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Abstract

This study examines a series of relationships between information technology (IT) and business process reengineering (BPR). Specifically, it argues that those aspiring to do business process reengineering must begin to apply the capabilities of information technology. This paper provides a summary of IT roles in initiating and sustaining BPR and examines several companies that have successfully applied IT to reengineering. The paper also addresses barriers to successful implementation of reengineering and identifies critical factors for its success.



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