# Leading Successful Agile Adoption

**Success Stories** 

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# **Agile values**

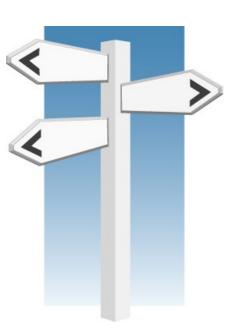
We value



•While there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.

#### What to focus on?

- Individual productivity
- Team collaboration
- Communication across the teams
- Customer as a member of the team
- Management decisions and reporting



# What to keep in mind?

- How much to change the working style?
  - Agile approaches
  - Transparency and proactivity
- How much the right tools can help?
  - Tools supporting team collaboration
  - Individual tools



# Our philosophy

- Focusing on <u>people</u> and their communication
  - Team members, customer, stakeholders, management...
- Bringing <u>transparency</u> through <u>traceability</u>
  - Connecting relevant information, automatic data collection
- Significantly <u>reducing administration</u> and waste
  - Project reporting, daily team members administration
- Real time project status
  - Different management levels (team, project, portfolio..)
- Reusing existing technologies
  - Connecting 3rd party tools, open source etc.





# Global transportation company, Czech

- Communication among the customer, team and subcontractors
- Linking changes, tasks, code changes and builds
- Introducting the request-requirement concept
- SCRUM adoption to the projects

- ✓ Significantly shortened the delivery cycle (months)
- ✓ Customer satisfaction
- ✓ Effectivity increase > 10%



# One of the major banks, Russia

- Unification of the development (methodology, tools)
- Various projects support depending on the size and type
- Connecting a number of departments towards the same goal
- Help with outsourcing development to a separate company

- √ The flexibility of the bank risen (competitivness)
- ✓ The challenging projects under the control
- ✓ Direct costs savings through better management



### Local bank, Slovakia

- Unblocked agile adoption by connecting the team members
- Connected vairous teams (Java, .NET, Cobol, integrations,...)
- Introduced better project planning through transparency
- Enabled better alignment between the business and IT

- ✓ Lowered the risks through predictability and control
- ✓ Increased the quality by improving the cooperation
- ✓ Increased the team performance (capacity)

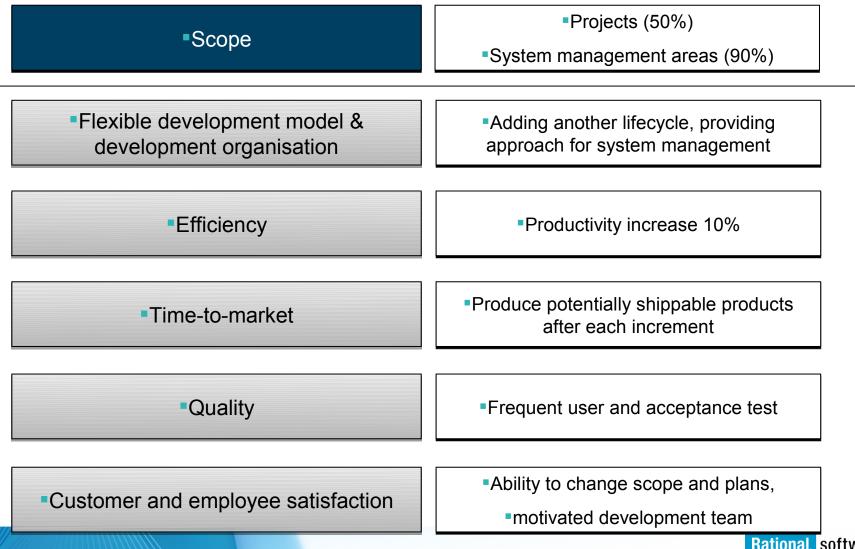


### International bank, Croatia

- Searching for an optimal way how to organize testing
- Relationship between the analysts, developers and testers
- Speed of development affected by huge bug fixing
- Using various development platforms and architectures

- ✓ Significantly improved the quality
- ✓ Increased the efficiency of the development team
- ✓ Improved customer satisfaction

# Why Implement Agile?



# So What is the Focus for Agility in this Context?



#### Collaboration

Drive organizational consensus on priorities and improve workforce productivity

#### **Automation**

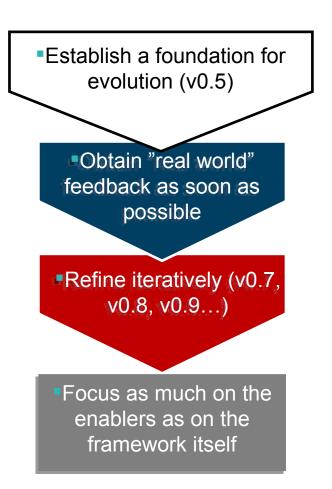
Lower costs and improve quality by automating workflows based on real-time information

#### Visibility

Continuously improve by measuring progress against desired business outcomes

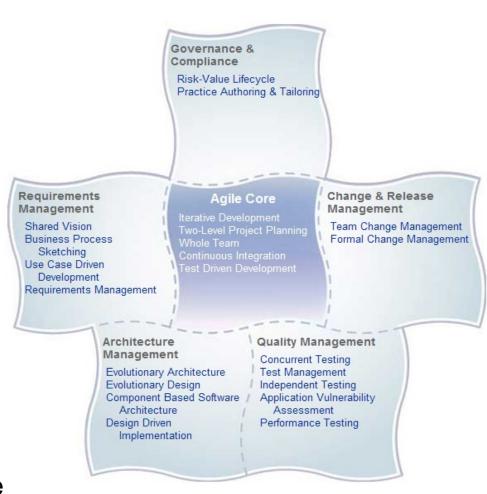
# An approach that mitigates risks and addresses enablers

- Develop the common framework iteratively based on experience "from the field" (Pilots)
- Base our framework on wellestablished frameworks
- Learn from the experiences of other companies with similar characteristics
- Leverage the experience in the organization



# Practice-based capability improvement

- Achieve early, relevant and measurable success
- Adopt each of the practices incrementally – no "big bang"
- Create a suite of practices each with a repository of relevant material, guidance, governance to embed excellence
- Map each practice to individual stakeholder challenges
- Align each practice to organisational operational drivers
- Measure adoption of each practice and assess its business value



#### Do I need a tool?

- Easier to manager backlogs
- Non-collocation Transparency outside the team room
- Several teams situation increases complexity and requires cross team visibility
- Data gathering and reporting
- Integration with test management tool
- Integration with development tools
- Aligning across geographies



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# Rational Team Concert – a Jazz Collaborative ALM Solution

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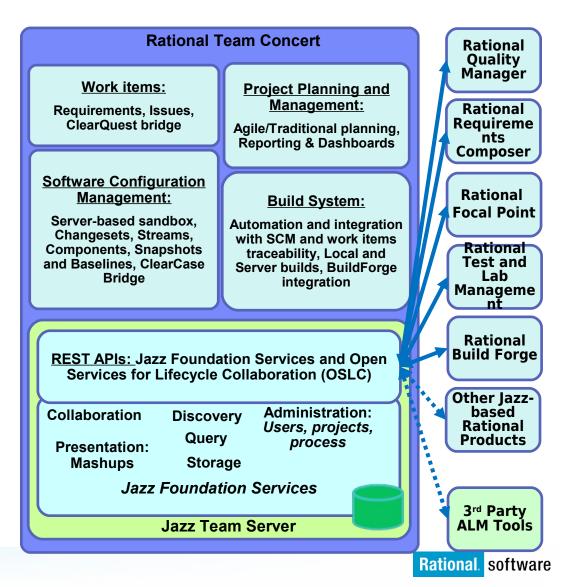
- Common repository
- Common architecture
- Better governance

#### Open and extensible:

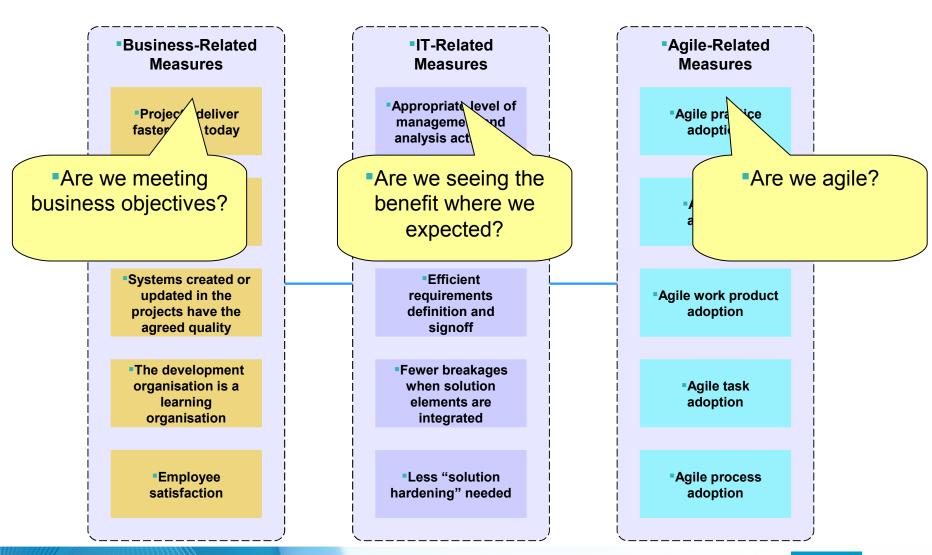
Open specification – OSLC provides greater

#### Productive:

- Collaboration is a core service
- Rich, highly functional Web interface usable by all user project roles
- Dashboards and reports for every level – individual, team, and project



# Measures help answer key questions



# **Initial Metrics**

	B us ines s -related	Agile-related				
Cycle time reduction	<ul> <li>Time spent from project initiation to delivery of first increment</li> <li>Time spent from project initiation to project closure</li> </ul>	•Sprint velocity •Blocking work items				
Quality	•Defects (severity 1 and 2) in production per 100 FPs	•Defect trend				
Continuous optimis ation	•Process maturity level	•Adoption of agile practices				
Productivity	•Function points per man year	•Sprint burndown chart •Release burndown chart				

# Would you like to experience Agile@IBM?

# Free of charge

- One day "Jazz hands-on test drive" for teams and individuals
- Jazz.net offers free download of the working software or trials
- Small teams can start the adoption free of charge

# Commercial offerings

- Agile methodology trainings:
  - Disciplined Agile Delivery (based on SCRUM)
  - Agility at Scale (for organizations who need to scale agility)
- QuickStart services to adopt the agility quickly

# Software Quality: A costly problem across all industries

- Software is blamed for more major business problems than any other man-made product.
- Poor software quality has become one of the most expensive topics in human history
  - > \$150 billion per year in U.S.
  - > \$500 billion per year worldwide.
- Projects cancelled due to poor quality are >15% more costly than successful projects of the same size and type.

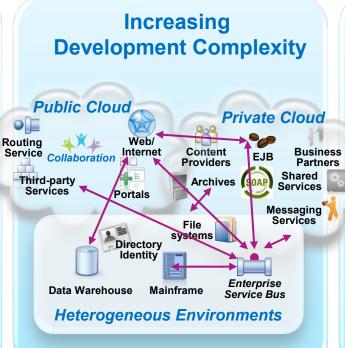


Source: Capers Jones, 2011

Based on 675 companies, 35 government/military groups, 13,500 projects, 50-75 new projects/month, 24 countries, 15 lawsuites

# What is driving the need for a change?







13%

The forecasted increase in wages for India IT workforce in 2011<sup>a</sup>

**\$5-30** million

The typical investment to build a single test lab for a Fortune 500 company. Most have dozens<sup>b</sup>...

30-50%

The average amount of time testing teams spend on setting up test environments, instead of testing °



# Test Environment set up is a key inhibitor

#### Cost

 Labor, hardware, and software costs to manage test labs and environments

#### **Cycle Time**

 Days/weeks wasted waiting on the availability of a test environment

#### Risk

 Availability of test environments hinders developers ability to test properly

- Lots of under-utilized and costly test lab resources
- Development and QA waste a lot of time on unproductive activities: installation, configuration, trial/error, etc.
- A significant portion of the testing effort is pushed late in the process resulting in defects costing 10-100x to fix

# The solution today...

#### Test Lab costs

- Use of hardware-based virtualization or cloud based resources provides partial savings (20-30%)
- Installation and configuration of software is still very labor intensive
- Certain systems cannot leverage hw virtualization, e.g. costly third party services, mainframe applications, proprietary systems

#### **Cycle Time**

- Investment in UI test automation has proven to reduce cycle time for regression testing
- Testing new functions still require to have an environment available to develop test scripts
- The time wasted waiting for a test environment is severely reducing the ability to do proper acceptance testing

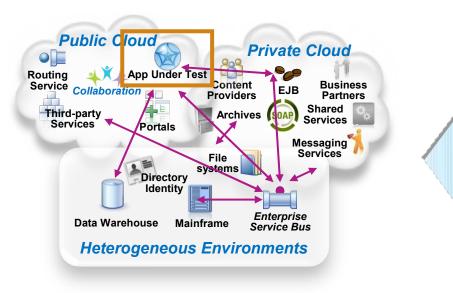
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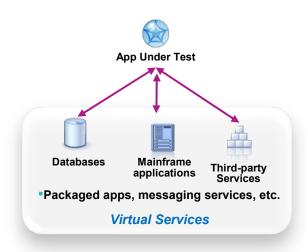
- Addressed through better collaboration between development and testing, better test planning, e.g. using Rational Quality Manager
- Too many "trivial" defects are still found late in the process by Quality Assurance teams

& Model

Capture

### What is Test Virtualization?





- System dependencies is a key challenge in setting up test environments:
  - ▶ *Unavailable/inaccessible*: Testing is constrained due to production schedules, security restrictions, contention between teams, or because they are still under development
  - Costly 3rd party access fees: Developing or testing against Cloud-based or other shared services can result in costly usage fees
  - Impractical hardware-based virtualization:
    Systems are either too difficult (mainframes) or remote (third-party services) to replicate via traditional hardware-based virtualization approaches

# Test Virtualization enables to create "virtual services":

- -Virtual Services simulate the behavior of an entire application or system during testing
- -Virtual Services can run on commodity hardware, private cloud, public cloud
- -Each developer, tester can easily have their own test environment
- -Developer and testers continue to use their testing tools (Manual, Web performance, UI test automation)

#### **Green Hat Solution**

- Green Hat VIE is a server solution that:
  - Provides a central environment to virtualize heterogeneous
     hardware, software and services to provide 24x7 testing capabilities
  - Reduces infrastructure costs of traditional testing environments
- Green Hat Tester is a desktop solution that enables testers/developers to:
  - Capture and model virtual services
  - Test services and applications before their user interfaces becomes available and do integration testing
- Combined with IBM Quality Management solutions, Green Hat capabilities dramatically improve Agile Development:
  - Improve development and test cycle time by making test environments readily available
  - Share test environments across teams enabling parallel development
  - Employ traceability and collaborate in-context across development domains





# **Questions**