



Bob Dean co-founded TBM Consulting Group 25 years ago. He currently serves as Executive Vice President of Administration and maintains close relationships on several large client engagements.

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Bob has continued to play an instrumental role in the firm's global growth and expansion beyond traditional manufacturing shop floor improvement including: business process improvement, lean product development, lean accounting, as well as the introduction and application of new technologies to management process . Bob helped to translate and apply lean improvement methodologies (traditionally adopted by discrete manufacturers) into continuous process and service sector industries. He led the development of TBM's comprehensive library of standardized training materials, installed management system discipline and standardized implementation techniques in TBM client



organizations globally.

Bob trained for 10 years with the Japanese team (Shingijutsu) who worked under Taichii Ohno, the father of just-in-time and for the legendary Toyota Production System. Earlier in his career, Bob helped clients significantly reduce lead time, optimize inventory, improve productivity, quality and plant capacity. Today he provides coaching and mentoring to senior leaders, helps to align and measure results, improves strategy execution, implements management systems, and creates problem-solving cultures that drive flexibility, responsiveness and accountability.

Bob has been a trusted advisor to several large global, multi-site organizations such as Allied Signal, Rank Group, Pella Corporation, John Deere, Boeing, General Electric Engines, United Technologies, Pratt & Whitney and Caterpillar. Prior to joining TBM, Bob spent six years as project engineer for Environmental Control Systems at Hamilton Sundstrand.

He has a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Clarkson University.

