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Overview
Delivering high-value products requires teams to collaboratively discover the right product to deliver at the right time. Yet, teams struggle with this journey, wrestling with bloated backlogs, ineffective or inconsistent planning, and unpredictable Sprint or value stream flow.

In the *Backlog Refinement Practitioner* training, you learn how to improve product agility and team outcomes through precise and transparent development of "ready" backlog items. You define and refine backlog items across the *7 Product Dimensions*, prioritize user stories, and prepare for value-based planning. By using the product's vision to guide Structured Conversations, you optimize the value in the product backlog, exemplifying the core of Lean and Agile practices.

Who Should Attend
This course is valuable for Product Owners, Scrum Masters, User eXperience experts, Business and Requirements Analysts and anyone else on the development team members who participate in or lead backlog refinement, discovery, and agile planning

Objectives
Through interactive discussions, simulations, exercises, examples, and reviews, learn to:

- Align value with the product vision.
- Use value as the foundation for backlog definition and refinement.
- Make transparent, value-based product decisions.
- Engineer strong collaboration among product partners—customer, business, and technology stakeholders—throughout backlog definition and refinement.
- Engage the right people at the right time.

- Explore, evaluate, and confirm product options with Structured Conversations.
- Comprehensively refine backlog items across the *7 Product Dimensions.*
- Confirm user stories with clear, unambiguous acceptance criteria.
- Prepare backlog items for efficient release and sprint planning.
- Slice user stories to be "ready" to get to "done".

Virtual Offering: Five half days

Prerequisites: Foundational agile knowledge, knowledge of Scrum and Kanban.

Materials: Copy of *Discover to Deliver: Agile Product Planning and Analysis*, Handout

Boost Your Investment: Maximize your outcomes by adding a Product Discovery Workshop or Backlog Clinics.

Key Tools & Techniques
Structured Conversations
7 Product Dimensions
Product options
Collaborative discovery
Analysis models
Value, Verification

Course Outline

Module 0: Pre-work reading and preparation
Module 1: Course Startup; Project vs. Product
Module 2: Requirements, Views, and Plans
Module 3: Backlog Refinement, Ready, and Done
Module 4: The 7 Product Dimension and the Structured Conversation
Module 5: User Stories, Requirements Gaps
Module 6: Product Vision, Product Partners, Planning Themes
Module 7: Value
Module 8: Interface Dimension
Module 9: User Dimension
Module 10: Action Dimension
Module 11: Data Dimension
Module 12: Control Dimension
Module 13: Environment & Quality Attribute Dimensions
Module 14: Confirmation: Scenarios, Tests, GWT (Given-When-Then)
Module 15: Wrap up - Effective Backlog Refinement

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