

## Lean-Agile Innovation!

\* How Lean-Agile mindset and practices can foster innovation in your organization!

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#### Agenda

- · About innovation
- · Lean-Agile framework\*
- A Case Example
- · Summary and Q&A





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## **About Innovation**



#### What is Innovation?

The process of translating an idea or invention into a good or service that creates values for companies and customers...

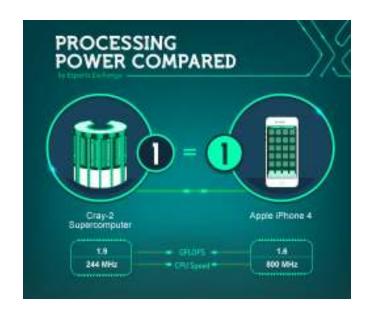
"Innovation is both a complex science and a collaborative art. Sustainable change can only arise from a coalition of visionary thinkers, strategic planners, talented practitioners and fast-acting project managers." Innovation 360



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Source: https://pages.experts-exchange.com/processing-power-compared

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### **Internet Traffic**



Table III a. SI Units prefixes with examples of correct usage.				
Prefix	Symbol	Factor	Examples of usage	Origin
Yotta	Y	10 <sup>24</sup>	0.2 YW, 1.23Y [W]	Greek 'octo' (eight, 1000 <sup>8</sup> )
Zetta	z	10 <sup>21</sup>	3.33 Zs, 3.33Z [s]	French 'sept' (seven, 1000 <sup>T</sup> )
Exa	E	10 <sup>18</sup>	1.23 Ekg, 1.23E [kg]	Greek 'skr' (1000 <sup>6</sup> )
Peta	P	10 <sup>15</sup>	7.5 Ps, 7.5P [s]	Greek Tive' (1000 <sup>5</sup> )
Tera	т	1012	0.5 Tm, 0.5T [m]	Greek teras' = monster
Giga	0	10 <sup>9</sup>	1.2 GΩ, 1.2G [Ω]	Greek 'gigas' = glant
Mega	М	10 <sup>6</sup>	7 MW, 7M [W]	Greek 'megas' = large
Kilo	K, k	10 <sup>3</sup>	33 km, 33K [m]	Greek *kiliol' = thousand
hecto	h	100	Deprecated by SI	Greek 'hekaton' = hundred
deca	da	10	Deprecated by SI	Greek 'deka' = ten
deci	d	0.1	Deprecated by SI	Latin 'decima pars' = one tenth
centi	0	0.01	Deprecated by 8I	Latin 'centesima pars' = one hundredth
milli	m, k	10-3	22 mm , 1.2m [m]	Latin 'milesima pars' = one thousandth
micro	p, u	10-5	2.7 uJ , 2.7µ [J]	Greek 'mikros' = small
nano	n	10-9	2.2 nF, 2.2n [F]	Latin 'nanus' = dwarf

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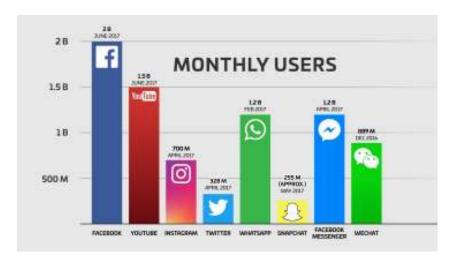
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# **Top 3 Most Populated Countries**

Which countries and how many people?

- 1. China 1.38 B
- 2. India 1.29 B
- 3. United States 0.33 B

Source: U.S. Census Bureau , 2017



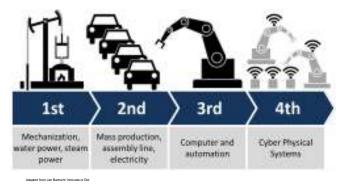
Source: Techcrunch, 2017

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#### **The Revolution Shift**

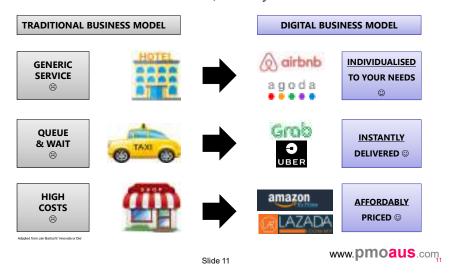
The fundamental shift of value creation from industrial economies of scale to platform based digital innovation economies.



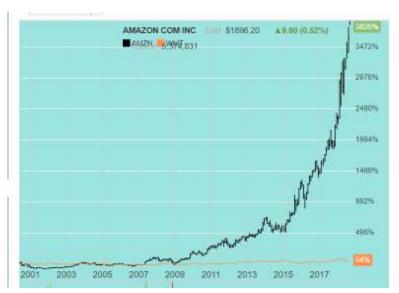
Every company. Every industry. NOW!

# The 4th Revolution is Enabling Many New Innovations!

The solutions are individualised, instantly delivered & affordable.



## **Innovation Creates Growth**

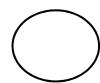


#### **Exercise**

• In 5 seconds, choose one of the shapes below that you like the most!









#### Sources:

 $\underline{https://www.learning-mind.com/geometric-shapes-simple-and-unusual-personality-test/}$ 

Book "Psycho-Geometrics" by Susan Dellinger, PhD, Prentice Hall, 1989

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#### **Geometric Psychology**

#### Square

- Most structured of all shapes
- Hard worker, determined to get the job done
- Emphasize organization and logic
- Need life to be predictable; everything must be in the right place at the right time
- Love to collect and organize data
- Excel when instructions and requirements are
- Prefers maintaining status quo
- Uncomfortable with conflict and emotional situations

#### **Triangle**

- Shape symbolizes leadership
- Concerned with their career
- Ambitious and focused toward the top
- Very competitive
- Loves to make decisions for self and others
- Able to focus on the goal of the moment
- Movers and shakers, best politicians
- Well respected, sometimes feared by others

#### Circle

- Smooth shape with no edges
- Care about others, about all people
- Smooth the waters and keep the peace
- Best communicators /listeners of all shapes
- Avoid making unpopular decisions
- Holistic thinkers
- Excellent "people" problem solvers and team players

#### Squiggle

- Irregular shape. symbolic of creativity (most unique as it has no closure)
- Able to produce great and new ideas
- Challenge the status quo
- Future oriented; more interested is possibilities than reality
- Excitable; energized by change
- Disdains highly structured and mechanized work environments; prefers free-flowing, independent situations

#### **Exercise**

- What are the challenges (of your organization) to deliver more innovative products or services?
- · Get to know your neighbours
- Discuss among 2 3 persons
- Summarize and share!

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Assessing the challenges: some retrospectives read like this... No methodology No time! Slow time Not sure No to market No resources how? Management Support Not my Late Massive dept delivery growth in charter Hard to complexity Poor manage morale distribute d teams www.pmoaus.com

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# **Embrace the Lean-Agile mindset**

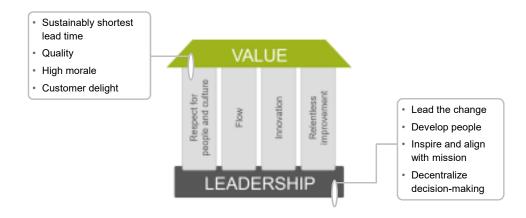
"It starts with a Lean-Agile Mindset"

—SAFe authors

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# **SAFe®** House of Lean: Roof and Foundation



#### **Pillars**

- · Don't overload them
- · Don't make them wait
- Don't force them to do wasteful work
- · Don't impose wishful thinking
- Build long-term partnerships based on trust
- Continuous and sustainable value delivery (no "start-stopstart" project delays)
- Build quality in; flow depends on it
- · Integrate frequently
- Informed decision-making via fast feedback



- Optimize the whole
- Consider facts carefully, then act quickly
- Apply lean tools to identify and address root causes
- Reflect at key milestones; identify and address shortcomings
- Provide time and space for creativity
- Apply innovation accounting
- · Pivot without mercy or guilt

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#### **The Agile Manifesto**

We are uncovering better ways of developing software by doing it and helping others do it.

Through this work we have come to value:

Individuals and interactions over processes and tools

Working software over comprehensive documentation

Customer collaboration over contract negotiation

Responding to change over following a plan

That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.

agilemanifesto.org

#### SAFe Lean-Agile principles

#1-Take an economic view

#2-Apply systems thinking

#3-Assume variability; preserve options

#4-Build incrementally with fast, integrated learning cycles

#5-Base milestones on objective evaluation of working systems

#6-Visualize and limit WIP, reduce batch sizes, and manage queue lengths

#7-Apply cadence, synchronize with cross-domain planning

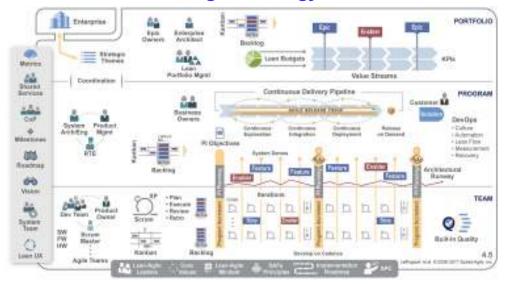
#8-Unlock the intrinsic motivation of knowledge workers

#9-Decentralize decision-making

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#### Portfolio SAFe Aligns Strategy and Execution



Source: Scaled Agile Framework, SAFe®

#### **Get Business Results**

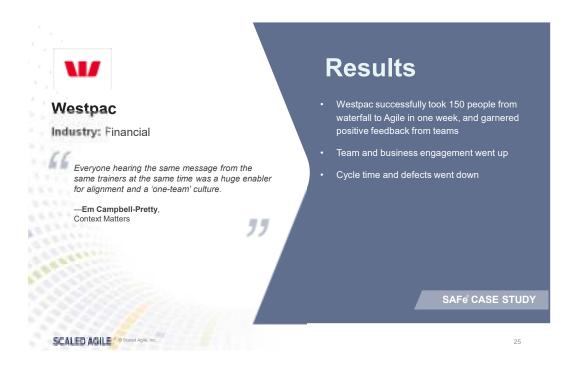


See ScaledAgileFramework.com/case-studies

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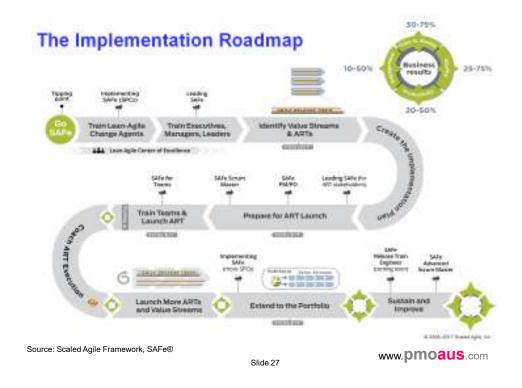


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# A SAFe® Lean-Agile Implementation Case Example





#### **Insurance Company "A"**

- An established insurance company with many branches throughout Malaysia
- Competitive environment with many other insurance companies
- "Behind" in digitization to support its agents /customers
- Initiate "Digital Transformation" strategy to provide more values to agents /customers
- Coached and trained the executives, leaders and teams on SAFe® and successful started an ART
- More ARTs are running today to deliver values to customers!



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#### Two primary reasons to change

- A burning platform The company is failing to compete, and the existing way of working is inadequate to achieve a new solution in time.
- 2. Proactive leadership In the absence of a burning platform, leadership must create a sense of urgency to proactively drive change by taking a stand for a better, future state.



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#### **Implementation Roadmap**

- (1) Leadership support
- (2) Train Executive and SAFe® Champions
  - · Leading SAFe® Boot Camp
  - SAFe® Champion Team (center of excellence)
- (3) Identify Value Streams
  - · Value Stream Workshop
  - · Organize into an ART team
- (4) Create an Implementation Plan
- (5) Preparing for ART Launch
- (6) Train Team and Launch ART
  - SAFe® Scrum Master / SAFe® for Teams
  - PI Planning and start the ART!
- (7) Coach ART Execution
  - Iteration Planning, system demo, retrospectives, Inspect & Adapt workshop
- (8) ART continues to deliver values...



# Train executives, managers, leaders

"The moment you stop learning is also the one in which you will stop leading."

- Bill Gates

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#### Only management can change the system



It is not enough that management commit themselves to quality and productivity, they must know what it is they must do.

Such a responsibility cannot be delegated.

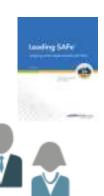
—W. Edwards Deming

"...and if you can't come, send no one"

—Vignette from Out of the Crisis, W. Edwards Deming

#### **Leading SAFe® Training**

- · Lean-Agile mindset, principles and practices
- Effective leadership values for managing the new generation of knowledge workers
- · Leader's 'how to' guide
  - Execute and release value through ARTs
  - Build large systems with the SAFe Value Stream level
  - Build an Agile portfolio
  - Lead a Lean-Agile transformation at enterprise scale



Lean-Agile Leaders

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# **Create a Lean-Agile Center of Excellence**

"A guiding coalition that operates as an effective team can process more information, more quickly. It can also speed the implementation of new approaches because powerful people are truly informed and committed to key decisions."

—John Kotter

### **LACE – The guiding coalition**

- Communicate the business need, urgency, vision for change and progress
- · Develop the implementation plan and metrics
- Identify Value Streams, and help define and launch ARTs
- Provide coaching/training to ART stakeholders and teams
- · Promote continuing Lean-Agile education
- Extend Lean-Agile practices to other areas of the company



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# **Identify Value Streams & ARTs**

"Break down barriers between departments."

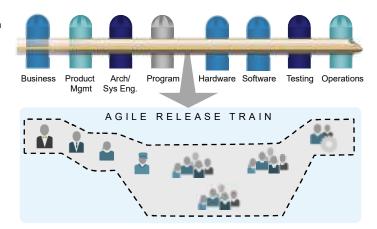
-W. Edwards Deming

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### Organize people into Agile Release Trains

- ~30 practitioners on a common mission
- Deliver Program Increments every 10 weeks
- Provide Vision, Roadmap, architectural guidance



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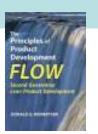
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# **Create the implementation plan**

Planning is prudent, but be careful:

"The more detailed we made our plans, the longer our cycle times became."

—Don Reinertsen



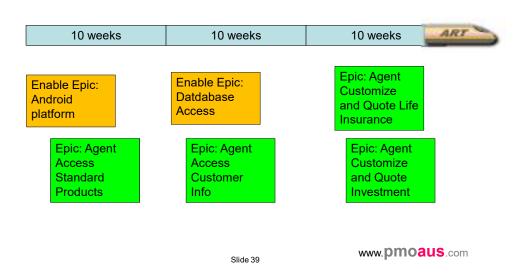
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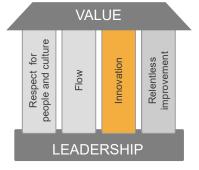
# **Create an Implementation Plan (3 Pls)**

Personal & Investment BU

"Digital Transformation" strategic theme



#### **Innovation**



Innovation comes from the producer.

-W. Edwards Deming

- Producers innovate; customers validate
- ▶ Get out of the office (Gemba\*)
- No useful improvement was ever invented at a desk
  - Taiichi Ohno
- ▶ Provide time and space for creativity
- ▶ Apply innovation accounting
- ▶ Pivot without mercy or guilt

<sup>\*</sup> Gemba: The "real place" where the work is actually done.

# **Prepare for ART launch**

"Short-term wins help build necessary momentum."

—John Kotter

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#### Set the date: forcing functions drive change

- Scheduling the PI Planning meeting creates the timebox for the preparation.
- Minimizes work expansion.
   Not everything can (or needs to) be perfect.
- Assure people that the Inspect & Adapt workshop creates a closed-loop system so impediments are visible and addressed ASAP.





After Leading SAFe training, this leadership team launched their first Agile Release Train in 10 days.

Photo courtesy of SEI Global Wealth Services

### **Preparing for the ART Launch**



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#### **Train teams & launch ART**

"We often don't think through carefully enough what new behavior, skills, and attitudes will be needed when major changes are initiated.

As a result, we don't recognize the kind and amount of training that will be required to help people learn those new behaviors, skills, and attitudes.

—John Kotter

#### The ART Quickstart





- Train everyone at the same time
- Same instructor, same method
- Most cost effective



- Align teams to common objectives
- Commitment
   Continue trains
- Continue training during planning





- Orientation for specialty roles
- · Open spaces
- Tool training for teams





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## Synchronize with PI Planning

Future product development tasks can't be pre-determined. Distribute planning and control to those who can understand and react to the end results. — Michael Kennedy, Product Development for the Lean Enterprise

- All stakeholders are face-to-face (but typically multiple locations)
- Management sets the mission, minimum possible constraints
- ▶ Requirements and design emerge
- Important stakeholder decisions are accelerated
- ▶ Teams create—and take responsibility for—plans





See the companion video "Schroders PI Planning" at https://vimeo.com/169066536



### **Coach ART execution**

"Whenever you let up before the job is done, critical momentum can be lost and regression may follow."

—John Kotter

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#### Create the first win

- Help teams plan, execute, review and retrospect the first PI
- Manage WIP and improve flow
- Keep the focus on delivering value vs. completing tasks



 Relentlessly improve with Inspect & Adapt





# Sustain and improve

"Excellent firms don't believe in excellence only in constant improvement and constant change."

—Tom Peters

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# **Summary and Q&A**



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- Innovation
- · Lean-Agile mindset and framework
- SAFe® implementation example
  - (1) Leadership support
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  - (8) ART continues to deliver values...
- Next steps



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