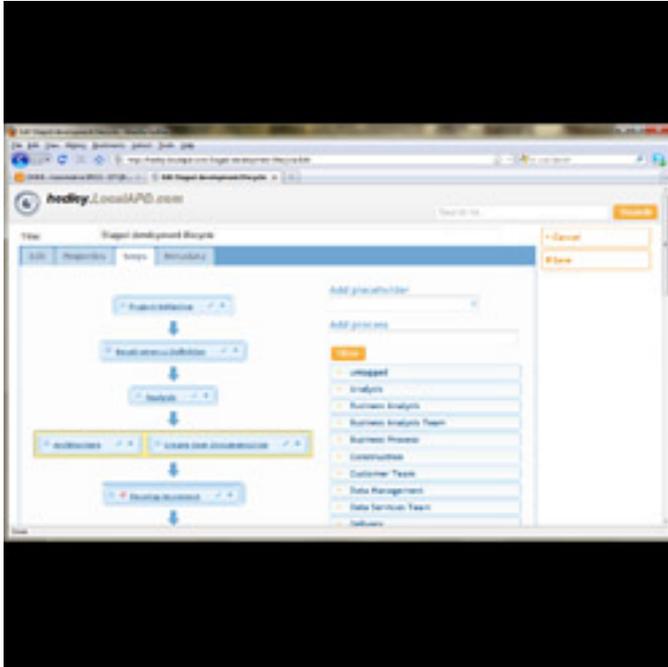


## **Atego launches web-based environment for process definition**



Atego has launched Atego Process Director, a ground-breaking, new web-based environment for process definition, management and deployment.

Atego Process Director delivers a highly scalable, extensible and pragmatic range of new web-based process-oriented capabilities for operational, engineering and development process authoring, roll-out, management, governance measurement and optimization. Its thin client user interface runs on contemporary browsers and also supports mouse-free environments such as Windows Touch, iPad and the iPhone, proactively getting process deployed.

“The launch of Atego Process Director is a significant extension to Atego’s strategic product portfolio, helping our customers define and apply best practice processes,” said Hedley Apperly, Vice-President of Product and Marketing at Atego. “Not only does Atego Process Director provide a highly productive and contemporary process authoring environment, but its companion product Atego Process Consumer specifically caters for process users, such as Enterprise Architects, Systems Engineers, Software Engineers and Managers.”

Atego Process Director is pre-loaded with a selection of industry best practice processes, roles, deliverables, techniques, tools and risks for systems engineering, software engineering and project management; organizations can also import their existing process documentation, author new processes and merge all three. This means that companies can use their own processes, as well as industry standard processes, and custom-configure any process to suit their specific needs. Processes can be authored with Atego Process Director’s online process editor or any

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MetaWeblog API compliant tool, for example Microsoft Word and Microsoft Live Writer.

Process flows are created with the revolutionary Step Editor's full drag-and-drop graphical process designer. Each Atego Process Director project (or program) is then based on an underlying process library, which is automatically tailored to the projects individual circumstances with a question-and-answer wizard. This unique approach to process configuration delivers true agility, rather than a 'one size fits all' process. Projects can then be managed with a mix of Atego Process Director's task estimation and allocation, Microsoft Project Plan generation, metrics gathering and collaborative process improvement discussions.

Atego Process Consumer then puts an organization's processes in the hands of everyone who needs them, when they need them. Automatic email notification tells process consumers when they have been allocated a task and reminds them when to start. Atego Process Consumer also provides personal 'To Do' lists for on-demand task selection. Both options give process consumers hot links directly to the relevant process help, example deliverables, other people involved, associated risks, and the techniques, tools and patterns to apply. Task progress information and metrics can be recorded, leading to ongoing process improvement. Atego Process Consumer actually makes processes attractive to use, making process authoring investment worthwhile.

"The launch of Atego Process Director follows hot on the heels of our recent acquisitions and mergers, also demonstrating our continued commitment to investing in organic growth capabilities," said James B. Gambrell, Executive Chairman of Atego. "It is the next phase in our Work-as-One strategy, providing tool- and method-agnostic mentoring across the enterprise architecture, systems engineering and software development domains. In contrast with many process authoring tools, Atego Process Director puts equal focus on process consumption, making process attractive and proactive, delivering on the promise of best practice processes by actually getting them implemented."

Atego Process Director and Atego Process Consumer's Library Structure Views, Navigation Trees and Process Diagrams provide simple process visualization and understanding. These views are consistent, no matter who authored each process. So, once someone understands one process, they can easily pick up the next. This means that engineers can focus on getting the job done. The powerful search facility and 'tag clouds' make finding relevant process information much quicker than hunting through documents and web sites, giving staff more time to focus on doing the job. Atego Process Director also provides project oversight, gathering metrics from process consumers to show how processes are being used and the related project success. This closes the loop so that the return on process investments can be proved.

The following link will take you to all of the associated resources, so that you can find out more, start an evaluation or purchase Atego Process Director:

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