

## Skillsoft's New Series Helps Professionals Achieve PMI® Agile Certification

Teaches Agile and Lean methods such as Scrum, XP, Kanban and Agile Requirements

Modelling in preparation for certification exam

NASHUA, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Skillsoft today announced a solution created to help professionals prepare for the PMI Agile Certification exam. With an increasing number of organizations applying agile techniques in the management of projects, PMI, the world's leading project management member association, launched a certification named the PMI-Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP<sup>sm</sup>), which validates an individual's ability to understand agile principles and concepts. Skillsoft, a pioneer in the field of learning with a long history of innovation, designed the series, *Agile Practitioner*, based on the PMI Certification exam to establish a baseline of understanding regarding agile philosophy, concepts, and general practices for project managers. Skillsoft provides cloud based learning solutions for its customers worldwide, ranging from global enterprises, government, and education to midsized and small businesses.

Agile Practitioner is offered through Skillsoft's award-winning Business Skills Information Technology libraries, and consists of 10 courses designed to teach several agile and Lean methods such as Scrum, XP, Kanban, and Agile Requirements Modelling in addition to others. The series focuses on concepts related to the agile project management process, such as release planning, iteration planning, estimating, testing and delivery, working as an agile team, and effective stakeholder engagement.

"Agile processes have been shown to speed time to market, increase quality, lower costs while reducing overall risk in the software development process," said Russ Howard, director, content programs, Skillsoft. With the increased adoption of agile development processes, project management teams are looking for tools to help them more effectively implement agile-based programs. "The *Agile Practitioner* series helps professionals gain the knowledge needed to lead agile initiatives and also helps prepare candidates for the PMI-ACP certification exam."

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The 10 courses in the *Agile Practitioner* series are:

- Course 1 Agile Project Management Essentials
- Course 2 Adopting an Agile Approach to Project Management
- Course 3 An Overview of Agile Methodologies
- Course 4 Overview of the Scrum Development Process

- Course 5 Agile Planning: Project Initiating and Requirements Gathering
- Course 6 Agile Planning: Doing Estimates and Completing the Release Plan
- Course 7 Planning and Monitoring Iterations on an Agile Project
- Course 8 Leading an Agile Team
- Course 9 Managing Stakeholder Engagement on an Agile Project
- Course 10 Ensuring Delivery of Value and Quality in Agile Projects

To learn more about Skillsoft's *Agile Practitioner* series please visit us at Booth 802 at PMI Global Congress in Vancouver, B.C., Canada, October 20 -23 2012.

To learn more about Skillsoft's resources to support all of your PMI Certification needs please visit http://www.skillsoft.com/about/credit\_programs/credential\_programs/pmi.asp.

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