

Individual reflection report – Robert Nilsson

Week 1

In this first week we have formed our team and got some hands-on experience of a scrum exercise. My main takeaways from the exercise were that it was all out chaos. We did not use the poker planning cards to estimate time, we did not structure the work between team members as good as we could have (although better at each iteration), the individual roles were not clear, etc. But I think this is all good! It shows that we have much to learn and improve.

Having worked with different products, as a product owner for several years, I hope I can contribute with some of my experience to the team. I'm excited to learn and take part of the "other" side of a scrum team, as a developer.

Some goals for coming weeks:

Improve as a programmer. Learn to program with APIs. Deliver my expected parts in each sprint. Help and engage with the rest of the team members. Learn, understand, and use the agile software project management style.

Week 2

Monday's lecture, and especially the exercise "slicing the cake", gave some valuable insights. The idea of focusing on vertical items for user stories were helpful for when we later in the week started to create our own user stories for the actual project.

On Tuesday the whole team met for several hours of brainstorming, where we came up with our idea for the project. An app, mainly targeting young people, that will help with, and encourage, recycling. This is in line with UN sustainable development goal nr 13; Climate action. We prepared the business model and mockup for the Wednesday presentation.

Due to Covid I unfortunately missed our presentation, but from what I heard, the team did great.

On Thursday the team met digitally for discussing user stories. We use Jira scrum board, which so far seems to work great. We tried to adhere to the INVEST criteria, and considering it was our first go at this, I think it went ok. However this is something I look forward to improving on.

Next week our plan is to improve on the user stories, select some for our first sprint, and start to form tasks. Hopefully the SMART criteria will aid us in that endeavor.

As a short note on the team collaboration so far. Everyone is really engaged and helpful, and I feel we all want this project to succeed.