



Release Notes Applied SAFe® 3.5

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NOTE:

Applied SAFe® 3.0 – 3.5 builds on SAFe® 3.0 and will be kept in sync with the upcoming versions. Demonstrations can be scheduled upon request.



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1 Overview

1.1 Main Changes

Brief overview of achievements and improvements:

- SAFe 3.0 improvements:
 - Revised Kanban practice
 - Updated Lean-Agile Leadership principles
 - SAFe 3.0.3 training material and videos
- Applied SAFe key concepts:
 - Refined tailoring implementation
 - Improved workspace instantiation practice
 - Revised user management including bootstrap role
- Updated and enhanced work product model including new views for:
 - Enterprise: Process Management
 - Enterprise: Acquisition
 - Enterprise: Knowledge Management
 - Program: Product Strategy
- Extended documentation:
 - Applied SAFe Process Handbook
 - Applied SAFe 3.5 Model Report

1.2 End-User Impact

Summary of major impact for the following roles:

- Leaders, Managers, RTE, Scrum Master, Process Coaches:
 - Updated Lean-Agile Leadership principles
- SPCs, Process Coaches:
 - SAFe 3.0.3 training material and videos
- Quality Manager, PPM, RTE, Scrum Master (Bootstrap Roles):
 - Workspace instantiation and update
 - Revised user management
 - Refined tailoring implementation
- Process Engineer:
 - Updated and enhanced work product model inclusive model report

1.3 Versioning Details

Applied SAFe	3.5.2
Release Type	Minor (Enhancements & Fixes)
SAFe	3.0 (Enterprise SAFe 3.5.7)
SAFe Courseware	3.0.3
Stages	6.4.2.2 (GA)

2 Applied SAFe Release Details

2.1 Enterprise Level

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Work Product	Updated and enhanced work product model including new views for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizational Process Focus Acquisition Knowledge Management Compliance and Reference Models Tailoring User Management 	New
Work Product	Revised abstract for Non-Functional-Requirement (NFR)	Update
Role	Revised user management including bootstrap role for Quality Manager	New
Role	Replaced role Executive by Lean-Agile-Leader	Update
Practice	Definition of Readiness for Features	New
Practice	Revised the Lean practice with the new House of Lean	Update
Practice	Enhanced Lean-Agile Leadership principle with link to 9 new individual integrated principles	Update
Practice	9 new individual integrated Lean-Agile-Leadership principles as practices	New
Practice	Refined Kanban Practice inherited to all SAFe levels	Update
Practice	Revised abstract for Weighted Shortest Job First Priorization (WSJF)	Update
Practice	Improved Applied SAFe process update practice	Update
Practice	Applied SAFe Workspace and process instantiation practice split into two approaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process instantiation from core process Process instantiation from process model 	New
Training	Updated SAFe 3.0.3 training details	Update
Training	SAFe videos: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Value of Using the Scaled Agile Framework(SAFe) - Dean Leffingwell (Video) A Short History and Future of SAFe - Dean Leffingwell @ Agile2015 	New

Process Type	Description	Change Type
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAFe Foundations 3.0.3 (2015) with Dean Leffingwell and Drew Jemilo (Video), including the presentations “SAFe Foundations” and “SAFe in 8 Pictures” 	
Resource	Updated all available SAFe templates to V8.0	Update
Resource	Refined tailoring implementation	Update
Reference Model	Updated assignments to SAFe reference model	Update
Reference Model	Availability of Automotive SPICE 3.0 assignments for demonstration	New

2.2 Portfolio Level

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Process	Revised content for Portfolio Epic Kanban including its activities	Update
Process	Revised content for Program Coordination and Integration	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Budget including the whitepaper “Lean and agile financial planning”	Update
Role	Revised user management including bootstrap role for Program Portfolio Management	New
Role	Revised role Epic Owner	Update
Practice	Revised abstract for Capitalization	Update
Resource	Refined tailoring implementation	Update
Reference Model	Updated assignments to SAFe reference model	Update

2.3 Program Level

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Process	Revised content for Release Planning	Update
Process	Revised content for Architectural Runway Building	Update

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Process	Revised content for Development and Deployment Infrastructure Building	Update
Process	Revised content for Inspect & Adapt	Update
Activity	Revised content for Demonstrate System	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Architectural Runway	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Program Vision	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Program Backlog	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Program PI Objective	Update
Work Product	Updated and enhanced work product model including new views for Product Strategy	New
Role	Revised user management including bootstrap role for Release Train Engineer	New
Role	Revised abstract for Product Manager	Update
Role	Revised abstract for Release Management	Update
Role	Revised abstract for System Team Member	Update
Metric	Revised content for ART Metrics	Update
Metric	Replaced PSI with PI on all ART metrics and assigned process elements	Fix
Resource	Refined tailoring implementation	Update
Reference Model	Updated assignments to SAFe reference model	Update

2.4 Team Level

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Work Product	Revised abstract for Iteration	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Sprint Goals	Update
Work Product	Revised abstract for Team PI Objective	Update
Role	Revised user management including bootstrap role for Scrum Master	New
Role	Revised abstract for Agile Team with stronger reference to the Kanban practice	Update
Role	Revised abstract for Product Owner	Update

Process Type	Description	Change Type
Resource	Refined tailoring implementation	Update
Reference Model	Updated assignments to SAFe reference model	Update

3 New or Updated Documents

Name	Version	Description
Applied SAFe Model Report	3.5	Overview of all work product diagrams
Applied SAFe Process Handbook	3.5	For each level (Enterprise, Portfolio, Program, Team) a handbook with the complete generated content of Applied SAFe
Release Notes	3.5	Completely restructured and revised release notes
PEDCO Applied SAFe Brochure	1.1	Revised product description and license models
Training: Applied SAFe Introduction	3.5	SAFe and Applied SAFe overview and introduction
Training: Applied SAFe Enterprise for Quality Managers	3.5	2 days course to gain the knowledge needed to start with Applied SAFe® in a large software enterprise



4 Appendix

4.1 Document History

Version	Date	Author, Org. Unit	Status	Comment / Description of Change
0.1	22-SEP-2015	Stefan Küffer	Draft	Initial version
0.2	04-DEC-2015	Stefan Küffer	Review	Refinements and small extensions
1.0	08-DEC-2015	Stefan Küffer	Final	Approved with minor adjustments