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ISTQB® releases Model Based Tester Syllabus

The ISTQB® General Assembly held in Shanghai in October 2015 has voted to release a new Foundation Level Extension module, the ISTQB® Certified Tester – Foundation Level Extension, Model Based Tester Syllabus (ISTQB® MBT FL) and associated documents. Training and exam providers worldwide can now start accrediting courses and releasing exams for ISTQB® MBT FL.

The new module naturally fits into the Specialist Stream of the recently re-defined architecture of the ISTQB® Product Portfolio.

“Model Based Testing is a quickly advancing area in testing and has a very important role in the safety-critical domains, like aerospace and automotive, and is also gaining momentum in other areas”, said Bruno Legeard – Comité Français de Test Logiciel and Armin Metzger of the German Testing Board, who were leading the release. “Projects were lacking a framework to introduce MBT into real-world scenarios; we are excited to see this as a further step in the ISTQB® scheme of educating more testers in the field.”

“ISTQB® Model-Based Tester certification provides a practical and knowledgeable entry to the MBT approach” declared Gualtiero Bazzana, ISTQB® President “and falls into the ISTQB® Product Portfolio in the newly defined Specialist stream and will require as a pre-condition the ISTQB® Core Foundation level certification.

With the release of the ISTQB® MBT FL Syllabus, iSQI (a leading global exam provider for ISTQB® exams) will withdraw the iSQI® Certified Model Based Tester (CMBT) certification and will provide ISTQB® MBT FL: an important alignment to ensure a consistent global standard. iSQI CMBT exams will remain available until 30th June 2016. The iSQI® CMBT certificates already issued will be recognized by ISTQB® by means of grandfathering approach. More details about ISTQB® and iSQI alignment for Model Based Testing Certification are provided in an additional joint Press Release.

Find more information about the new ISTQB® MBT FL syllabus here:

About ISTQB®

The International Software Testing Qualifications Board (ISTQB®) was founded in November 2002 and is a non-profit organization, headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, whose mission is to advance the software testing profession. ISTQB® has defined the "ISTQB® Certified Tester" scheme that has become the world-wide leader in the certification of competences in software testing. It is supported in its mission by 50 member boards. Thanks also to the Global Exam Providers, it has today a world-wide coverage and has issued as of June 2015 over 400,000 certificates.

ISTQB® is an organization based on volunteer work by hundreds of software testing experts around the world.

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