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## Project, programme and portfolio management — Context and concepts

*Management des projets, programmes et portefeuilles — Contexte et concepts*





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- this document provides an overview of the environment for project, programme and portfolio management, their governance, and the general factors impacting the broader environment;
- this document provides a high-level view of the relationships among the standards on project, programme and portfolio management prepared by ISO/TC 258, while guidance on project management is now given in ISO 21502.

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