

Project Note

Project-centred Build-up of RUP Expertise - Team Enabling



During a software project, the project team built up knowledge in training courses. These skills were used in the relevant project. To give the team a sense of security, Zühlke was responsible for the results.

Thanks to this, the customer's team quickly learns how to apply this method on its own. At the outset of a project the coach may act as project manager to ensure that the advantages of the iterative process are actually applied.

Task

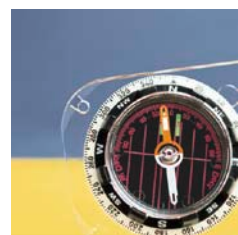
The task entailed an initial project involving the Rational Unified Process, a new method of software development. The customer's team had to be given the expertise it needed to make independent and efficient use of the new method in its own projects and to do so as quickly as possible.

Implementation

Know-how was conveyed in two ways. First, the technical basis was laid through courses tailored to the project members' prior knowledge. Second, project coaching was employed to build up practical experience. In team enabling, the emphasis is on putting this basic know-how to use in live projects. In the best case scenario this is done directly in actual projects to be as realistic and productive as possible. The coach provides day to day assistance to the project team, conducts regular reviews and provides invaluable direct feedback.

Customer Benefits

- Practical training
Knowledge is built up systematically to fit the task and the project team's current skills and to assure an optimum cost-benefit ratio.
- Project-centred implementation
The basic knowledge acquired is applied directly to real projects rather than to examples with little or no relevance to actual practice.
- Responsibility for results
Zühlke is responsible for the methodical project implementation (project management, approach, quality). This gives the team a sense of security and confidence and is an assurance to management that the investment is a sound one.



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