Requirements Center: Change Management with Blueprint Team Repository

A combination of mentoring for Administrators during setup of the Blueprint Team Repository, plus a hands-on course for all Requirements Center Users / Reviewers to collaborate and manage change.

First, via mentoring, Administrators learn to install and configure the Blueprint Team Repository (previously named Blueprint Definition Server), organize Change Management (CM) repositories, and manage user access control.

Second, training is held for all Users of Requirements Center and Reviewers of requirements and test models. Students learn concepts and practical skills to collaborate and manage change of Requirements Center projects, models, and reference files, using Blueprint Team Repository.
INTENDED AUDIENCE

The initial mentoring is intended for those who will fill the role of Administrator of the Blueprint Team Repository (previously named Blueprint Definition Server).

This course is intended for all project team members who are Users of Requirements Center and/or Reviewers of requirements and test models: Business Analysts, System Analysts, Architects & Designers, Test Developers, Quality Assurance Personnel, Project Managers, Product Managers, and Training & Support Personnel.

PREREQUISITES

Requirement Center Essentials (training course) is strongly recommended for most Users. Optional for those primarily in a Reviewer role.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

See www.blueprintsys.com/product_rc_tech.php for hardware & operating system requirements for Requirements Center, Blueprint Definition Server and versions of MS Word & Excel, and Adobe Reader needed to perform the hands-on exercises in this course.

All students need internet / network connection to the Blueprint Team Repository.

REQUIREMENTS CENTER: CHANGE MANAGEMENT WITH BLUEPRINT TEAM REPOSITORY

Duration: 1 Day total
(¼ day Administrator mentoring + ¾ day All Users / Reviewers training class)

OVERVIEW

A combination of mentoring for Blueprint Team Administrators, plus training for all Requirements Center Users / Reviewers.

First, via mentoring, Blueprint personnel assist Administrators to initially:

• Install and configure the Blueprint Team Repository
• Create Change Management (CM) repositories
• Organize to align with customer projects and change management practices
• Manage user access control

Second, a training course is held for all Users of Requirements Center and Reviewers of requirements and test models. Students learn concepts and practical skills to collaborate and manage change of Requirements Center projects, models, and reference files, using Blueprint Team Repository.

The hands-on exercises begin with an existing Requirements Center project and requirements model, which already has textual requirements, business process diagrams, use cases, actors, and UI Mockup screens.

By playing the role of different users / reviewers, students learn how to:

• Share a project to a repository, to enable collaboration
• Connect to a repository
• Checkout a project, to obtain a local copy
• Perform the typical Edit-Publish cycle
• Simulate the roles of two users working on the same project
• Use Packages to work collaboratively on a single model, concurrently
• Identify and visualize changes, via:
  • CM history of projects, folders, models, and reference files
  • Compare local copy to repository
  • Project baselines
• Ensure local copy is up-to-date, as collaboration and changes occur
• Publish Word documentation with changes identified between revisions
• Handle non-typical but useful scenarios of:
  • Abandon changes made since starting to Edit a model
  • View previous versions of models on the repository
  • Detach project from the repository
  • Install the Blueprint Team Notifier, to monitor changes being made to models and projects

Throughout the course, students observe and understand the CM annotations (icons in the Project and Model views) and what they indicate concerning changes and the relative state of models / files in:

• Different users' local copy of a Requirements Center project Vs.
• The official collaborative version in the Blueprint Team Repository CM repository

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