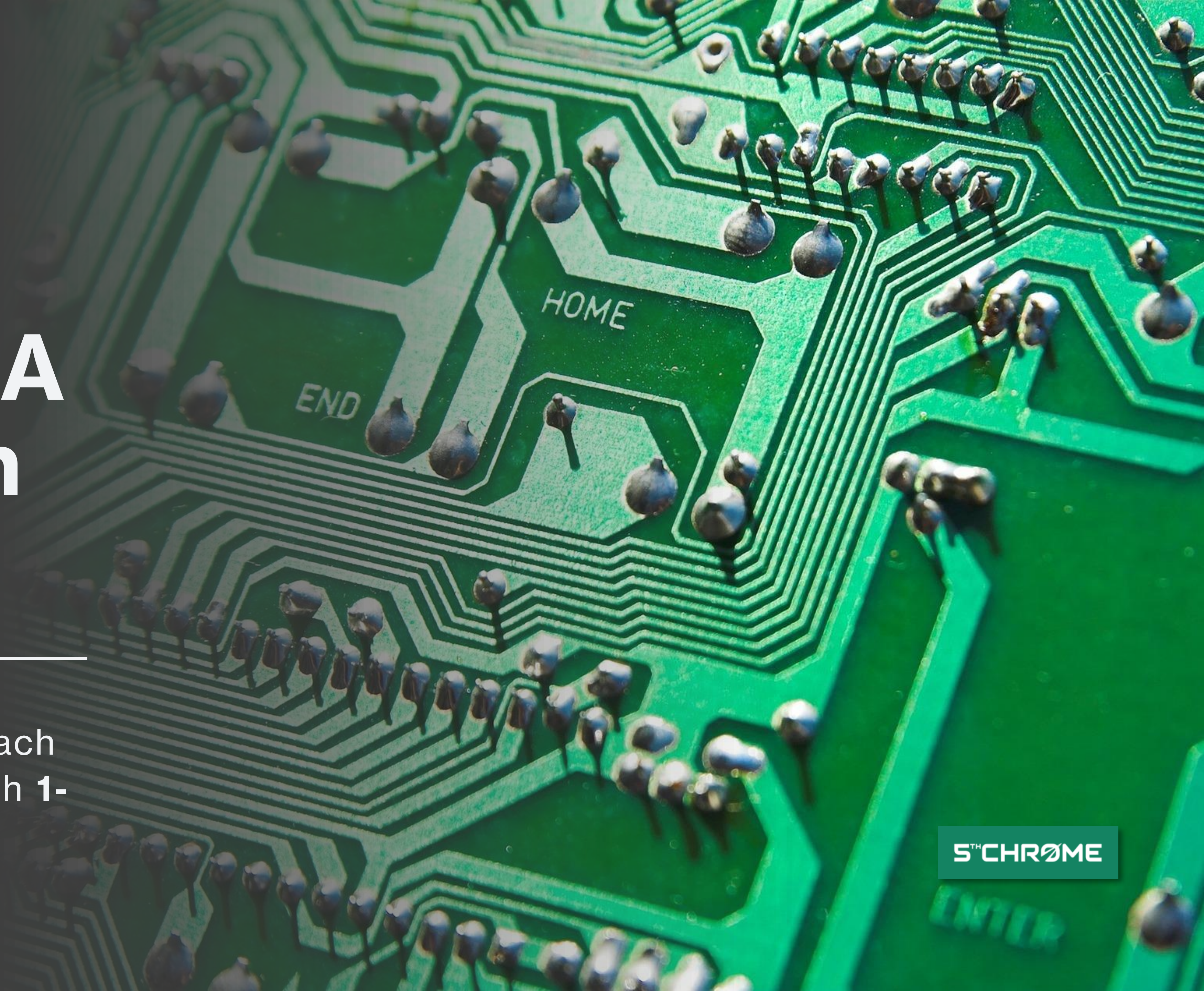
1-Page M&A Integration Templates

Revolutionizing the approach to M&A Integration through **1-page guardrail templates**



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Why 1-page Templates

- ✓ Streamlined Decision Making
- ✓ Vision and Objectives Clarity
- ✓ Stakeholder Buy-in
- ✓ Enhanced Strategic Alignment
- ✓ Leadership Empowerment
- ✓ Early Risk Capturing
- ✓ Efficient Communication
- ✓ Access to Key Metrics and KPIs
- ✓ Accelerating Corporate Objectives

- ❑ 9-block Templates
- ❑ Includes Key and Must-have Elements
- ❑ Operate as Guardrails
- ❑ Allows customization
- ❑ Comprehensive

Enterprise M&A Integration Planning and Design

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33. Knowledge transfer from Corp Dev to IMO

1-page Integration Project Charter

Scope and Depth
- Absorption/Tuck-in, Preservation or Symbiotic
- Management consolidation
- Back-Office consolidation
- Operational and Middle-Office consolidation
- Sales and Marketing consolidation
- Enterprise Systems consolidation
- New Organization Model consolidation

Timeline
- Pre-close
- Day-1
- 100-days
- 180-days
- 1 year
- 1+ year

Resources
- Integration Director / Leader
- IMO Leader and core team
- HR and Talent leader
- Finance Leader and Budget Controller
- Technology Leader
- Workstream Leaders
- Communication
- Change and Culture Manager

Business Case
- Benefits of acquisition (market position/access, new capabilities, revenue roll-up)
- Timeline (Break-even point, ROI point)
- Synergies realization roadmap
- Resources requirements

Critical to Quality (CTQ)
- Minimal business disruption
- Loss of key customers
- Loss of key talent
- Loss of key suppliers
- Project CTQ – Minimal overruns, extended timelines

Objectives and Key Results
- Cost synergies realization in 100 days
- Revenue synergies initiation in 100 days
- Revenue synergies significant contribution in 1 year
- Employee Transfer in 100 days

Governance
- Project Champion
- Project Sponsor
- Steering Committee
- Board Member Stakeholder
- Business and Operational Stakeholders
- Alliance and Partnership Stakeholders

Budget and ROI
- Integration Project Resources
- Travel and Living
- Redundancies
- Cost Synergies
- Technology and System Change
- Real-Estate
- Dis-synergies
- Contingencies

Risks
- Financial
- Customer
- Talent and Skills
- Intellectual Property
- Technology
- Compliance
- Operational

1-page Integration Management Office

Integration Charter and Governance
- Project Charter
- Operating Rigor and Governance
- Depth of Integration
- Scope Clarity and Socialization
- Steering Committee Management
- Operating Principles
- Strategy Blueprint
- Expected Outcomes

Performance Management System
- Performance Tracking
- Deliverables Management
- Maintain Accountability
- Performance Reporting

Workstream Management
- Defining Distinct Workstreams
- Workstream Scope and Objectives
- Workstream Planning and Execution
- Cross-workstream Coordination
- Workstream Deliverables
- Workstream Leadership and Accountability
- Workstream Performance and Results Management

Integration Roadmap and Calendar
- Detailed Integration Roadmap
- Critical Activities
- Milestones
- Dependencies
- Integration Calendar
- Key Resource Availability Calendar
- Communication Release Schedules
- Synergies Schedules

Resource Coordination
- Project Resource Allocation and Availability
- Workstream Resources Coordination
- Functional and Operational Resource Management
- Financial Resources and Budget Management
- Technology and Systems Availability
- Collaboration Tools
- Project Management Tools and Frameworks

Tools, Templates and Methodologies
- Document Standards
- Integration Implementation Methodologies
- Charters and Checklists
- Frameworks
- Collaboration Tools
- Project Management Software
- Dashboard Tools
- Synergy Tracking and other spreadsheets

Progress Tracking and Reporting
- Steering Committee Updates
- Progress and Business Updates
- Stakeholder Communication
- Progress Tracking
- Transparency and Control Checks

Issue and Risk Management
- Issues Identification and Capture
- Issues Impact Analysis
- Managing Risk Registers and Scorecards
- Implementing Risk Mitigation
- Issues Management Protocols and Governance
- Escalation Hierarchy
- Issue Resolution Tracking
- Heat Charts

Synergies
- Synergy Identification and Realization
- Synergy Prioritization
- Cross-functional Synergy Management
- Synergies Tracking and Escalation

1-page Synergies Scope

Revenue Synergies • Cross-selling products or services across combined customer bases. • Developing new products or services leveraging combined capabilities. • Expanding into new markets or segments with a broader portfolio.	**Cost Synergies** • Consolidating operations to eliminate duplicate facilities and reduce overhead. • Streamlining supplier contracts and procurement processes for better terms. • Integrating IT systems to reduce technology costs and improve efficiency.	**Operational Synergies** • Combining manufacturing or operational processes to achieve economies of scale. • Sharing best practices across organizations to improve productivity. • Leveraging combined logistics and distribution networks to reduce delivery times and costs.
Financial Synergies • Improving financing conditions through increased scale and consolidated financial statements. • Optimizing the combined entity's capital structure to reduce cost of capital. • Achieving tax efficiencies through the restructuring of operations.	**Talent and Knowledge Synergies** • Pooling talent and expertise to enhance innovation and R&D capabilities. • Cross-training teams to broaden skill sets and promote knowledge sharing. • Creating opportunities for career development and progression within the combined entity.	**Market Power Synergies** • Increasing bargaining power with suppliers and customers due to larger scale. • Enhancing brand recognition and market presence. • Reducing competition in key markets or segments.
Technology Synergies • Integrating complementary technologies to create superior product offerings. • Sharing IT infrastructure and platforms to reduce costs and improve service levels. • Leveraging data analytics and customer insights across a larger dataset.	**Cultural and Organizational Synergies** • Aligning organizational cultures to foster collaboration and innovation. • Establishing a unified leadership and vision for the combined entity. • Enhancing employee engagement and satisfaction through shared values and goals.	**Compliance and Regulatory Synergies** • Streamlining compliance processes by adopting best practices from each entity. • Reducing regulatory risks through a unified compliance framework. • Leveraging combined expertise to navigate regulatory challenges more effectively.

1-page Communication

Communication Strategy Development
- Craft a comprehensive communication strategy that aligns with the overall goals of the M&A integration.
- Identify key messages, target audiences, and the objectives for each audience segment.

Stakeholder Mapping and Analysis
- Conduct a detailed stakeholder analysis to identify all internal and external groups affected by the M&A.
- Understand their concerns, interests, and preferred communication channels.

Key Message Development
- Develop clear, consistent key messages tailored to different stakeholder groups, emphasizing the benefits of the M&A and addressing potential concerns.
- Ensure messages convey the vision, strategy, and expected outcomes of the integration.

Internal Communication Plan
- Design an internal communication plan to keep employees informed, engaged, and motivated throughout the integration process.
- Utilize a variety of channels (e.g., emails, intranet, town halls) to reach all employees, ensuring clarity and consistency.

External Communication Plan
- Develop an external communication plan targeting customers, suppliers, investors, and other key stakeholders outside the organization.
- Highlight the benefits of the merger, continuity plans, and how the integration will serve their needs.

Leadership Engagement & Visibility
- Engage leadership in the communication process, making them visible and accessible to answer questions and provide reassurance.
- Prepare leaders to communicate key messages effectively and empathetically.

Crisis Communication Preparedness
- Anticipate potential crises or negative responses to the M&A and prepare communication strategies to address these challenges proactively.
- Develop a rapid response team to handle sensitive issues and mitigate any negative impact.

Feedback Loops & Two-way Comms
- Establish mechanisms for collecting feedback from various stakeholders to gauge responses and adjust communication strategies as necessary.
- Encourage open, two-way communication to build trust and foster a culture of transparency.

Post-merger Comms Continuity
- Continue communication efforts post-merger to update stakeholders on integration progress, successes, and adjustments to plans.
- Use success stories and positive outcomes to reinforce the benefits of the merger and build long-term support.

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