

Gerrit Configuration & Code Review Best Practices

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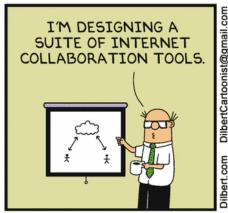
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Table 1. History

Date	Author	Detail
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1. Server configuration







Connect to Gerrit homepage.

1.1. Initialization



This has to be done only for a new Production Line

1.1.1. Permissions

Jenkins user push

- Click on People → List Groups → Non-interactive Users
- Add Jenkins (your technical account) in the list

Deleting tags

- Click on **Projects** → **List** → **[All-projects]** → section **Access** → **Edit**
- Under [Reference: refs/tags/*]
 - Click on [Add Permission...] and select Push
 - Select group **Administrator** and click **Force Push**
 - Save Changes

Now you can delete tags from your projects, for ex:

```
git push --force --delete origin cg-wm-1.17.6
```

1.1.2. Verified status

- Click on Projects → List → [All-Projects] → section General → Edit Config
- Add this

```
[label "Verified"]
function = MaxWithBlock
value = -1 Fails
value = 0 No score
value = +1 Verified
```

- Click on Save, then Close
- Click on Publish Edit, then Publish, [Code-Review+2], Submit
- Click on Projects \rightarrow List \rightarrow [All-Projects] \rightarrow Access \rightarrow Edit
- Under [Reference: refs/heads/*]
 - Click on [Add Permission...] and select Label Verified
 - Select group **Administrator**
 - Select group [Non-Interactive Users]
 - Save Changes

1.1.3. Fast Forward

By default, when projet submissions are not fast forward, final submitting a change will create a merge commit. The history is potentially doubled.

- Click on **Projects** → **List** → [All-Projects] → **General**
- Under Submit Type, select Rebase if Necessary

1.2. User preferences

Click on **YourName** → **Settings** → **Diff Preferences** and set **columns** = **120** (you will probably have to paste it due to a GUI bug)

1.3. Project creation

Create your GIT project by clicking on **Projects** → **Create New Project**

- Project Name = cg-wm
- Rights Inherit From = All-Projects
- Check that it has inherited correctly "Rebase if necessary", else change and save

1.3.1. Project git address

The git is visible in **Projects** \rightarrow [(gitweb)].

Something like:

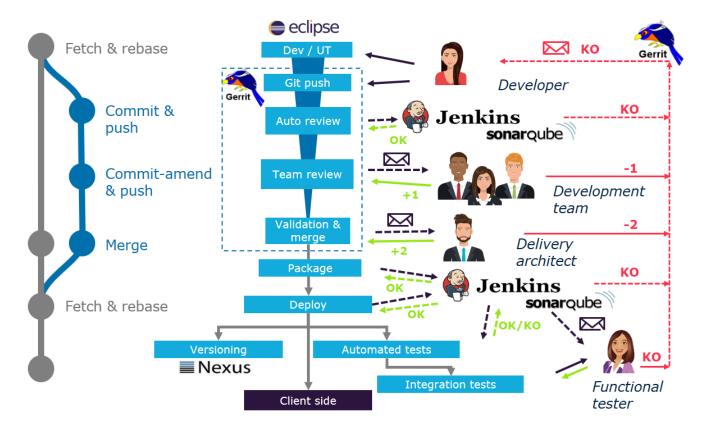
• https://cric.pl.s2-eu.nvx.com/gerrit/cg-wm.git

1.3.2. Users groups creation

For each project, create a reviewer list and a validator list.

- Go to **Projects** → **Create New Group**
- Reviewers list
 - Give a name, for example [dge-reviewers]
 - Add every developers / primary reviewers on the project
 - Click on **General**
 - Description = Reviewers (first level : +1)
 - Click Save Description
 - Check [Make group visible to all registered users.]
 - Click Save Group Options
- Validators list
 - Give a name for example [dge-validators]
 - · Add technical responsible and a backup
 - Click on **General**
 - Description = "Validators (level 2 : +2)"
 - Click Save Description
 - check [Make group visible to all registered users.]
 - Click Save Group Options

2. Code review golden rules (using Gerrit)



These are rules to be followed for a smooth overall development process:

- 1. The team has to know that you are taking responsability of the current development task.
- 2. If not sure of what to achieve, confirm with task responsible
- 3. Target a complete realization in delays estimated by team leader. Alert on time shortage.
- 4. Update documentation along with code whenever it's needed.
- 5. Do not group functionnalities in commit, to avoid long run reviews.
 - a. It is possible to handle multiple review in parallel.
- 6. Commit text has to be explicit, complete, and synthetic.
 - a. Commit text must be one line for the sake of history and documentation readability (replace ':' with '()' and '-' with '+'). No limit to the lengh of the line.
 - b. If the commit include documentation, set a first line commit text suitable for documentation. Put other information on other lines (they won't appear in documentation history)
- 7. Commit often, at least on tuesdays and thursdays (even on unfinished current task).
- 8. No "related changes" should appear on the change in Gerrit, or you did not handle multiple review properly.
- 9. Fixing Jenkins failures is always a top priority.
- 10. On "Cannot merge" Gerrit message, you have to pull/commit/push to rebase properly
- 11. When Jenkins give a +1, add the **reviewers** list as reviewers, this should add all reviewing people.
- 12. When added as a reviewer, try to give a review in the next half day, knowing that it blocks the process.

- a. You don't have to be an expert to do a review. At least try to spot pieces of code not well explained and missing javadoc. Try to imagine yourself as a future bug fixer who needs clean code to work properly.
- b. If suitable, test the application or check the auto IT tests.
- c. If any, check that the generated documention looks good in PDF.
- d. Check that there is UT specifically testing the new/modified code.
- 13. When one or two +1 from the team have been given (depending on the size of the team), add the **validators** list of reviewers for a final +2 review followed by a submit to the master branch.

	COMMENT	DATE
Q	CREATED MAIN LOOP & TIMING CONTROL	14 HOURS AGO
φ	ENABLED CONFIG FILE PARSING	9 HOURS AGO
φ	MISC BUGFIXES	5 HOURS AGO
φ	CODE ADDITIONS/EDITS	4 HOURS AGO
Q.	MORE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
ÌÒ	HERE HAVE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
Ιþ	AAAAAAA	3 HOURS AGO
φ'	ADKFJSLKDFJSDKLFJ	3 HOURS AGO
φ	MY HANDS ARE TYPING WORDS	2 HOURS AGO
þ	HAAAAAAANDS	2 HOURS AGO

AS A PROJECT DRAGS ON, MY GIT COMMIT MESSAGES GET LESS AND LESS INFORMATIVE.

3. Appendix

3.1. Revision marks

Differences since last tag