

What's New in This Release

The following sections describe new functionality and areas that have changed in Accolade in the 10.0 release. For more information about each new feature, see the online Help available within Accolade.

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Building an Experience That is Right for You

- **Streamlined Experience for Assignments** - Updating and completing deliverables and activities in Accolade is easier than ever! The deliverable and activity pages have been streamlined into a single location, eliminating the need to click through multiple pages to access a deliverable's details, associated activities, assigned workflows, related documents, and latest, published, and past versions. Through the new interactive dialog, users can access and update all the information about a single deliverable or activity in one place without having to scroll or navigate away from the page.

Deliverable or activity access and the permissions around who can view and edit deliverable or activity details remains the same.

- **User-Defined Project Pages** - Use page layouts to design project pages that are unique to your company, such as a project landing page or project dashboard that contains key project information in a single location. A layout serves as a container that holds various pods that contain data, such as quick grids, content accessed from a global link, or an image. When assigned as a visible tab within a process model, projects created using that model include extra tabs that contain the contents of the layout. For example, design a layout that includes quick grids and links to charts and assign that layout to display as the initial tab when a project is displayed, presenting Project Managers and Team Members key project information up front when they display a project.

In addition, the Template Library contains a new template type for image files. Use the Image type to add graphic files to the library for use in page layouts.

- **User-Selectable Date Formats** - For increased user-specific configuration, administrators can now select a date format that is separate from the language selection for each user. Individual users can also select their preferred date format through their user profile. The default date format is MMM dd, yyyy (Feb

28, 2015). When upgrading from a previous Accolade release, the date format remains set to the previous setting based on the user's language until a different selection is made either in the user's account definition in User Administration or in the user's profile.

Calculated Metrics Available Within Matrices

For increased flexibility when creating matrices, calculated metrics are now supported within a matrix. Use the new **MATRIXMETRIC** field code within a calculated metric expression to calculate a value based on other metrics within the same row in the matrix. For example, to generate a sum of multiple values in a row. The **MATRIXMETRIC** field code is valid only in calculated metric expressions and can only calculate based on the values in the same matrix row.

Expanded Matrix Cell Values in Calculated Metrics

The **MatrixCellValue** function introduced in Accolade release 9.3 has been expanded to allow multiple search column/search value pairs when locating the cell within a defined matrix to include in a calculation.

Metric History Tracking and Reporting

For expanded visibility when tracking metric change history, Accolade Charting for MS Excel now includes the option to report on the value of a metric *after* a change to its value was made. Values are reported with the ID of the stage or gate in which the change occurred.

Project Creation and Management

- **Manage Team Rights at the Project Level** - Users assigned to a project as the Project Manager no longer require Manage Team access rights at the access node level to manage the team. Using the new **Project Manager can manage team** option available on project creation, migration, import, and through the project details, you can now assign whether a Project Manager has the rights to manage a project's team directly in the project, providing increased security around who can add, remove, or replace team members on projects that require special team member certifications, security clearance, or other requirements.
- **Currency Display and Edit Locations** - The currency used in a project is now available for viewing and editing in various places within a project. Process Designers set whether project currency is available and whether it is editable on project creation and project migration, and whether it is accessible in the project's Home and Details tabs.
- **Automatic Search for Similar Projects on Project Creation** - To reduce duplications in effort, Accolade now searches for projects with similar names and descriptions when a project is created. As a user enters the project name or description, Accolade displays Quick Search with projects and documents that match the same name or description text. This feature is enabled by default and is set in a user's account definition in User Administration or in the user's profile.
- **Project Gantt Available from Project Stages** - The project Gantt view, which offers a visual representation of a project's stages and gates, and deliverables and activities within each stage, is now

accessible from a project's Stages tab as well as its original locations on the project's Details tab and through Innovation Planner.

Accolade Innovation Planner and Accolade Roadmapping

- **Accolade Portfolio Optimizer Scenarios Viewable in Accolade Roadmapping** - Scenarios created in Accolade Portfolio Optimizer are now viewable within Accolade Roadmapping. Viewing a scenario within a Gantt provides a visual representation of a scenario across time. Gantt views that include scenario data can be added to a composite Gantt view to compare a live roadmap to a scenario version.
- **Relationships Across Composite Views** - When viewing composite Gantt views, you can now display and create relationships across views that make up the composite. Displaying and creating relationships across a composite view allows you to visualize the relationships and dependencies without having to exit the composite view.
- **Categories for Saved Views** - To increase accessibility to saved views, Planners can now use categories to group saved Gantt and Grid views. Assigning views to a category helps to group the views into a logical order that makes sense for Planners and other users at your company.

Idea Submission

If security lists are enabled, projects created when an idea is submitted are now assigned the default security list, allowing accessibility to project ideas upon submission.

Accolade Add-In Applications

The Accolade MS Project Integration client add-in application is now available for use with MS Project 2013.

Online Help Enhancements

The online Help available when you click  within the application now includes a robust, interactive index, refined full-text search, reorganized table of contents, and additional features to make Help information easier to find, read, and understand. Your feedback is always welcome at techpubs@sopheon.com.