

Hybrid Agile Methodology Implementation



Many companies struggle with typical waterfall project management methodologies, citing a lack of timely business user feedback and large amounts of documentation as reasons for slow product delivery, or even project failure. To combat these limitations, project teams often explore agile practices outside of defined organizational standard processes. Although there may be success, it often creates problems when reporting project status or defining resource roles. As agile teams begin to efficiently tackle large projects, companies look for opportunities to standardize these practices to align with existing reporting standards and methodology.

Benefits of Hybrid Agile

With a hybrid agile implementation, organizations can expect the following improvements:

- ✓ Decreased project duration and effort/costs for applicable projects
- ✓ Increased project visibility and status accuracy
- ✓ Improved collaboration and team communication
- ✓ Increased productivity for applicable projects
- ✓ Improved expectation setting, project integration and process management
- ✓ Common language for improved communication across all stakeholders
- ✓ Improved time-to-market
- ✓ Increased tolerance for change

Waterfall

- ✓ Detailed project plan
- ✓ Well defined requirements
- ✓ Phase gates



Agile

- ✓ Iterative
- ✓ Fast time to value
- ✓ Early feedback



Hybrid Agile

- ✓ Shorter projects
- ✓ Better visibility
- ✓ Improved collaboration
- ✓ Increased productivity

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Some organizations attempt to adopt agile practices without fully preparing their teams for the paradigm shift that these practices require. For a hybrid agile implementation, BlumShapiro Consulting uses a two-phased approach:

1. **Assessment and Planning Phase:** consisting of discovery workshops, recommended lifecycle prototype, risk assessment as well as deployment and training roadmaps
2. **Deployment Phase:** consisting of lifecycle development, template/artifact creation, tool configuration, change management activities, training and support

There are several ways to get started:

- ✓ Schedule an initial conversation to discuss your needs/interests
- ✓ Work with BlumShapiro Consulting in a ½ day workshop to envision a solution for your organization

To learn more and explore whether your organization could benefit from improved project collaboration and communication, notify your BlumShapiro Consulting contact or email Darwyn Azzinaro at dazzinaro@imagineblum.com.