

Agile Basics

Whether you believe Agile is a fad, a trend, a best practice, a buzzword or just plain nonsense, one thing is for certain; if you are a practicing Project Manager or plan to become one then you will need more than a basic understanding of Agile principles. This will be true for at least the next four years because that is the frequency of updates to the Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide), the worldwide standard for the practice of Project Management. The sixth edition, released in 2017, has defined the genesis of an era of integration of Agile and Traditional Project Management techniques, methodologies, and guidelines.

The evolution toward more agility and value-driven project management is highlighted by the inclusion of Agile principles throughout edition six of the PMBOK® Guide as well as the publication of The Agile Practice Guide, a very useful guide to the principles of Agile which is the result of a first-time collaboration between The Agile Alliance and the Project Management Institute (PMI).

Leadership Techniques, LLC is pleased to offer two Agile workshops; Agile Basics and Agile Techniques in a Traditional World. Through interactive discussions and practical hands-on activities, you will learn the terminology, various methods, and best practices associated with Agile Project Management. Dig deep into this new era of hybrid development approaches to find ways to optimize your team's performance!

In the Agile Basics workshop, we will discuss various methodologies including Scrum, Kanban, and hybrid methods. We will contrast and compare with traditional techniques so that you can decide why, when and how to implement Agile in your project environment. Discussions and exercises will include the following topics: what is Agile Project Management?, a review of Agile methodologies, Agile communication techniques, gamifying your projects, and continuous improvement

Learning Objectives:

- Be able to define the Agile mindset and the proper application of Agile principles
- Understand the application of various common Agile methodologies
- Learn several specific techniques that can be applied readily in the workplace