Agreeing on the success criteria & priorities for an initiative or task.

- Sliders enable the team to come to a shared understanding around the success of the project.
- The sliders create a context within which to make decisions throughout the life of the initiative and will assist in moving forward with decision making in the event of a problem or conflict.
- The elements used will vary from one initiative to the other, however scope, cost, schedule and quality should always be considered. Other potentials are team, alignment to strategy and business impact. Teams should include additional elements as applicable to their specific environment.



- Having the initiative sponsor and stakeholders participate is critical to ensure team alignment to the success criteria as defined from the customer perspective. The team should ensure that sliders are evenly distributed.
- As a general rule of thumb, all sliders can not be set to 'on' or 'fixed'. This is generally considered a key indicator that the initiative is set to fail!

Key Points

The sliders should reflect how the success of the project will be judged when it is completed.

Elements considered are scope, cost, schedule and quality. Other elements can be added as applicable to the initiative being discussed.

It is important to have representation from the customer stakeholders.

Simple Format

Sliders can be drawn on butchers paper or on a whiteboard.

Sliders are intended to be completed in an interactive format with the stakeholders present.

Team members vote by making their mark in text. Each team member having one vote per element.

Team discussion can then commence to ensure even distribution of the sliders.