

ISTQB® announces Agile Tester Foundation Extension

Brussels, 19 June 2014 – As part of its ongoing commitment to advancing the software testing profession, the International Software Testing Qualifications Board (ISTQB®) is proud to announce the release of the Agile Tester Foundation Extension.

These days all software testing professionals need to be familiar with the values and principles that underpin agile projects and this is why the new module has been created as an optional extension to the Foundation level. Grounded in applied learning and practical skills, the module aims to integrate testing best practices with agile. It is useful not just for testing professionals, but also for agile developers who will be carrying out testing activities as part of the agile methodology.

To be eligible to undertake the Agile Tester Foundation Extension certification exam, candidates must first hold the ISTQB® Foundation Certificate.

As with all ISTQB® certifications, candidates can acquire the necessary knowledge through self-study or by attending an accredited training course. Similar to the Foundation Certificate, the agile tester exam will comprise 40 multiple choice questions, with a pass mark of 65% being required to obtain the certification.

“This represents what the ISTQB® is all about,” said ISTQB® President Chris Carter. “We keep pace with the requirements of industry and had some of the world’s most respected practitioners contributing content that can be shared with everyone. All of it is based on proven methods and best practice”.

“Close to 100 people contributed to this syllabus through the working group and as writers, editors and reviewers and I am extremely proud of their work,” said Rex Black, ISTQB® Agile Tester Working Group Chair. “They participated from all over the world and spent countless hours in sharing their agile and testing expertise on a voluntary basis”.

“Not long ago we ran an international industry survey,” said Gualtiero Bazzana ISTQB® Marketing Working Group Chair, “and one outcome was that a huge number of respondents wanted to know more about how proper testing can be done in an agile environment and were looking for a way to certify their competence in this domain.”

About ISTQB®

The International Software Testing Qualifications Board (ISTQB®) is a non-profit organization, headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, which exists to advance the software testing profession. It is supported in its mission by 47 member boards, representing over 70 countries. Thanks also to the Global Exam Providers, it has today a world-wide coverage and has issued as of December 2013 over 335.000 certificates

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