



Three Workshops in Managing Agile Performance

Workshop 1: Managing Agile Requirements

This workshop discusses how requirements best practice can support a more effective dialogue between customers and developers. Using requirements development good practice for writing User Story Cards provides developers and product owners with a simple means to improve the understandability of each story. Increasing the understandability will reduce re-work which will concomitantly increase productivity and velocity and reduce defect density, etc.

Workshop 2: Estimating for Agile Projects

Many agile teams use 'story points' to estimate the work effort they expect to expend in developing a user story to the point it can be delivered. Each individual (or each team) estimates story points based on their own, local experience. So story points are not standardised, are not transferrable, and are not stable over the duration of a project. Story points are essentially only measuring the effort input. COSMIC FP was designed specifically to measure the output size of modern software. It is an accessible, robust and transferable method which can be easily combined with story points to deliver accurate and reliable estimates of productivity, velocity, or defect density.

Workshop 3: Managing Agile Productivity

To manage Agile productivity it is necessary to measure it effectively. Output measures help bring business discipline to Agile development methods by enabling Agile performance to be compared to other development methods as well as across Agile teams. Value for money can be demonstrated and opportunities for improvement identified. This workshop captures lessons learned from many years practical experience of software management.

Who should attend

This series of workshops is for Agile developers and managers of Agile teams.

By attending this series of workshops, Agile developers will gain an enhanced understanding of using comparable performance measures. It will show how proper application of functional size measurement improves the dialogue between customer and development regarding requirements and scope; enable teams to estimate accurately; and leverage demonstrably better productivity levels.