

Week 4 Workshop

Stakeholder mapping and project scope

Objectives

In this week's workshop, you will:

- consider the stakeholders involved in your project
- practice stakeholder mapping
- continue to refine your project scope
- work on Assignment 1

Before you begin...

Check that you can access your group's git repository. Go to <https://git.infotech.monash.edu> and make sure that you can see your group. If your group has no repositories (projects) yet, ask your facilitator to create them. Your group may have more than one repository (e.g. one for documentation and one for code), and you may choose their names.

Task 1. Stakeholder mapping

What people and organizations have an influence over your project? Using the readings from Week 3, the links posted on Moodle, and any other resources you like, conduct a *stakeholder mapping* exercise with your teammates.

You are not required to submit this as part of your assignment, but you may want to consider it when you are planning your communications strategy and scope.

Task 2. Risk brainstorming session

Make sure you have read last week's required reading on risk management, and read the section on risk at <https://agilewarrior.wordpress.com/2010/11/06/the-agile-inception-deck/> (slide 7, "Ask What Keeps Us Awake At Night".) With your team, brainstorm potential risks for your project.

Make a note of the risks you identify. They can form the basis of your risk management plan, which is part of your required submission for project inception. It is not necessary to evaluate likelihood and impact yet, or to identify mitigation and monitoring strategies; for the time being, you should concentrate on identifying what the risks are. You can plan what to do about them later (make sure you get it done before the assignment is due though!)

Task 3. Refining your project scope

You may want to spend some time this week speaking to your demonstrator about your project's scope and initial requirements. This week's lectures cover user stories and story mapping, so if you have attended or viewed these, you should consider breaking your requirements down into epics and their component stories, then analyzing your stories according to the INVEST criteria.

If you have not yet viewed or attended this week's lecture or read the online readings, don't worry – you will have more time to refine your user stories next week, when we will conduct a brainstorming session to fill up your initial product backlog.

Task 4. Work on your project

If there's any time left in your lab, continue to work on your project with your team.