



PLM Interest Group

PLM Self-Assessment Toolkit

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0 Executive Summary

This is a simple, standard [PLM Self-Assessment Toolkit](#) that enables any current or would-be PLM user organisation to generate an overview of their PLM situation.

It guides you through the steps that a management consultancy would use if they were given the task. It does not replace the need for external advice and support - it simply generates an internal overview that you can use to review your PLM needs and progress.

It can be used to give a clearer picture of where external advice would be valuable, or to provide an internal cross-check of how the work of your consultants or integrators is progressing.

However, its primary purpose is to enable any organisation to carry out its own Assessment of its PLM environment in a way that provides structured and actionable findings.

It works equally well for SMEs and for multinationals - the answers may be at a different level of complexity, but the thought process and logic are the same.

The [PLM Self-Assessment Toolkit](#) does not give a numerical score, but generates a set of discussion material that can be used to take management decisions on the next steps for PLM.

Carrying out the Self-Assessment requires no special skills – you simply follow the instructions. The questions are straightforward, and those that you cannot answer are as instructive as those that you can.

The aim of the Self-Assessment is to produce a picture of your current and prospective PLM that can be used for the widest possible discussion and planning. The final Step gives guidance on extracting the results and deciding on the next actions, and there is a new Section on using the [Toolkit](#) as part of Class A PLM.

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