

Market leading SaaS product for business analysts

WELLINGTON, 19 July 2010. **The BA Kit** has officially been re-launched. A Software as a Service (**SaaS**) product designed specifically for **business analysis** teams, The BA Kit is a governance framework for managing tasks and assignments, based upon an organisation's methodology and best practice. The BA Kit is aligned to international business analysis standards and complements an organisation's existing project management methodology.

Redvespa Consultants (**Redvespa**) believes that great business analysis needs creative thinking – it's an art form, as well as a crucial component of effective organisations. Redvespa's passion for the discipline led to initiating a project in late 2007 to reconcile business analysis best practices and divergent project management methodologies within one flexible framework. A prototype system was developed that aligned the International Institute of Business Analysis (**IIBA**) Body of Knowledge and a client's System Development Life Cycle (SDLC). The product was launched in 2008, but support of the system in the client's environment led to interest in developing a hosted model available via a web browser.

A first generation SaaS product was released in September 2009 and saw two clients quickly come on board. The system delivered standardised business analysis tasks, templates, worked examples and techniques displayed in the context of the client's project management methodology. It also provided oversight of business analysis assignments within the organisation and visibility on resource activities. Since then, Redvespa's in-house Development Team has worked alongside clients to extend the application platform into the robust organising, tracking and governing product seen today. The enhanced product offering is certainly market leading and keen interest is expected across the business analysis community.

The BA Kit unpacked

For business analysts:

- **Create** assignment workspaces based on your organisation's best practice framework
- **Organise** your tasks simply within each assignment and allocate stakeholder responsibility
- **Manage** your tasks and assignments with real-time visibility so you can highlight issues promptly
- **Find** previous project documentation and best practice templates
- **Review** completed assignments with our wrap up and rating feature.

For managers:

- **Develop** a business analysis best practice framework for your organisation
- **Incorporate** tasks and templates aligned to international standards, to your methodology
- **Empower** your team to create assignment workspaces based upon your practice
- **Monitor** progress using the cross team and cross assignment views
- **Measure** success of assignments and build on lessons learned.

New Zealand Transport Authority (NZTA) has been a crucial part of The BA Kit journey. Ann Schwass, IS Business Alignment & Solutions Manager, NZTA commented “The BA Kit provides our business analysts with a framework enabling them to work more cohesively as a team. It provides ‘workroom’ space for business analysts to share knowledge, experiences, worked examples, and enables collaboration across multiple locations.”

Redvespa has worked to enhance its overall business analysis service offering. This innovative SaaS product demonstrates their commitment to offer a premium, end to end client experience. Richard Gibson, Managing Director, Redvespa concluded that “Redvespa Consultants and The BA Kit complement each other beautifully. The BA Kit enables us to provide a complete solution to help our customers perform better business analysis. The BA Kit provides the framework, tools and management capability to improve the effectiveness of any business analysis team.”

The BA Kit

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Redvespa Consultants Limited (Redvespa) have proven themselves as a leading information technology company consulting across all sectors, with a focus on Business Analysis, complemented by Project Management services. Since 2003, Redvespa has built an enviable reputation in providing highly experienced people to deliver quality consultancy services.

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