# **Time Periods dialog**

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#### **Time Periods**

The time periods are used to specify resources for the architecture against a timeline indicating when they are expected to be in use. Time periods can be defined when the subjects, or resources, of the forecast, are already added to the table. As shown below, the **Technology area** column must be filled in with resources **before** adding a specific time period.

| ₩ SV-9 ×                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 🔶 🎽 📋 Add New 🛄 Add Existing 🛞 Time Period |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crite                                      | ria  |  |  |  |  |
| Sco  | Scope (optional): Drag elements from the Model Browser |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| #  | Technology area  |  |  |  |  |
| #  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Technology area  |  |  |  |  |

#### **Time Periods Dialog**

The Time Periods dialog is essential when defining time periods for the forecast of the resources.

The Time Periods dialog consists of three areas:

- Toolbar This area allows you to control how properties in the dialog are displayed: Categorized view, Alphabetical view, Expand all, Collapse all.
- **Properties** Provides a list of properties that are available to specify.
- Properties value cells The fields where you can set values for each property.

|              | 💽 Time Periods    |   |
|--------------|-------------------|---|
|              |                   | Is for the Forecast<br>Is for SV-9, select or create new Time Line to store dates within, select Forecast Kind:<br>tes or specified periods and provide additional required data.   |
| Toolbar —    |                   |   |
|              | General           |   |
| Properties - | Timeline          | Enterprise Time Line [All Views Viewpoint]  |
|              | Forecast Kind     | Specified Periods   |
|              | From Date         |   |
|              | Number of Periods | 0   |
|              | Period Length     | 0   |
|              | Length Unit       |   |
|              | Forecast Dates    | 2008-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 [All Views Viewpoint::Enterprise Time Line]     2009-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 [All Views Viewpoint::Enterprise Time Line]     2010-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 [All Views Viewpoint::Enterprise Time Line] |
|              | Time Periods      | 2008-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 - 2009-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 [All Views Viewpoint::Enterprise Time Line]           2009-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 - 2010-04-16T09:19:33+02:00 [All Views Viewpoint::Enterprise Time Line]             |
| Properties   |                   |   |
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|              |                   | OK Cancel Help  |

Time Periods dialog

Due to the abundance of buttons in the dialog, the instructions are broken down into two parts: General instructions and Specific instructions. General instructions will explain how to open the Time Periods dialog and how to approach the main part of the Time Periods dialog: the Timeline. Specific instructions will explain how to specify Forecast Kinds in the dialog.

To open the Time Periods dialog

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| Open the <b>Time Periods</b> dialog, and in the table toolba | ar, click 🕐 Time Period                     |
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| 🔛 SV-9 🗙   |   |
| 🔶 🎽 🗋 Add N  | lew 🗋 Add Existing 🕐 Time Period 🍵 Delete 🖷 |
| Criteria   | 2   |
| Scope (optional):  | Drag elements from the Model Browser ()***  |
|  |   |

button "Line Period" is visible only in the Forecast diagram or any diagram containing a forecast.

# **Specifying Timelines**

When specifying timelines, you can either select a pre-existing timeline or create a new one.

To specify the Timeline

There are two things you can do here:

- Select a pre-existing Timeline.
  - 1. Click , or Alt+Down for a drop-down menu to make your selection.

General

| General           |                                   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Timeline          | 📃 Enterprise Time Line 🛛 💽 🖬      |
| Forecast Kind     | Q                                 |
| From Date         | 1 match found with filter applied |
| Number of Periods | 🔜 Enterprise Time Line            |
| Period Length     |                                   |
| Length Unit       |                                   |
| Forecast Dates    | :                                 |
| Time Periods      | þ                                 |
|                   | ☑ Apply Filter(Ctrl+Space) ▽      |
|                   |                                   |

#### Create a new Timeline.

- 1. Click 🛄 for a Select Timeline dialog.
- 2. Click Creation Mode.

| 📝 Ap | pply Filter ( Ctrl+Space | ) 7 | Creation | Mode | Create | Clone  | Loa | d    |
|------|--------------------------|-----|----------|------|--------|--------|-----|------|
|      |                          |     |          |      | OK     | Cancel |     | lelp |

- 3. Select the appropriate package from the list in which you want to store a new Timeline.
- 4. Click Create. (Shortcut: Right-click and click Create.) The new Timeline's specification window opens.

|                  | Apply Filter ( Ctrl+Space )<br>Creation Mode Clone Load OK Cancel Help   |
|------------------|--|
| 5. Type the name | of the new Timeline. Click Close.  |
|                  | Specification of Timeline <>   |
|                  | Specification of Timeline properties         Specify properties of the selected Timeline in the properties specification table. Choose the Expert or All options from the Properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop-down list to see more properties.         Image: Constraint of the selected Timeline in the properties drop drop drop drop drop drop drop drop |
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|                  | Close Back Eorward Help  |

6. Click OK.

#### **Related procedures**

- Creating P1 Technology Forecast table
  Creating A8 Standards Forecast table
  Creating StdV-2 table
  Creating SvcV-9 table
  Creating SV-9 table

# Sample Model:

The model used in the figures of this page is the **DoDAF Sample**. To open this sample, do one of the following:

• Find in modeling tool <modeling tool installation directory>\samples\UAF\DoDAF Sample.mdzip