Agile Project Management (AgilePM®)

Foundation to Practitioner

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Overview

AgilePM provides the ability to deliver Agile projects in organisations requiring standards, rigour and visibility around Project Management, whilst at the same time enabling the fast pace of change and empowerment that is integral to Agile.

AgilePM addresses the needs of management, project managers, team leaders, business analysts and the PMO working in an Agile environment, based on the DSDM® (Dynamic System Development Method) Agile Project Framework.

The Foundation course lays a solid foundation for managing projects using the DSDM Agile Project Framework and prepares candidates for the AgilePM Foundation certification.

The Practitioner course builds on the AgilePM Foundation course, providing additional depth of understanding, and prepares candidates for the AgilePM Practitioner certification exam.

Key Topics

The courses explore the following content with the Foundation level focusing on the theory, whilst Practitioner considers the application of the method:

Agile approach and philosophy

The Agile mindset. Being Agile vs Doing Agile. Delivering solutions using an Agile approach. Which Agile approach should you use.

The DSDM Agile Project Framework

The DSDM approach, principles and processes, and how they are applied throughout the project. Application and tailoring of relevant AgilePM aspects in context to enhance project success.

Working with DSDM Roles and products

Roles and responsibilities. Working effectively as an Agile team. Collaborating and communicating for success. The project manager's role across the DSDM lifecycle.

Managing Agile projects using DSDM

DSDM planning concepts including outcome-based planning and iterative development. Defining requirements through user stories, prioritisation and estimation. Tracking and control concepts and techniques e.g. management by exception, timeboxing and stand-ups. Managing quality and risk.

AgilePM Foundation

Objectives

This course will enable participants to:

» Adopt an Agile approach and philosophy

» Work in line with DSDM philosophy and principles

» Work effectively with DSDM roles, process and products

» Describe how DSDM Agile projects are managed

» Prepare for the Foundation examination

Duration

WEEKDAY

3 days

WEEKEND

2 days

VIRTUAL

3 days

Exam and Certification

The Foundation course includes the AgilePM Foundation exam which consists of:

» 50 multiple choice questions

» 50% pass mark (25/50)

» 40 minutes duration

» Closed book

The Foundation exam addresses knowledge of the terminology of the method and a high-level understanding of the concepts.

Weekday courses
Exam taken on afternoon of day 3 of Foundation course.

Weekend courses
Exam taken morning of day 1 of Practitioner course.

Virtual training
Online proctored exam taken **after** the course. On completion of the Foundation virtual training, you will receive an invitation to book your Foundation exam. You have 6 months to sit the exam online. Please check availability when making your booking.

AgilePM Practitioner

Objectives

The Practitioner course prepares participants to undertake and pass the AgilePM Practitioner Examination. The course follows Section 2 of the AgilePM Handbook V2 –"Digging Deeper", and includes a review, consolidation of concepts and exam questions for the Practitioner level certification.

(i) Please note that the Practitioner course is an examination preparation course and focuses on the application of AgilePM to prepare candidates for the Practitioner examination.

Participants joining an AgilePM Practitioner course will be issued with pre-course work to ensure adequate preparation for the Practitioner exam.

Please be aware that pre-course work must be completed prior to the course.

Failure to complete pre-course work may mean that you are not ready to fully participate in the course and may limit your ability to gain the outcomes you are hoping to achieve.

Expected pre-course Practitioner preparation time: minimum 4 hours.

(i) **The AgilePM Practitioner qualification is valid for 5 years.** Practitioners should re-register within 3-5 years of their original certification to demonstrate their commitment to professional development.

Duration

WEEKDAY
1 day

WEEKEND
1 day

VIRTUAL
½ day

Exam and Certification

The Practitioner course includes the AgilePM Practitioner exam which consists of:

» Complex multiple choice based on a project scenario
» 4 questions (20 marks each)
» 40/80 marks required to pass (50%)
» 150 minutes (2.5 hours) duration
» Open book (AgilePM Handbook only)

The Practitioner exam tests knowledge, understanding, application, analysis and evaluation of the method.

Weekday and weekend courses
The exam is taken on the afternoon of the course, and papers sent away for scoring.

Virtual training
Online proctored exam taken **after** the course. On completion of the Practitioner virtual training, you will receive an invitation to book your Practitioner exam. You have 6 months to sit the exam online. Please check availability when making your booking.

Course Delivery

Trainers of this course will use a practical delivery approach to provide participants with a 'hands-on', multi-faceted and challenging learning experience. Understanding and recall techniques will be used to provide participants with a solid understanding of AgilePM.

Courses are facilitated by our expert team and can be conducted onsite, at our premises or virtually. All courses can be customised to suit your requirements.

Weekend courses: These are conducted over one full weekend and one following Saturday.

Virtual training: Our virtual training is streamed live (not pre-recorded) with an accredited trainer in real-time – otherwise referred to as Virtual Instructor Led Training (VILT). Our trainers are based in real training rooms complete with audio visual equipment. We apply best practices incorporating a modular approach with frequent activities, visual engagement, appropriate pace and relevant dynamic learning to add value.

Materials: A comprehensive participant workbook is provided for the Foundation course.

A participant workbook and the AgilePM Handbook (published by the Agile Business Consortium) are provided to Practitioner participants.

APMG International
AgilePM®

APMG International administers the AgilePM examination scheme.

Who is this course for?

» Practising project managers

» Agile team members looking to become Agile Project Managers

» Individuals pursuing AgilePM Certification

Participants should:

Foundation

» Have a minimum of one year's Project Management experience OR

» Have attended a PM-Partners Project Management Fundamentals course (or equivalent).

Practitioner

Have obtained a pass in the AgilePM Foundation exam (25 / 50).

Professional Development Units (PDUs)

Participants who have been awarded the Project Management Professional (PMP)® credential by the Project Management Institute (PMI)® are eligible to earn PDUs for their participation in these courses as follows:

Foundation
Weekday / Virtual (3 days): **21 PDUs** (16 Technical, 2 Strategic and Business Management, 3 Leadership)
Weekend (2 days): **18 PDUs** (14 Technical, 2 Strategic and Business Management, 2 Leadership)

Practitioner
Weekday/Weekend (1 day): **7 PDUs** (5 Technical, 1 Strategic and Business Management, 1 Leadership)
Virtual training (½ day): **3 PDUs** (2 Technical, 0.5 Strategic and Business Management, 0.5 Leadership)

CPDs

Participants holding any of the Project Management accreditations (CPPP/ CPPM/CPPD) are eligible to earn CPDs as follows: **Foundation: 20 CPDs, Practitioner:** **Weekday/Weekend** (1 day): **14 CPDs, Virtual** (½ day): **6 CPDs**

Consortium Membership

Candidates who pass the AgilePM Foundation or Practitioner exam are eligible to claim one year's Agile Business Consortium Membership. This entitles you to:

» Free access to online member events
» Access to templates and tools
» Access to all eBooks
» 20% off web shop and Consortium only exams (not APMG exams)
» Admission to member forum
» Reciprocal membership opportunities

PMI and Project Management Professional (PMP) are registered marks of the Project Management Institute.

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Why learn with PM-Partners?

Because we turn your career goals into reality.

Poor project skills are consistently quoted as a key reason for project failure. To be successful in project delivery, it's critical to invest in yourself and the capabilities of your team. This means setting clear goals and making a commitment to continuous improvement.

Certification and training is a vital part of this journey. But you need to know which foot to put forward, and when, to ensure you're heading in the right direction. That's where our expert guidance and support comes in.

Tell us where you want to go

At PM-Partners we start every conversation with the question, 'Where are you trying to go?' We then apply our expertise to show you exactly 'how' to get there.

We believe that having the relevant skills and methodologies is critical to delivery success, and ultimately career success. Depending on your aims, our team of professional development consultants will work closely with you to create a development pathway, or team training program, that aligns with your goals.

Helping to develop professional capabilities for 25 years

Our accredited programs provide certification and development across a range of globally recognised project management and delivery streams.

Each year, our expert facilitators train and certify more than 12,000 people throughout Australia, New Zealand and South-East Asia to best practice standards. All highly qualified practitioners in their field, they draw from real-life scenarios and their own experience to add real value for individuals, teams and organisations.

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Customer story

Listen to Dominic Cain speak about how he went from being a young Chef to a Programme Director.

> "It is such an incredible feeling to have completed the AgilePM Foundation and Practitioner certifications! A special thank you to Kerry McLennan from PM-Partners group for the amazing training facilitation (in the virtual setting!) to keep it engaging, conversational and easily digestible; and all my course mates for the dynamic group interactions to make this journey extra valuable. I have truly enjoyed the learning experience and content, look forward to putting it into practice!

VIVIAN W CHIA

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