



# Adaptive Knowledge Intensive Processes with the Case Management Model and Notation

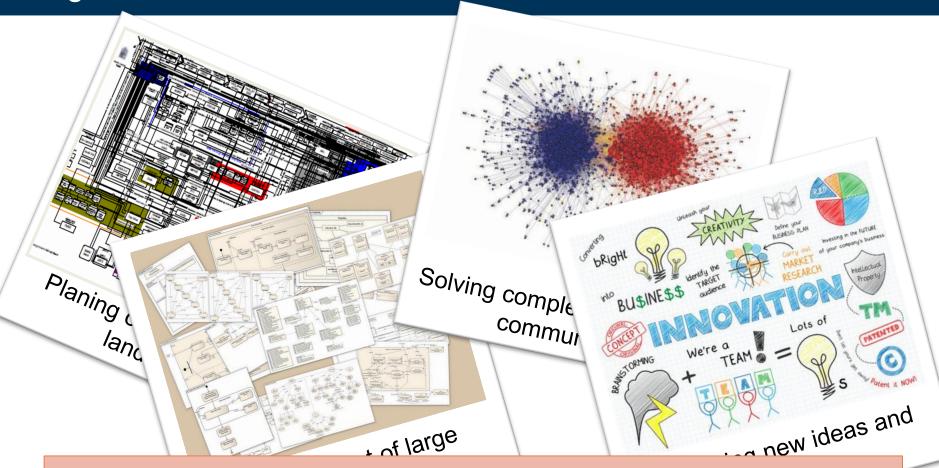
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Collaborative Knowledge Work is Ubiquitous in Organizations





How can software support processes for collaborative knowledge work?

# Theoretical Basis of the Research Project Involves Three Different Disciplines

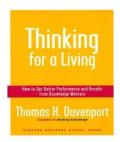


### **Knowledge Work**

Literature on knowledge work in organizations provides an understanding of the problem.

Description of the problem:

- Characteristics of knowledge work
- Complex vs. Complicated problems
- Roles in knowledge work



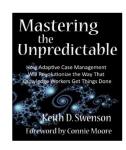


### Adaptive Case Management

Adaptive case management is a novel approach to support knowledge-intensive processes.

Solution ideas from ACM:

- Essential requirements for ACM support
- Emergent design of processes
- Evolution of processes with templates





### Social Principles and Patterns

Knowledge work relies on the successful collaboration of different roles.

Facilitating collaboration:

- Building successful online communities
- Learning from existing communities on the web
- · Principles and patterns





# Solution: Empowering Users to Collaboratively Structure Knowledge-Intensive Processes



#### **Goal Orientation**

- Describe which goals should be achieved
- Goals guide the stream of work
- Replaces traditional process model

#### **Emergence**

- Empowerment and participation of end users
- Adaptability of templates at run-time
- Continuous improvement of templates

#### **Data Centricity**

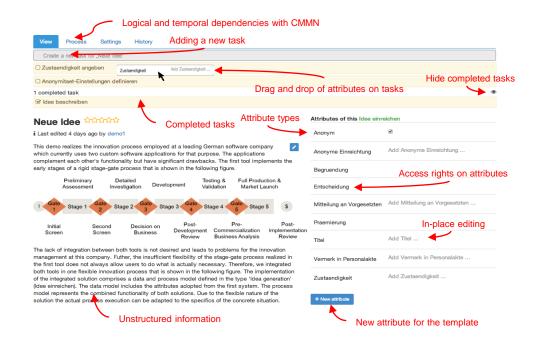
- Data as driver for knowledge work
- Goal-oriented transformation of data
- Integration of processes and data

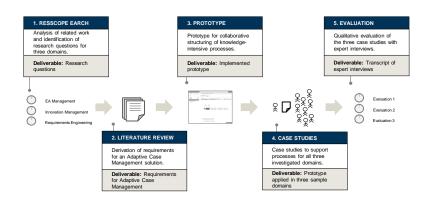
#### Collaboration

- Knowledge creation through interaction
- Building a successful online community

#### **Case Templates**

- Sharing and preservation of knowledge
- Access to recurring best practice patterns
- Flexible stage-gate process for Innovation Management
- Development of a future Enterprise Architecture state
- Artefact-oriented Requirements Engineering processes with templates





# Adaptive Case Management Supports Processes for Collaborative Knowledge Work



Criterion	Classic BPM	ACM	
Structure	Process-model	Case-template	
Role separation during conception and execution	Yes	No	
Time separation between conception and execution	Yes	No No	
Flexibility of customization	Medium	High	
Flexibility of usage	Low	High	
Types of processes	Routine process	Knowledge-intensive, weakly structured processes	
Process control	Control flow	Goal oriented	
System organization	Focused on process	Focused on data	
Investment	Low	High	

Adaptive Case Management focuses on processes that have a weak structure and are constantly adjusted by everyone involved

## **Research Questions**



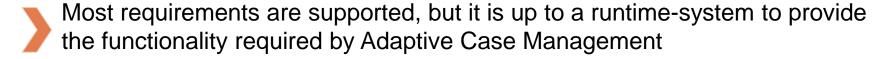
- 1) To which extent can CMMN support knowledge intensive processes?
- 2) What is a minimal subset of CMMN elements that can be used for applications supporting knowledge intensive processes?
- 3) What minimal functionality should a runtime system provide to support CMMN and what would it look like?



# CMMN for Adaptive Case Management



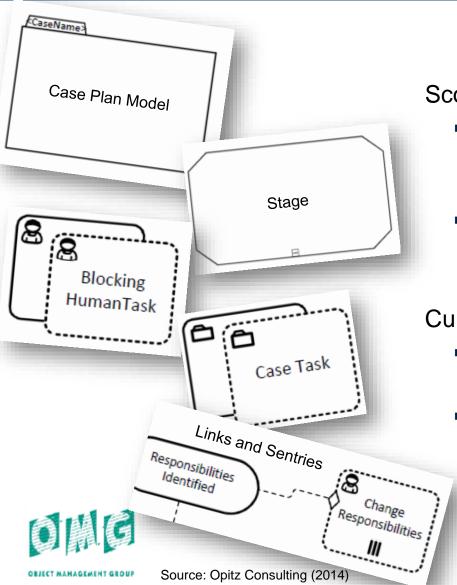
ACM Requirements	CMMN			
Focus on final goal instead of process	Achieved through cases, stages and milestones			
Flexibility at runtime	Model can be altered and extended at any given point throughout the process			
Visible progress of the case	Milestones indicate status ~			
Integration of data in the case	Data can be added as documents			
Hierarchical structure of tasks	Stages can contain tasks and also other cases			
Definition of logical dependencies between tasks	Links indicate order of tasks			
Understandable and adaptable for end users	Limited to experience users			



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# Dependencies between tasks are defined with the Case Management Model and Notation (CMMN)





### Scope of CMMN

- Common meta-model and notation for modeling and graphically expressing a Case
- Interchange format for exchanging Case models among different tools

### Current State of CMMN

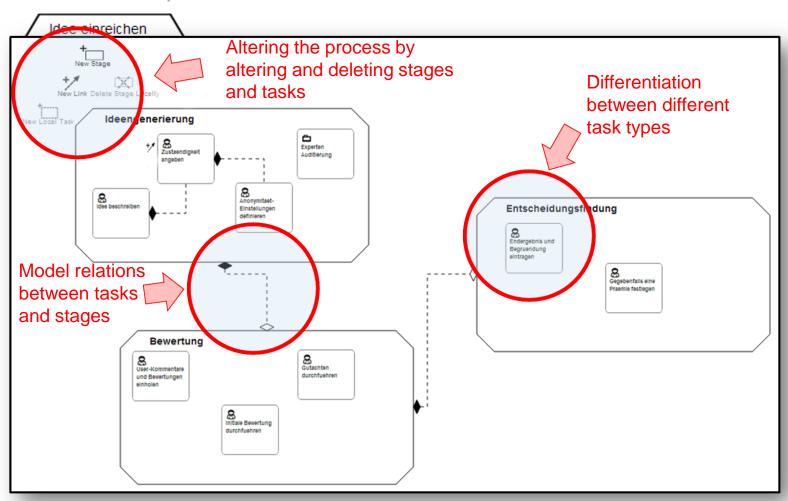
- Specifications have been released by the Object Management Group
- Version 1.0 has been released in May, 2014

# Advanced users have the ability to interactively alter the process at runtime



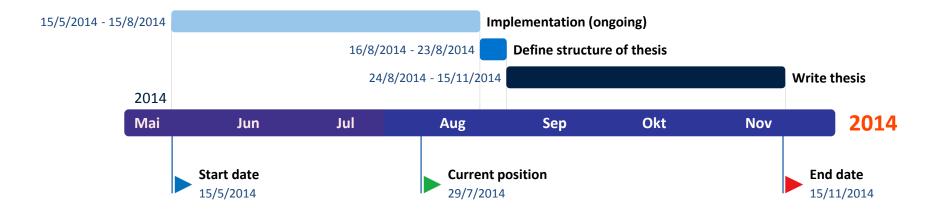
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# **Current State of the Thesis**







Any questions?



# Backup

# Meta-model of DARWIN



