A Simple Framework for Determining What to Automate

Recent advancements in Robotic Process Automation (RPA) and other technologies have created a new world of opportunities for automation, leaving many companies unsure where to begin. While there is no one-size-fits-all answer, at UiPath, we are seeing an emerging framework that successful companies are leveraging to determine what processes to automate.

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1. **Empowering your employees to submit and build their own automation ideas with a tool like the UiPath Automation Hub**
2. **Giving every employee their own robot assistant that can load automations provided by the CoE**
3. **Providing opportunities for tech-savvy employees to build their own automations with UiPath StudioX**
4. **Building a CoE that includes champions from each department to advocate for the needs of the different business interests within your company**
5. **Enabling your CoE with scientific discovery tools—such as UiPath Process Mining—to find automation opportunities across the enterprise**
6. **Listening to your lines of business and finance about which processes have significant scale and/or cause the most pain for people in their day-to-day work**

Combining top-down and bottom-up approaches to automation

**Top-down:** Find and prioritize high-value automation opportunities via centralized governance (an automation Center of Excellence or CoE).

**Bottom-up:** Democratize the generation of automation ideas by encouraging your workforce to suggest and build automations themselves.

**Combine these top-down and bottom-up approaches—practicing the “automation flywheel.”**

**The automation flywheel**

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**Democratize automation in your company by:**

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**How do I get started?**

Check out the If It's Time to Automate E-Book for nine steps to automation success.

**Read the e-book**