

AGILE SCRUM DEVELOPMENT

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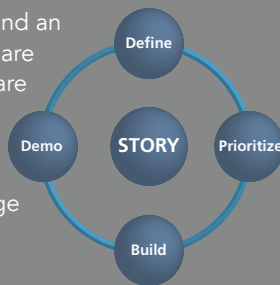


Information Management that works *with* your business

Successful Information Management projects depend on robust, scalable technologies; experienced personnel; and clearly defined business requirements. Considerable effort goes into ensuring the right technologies are in place and the appropriate people and skills are available to implement them. Experienced teams often come with methodologies and processes that have proven themselves on other projects, even in similar industries, but business requirements are as individual and complex as the businesses they serve.

Users rarely know precisely what they require from their Information Management until they become aware of what it can give them. Over the course of projects, this often leads to significant changes. With traditional, "waterfall" approaches that depend on firm requirements and a fixed development-test-deploy approach, such changes can lead to analysis paralysis: stalled delivery and cost overruns.

Adastra Agile development uses story-based design and an iterative, intuitive, and responsive approach. Projects are broken down into their fundamental elements, which are delivered quickly and revealed to users and stakeholders as they are completed. The response to each iteration drives the deliverables of subsequent stages, allowing your development to grow and change to your evolving knowledge of what your Information Management can give you.



Your response to your IM isn't pre-programmed, why should your IM development project be any different? When a theory is put into practice, it can often lead to rethinking the theory. Agile development can effectively respond to such changes as they are encountered.

Adastra Agile development reduces project risk, adapts to your actual needs as they become clarified in the course of the project, and is fundamentally business-driven, accountable and produces measurable results.

WHERE DOES AGILE WORK?

Agile Development is applicable to a full range of Information Management projects, from report or dashboard development, to the determination of how source data gets uploaded to your Data Warehouse.



The Adastra Advantage

- Business Solutions realized in workable technical designs
- A seasoned and experienced team of professionals
- Fast, tangible results with demonstrably improved return on investment
- Technologically superior solutions, scalable to adapt to your changing needs
- Proven methodologies and effective project management
- Solutions that maximize and enhance existing technology investments
- Hundreds of satisfied clients
- Sustained growth
- Platinum Member of Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies



Industries Served Include

- Financial Services
- Telecommunications
- Health Care
- Government
- Manufacturing
- Retail
- Consumer Packaged Goods
- Utilities



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Do YOU Need Agile Development?

Under the weight of the masses of data produced by current technologies and work habits, many organizations struggle to realize the true value of their data and its role in providing accurate, meaningful, and contextualized information.

Common Information Management-related challenges:

- Speed and accuracy of business decision-making
- Analysis Paralysis
- Reports and dashboards not in a form that executives can use
- Rapidly changing requirements
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Increased need for customization
- Added complexity brought on by globalization
- Increasing number of technologies
- Previously taken short cuts have produced a "technical debt" that can no longer be ignored
- Excessive change controls slows adoption and delivery
- BI is delivered after decisions are made, rather than as a part of the decision-making process.

Adastra Agile can help.

The Benefits of Agile

- Become more business-driven and responsive to change.
- Higher quality, and faster time-to-market.
- Increase stakeholder satisfaction by engaging them in the process and ensuring their input becomes the meaningful contribution required for success
- Higher productivity and lower cost
- Significantly reduce the overall risk associated with software development.
- Speed and accuracy of business decision-making
- See measurable progress almost immediately

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Adastra Agile Development

Adastra's cross-industry experience ensures an Agile program that fits the unique needs of your organization through a three-tiered approach, applied comprehensively, or in a modular fashion, depending on the needs and maturity of your current BI development environment.

TIER 1: Introduction to Agile, areas of focus, and benefits to the organization.



Deliverables:

- Information Session: understand Agile and its benefits
- High-level objectives definition
- Agile focus area definition
- High-level scope (business areas and product owners)
- High-level plan for next tier

Duration: 15 business days (est.)

TIER 2: Design a relevant, scalable, and customized Agile program



Deliverables:

- Information Session: understand Agile and its benefits
- Define scope by business area, and stakeholders
- Identify and prioritize Agile-related issues
- Identify Agile areas of interest and associated functions
- Establish Agile product owners and scrum masters and teams
- Roadmap, including milestones categorized according to business prioritized product backlogs

Duration: 40 business days (est.)

TIER 3: Active support of establishment, operation, and revision of the Agile process



Support Offerings:

- Implementation planning
- Agile coaching and process review
- Development of processes and procedures
- Agile project management

PLUS: Your Agile development program will deliver superior results by leveraging key Adastra competencies in Business Intelligence and Data Warehousing.