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Software Development Assessment

Developing custom applications is a critical business process for achieving competitive advantage for many organizations. Software Development Assessment provides an in depth review of this business process and offers a set of pragmatic recommendations for getting your team to the higher level of productivity.

Do you feel that your application development team could be more productive?

Do you feel you can reduce your development and maintenance costs?

Software Development Assessment:

- Gain insight into your strengths and weaknesses
- Adapt industry best practices to your culture and organization
- Set a roadmap for continuous improvement

Developing Software Applications Is a Critical and Increasingly Complex Business Process

The success of many organizations depends on the ability of the development team to efficiently and predictably deliver business critical applications.

Developing software applications is a complex task that has many challenges:

- Difficult communication between the development team and the business users.
- Limited insight into the project status.
- Questionable coding practices.
- Inadequate management of the software quality.
- Stressed employees.

Optimizing the software development process can eliminate or reduce these challenges and help you build higher quality applications in less time with happier employees.

Optimize Your Teams and Processes

Software Development Assessment is an engagement of a former Microsoft development manager to review your current application building processes. The goals of the assessment are to:

- Identify your strengths and weaknesses.
- Provide specific and pragmatic recommendations.
- Help build more efficient development organization based on the real world experience of a Microsoft product team.

Software Development Assessment analyzes four critical success factors and their key components:

- **Organizational environment**: culture, roles and responsibilities, team rhythm …
- **Team and project management**: communication, project management methodology, planning and scheduling, change management …
- **Software construction**: coding hygiene, source code management, defect management, initial code quality …
- **Quality assurance**: testing responsibilities, testing infrastructure, test frequency and coverage …

The assessment ends with a management debrief and the discussion of strengths, weaknesses, and recommendations for each of the four success factors.

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Software Development Assessment Benefits:

- Independent analysis of your development processes
- Team feedback aggregated through an outsider
- Practical advice from a former Microsoft development manager

Benchmark your practices against others

Concero d.o.o. has been working with numerous organizations in public sector, telecommunications, finance, and IT industry. Strengths, weaknesses, and recommendations are based not only on best practices from the Microsoft development, but also best practices from other organizations of the similar size, complexity, and industry.

Engage the whole team, and the management

The assessment lasts between 2-4 weeks depending on the organization size and complexity. During the assessment, information is collected from all functional teams, and artifacts and processes are reviewed via interviews.

The assessments closes with an in depth discussion with the management and leadership team. Strengths and weaknesses are analyzed, and pragmatic recommendations for mitigating weaknesses are presented and discussed.

Assessment is not for every organization

Leverage the assessment if:

- You are dedicated to continually improving your development practices.
- You are open to learn from the experience of other organizations.
- You believe that application development process is crucial for your success and competitive edge.

About Concero d.o.o.

Since 2009, Concero d.o.o. is helping software development organizations improve their teams and processes by adopting best practices from the Microsoft product development and the industry. Concero's clients are leading regional companies in telecom, finance, and IT industries.

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