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# CMM, CMMI and ISO 15504 (SPICE)

Bruk av modenhetsmodeller under programmvareutvikling, er det nøkkelen til suskess?

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- For the acquisition of external development services:
  - Objectively evaluate the current and future capability of your suppliers



- For software engineering:
  - Objectively evaluate your own current and possible software development capabilities
  - Identify and prioritize the activities in order to improve your software development
  - Checklist / ,roadmap' for the execution of software process improvement activities
- For marketing of your development services:
  - Presentation of your capabilities
  - Competitive advantage

Evaluation and Certification of the software development based on standardized and objective criteria.



### Develop own ← versus → Use best practices Overview



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"The common cause of all troubled projects is, that these teams don't use the existing best practices."

IBM Quality Assurance, Analysis of troubled projects



### **Use best practices – and change the organization**

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# ISO 15504 and CMMI set the scope for the software development within a ISO 9001 scope

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# CMM: world wide the most used quality model, available since 1986

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- SW-CMM was developed by the Software Engineering Institute (SEI) of the Carnegie Mellon University.
- SW-CMM defines a set of proven practices which are typically found in mature software organizations. They are a Checklist for "Where are we?" and "What should we improve?"



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# The benefit of CMM: Improvement of processes, improvement of estimations, reduction of costs.

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## 1 Initial

**On level 1** the software process is a "black box". The software development is **chaotic**. There are no standards for planning and controlling of projects. Success in these organizations depends on the competence, motivation and heroics of the people in the organization and not on the use of proven processes.



## A project on level 2 is repeatable and uses milestones





### A project on level 3 is defined.



#### Defined software process

**On level 3** a standard software process is documented and implemented across the organization.

The internal structure of the "boxes" are now visible. Managers and team members understand their roles and responsibilities within the processes.



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## An organization on level 4 <u>manages the software</u> <u>development</u>.



### managed software process

On **level 4** the organization sets **quantitative quality goals** for both software products and processes.

The software process is predictable because the process is measured and operates within measurable limits. With this management has an objective basis for decisions.

### An organization on level 5 <u>continuously improves</u> its software process.



### **5** Software process is optimized

**On level 5** an organization has the means to identify weaknesses and strengthen the process proactively. They are continuously striving to improve the range of their process capability, thereby improving the process performance of their projects.







# By implementing software process improvement based on CMM, organizations have achieved a "Return on Investment" of 1:5.

Benefit	
Productivity growth (per year)	35 %
Increase of early defect detection (per year)	22 %
Reduction of time-to-market of a product (per year)	19 %
Reduction of field defects (per year)	39 %
Return on Investment	5.0

From: "Benefits of CMM-Based Software Process Improvement", Software Engineering Institute Average of 13 organizations, using SW-CMM





# The transition from one level to the next takes on average about 2 years.



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Average time used to reach the next maturity level in organizations, that have started their software process improvement in 1992 or later.

From: Software Engineering Institute, Process Maturity Profile of the SW Community, August 2002

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From the SEI website http://www.sei.cmu.edu/cmmi/adoption/sunset.html

### was released by the SEI to replace CBA IPI and SCE<sup>SM</sup> as standard for assessments or evaluations. The SEI will not release any

# enhancements to CBA IPI and SCE methods."

### .,Data of SEI-authorized assessments, based on the SW-CMM, will still be accepted."

SW-CMM "Sun setting"

version.

- ...SEI will not develop and release any enhancements to the SW-CMM model or to
  - any SW-CMM training."



SW-CMM development will not be continued.









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# ISO 15504 / SPICE: the international standard for process reference models and assessments

- In June of 1993 a project with a mandate by the Joint Technical Committee JTC1 of ISO and IEC was started.
- The first draft of the standard was published in 1998 as a technical report.
- The final publication of the standard is expected in 2004. The standard differs significantly from the first draft (technical report). Information given will refer to the new standard 15504:2004.
- ISO 15504:2004 contains the methodology and structure to perform assessments of system development processes.
- ISO 15504:2004 contains an assessment model: SPICE (Software Process Improvement and Capability Determination).
- ISO 15504:2004 is linked to ISO 9000:2000.

## ISO 15504 :2004







The main innovations of ISO 15504 in comparison to CMM: Capability level of single processes and not maturity levels of the whole organization.

The elements:

- A set of processes (e.g. ISO/IEC 12207 for software development)
- An evaluation of the capability level of each process, independent of other processes.





The processes of SPICE (ISO 15504 Part 5)

(in reference to ISO 12207 AMD 1)





3.2 Product Evaluation

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# The evaluation of the capability level of a process based on the of compliancy to 9 attributes.



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## CMM Integration (CMMI) is the new version of SW-CMM.



- The different CMM Models such as "System CMM" and Software CMM were integrated
- In addition to the staged model (5 maturity levels) CMMI now also defines a continuous model (as in ISO 15504 (SPICE)), where single processes can be evaluated.



- CMMI contains more detailed guidelines for implementing the process areas. CMMI contains therefore more information, but not necessarily more requirements than SW-CMM.
- In CMMI the process areas of the 5 maturity levels were rearranged.
- CMMI fulfills ISO 15504.





# With CMMI the evaluation of the maturity level of an organization is based on the evaluation of the capability levels of single processes

Process Area	0	1	2	3	4 5	Process
Requirements Management ENG Measurement and Analysis SUP Project Monitoring and Control MAN Project Planning MAN Process and Product Quality Assurance SUP Supplier Agreement Management MAN Configuration Management SUP		2-				Capability Organization Maturity
Decision Analysis and Resolution SUP Product Integration ENG Requirements Development ENG Technical Solutions ENG Validation ENG Verification ENG Organization Process Definition PRO Organization Process Focus PRO Integrated Project Management MAN Risk Management MAN Integrated Supplier Management MAN Organizational Training PRO Integrated Teaming MAN Organizational Environment for Integration SUP			3			
Organizational Process Performance PRO Quantitative Project Management MAN		4	4			
Organizational Innovation and Deployment PRO Causal Analysis Resolution SUP			5			







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## A project on level 1 ("Initial") has no defined processes



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### A project on level 2 ("Managed") has the basic project management processes in place

 2 The Process Areas of level Managed
Project Planning MAN
Project Monitoring and Control MAN
Supplier Agreement Management MAN
Requirements Management ENG
Configuration Management SUP
Measurement and Analysis SUP
Process and Product Quality Assurance SUP

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Managed



### An organization on level 3 ("Defined") has <u>defined</u> processes and all projects are using them

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An organization on level 4 ("Quantitatively Managed") has <u>quantitative measurements</u> in place and projects are controlled based on the analyzed data.



The Process Areas of level *Quantitatively Managed* 

Organizational Process Performance PRO

Quantitative Project Management MAN

**Quantitatively Managed** 





An organization on level 5 ("Optimizing") has established processes to improve its defined processes ("Continuous Improvement")









CMMI is not yet 100% ISO 15504 compliant. Which means that some additional effort has to be spend if a certification according to CMMI and ISO 15504 is planned.

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# Software process improvement (SPI) addresses method, skills, projects, culture, organization and technology



# Software process improvement is organizational change – and a project

### **Organizational Change**

 is the realization of new processes or technologies in order to adapt an organization to new business requirements or to open up new possibilities

### Project

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 is a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product or service (Definition of "project" by the Project Management Institute)



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# Key success factors for a software process improvement project

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SPI cannot be mandated by a SPI project. Rather management must require SPI from the organization, which in turn turns to the SPI project for support

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### Typical actions of a CMMI software process improvement project

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Iterative method is the key for success. The iterations base on prioritized process areas and the sequence of chosen projects.





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### The steps and the team of an assessment



 A competence team must be responsible for the usage and maintenance of the processes. Team members of the projects are part of the competence team.

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### **Distribution of effort**









# Example-Scenario: e-business company with consultants, designers and developers *problem*

#### Problem:

Most of the projects are troubled. Lack of communication and lack of understanding among the different roles in the projects.

<u>1. step: Identification of weaknesses with an assessment, to be able to define</u> <u>specific improvement activities</u>

#### **Obvious process strengths:**

- Each individual engineering discipline
- Project management
- Customer supplier management

#### Identified process weaknesses:

- No common understanding / no common process
- Human resource management





# Example-Scenario: e-business company with consultants, designers and developers solution

#### 2. step: Activities to improve the processes

- Development of a common understanding of the project
- Reorganization of the teams (by projects rather than by disciplines)



**Direct benefit:** 

- No more troubled projects
- Turn around of the company

### Further benefit:

- Higher motivation
- Higher corporate identification of the employees

#### Sustained strengths:

- Outstanding individual performance (several design awards)
- Good customer supplier management

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## **Summary and Recommendations**

#### SPI

- Software process improvement helps to reduce costs and risks in IT projects and CMMI/ISO 15504 help you to do this successfully by proven best practices
- Software process improvement is organizational change and a project.
- The transition of an organization from one CMMI maturity level to the next takes on average approx. 2 years. Total SPI Effort: 3% 6% of organization size (per year).
- Iterative method is the key for success.
- The whole organization has to take part in process improvement the SPI project just supports this. The close interaction between software development projects and the SPI project is necessary.

#### SW-CMM vs. CMMI

• If you start now: use CMMI instead of SW-CMM. SW-CMM is being shut down.

#### ISO 15504 vs. CMMI

- CMM(I) is used more often than ISO 15504
- ISO 15504 is not a standard yet but will be 2004
- CMMI integrates software and system engineering ISO 15504 does not
- CMMI gives more guidance and best practices for implementation

### **More Information**

#### CMMI

 Go to the official SEI website: www.sei.cmu.edu/cmmi



### ISO 15504

- www.isospice.com but currently the new version is not yet available
- ISO 15504 TR 1998 is available from www.iso.org

### More information needed:

- We offer an individually tailored Info Day for CMM(I), ISO 15504:2004 and SPI
- We deliver In-house training official SEI classes and individually tailored classes
- We conduct assessments
- We support SPI projects
- www.wibas.com



### **Abbreviations**

- CBA-IPI CMM-Based Appraisal for Internal Process Improvement
- CMM Capability Maturity Model
- CMMI Capability Maturity Model Integration
- SCAMPI Standard CMMI Assessment Method for Process Improvement
- SCE Software Capability Evaluations
- SEI Software Engineering Institute
- SPI System/Software Process Improvement
- SPICE Software Process Improvement and Capability Determination

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