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**QStart for Exchange** delivers a fast track solution to enable your organisation to ensure your new messaging infrastructure is designed faster and meets recommended Microsoft practices.

QStart is a service offering that provides your organisation with a fast track in migrating or upgrading to the latest version of Microsoft Exchange Server.

- Are you looking to migrate or upgrade?
- Don't know how to proceed?
- Does your in-house technical team need a knowledge update?
- Under pressure from management to deploy the new infrastructure?
- Worried you might have forgotten something?
- Don't have the full budget to design and implement the solution?

If the answer to one or more of the above questions is yes, then your organisation is in need of Embrionic's *QStart for Exchange*.

To give you a greater understanding, QStart for Exchange is a series of interactive sessions, facilitated by a member of the Embrionic Project Management team, and will include some or all of the following:

#### Vision and Scope

In order to understand your company and requirements we will start by ascertaining your business and administrative requirements and assessing the potential risks.

#### Current Environment

The QStart team will need, with your assistance, to capture in-depth detail about your network infrastructure and messaging environment. An assessment will be undertaken to determine any outstanding pre-requisites for Microsoft Exchange Server as well as Active Directory implications.

#### Exchange Hierarchy

The team will then, from the information obtained, build an Exchange framework focusing on the following areas: Administration model and Administrative Groups, Routing topologies and Routing Groups, Recipient management, public folder hierarchy, system policies and Internet connectivity.

#### Exchange Co-existence and Migration

If you are migrating from an older version of Exchange or indeed a third party messaging system we will discuss and outline co-existence implications with existing infrastructure, migration options and strategy as well as consolidation considerations.

#### Server Configurations

It is vital that you purchase the correct hardware, we will help you to specify the server hardware and storage requirements. In addition we will outline how to secure these servers.

#### Clients

What types of client will you use? Our consultants will outline the client access options, the best way to configure Outlook (including profiles) and security. If external access is required then Outlook Web Access requirements, security and other mobile access features will be discussed.

#### Operations and Management






We close with reviewing any outstanding security issues and discuss operational issues such as backup and restore, business continuity, monitoring and on-going management.

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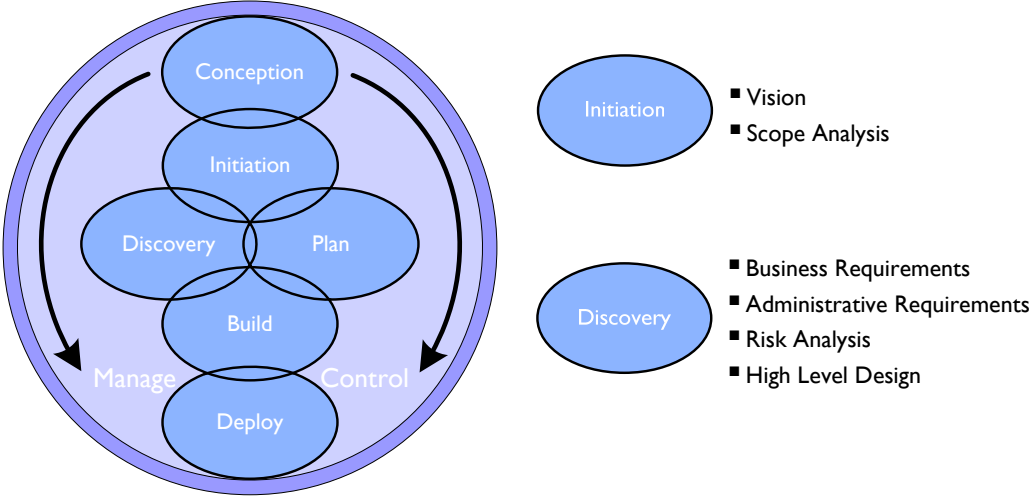
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QStart for Exchange is based on Embrionic's proven project methodology that has been developed from the Microsoft Solutions Framework. Any project that Embrionic undertakes follows a project lifecycle consisting of project initiation through to manage and safeguard. QStart for Exchange is focused on initiation and discovery.



**The Team**

A QStart team encompasses project management and technical consultants from Embrionic together with your staff. All technical consultants have extensive knowledge and have been involved in large scale Exchange deployments (these include upgrades as well as migrations from third party messaging infrastructures).

**Deliverables**

As a result of the interactive sessions, information gathered and decision process, Embrionic consultant's will draw up a high level design which will include:

- Current infrastructure
- Decisions made and agreed during the course of the sessions
- Business and administrative requirements
- Risk analysis
- High level design including recommended best practices
- Next steps

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