

## **Effective User Stories for Agile Requirements**



## Background

In the context of Agile Delivery, "Stories" allow the Customer, End User Consumer and the Delivery team to continually discuss Requirements and Benefits over the project lifetime, helping us to collectively discover what is really required and ensure that it is delivered.

- Stories are written in a format that forces us to think of the business value /benefit achieved by implementing this story (Economics)
- Stories are concise and to the point, helping everyone to remain focussed (Flow)
- As a "promise for a conversation", stories encourage customer collaboration and face-to-face conversations (Communication)

## Topics covered

- Advantages of User Stories
- Story Format
- Story Creation
- ✓ Acceptance Criteria
- ✓ Good Stories
- User Story Myths
- ✓ Dispelling "Anti-Story Smells"
- Options for prioritizing of stories
- Problems and how to deal with them
- Story writing Sessions with constructive feedback

## What you will learn

#### This practical workshop...

- Explains the use of Stories as defining the basic unit of scope for an agile project
- ✓ Describes a WHO, WHAT and WHY scenario
- Gives guidance on when and how to use them
- ✓ Describes real business value/benefits

### Benefits of attending

The aim of this practical workshop is to equip you with a better understanding of the benefits of good user stories in order to

- start applying stories in your project delivery process
- improve the quality of the stories in your organisation
- understand some of the common errors in writing stories and what to do about them
- ✓ write effective & measurable acceptance criteria

The training style is highly interactive with the opportunity to write your own stories, working from real life examples and receive constructive feedback.

The trainers are seasoned Agile practitioners and coaches with many years' experience, who have experienced first-hand many of the issues associated with Agile introduction and its delivery. Their aim is to share this experience and help attendees in moving to Agile.

# Course Cost: £550 + VAT Course Duration: 1-day workshop

#### **Further details**

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