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Best Practices for Team and
Channel Organization
including Private Channels



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Getting Productive – Teams, Channels and Chats



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Chat – 1:1 or 1:few private conversation space. Invite specific people. Add more and select their view of the conversation history. Chat's can be named with a specific subject.

Microsoft Teams use cases for every scenario

Customer Support

- Enable continuous knowledge sharing between shifts
- Provide visibility into customer escalations
- Search for solutions across conversations
- Speed up issue resolution with various subject matter experts



Engineering

- Enable continuous discussion across a distributed team
- Discuss ideas and requirements, gather inputs in the open
- Store standard documentation and files
- Integrate with developer tools like Jira



Finance

- Prepare earnings release with cross-functional stakeholders
- Streamline data consolidation and analysis
- Store budgeting documentation and files
- Share economic trends and news



Human Resources

- Drive alignment on job descriptions and streamline interview processes
- Plan and prepare new employee onboarding
- Engage distributed employees in training
- Share department resources and documentation



Marketing

- Coordinate campaigns and event tasks
- Share the latest content drafts for feedback
- Get automated reports from analytics tools
- Prepare marketing launch across multiple stakeholders



Sales

- Get quick answers from PMs and Sales Ops
- Share key customer wins
- Get lead notifications and deal mentions
- Share latest company, product and competitor news



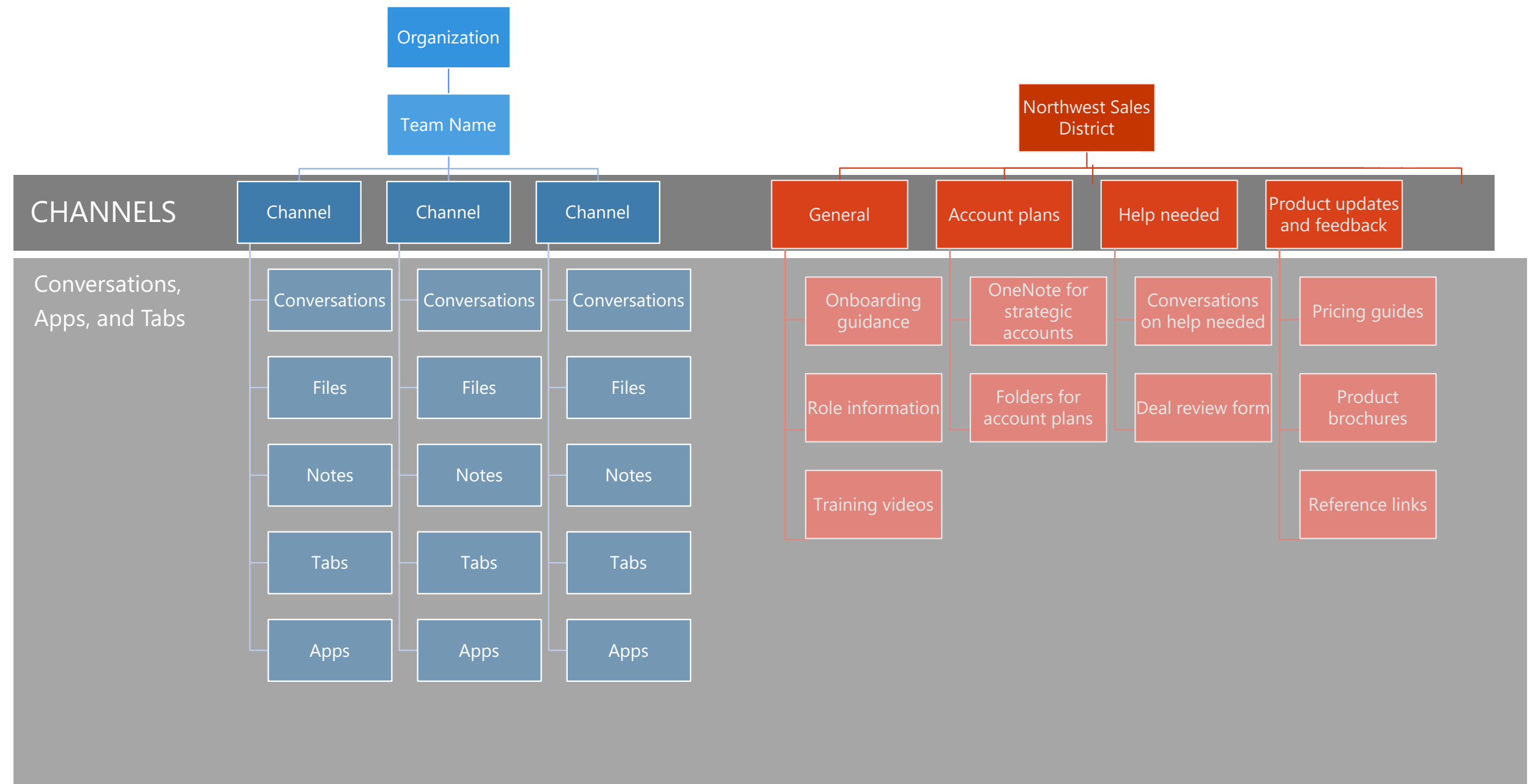
Operations & Project Management

- Streamline project communication and tools
- Provide status updates, get feedback, coordinate tasks
- Share files and collaborate on deliverables
- Get new project members up to speed quickly




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Organizational vs Project approach




Example Teams & Channels


Cross organization & function teams are the best practice

 Alpine Product Launch ...


- General
- Design
- Documentation
- Engineering
- Go to Market
- Production
- Research
- Strategy and Timeline
- Support and Feedback

 Marketing at DTX ...


- General
- Alpine Go to Market Campaign
- Communications Planning
- Market Research
- Release Tools
- Social Engagement
- Strategy and Planning

 IT Collaboration Services ...


- General
- Adoption and Communications
- Feedback
- Problem Incident and Change
- Reporting
- Security and Compliance
- Strategy and Planning

 Contoso HR ...

- General
- Events
- Recruitment
- Reviews
- Training

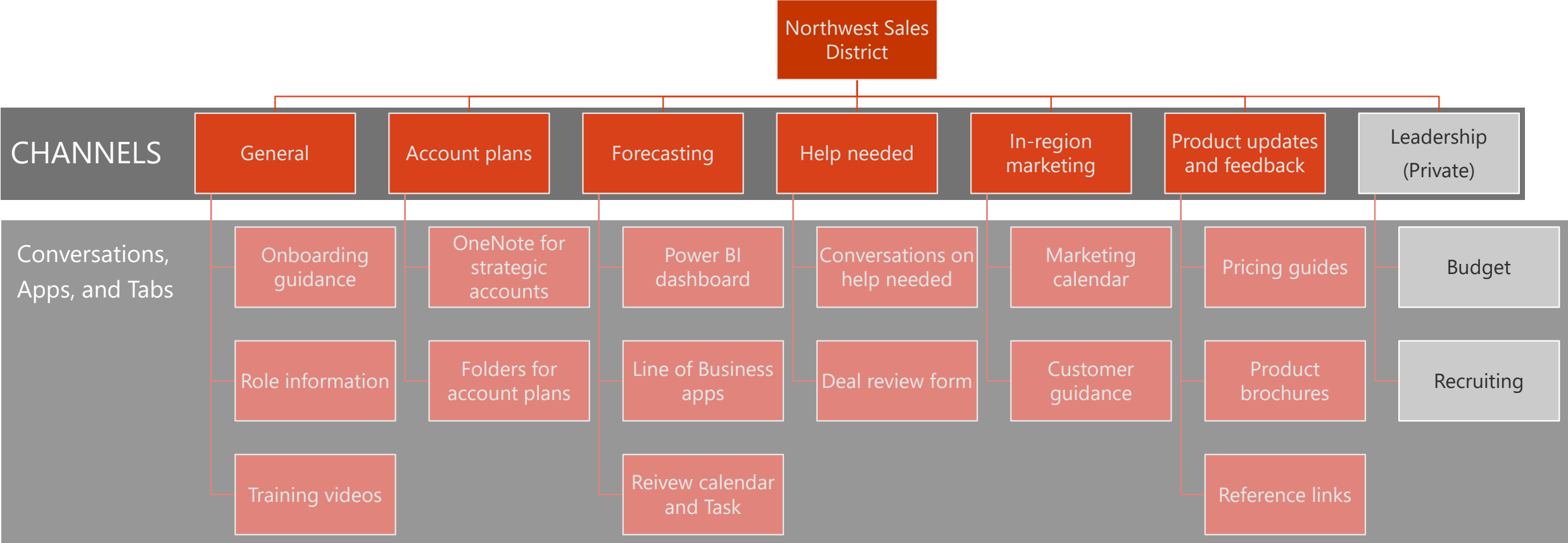
 Modern Project Management ...

- General
- Build Out
- Design Reviews
- Move Logistics
- Plans and Reports
- Research and Reference
- Vendor Selection

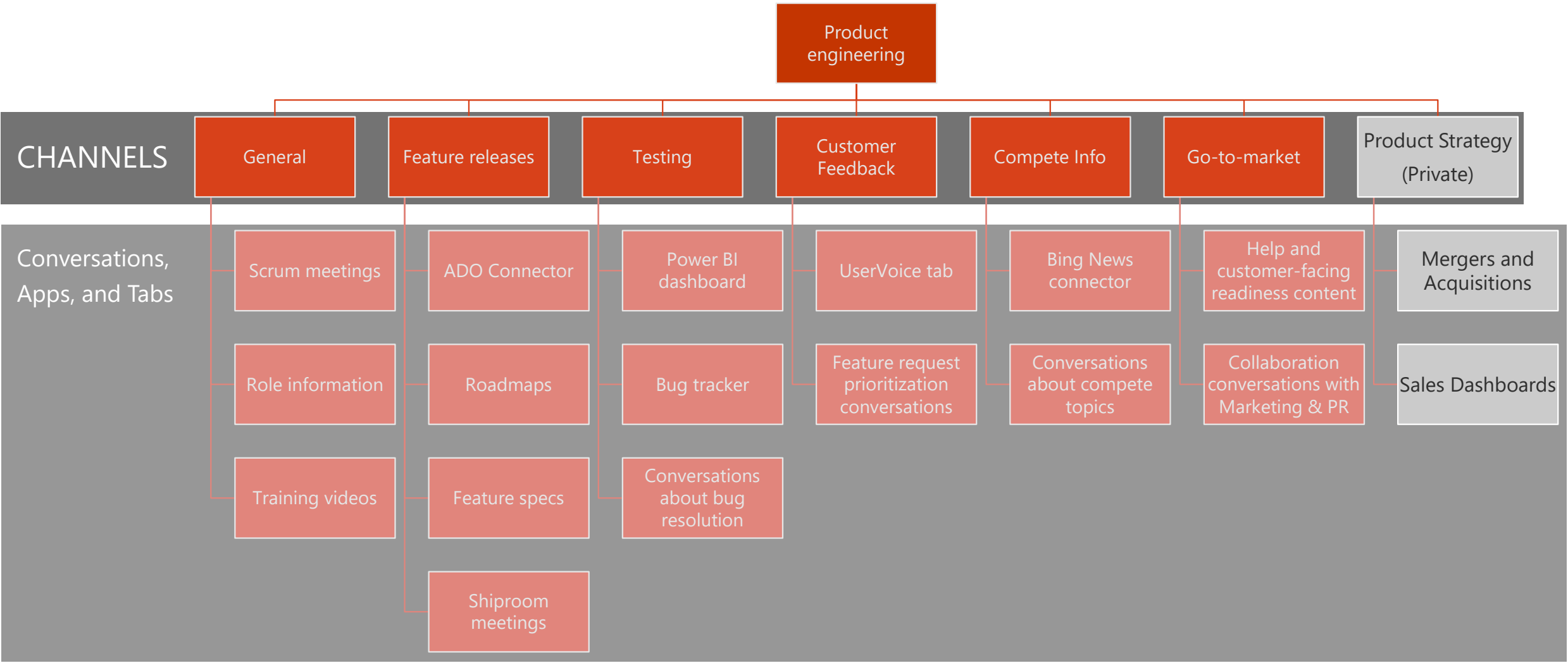
 IT Service Incidents ...

- General
- Communications - Email
- Communications - Voice
- Desktop and Hardware
- Finance Systems
- Identity
- Major Incident Management

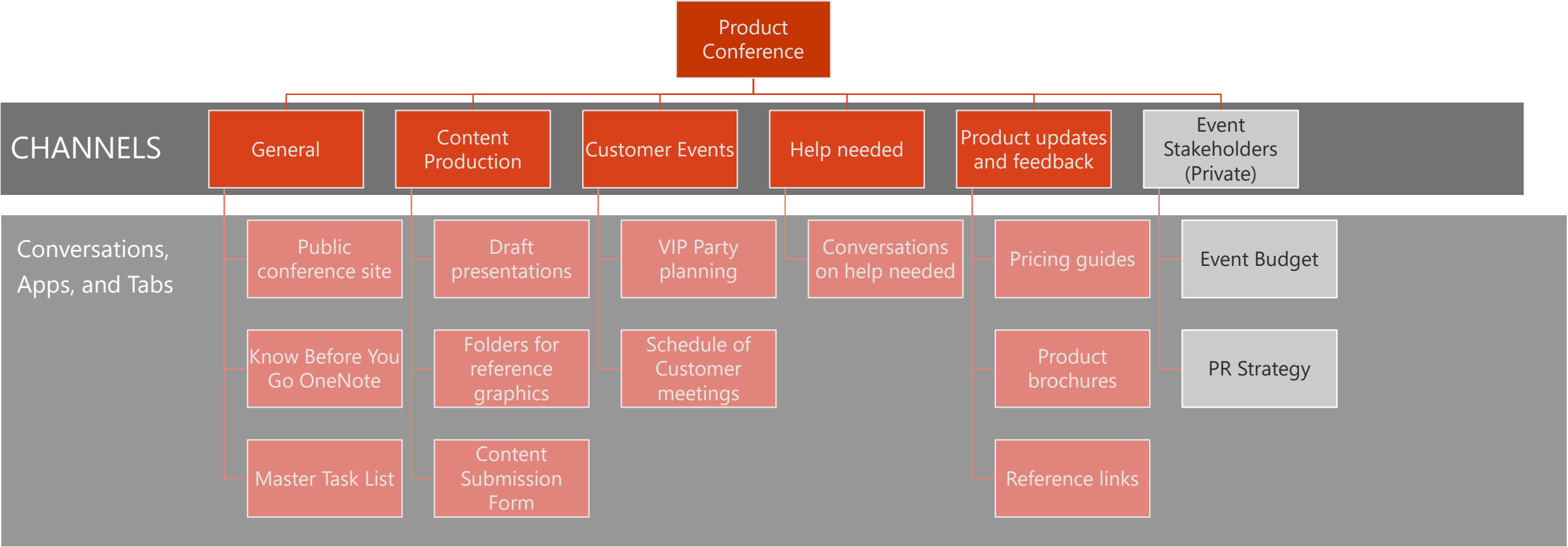
Cross-organizational Team: Sales



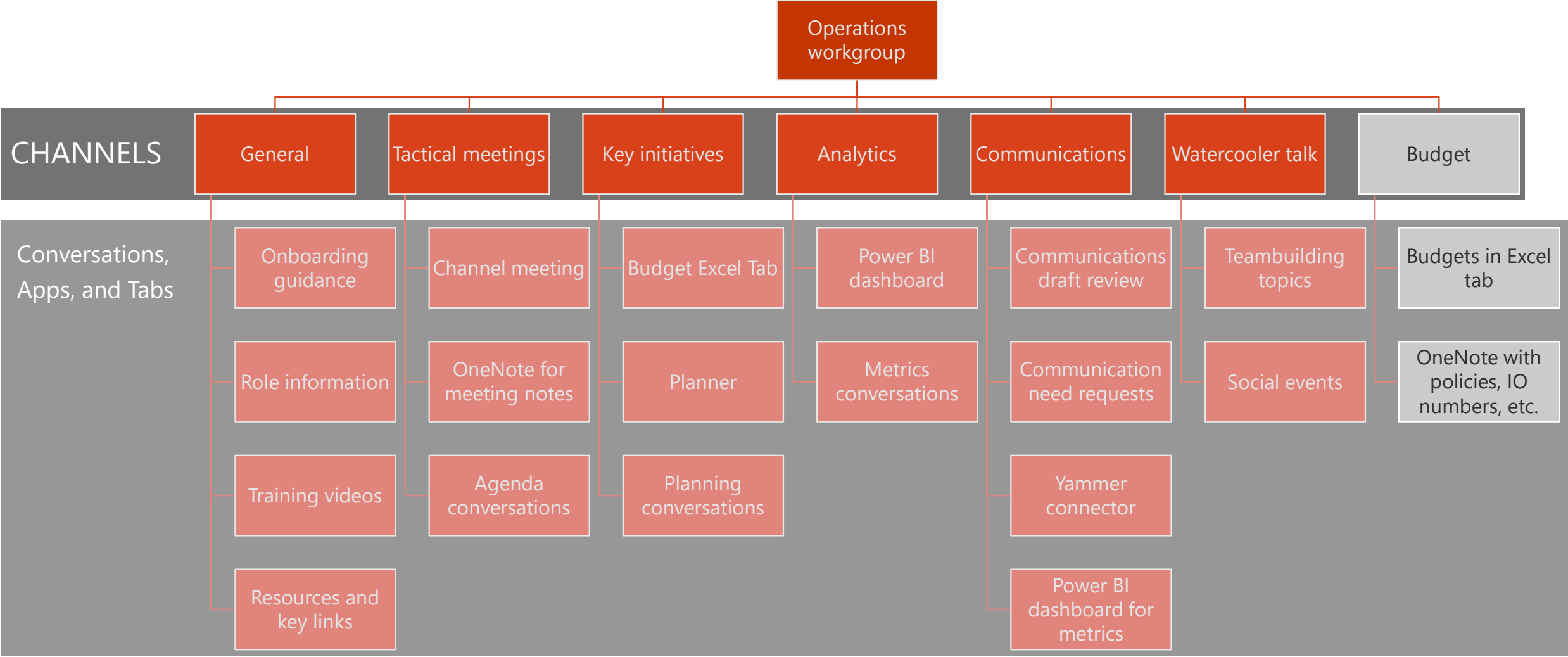
Cross-organizational Team: Engineering



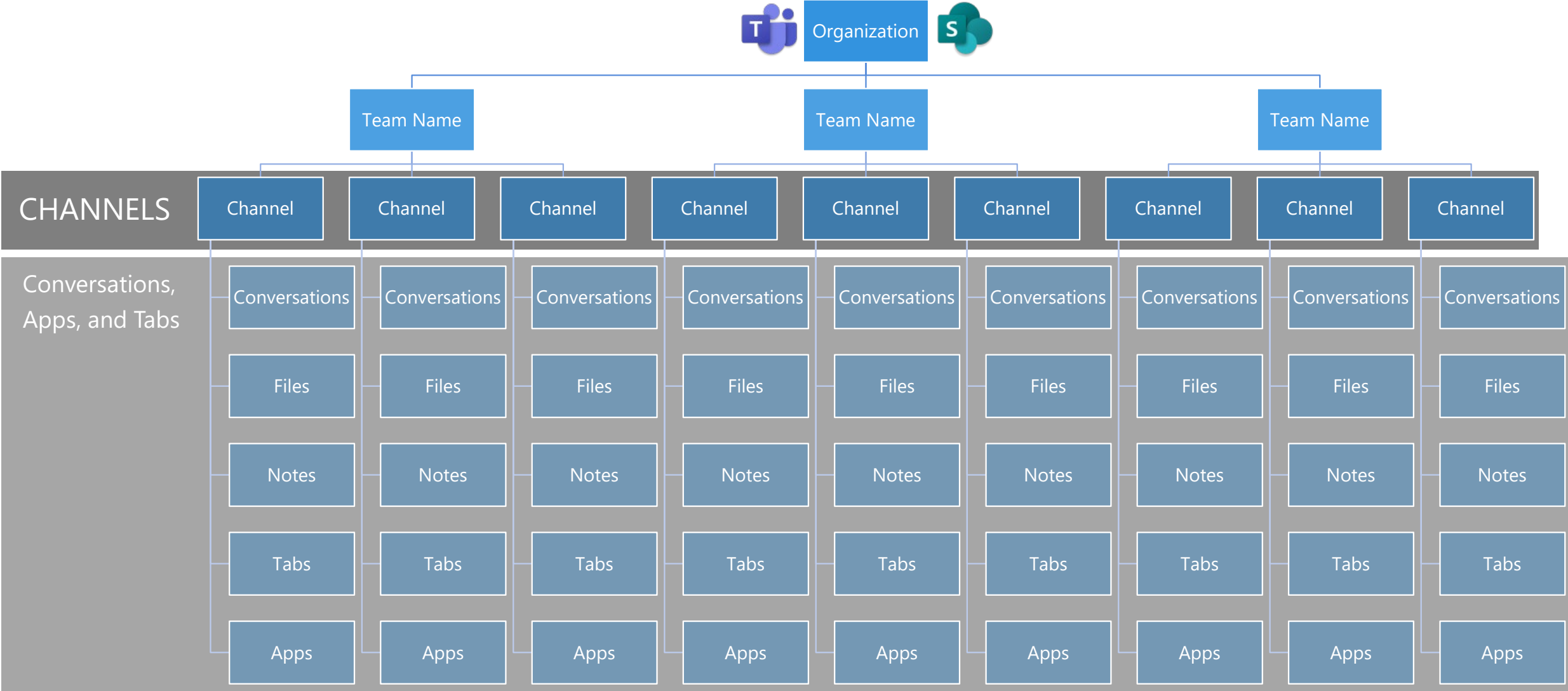
Cross-organizational Team: Event Management



Cross-organizational Team: Operations

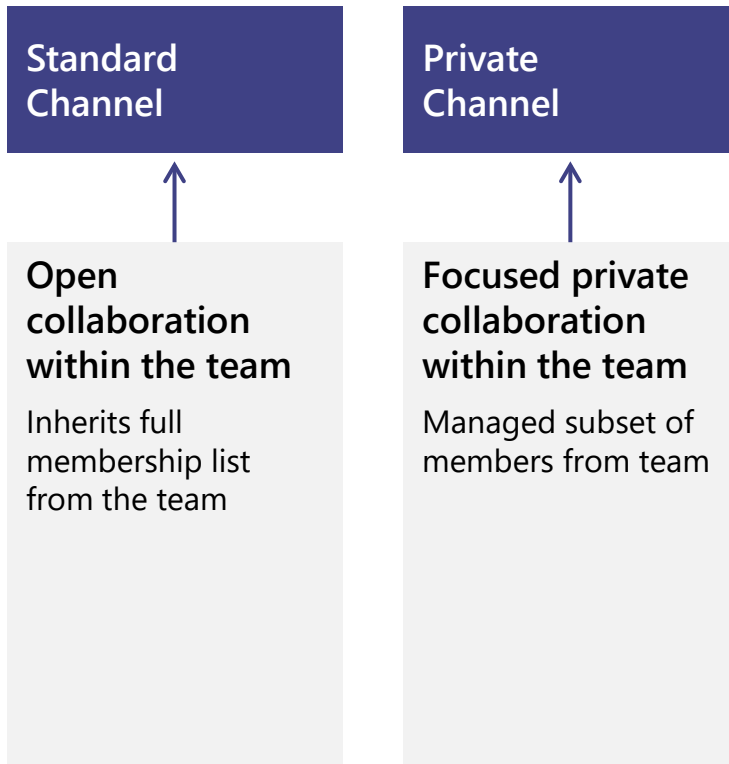


Organizational approach



Private channels

Focused private collaboration within a team



Creation

- Admins can control via policies who can create private channels in tenant
- Team owners can control via setting if members can create private channels
- Limited to 30 private channels per team at launch (in addition to 200 standard channels)

Membership

- Private channel owners can add members and guests to a private channel
- Only existing members and guests in the team can be added to a private channel
- Only members of the private channel can view private channel content
- Limited to 250 members per private channel at launch

Channel owners and settings

- Private channels owners manage the membership and life cycle of private channels
 - Last owner of a private channel cannot be removed from the team
 - If a private channel becomes ownerless (user leaves company), an existing non-guest member is auto-promoted to owner
- Private channels inherit settings from the team on create
 - Settings can be changed at channel level

The screenshot shows the Slack channel settings interface. At the top, there's a header with a purple square containing 'TT', followed by 'Sales and Marketing > Project X ...'. Below this, there are two tabs: 'Members' and 'Settings', with 'Settings' being the active tab. The settings are organized into three main sections, each with a dropdown arrow on the left:

- Member permissions**: This section is titled 'Change member permissions'. It contains four settings, each with a checkbox on the right:
 - Allow members to create, update, and remove tabs (checked)
 - Owners can delete all messages (checked)
 - Give members the option to delete their messages (checked)
 - Give members the option to edit their messages (checked)
- @mentions**: This section is titled 'Choose if @channel mention is allowed'. It contains one setting with a checkbox on the right:
 - Give members the option to @channel or @[channel name]. This will notify everyone who's shown the mentioned channel in their channel lists. (checked)
- Fun stuff**: This section is titled 'Allow emoji, memes, GIFs, or stickers'. It contains three settings:
 - Giphy**: 'Enable Giphy for this channel' (checked).
 - Filter out inappropriate content using one of the setting below:** A dropdown menu is set to 'Moderate' with an information icon to its right.
 - Stickers and memes**: 'Enable stickers and memes' (checked).

Team owners and private channels

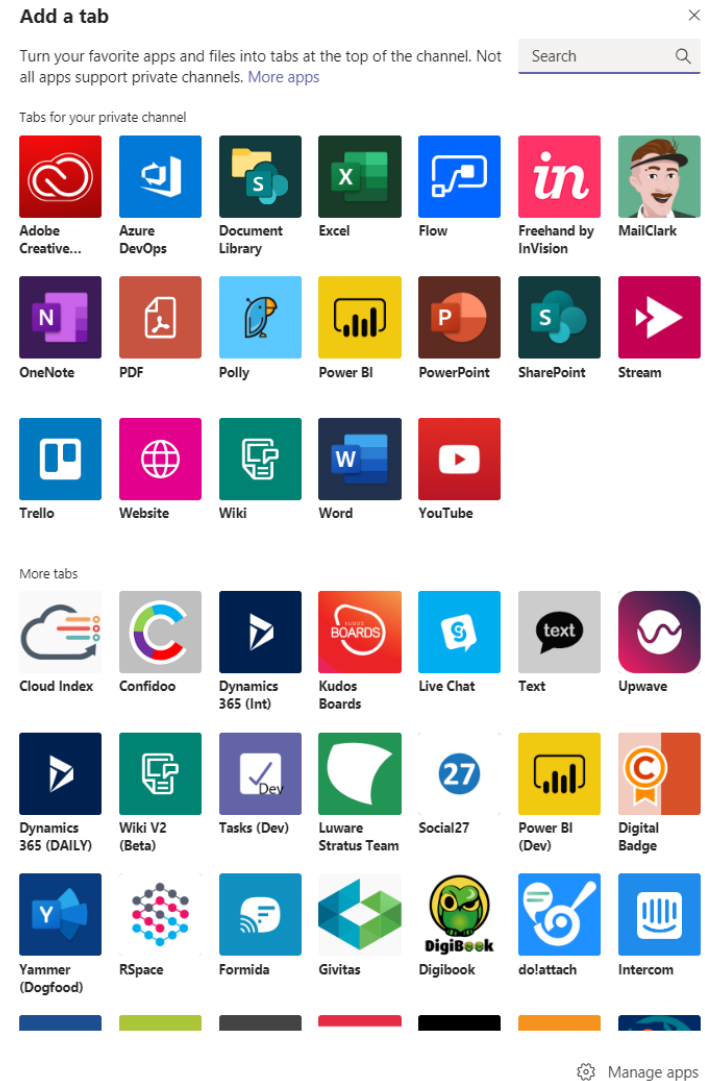
- Team owners can control if members can create private channels
- Team owners can see names, last activity time and owners of all private channels in a team
- Team owners can delete team or individual private channels without being a member
- Removing a member from the team removes them from all private channels*

*Blocked from removing anyone who is the last owner of a private channel

Private channel information	Team owner can see	Team members can see
Name and description	All private channels in the team	Only when added to the private channel
Conversations and tabs	Only when added to the private channel	Only when added to the private channel
Files and content	Only when added to the private channel	Only when added to the private channel

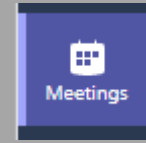
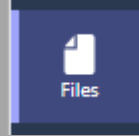
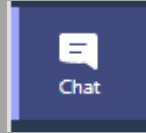
Apps in private channels

- Tabs and connectors supported
- Apps must be installed in the team before they can be used in a private channel
- Bots and message extension support coming later
- Support for certain Office 365 group connected apps like Planner coming later



Teams & Channels

Create, collaborate & communicate



Create a Team

Create a team for your project

Create channels by topic or sub-team

Pin tabs and other O365 apps into your channels

Start Chatting

Private chat with people 1:1 or 1:few

Chat in a channel with your team & @mention

Before, during and post meeting conversation

Share Documents

Share OneDrive documents in private chats

Co-author documents with your teams in channels

Reduce email attachments

Have Productive Meetings

On demand or scheduled meetings

Chat, video, screen sharing and files in context

Track actions with Planner or other tools

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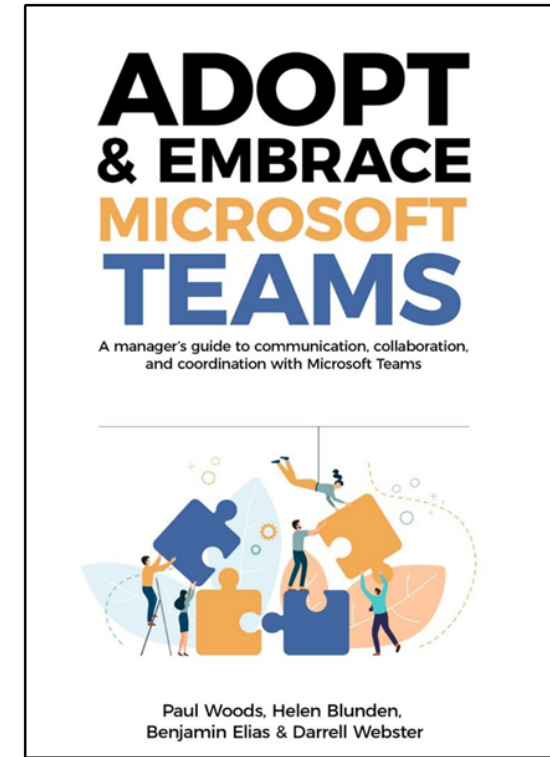
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Meet the engineering leader for Private Channels, Roshin Ramesan in our CiCTV Interview at https://youtu.be/XejrBo_MPIc

2

Watch our Private Channel technical session at <https://aka.ms/MicrosoftIgnite2019/THR1080>

