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AI-Empowered Leading SAFe® for Government

This training develops the leadership skills needed to drive Lean-Agile transformations in public sector institutions, using the latest AI-enhanced version of the Scaled Agile Framework® (SAFe®). It adapts the proven Leading SAFe® curriculum to the realities of public administration, covering mission agility, citizens as customers, compliance and public oversight requirements, phase-gate milestones, public procurement and contractor collaboration, and lean budgets in the context of public sector funding.

The course is designed for public sector executives and leaders of programmes delivered for government organisations. It helps them shorten the time needed to deliver value to citizens and align organisational objectives. After completing the training, you will be able to lead the implementation of SAFe in your institution and take the SAFe® Agilist (SA) certification exam, with the first attempt included in the course price.

Training recipients

- Executives and senior managers in ministries, government offices, agencies, and companies delivering public services.
- Digital transformation leaders and managers of public sector modernisation programmes.
- Programme, project, and portfolio managers in public institutions.
- Professionals responsible for public procurement and collaboration with IT solution providers.
- Leaders and architects working for contractors delivering solutions to public administration.
- Change agents preparing to implement SAFe in regulated environments.

Benefits

- Lead a Lean-Agile transformation in a public sector institution, developing mission agility despite regulatory constraints and public oversight requirements.
- Organise work around the flow of value to citizens by establishing Agile teams and Agile Release Trains (ARTs).
- Apply Lean-Agile thinking, SAFe values, and the 10 Lean-Agile Principles to leadership decisions in a public administration context.
- Distinguish between different types of AI models and apply Responsible AI principles while taking public sector security and compliance requirements into account.
- Lead key SAFe events, including PI Planning, while aligning them with phase-gate milestones and oversight requirements.
- Connect strategy with execution through Lean Portfolio Management, from strategic themes to lean budgets and guardrails within the context of public sector funding.
- Structure collaboration with contractors and public procurement processes to support, rather than hinder, Agile delivery.
- Prepare for the SAFe® Agilist (SA) certification exam using the SAFe Studio platform and the SAFe CoPilot AI assistant.

PDU credits: Participants may claim 15 Professional Development Units (PDUs) towards obtaining or maintaining PMI certifications, including PMP and PMI-ACP.

Training program

1. Adapting and Growing with SAFe
   - Developing public institutions in an era of continuous disruption, from the digital age to the AI era.
   - Mission agility as a response to a changing environment.
   - Building a Lean-Agile organisation and reviewing the SAFe Big Picture in the context of public administration.
2. Foundations: Mindset, Values, and Principles
   - The Lean-Agile mindset and core SAFe values.
   - Applying the 10 Lean-Agile Principles in regulated environments, taking account of statutory requirements, public budgets, and oversight.
   - Strengthening agility with AI: types of models, generative AI, and the responsible use of AI (Responsible AI) in public institutions.
   - Identifying value streams that support citizens and organisational missions.
3. Team and Technical Agility
   - Building cross-functional Agile teams.
   - Organising Agile Release Trains around value flow.

- Built-in quality and compliance requirements.
- The Continuous Delivery Pipeline and DevOps in environments with heightened security requirements.

4. Product Development Flow
   - Citizen and internal customer centricity, and design thinking.
   - Prioritising the ART backlog, including using generative AI to refine features.
   - PI Planning: preparation, execution, and outcomes.
   - PI execution, synchronisation events, and phase-gate milestones.
   - Collaboration between contracting authorities and contractors in Agile delivery.
5. Lean Portfolio Management
   - Defining the SAFe portfolio and aligning it with institutional strategy.
   - Portfolio vision and strategic themes.
   - Realising the portfolio vision through epics.
   - Lean budgets and guardrails in the context of public sector funding.
   - Portfolio flow.
6. Leading Change
   - Leading by example.
   - Driving effective organisational change.
   - Empowering leaders with AI.
   - Initiating change within your own institution.
7. Certification
   - The SAFe® Agilist (SA) certification pathway and an individual learning plan in SAFe Studio.
   - Preparation materials, a practice exam, and the SAFe CoPilot AI assistant.

Expected preparation of the participant

The training is designed for anyone interested in the subject, regardless of their level of experience. The following knowledge and experience are recommended before taking the SAFe® Agilist certification exam:

- At least five years of experience in software development, testing, business analysis, product management, or project management.
- Knowledge of Scrum.

Training Includes

- Authorised Scaled Agile materials, including a digital workbook and access to the SAFe® Studio platform.

- SAFe® Agilist (SA) certification exam, with the first attempt included in the price.
- SAFe® Agilist certificate and digital badge upon passing the exam.

Language

- Training: English
- Materials: English
- Exam: English

Examination method

The certification exam is taken online through the SAFe® Studio platform as part of an individual Learning Plan activated after completing the training.
The first exam attempt is included in the training price. Participants must take the exam within 30 days of completing the training. Before the exam, they have access to preparation materials and a practice test structured to reflect the actual exam.

Duration

2 days / 16 hours

Examination description

- Duration: 90 minutes.
- Format: 45 single-choice questions.
- Minimum passing score: 80%.
- Delivery method: Online via the SAFe Studio platform.