## Driving Software Development Efficiencies in Times of Rapid Change ...

The world is changing at a rate faster than we're able to comprehend with greater expectations being placed on CIO's and technology teams to create that competitive advantage. This trend is not changing and it's up to us to find better ways of supporting legacy systems, keep abreast of new-age technologies, upgrades in hardware and changing methodologies and ideologies. We need to establish effective team dynamics and ways of operating that continue to foster innovation and create real business value in the most efficient and sustainable way possible.

## Event Program:

**07:30**     **Breakfast**

**08:15**     **Welcome**

**08:30**     **Important Software Development Principles in Times of Rapid Change**
Stuart Phillips MD of Alacrity.
Stuart consults on various aspects of IT strategy and relationship between IT and business. With an understanding of the challenges facing companies wishing to improve their agility, Stuart believes that organizations that embrace agile philosophies will emerge as more competitive over time.

**09:15**     **Applying a Principle-Based Approach to Agile Software Architecture**
Aslam Khan - Software Master factor10.
Aslam has over 18 years of experience helping teams develop software better. His view is that architects should be able to build what they draw and that the only truthful implementation of architecture is the code that gets executed. Aslam's the editor at DZone (http://architects.dzone.com) you can follow his blog at http://aslamkhan.net.

**10:00**     **Tea**

**10:30**     **Legacy Code And Change - Coping With An Agile Mindset**
Marius de Beer – Scrum Sense.
A qualified Mechanical Engineer, Marius made the switch to software development in 1996 and has since been an avid practitioner of Agile Engineering Practices. Marius leads and mentors technical teams as they adopt agile practices and implement Scrum and Kanban. Follow Marius's blog at www.chmdebeer.co.za

**11:15**     **Panel Discussion**

**12:00**     **Networking over Lunch**

**Date**:   Tuesday, 26 October 2010
**Time**:   **7:30am for 8:00am**
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