

Scrum in Project Risk Management in Cultural Institutions

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ABSTRACT

Cultural animation and education is one of the goals of cultural institutions. In practical terms, this goal is often implemented through projects, which are also a way to obtain additional financial resources. Hence, projects are part of the work of cultural institutions. Agility understood as flexibility in management, is, therefore, becoming a necessity in cultural institutions, and project risk management as an important part of the management process. This resulted to the proposal to apply the Scrum approach to risk management in projects implemented by cultural institutions. Empiricism, adaptation, and iteration are inherent in Scrum. In this respect, they correspond to both the mission of cultural institutions and the need to adapt activities to the changeability of the environment. Pilot research carried out in three cultural projects indicates that the proposed model of risk management using the Scrum approach allows to manage project risk thanks to systemised work of the project team, transparency of activities, and adaptation of the project to the variability of the environment in subsequent iterations resulting from the Scrum approach. This article presents the results of the research and their implications for project management in cultural institutions.

KEY WORDS

Project risk management, cultural projects, Scrum, cultural institutions

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