

Project Retrospective

Dear AMOS students,

I am Vamsi Krishna Annavarapu, Product Owner of the project from Siemens Energy (Team 1). I would like to summarize things that worked out and that did not work well during the project.

Things that worked:

- *Team coordination in working:* whenever anyone needed some help at least one member of the team would take the responsibility of helping the other.
- *Agreement:* Be it the client requirements or the individual developer's idea, there was a good choice made in implementing the feasible path for the work to be done.
- *Learning:* Be it developer or product owner everyone invested some time in learning about the work and the workflow.
- *Working environment:* Be it the software, hardware, or any other working tools everyone was comfortable using and learning more about it.

Things that did not work:

- *Team coordination during meetings:* Irrespective of personal commitments and time zones, work commitment is something that is required for the smooth working of the project which I felt where we lacked which was slowly resolved as the project progressed.
- *Lack of understanding:* Initially, it was a problem understanding the work for the developers and product owners as well. The developers needed a granular level of understanding, which was difficult for the product owners because the role of the PO's is to convey the information given by the client but not explain what technical things should be used. Later, this problem was sorted by internal meetings.
- *Error in Judgement:* Taking up tasks based on capability, knowledge, expertise makes the work easier, at the same time it might be a problem as there will not be enough exposure in the other fields in the project. Overestimating the work and the tasks being in the sprint backlog could be fine for a sprint or two but not for a longer time.

At the offset, the AMOS course has given us immense exposure to real-time working. It can simply be referred to as a "Flight Simulator" before hitting the real one. I would recommend this course to anyone interested in preparing for the real world. Lastly, I am happy with the way how the course went, just that it did not happen face to face, everything concerning the course went perfectly. A big thanks to the professor and the AMOS teaching unit for successfully organizing this course. Hope they get a lot more projects in the upcoming years and increase the student capacity.

Best regards,
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