

Use of SCAMPISM C for Agile Methodology

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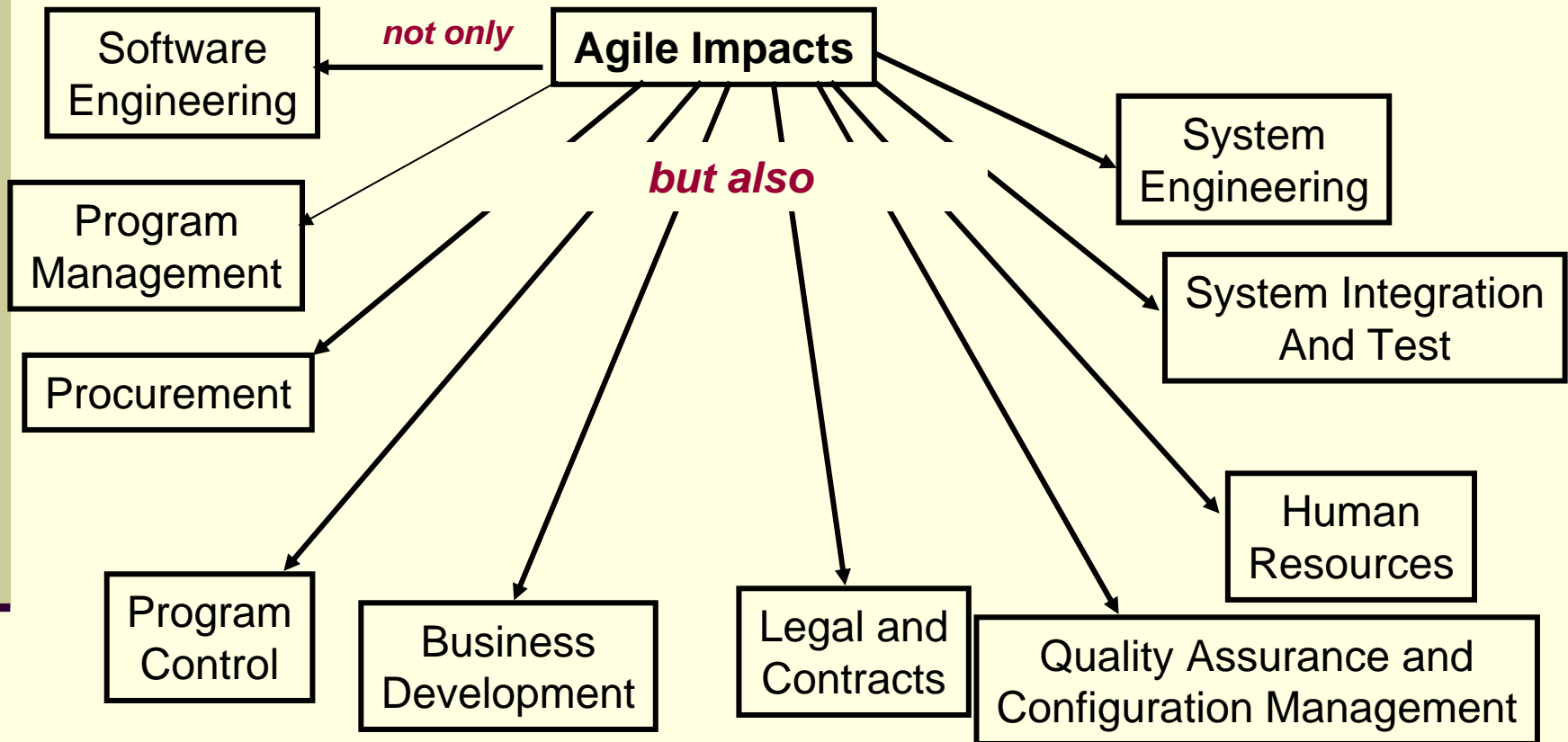
Approach to Agile at LM IS&S - Background

- LM IS&S CMMI® Maturity Level 5
 - SE/SW/SS/IPPD
- Agile perceived as a way to do things faster, cheaper, better
 - “We don’t need no stinking process.”
- LM IS&S starting to see RFPs “requiring” Agile and current Customers asking for Agile
 - But there were different perceptions of Agile both within IS&S and by customers

Approach to Agile at LM IS&S

- Therefore, IS&S saw the need:
 - To provide a clear definition of Agile for IS&S and communicate that definition
 - To understand the strengths and weaknesses of Agile and adopt it in the right way, for the right reasons, for our business
 - To define the blend of Agile and plan-driven methodologies that will provide best value for our programs and customers while still ensuring a disciplined approach

IS&S Agility – It's Not Just for Software



Agile methodologies drive changes across the organization, yet none of the industry Agile methods address the full scope of issues that impact IS&S

IS&S Multi-Staged Effort

- Establish an Agile Core Team (ACT)
 - Gather and share information and lessons learned about Agile across IS&S. Support proposals and customer “education”
 - Generate an "Agile Reference Model" (ARM) which describes a Systems and Software Engineering Agile life cycle
 - Use the ARM to identify and resolve Agile impacts to other organizations
 - Define agile program/project selection criteria:
 - Means to identify risks if Agile were to be used.
 - Validate the IS&S Agile life cycle through use on pilot programs.
 - Communicate to the organization.
 - Training materials, business development materials, engineering tool recommendations, etc.

Take incremental, high-value steps toward defining the IS&S Agile processes

Use of SCAMPISM Cs for Intent

- Agile Reference Model (ARM)
 - By February 2006, the Agile Core Team had established a draft Reference Model
 - Focused on Engineering portions of process (Software and Systems)
- Organization wanted to ensure that the results of ARM were compatible with CMMI[®]
 - Use of SCAMPISM C for *Intent* was an ideal fit
 - Plan to use a series of SCAMPISM Cs for intent as the Agile Reference Model gets refined for other process areas

Agile SCAMPISM C Process and Scope

- Used SCAMPISM Class C Method for Intent
 - Limited scope to Specific Practices of Engineering Process Areas
 - Obtained Senior Management sponsorship
 - Worked with Agile Core Team to get access to documentation and identify interviewees
 - Agile Reference Model was objective evidence for *intent*
 - *No implementation evidence available*
 - Used Practice Implementation Indicators (PIIs) to record findings
 - From documentation review and interview
 - SCAMPISM C requires at least one item of objective evidence (direct, indirect, affirmation) for each practice
 - Results reported to Agile Core Team and Sponsor

Agile SCAMPISM C Participants

■ Experienced Team Members

Name	Introduction to CMMI (date attended)	Engineering Experience (# years)	Management Experience (# years)	Life Cycle Experience (# years)	Reporting Relationships
Team Lead	October, 2003	15 years	5 years	20 years	Direct Report to Sponsor
Team Member 1	February, 2005	22 years	5 years	20 years	Direct Report to Sponsor
Team Member 2	October, 2003	15 years	5 years	10 years	Direct Report to Sponsor
<i>Team Totals</i>		<i>52 years</i>	<i>15 years</i>	<i>50 years</i>	

- 2 Interviewees from Agile Core Team
 - About 1/3 of Agile Core Team

Summary of Results

- Very high correlation of *intent* of ARM to CMMI® Specific Engineering Process Area
 - 41 “Green” Specific Practices
 - Intent adequately addressed
 - 4 “Yellow”
 - Intent partially addressed (RD SP3.1, TS SP3.2, VER SP2.1, VER SP2.2)
 - 1 “Red”
 - Intent absent or poorly addressed (VER SP2.3)
- Recommended that documentation be enhanced to make sure intent is explicit
 - Document how the method handles interfaces, reviews, recording decisions, and constraints
- Recommended method be updated to include:
 - Measurements, Operations Concepts, End User Documentation, Peer Reviews

Actions Since SCAMPISM C

- Measurement section generated for ARM and is in the review process
- “Product Vision” defined in ARM is consistent with Concept of Operations
- Pair Programming being viewed as one form of “Peer Reviews”
 - Other reviews being defined in ARM

Next SCAMPISM C for *Intent* being planned 1Q07

Summary

- Agile Reference Model (ARM) being defined by IS&S to ensure consistent, best-value approach
 - Customers are driving the need to address
 - Organization is driving the need to maintain CMMI compliance
 - Goal is to define the blend of Agile and plan-driven methodologies that will provide best value for our programs and customers while still ensuring a disciplined approach
- SCAMPISM Cs for *Intent* are an effective tool to ensure ARM is consistent and compatible with CMMI