

Test Process Improvement State-of-the-Practice

Quality makes products which do not return and customers who do

Challenges and Benefits Achieved Erik van Veenendaal



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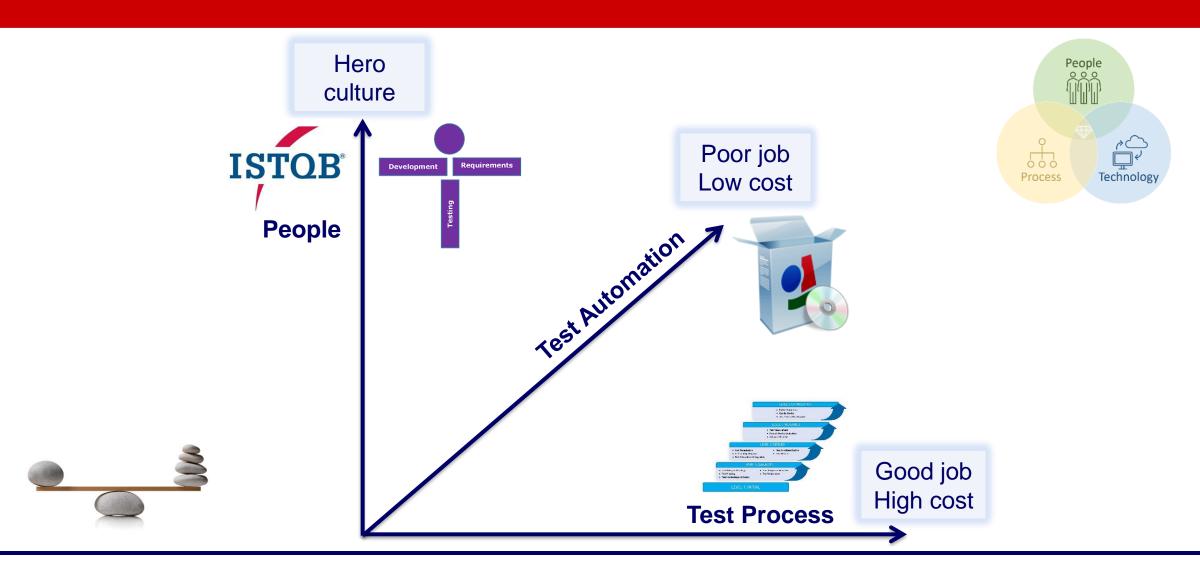
Common Testing Challenges

- Increasing business importance
- Increasing code size and complexity
- New technology
- Systems-of-systems
- Variety of devices, OS's, browsers
- Security vulnerabilities
- Time-to-market critical
- Number of defects hardly decreases





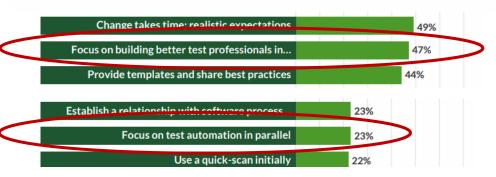
Test Improvement Directions



People

- NOT just an ISTQB Foundation training
- Meet-up's sharing experiences
- Build a best practices library
- Coaching
- How to ..workshops
- Testing recognized as a profess
- TMMi level 3





Testing is a difficult and intellectually challenging task

Ability to work outside

ROAD

Functional area, discipline, or

Test Improvement Model?





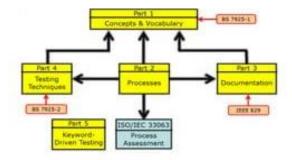
Test Improvement Models



- Test Maturity Model integration (TMMi)
 - TMMi Foundation, Staged, 16 process areas
 - Assessment model & Certification
- TPI Next
 - Sogeti, Continuous, 16 key areas
 - TMap-Next, Assessment model
- ISO 29119
 - ISO/IEC, Series of testing standards
 - Content-based model, replaces std.'s



		Initial		Cont	rolled			Effic	ient		0	ptimizi	ng
1	Stakeholder commitment		Α	В	В	С	F	Н		Н	K	M	N
2	Degree of involvement		Α	В	С	E	Н	Н		J	L	- 1	L
3	Test strategy		Α	Α	В	E	F	F		Н	K		L
4	Test organization		Α	D	D	E	1	. 1	J	J	K	L	
5	Communication		В	С	С	D	F	F		J	M	1	М
6	Reporting		Α	С		0	F	G		G	K	- 1	K
7	Test process management		Α	Α	В	В	G	Н		J	K	1	М
8	Estimating and planning		В	В	С	С	G	Н	1	1	K	L	
9	Metrics		С	С		0	G	Н	Н	1	K		K
10	Defect management		Α	Α	В	D	F	F	Н	J	K	L	
11	Testware management		В	В	D	E	- 1	- 1		j	L	L	
12	Methodology		С	D		E	F	Н	J	J	М	1	М
13	Tester professionalism		D	D	Е	E	G	G	1	1	K	К	
14	Test case design		Α	Α		E	F	1	-1	J	K	K	
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TMMi vs. TPI Next

	TMMi	TPI Next
Test method	Independent	TMap-Next
Software process improvement	CMMI related	No SPI relationship
Test levels	All (incl. static testing)	Focus on ST/UAT
Terminology	ISTQB	TMap-Next
Stakeholders	Management commitment	Test engineering
Proces maturity	High maturity processes	"Limited" maturity
Certification	Yes	No
Type	Non-profit	Commercial product
Status	On-going development	No further support

Source: ISTQB Expert level ITP syllabus

TMMi vs. ISO 29119

Improve IT Services B.V.



- Not exclusive but complementary!
- To add: ISO 20246 for reviews, ISO 33063 for test assessments

ISO 29119	ТММі
- provides a possible implementation for TMMi level 2	- provides full coverage for all req.'s of ISO 29119
 does not fully cover the TMMi level 3 process areas Test Organization, Test Training Program and Non-Functional Testing does largely not cover the TMMi level 4 and 5 	 TMMi level 3 implies having fulfilled all requirements of ISO 29119 and ISO 20246 references and re-uses ISO 29119 as examples
Process areas 2.1 Test Policy & Strategy 2.2 Test Planning 2.3 Test Monitoring & Control	SG1 SG2 SG3 SG4 SG5
2.4 Test Design & Execution 2.5 Test Environment 3.1 Test Organisation 3.2 Test Training Program 3.3 Test Lifercycle & Integral	Source: TMMi and ISO29119: Friends or Foes

IEEE Study

- Software Test Maturity and Test Process Improvement
- Based on inclusion criteria 181 sources
- Most popular models
 - 1. TMMi 49% (161 case studies), since shown a 30% annual growth rate
 - 2. TPI Next 15%

Unit Test Maturity Model

■ ISO 29119 "not" used for test process improvement



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Automated Software Testing Maturity Model

Agile Testing Maturity Model

Ce Agile Quality Assurance Model

Personal Test Maturity Matrix

TMMi Foundation



- TMMi Foundation (2005) ◀
 - Develop the TMMi model
 - Framework TMMi assessments (ISO 33020), formal certification
- TMMi model published in 2010
 - ISO & IEEE std.'s, ISTQB, CMMI, TPI, best practice surveys
- Independent model
 - Lifecycle, testing method
- TMMi Local Chapters
 - Local marketing, translations
 - Ensure assessment & training capability



TMMi Process Areas

majority is at TMMi level 1

LEVEL 5: OPTIMIZATION • Defect Prevention priorities and focus the Quality Control test improvement process • Test Process Optimization **LEVEL 4: MEASURED** Test Measurement • Product Quality Evaluation Advanced Reviews **LEVEL 3: DEFINED** Test Organization • Non-Functional Testing • Test Training Program Peer Reviews • Test Lifecycle and Integration **LEVEL 2: MANAGED** · Test Policy and Strategy • Test Design and Execution **Test Planning** Test Environment • Test Monitoring and Control **LEVEL 1: INITIAL**

TMMi Structure Process Areas

process area

Process area

Goal 1

Goal 2

Practices

Practices

- Required: Goals
 - Must be achieved to satisfy a process area
- Expected: Practices

Flexibility!!

- Describe what an organization will typically implement to achieve a goal
- Informative: Sub-practices
 - Provide details to help organizations get started to achieve expected and required components
 - Include examples, notes, references



TMMi Level 2: Managed

Test Policy and Strategy

Test Planning

Project oriented process areas **Test Monitoring and Control**

Test Design and Execution

Test Environment









Typical Business Objectives

Is there a problem?

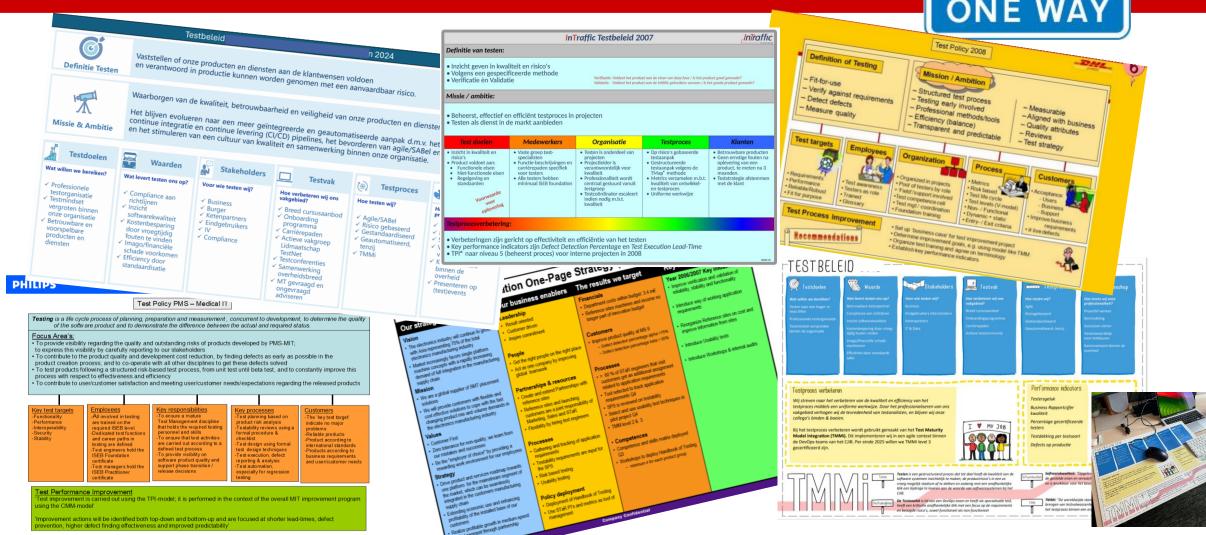
- Improve product quality
 - Verification, Validation, Performance, Security

- Why?
- Reduce time-to-market, but maintaining quality levels
- Save money, improve efficiency
- Improve predictability
- Meet customer requirements / Compliance to standards
- Be at a capability level, e.g., for IT companies

Test Objectives to be alligned with Business Objectives

Test Policy



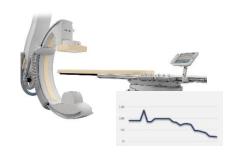


Leadership



- Management commitment is "too easy"
- Managers plan, organize, direct, control, follow the rules
- Leaders inspire, influence, motivate, build, shape







- We require Leadership !!
 - This is change management

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TMMi Level 3: Defined

organisational process areas

Test Organization

Test Training Program

Test Life cycle and Integration

Non-Functional Testing

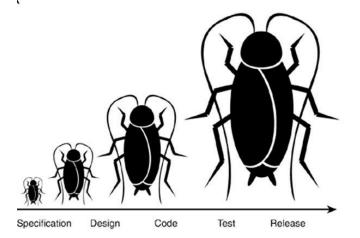
Peer Reviews





Early involvement

Institutionalization



LEVEL & OPPINIZATION

- Stack between

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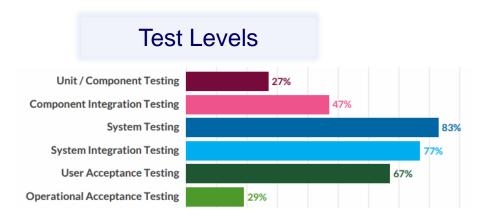
LEVEL & MANAGED

- The Confession

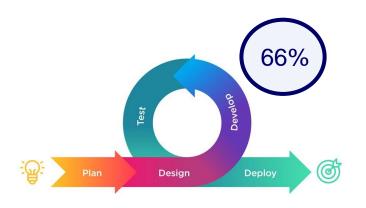
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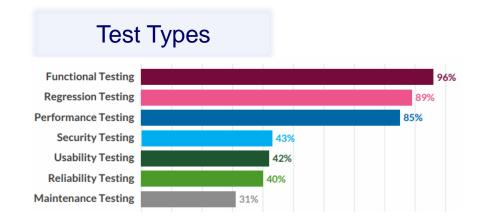
Where is it being used?















Agile Benefits

- 1. Ability to manage changing priorities
- 2. Improved project visibility
- 3. Delivery speed/Time-to-market
- 4. Increased team motivation
- 5. Increased team productivity

Source: 15th Annual State of Agile™ Report

Note, many are Agile-like!





What is missing?

TMMi in Agile context

TMMi in the Agile world

Version 1.4

Preduced by the TMH Foundation

TMMi

& Agile
V1.4

Version 1.4

TMMi

Sample Name

Agile context

- Agile brings
 - business value, lean mindset, retrospectives, many iterative steps
- TMMi reminds you of critical testing practices
 - there is more than unit testing, test automation and exploratory testing
- Look for alternative (Agile) practices
 - risk poker, one page test plan, acceptance criteria etc.
- Need some process without loosing Agile culture
- Balancing self-empowered teams with "standard" test process



TMMi Lightning Scan

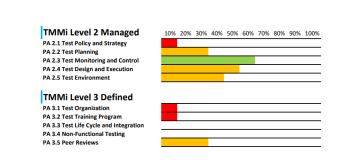


Why

- To support an understanding of the TMMi model
- To make the TMMi model more tangible
- To provide a *very quick* evaluation of where you are
- To create buy in from stakeholders to the initiative

How

- 5 essential questions per process area of TMMi levels 2 and 3
- Team based exercise
- Scoring: Yes, No, or Partly
- Tool supported and report generated







Now available

www.TMMi.org / TMMi documents

LIGHTNING	SCAN TOOL	TMM/
TMMi Founda	tion, v2.4.2	FOUNDATION
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TMMi レベル 2 管理対象	
プロセス領域 2.1 テスト方針と戦略	
文書化されたテスト方針が存在し、経営陣によって承認されています。	
テスト戦略は、各テストレベル、テスト タイプ、またはテスト象限の目標、アクティビティ、成果物、および責任を記述して定義されます。	
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テストバフォーマンスインジケーターの基本セットが定義され、展開されます。	

テスト方針とテスト パフォーマンププロセス改善イニシアチブの推進な

プロセス領域 2.2 テスト計画

テスト計画は製品リスク評価から始

リスクに基づいて、テストの優先順ケースの詳細レベル、完了/終了基準テストの見積もりには、リスク、規一貫して適用されます。

テスト計画は、テスト対象の項目と ル、テストの人員配置などのトビッ テスト計画は主要な関係者と検討さ

プロセス領域 2.3 テストの騒

テストの進捗状況 (スケジュール、

TMMi レベル 3 の定義

プロセス領域 3.1 テスト組織

プロジェクトおよび組織におけるテストの実践をサポートするテスト組織が定義され、確立されます。	
職務内容を伴うテスト機能が確立され、テスト スペシャリストに割り当てられます。	
テスターの知識、スキル、ステータス、報酬を向上させるためのテストのキャリア バスが確立され、個人の能力開発計画の基礎として使用されます。	
組織のテストブロセスは、長所、短所、改善の機会を特定するために、レトロスベクティブの実施などによって定期的 に評価されます。改善に対処するブロセスの変更が計画され、実装されます。	
組織の標準テスト ブロセスとテスト ブロセス資産 (テンブレートなど) が組織全体に展開され、実践から学んだ教訓が組織の標準テスト ブロセスに組み込まれます。	

プロセス領域 3.2 テストトレーニングプログラム

組織のテストトレーニングのニーズが特定され、定義されます。

| |組織とプロジェクトの両方からのテスト

トレーニングのニーズは、誰がどのトレーニングに責任を持つかについて定義された明確な責任と一致しています。

テストのための組織的なトレーニング計画が確立され、維持されます。

組織のトレーニングのニーズに対応し、プロジェクト固有のトレーニングのニーズをサポートするために、テストトレーニング機能が確立されています。

テスト専門家およびテスト関係者に必要なトレーニングが実施され、これらのトレーニングの記録が確立されます。

プロセス領域 3.3 テストのライフサイクルと統合

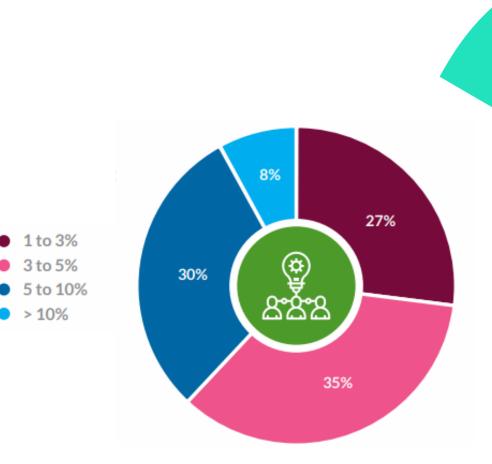
逸脱する必要があるブロジェクトの基準やガイドラインを調整するなど、組織全体にわたる一連の標準テスト プロセスが確立および維持されます。

Typical Cost





- Improvement program
 - Typically 5% of testing costs
- Direct costs
 - Test process improver
 - Processes
 - Training
 - How to / Workshops
 - External consultancy
 - Assessment
- Indirect costs
 - Learning curve



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TMMi Benefits

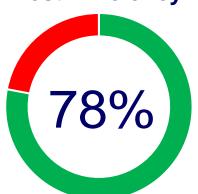


WORLD-WIDE USER SURVEY

Enhanced product quality
Reduced product risks
Reduced number of defects







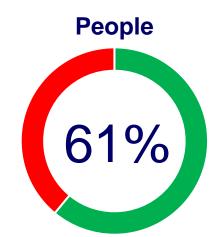
Increased test productivity

Accelerated software delivery

Reduced project costs







Improved test engineering discipline

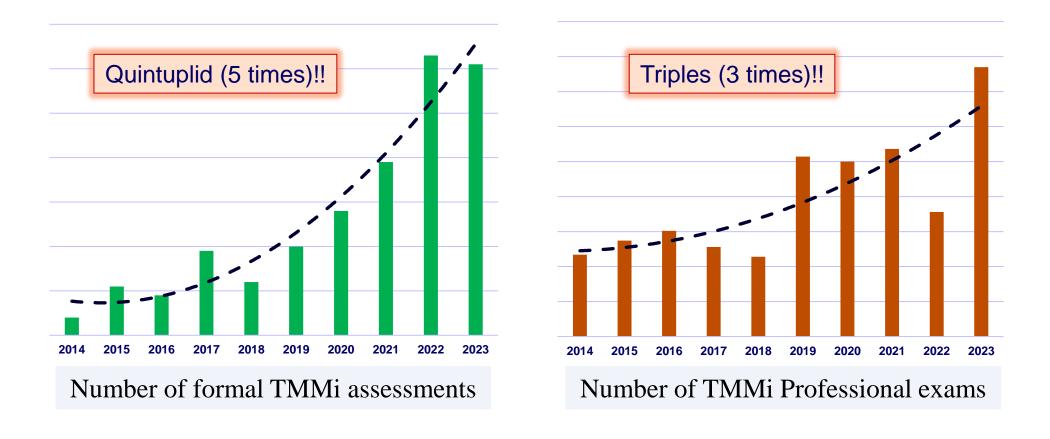
Improved team morale

Individual Benefits Reported

Organization Type	TMMi level	Software Quality benefits reported	
Automotive	2	Increased product risk coverage (now at 80%)	
Software	2	DDP increased from 60% to 70% at system testing	CS.
Bank	3	A 22% increase in defect detection effectiveness	
Insurance	3	Production defects (related to testing) close to zero	
Bank	3	Defect leaking to production decreased by 15%	

Organization Type	TMMi level	Testing Productivity benefits reported	
Software	3	Increased test productivity by 20%	
Technology	3	Test execution lead time reduction from 19 to 5 weeks (through early involvement and early testing)	
Stock Exchange	3	Percentage of early defects found increased by 25%	
Software	3	Time-to-market reduction by 7%	

Trends



Estimated number of TMMi users: 10.000

TMMi Reminders

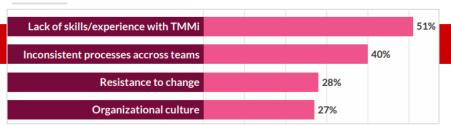
- Start from business objectives
- Only goals satisfaction is required
- Study practices, consider alternative practices look for the intent
 - Ask the question, how do we achieve this practice?
- TMMi is not tick-off list



- Focus on what has added value!
- Prioritize the process areas, goals that have most added value
 - Largely achieved is enough
- Myth: TMMi requires large and detailed processes!

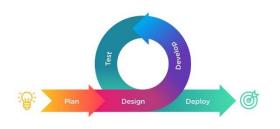
Keep it Simple – This is difficult







- Forget about TMMi levels 4 and 5
- Lightning scan or Quick scan is enough
- One page process descriptions, focus on "how to"
 - Corporate memory, on-boarding, alignment of teams, re-inventing the wheel
- Focus on Templates and best practices library
- Less process more training (address people in parallel)
- Critical thinking (to TMMi)
- Think business/added value



TMMi Course Evaluation



- Objective Driven
- ISTQB releated
- Well-founded
- Clear Priorities
- Self-Assessments
- Freely Available
- Also to be used with Agile
- Open community
- On-going development







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A TMMi page with all documents for download



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Will keep you updated on TMMi

Thank you!

