

Troux Application Portfolio Management

Troux Application Portfolio Management (APM) simplifies application portfolio management and application portfolio rationalization. As application portfolios grow and become more complex, the human resources and financial capital required to manage and maintain them come under increased pressure. Organizations need to be able to quickly understand what applications they have, identify redundancies, qualify the condition and quantify the business value of their application estate in order to make informed decisions in the context of business priorities. Troux Application Portfolio Management delivers the visibility, assessment and planning tools required to make informed decisions and address these challenges quickly and accurately.

Key Benefits

- Minimizes application costs by identifying redundant applications that are candidates for retirement.
- Enables an organization to proactively adapt to changes in the IT landscape such as those driven by the consumerization of IT, the growth of mobile technologies and cloud computing.
- Helps maximize the value of applications by focusing scarce dollars on those that deliver the most value to the business, thus reducing wasteful or misdirected spending.
- Helps ensure current risk mitigation plans meet future state run-the-business requirements.

The Application Hole

After years of underinvestment or ineffective application governance many business and IT leaders find themselves in an application hole. Tactical application acquisition, compounded by mergers and acquisitions (M&As), digs the hole by increasing the size of a company's application portfolio. Lack of a deliberate process for managing the application portfolio makes the application hole deeper. To make matters worse the budget is never enough for all requests for application work, so maintenance projects are often deferred or only funded when the risk becomes extremely high, or when maintenance can be combined with a project that is a strategic business priority.

Assess, Rationalize and Roadmap

Troux's Application Portfolio Management (APM) solution helps enterprises start to fill those holes safely and rapidly. Troux APM provides IT and business stakeholders complete visibility into their application portfolio. It gives them a detailed understanding of the applications they have, the business processes, capabilities and strategies each application supports, as well as the infrastructure, software, services and projects required to implement them.

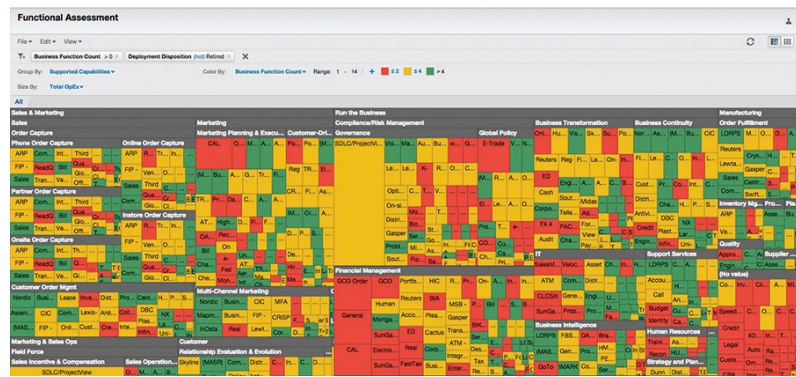
Troux APM helps decision makers assess proposed application portfolio changes by providing real-time reporting on issues such as the health of the application portfolio, the risks associated with it, its compliance with internal and external standards and how well the application portfolio aligns with changing business needs.

Once this assessment is complete, Troux APM delivers the insights needed to evaluate application portfolio rationalization alternatives in the context of the business capabilities that will be impacted most. Application rationalization proposals are turned into intuitive visual scenarios, which can be compared against each other to identify the appropriate course of action. Final portfolio change initiatives can then be roadmapped and communicated across the business to drive execution.

Answer the Right Questions

To ensure precious resources are being invested in the right places Troux APM delivers the enterprise intelligence business leaders need to see the big picture and better understand exactly where they should be investing in their application portfolio. Enterprise intelligence delivers new levels of transparency and enables decision-makers and application owners with the ability to answer important application portfolio planning questions such as:

1. What applications are deployed across the business and who owns them?



Application Functional Assessment Heat Map helps identify high cost applications that provide minimal strategic value to the business.

2. What business capabilities do these applications support?
3. Do our application rationalization and upgrade plans mitigate risk in the future?
4. Where are the greatest opportunities to reduce cost by consolidating redundant applications?
5. What applications have the greatest business impact and which are the best candidates for rationalization?

Understanding the answers to these questions enables the IT team to be proactive and focus their efforts on providing proactive support for the applications and technology that have the most impact on the business.

Key Features

Application Inventory and Relationship Perspectives delivers a family of out-of-the-box capabilities and perspectives that provides decisions makers with an easy way to establish a single source of record for all enterprise

applications and view their relationships to business capabilities, organizations, people, technology and projects.

Application Assessment Perspectives

standardizes the assessment of applications against a set of predefined qualitative and quantitative criteria such as cost, redundancy, risk, regulatory compliance, capability alignment and strategic fit. Areas of concern can be identified and change initiatives can be planned to take corrective action.

Application Rationalization

Perspectives enables decision makers to see what rationalization initiatives (e.g. application retirement, investment, cloud migration) should be considered to achieve desired business outcomes.

Application Scenario Roadmapping and Planning

helps business leaders see the impact of proposed application portfolio changes on business capabilities. Rationalization proposals can be turned into visual scenarios that can be roadmapped and compared against each other to identify the appropriate course of action.