

Secure Development: Models and Best Practices

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This training ?

- Software Assurance maturity models
- Secure Development in agile development
- Hands-on: SAMM analysis of your enterprise using SAMM 1.5
- Tips and tricks for practical SDLC
- Sneak preview of SAMM 2.0



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Timing

- 09h30 – 11h00: Training
- 11h00 – 11h30: *coffee break*
- 11h30 – 13h00 : Training
- 13h00 – 14h00: *lunch*
- 14h00 – 15h30: Training
- 15h30 – 16h00: *coffee break*
- 16h00 – 17h30: Training



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Rules of the House

- Turn off mobile phones
- Interactive training
- Specific discussions about company practices don't leave this room



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Today's Agenda

1. Introduction to SDLC and SAMM

2. Applying SAMM

Methodology

Assessment Governance

Assessment Construction

Assessment Verification

Assessment Operations

Setting Improvement Targets

3. Secure Agile development

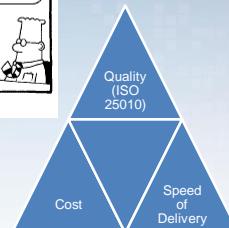
4. SDLC Tips and tricks

5. Wrap-up



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Application Security Problem



Software complexity

Technology stacks

Requirements?

75% of vulnerabilities are application related

Mobile

Connected

Multi-platform

Cloud

Responsive Design



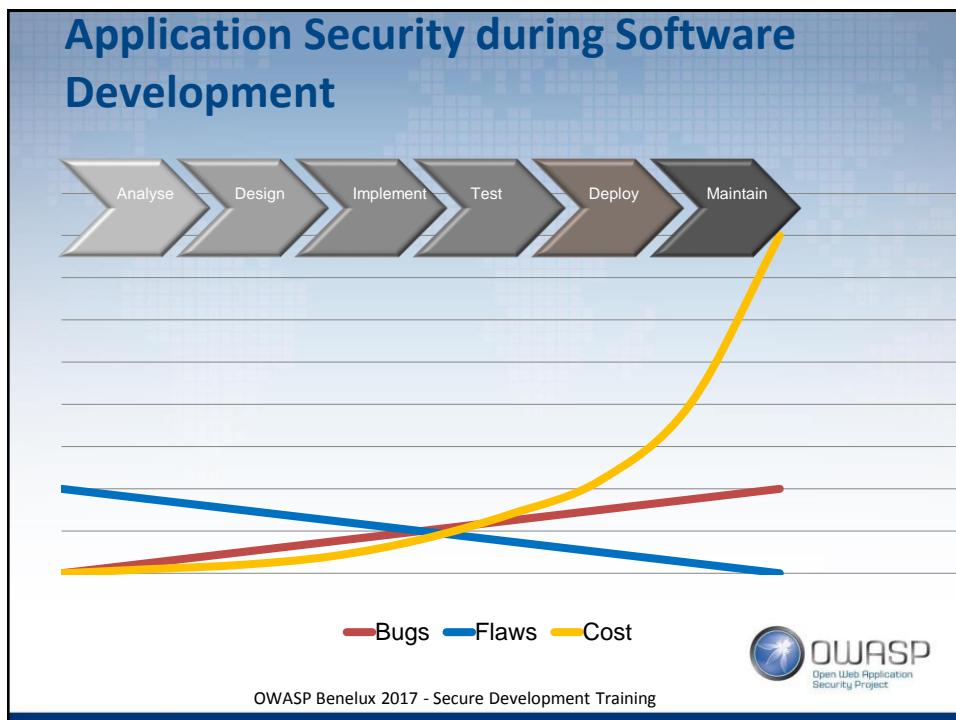
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Application Security Symbiosis



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Open Web Application
Security Project



The State-of-Practice in Secure Software Development



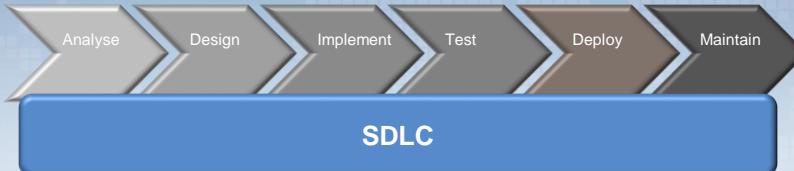
Problematic, since:

- Focus on bugs, not flaws
- Penetration can cause major harm
- Not cost efficient
- No security assurance
 - All bugs found ?
 - Bug fix fixes all occurrences ? (also future ?)
 - Bug fix might introduce new security vulnerabilities



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SDLC ?

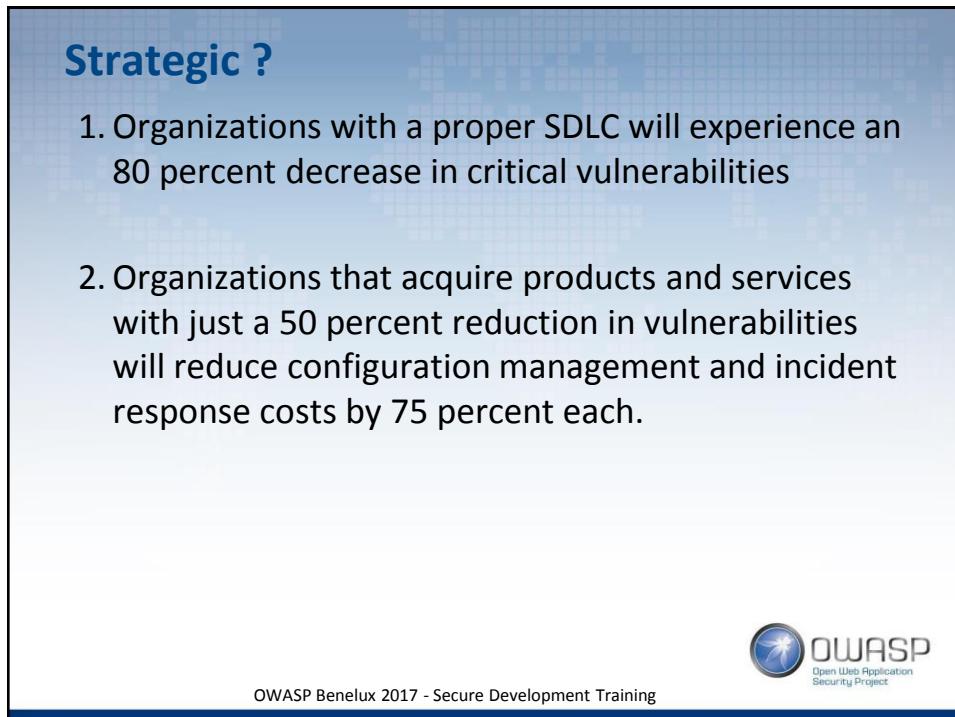
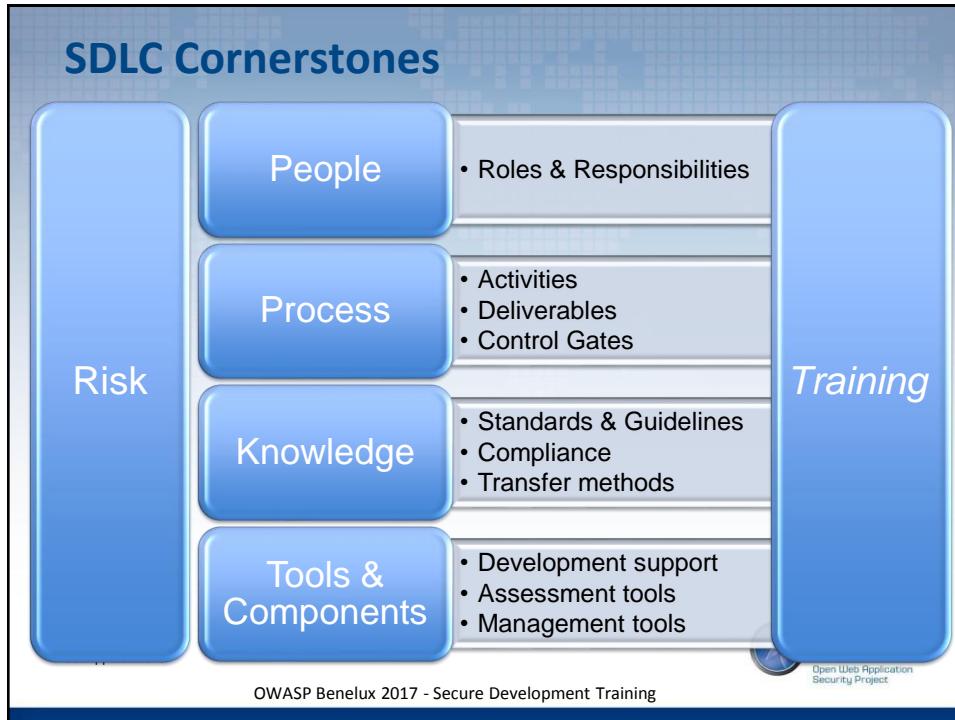


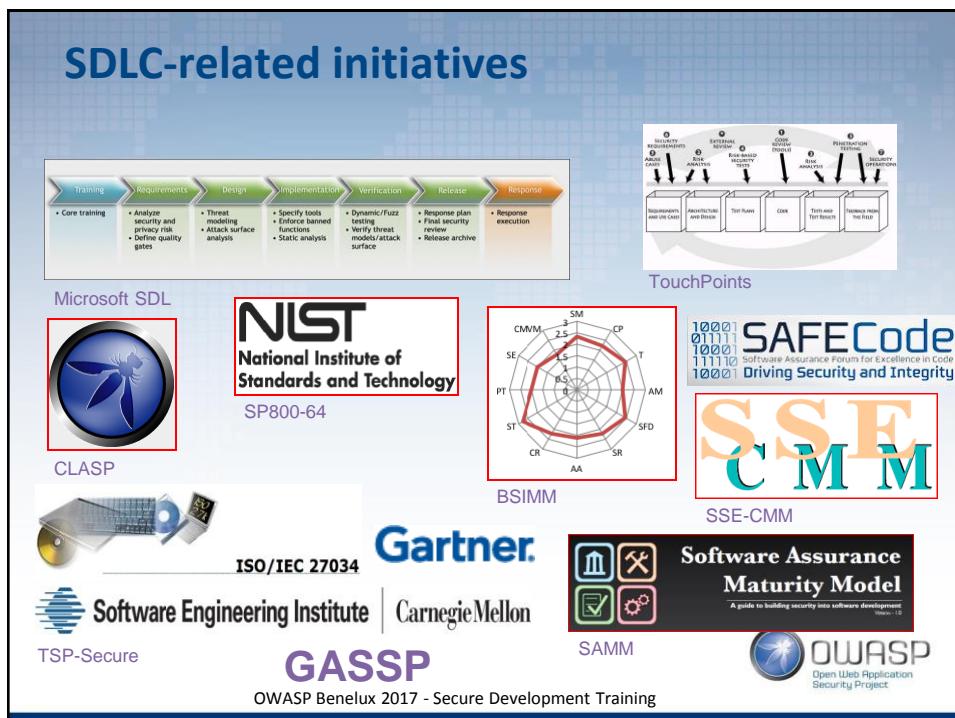
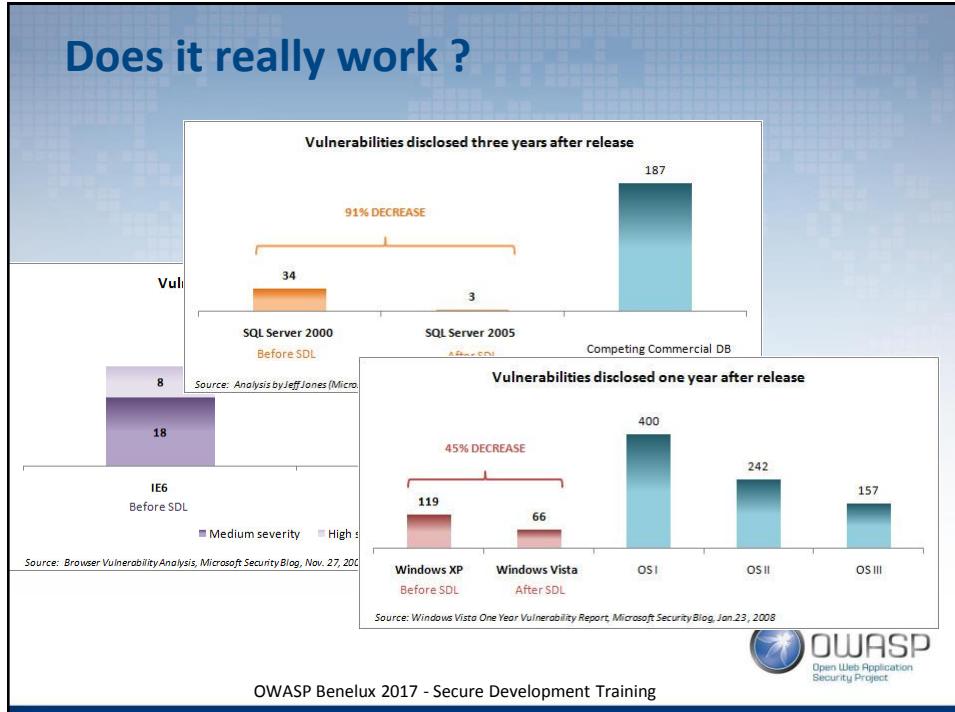
Enterprise-wide software security improvement program

- Strategic approach to assure software quality
- Goal is to increase systematicity
- Focus on security functionality and security hygiene



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So what about ... Waterfall ?



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So what about ... Agile ?



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Software Assurance

Is NOT ...



But is ...



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Why a Maturity Model ?

- An organization's behavior changes slowly over time
- There is no single recipe that works for all organizations
- Guidance related to security activities must be prescriptive
- Overall, must be simple, well-defined, and measurable

Changes must be iterative while working toward long-term goals

A solution must enable risk-based choices tailored to the organization

A solution must provide enough details for non-security-people

OWASP Software Assurance Maturity Model (SAMM)



https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_SAMM_Project

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SAMM 101 – Introduction to the model



Core model document



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SAMM Business Functions

- Start with the core activities tied to any organization performing software development
- Named generically, but should resonate with any developer or manager



Governance



Construction



Verification



Operations



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SAMM Security Practices

- From each of the Business Functions, 3 Security Practices are defined
- The Security Practices cover all areas relevant to software security assurance
- Each one is a 'silo' for improvement



Under each Security Practice

- Three successive Objectives under each Practice define how it can be improved over time

This establishes a notion of a Level at which an organization fulfills a given Practice
- The three Levels for a Practice:

- | | |
|----------|---|
| 0 | Implicit starting point representing the activities in the practice being unfulfilled |
| 1 | Initial understanding and adhoc provision of security practice |
| 2 | Increase efficiency and/or effectiveness of the security practice |
| 3 | Comprehensive mastery of the security practice at scale |

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Check out this one...

Education & Guidance			
	EG 1	EG 2	EG 3
Objective	Offer development staff access to resources around the topics of secure programming and deployment	Educate all personnel in the software life-cycle with role-specific guidance on secure development	Mandate comprehensive security training and certify personnel for baseline knowledge
Activities	A. Conduct technical security awareness training B. Build and maintain technical guidelines	A. Conduct role-specific application security training B. Utilize security coaches to enhance project teams	A. Create formal application security support portal B. Establish role-based examination/certification



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Per Level, SAMM defines...

- Objective
 - Activities
 - Results
 - Success Metrics
 - Costs
 - Personnel
 - Related Levels



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Applying the model

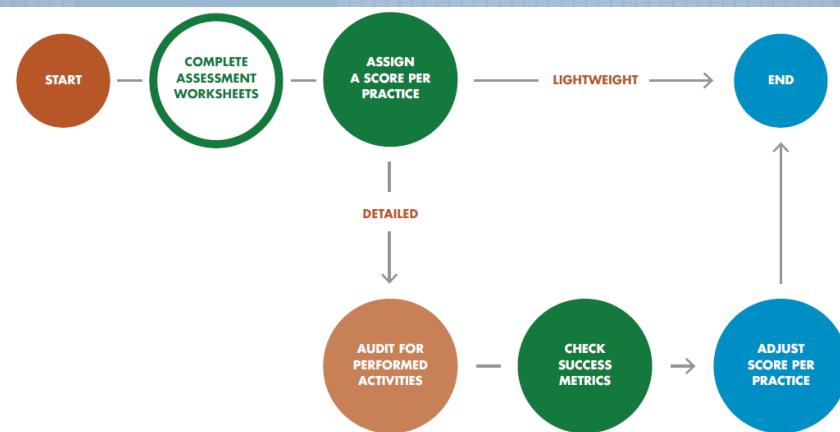


How-to guide



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Assessment process



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Assessment worksheets

Policy & Compliance	Score	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.0
♦ Do project stakeholders know their project's compliance status?	No	Some	Half	Most	
♦ Are compliance requirements specifically considered by project teams?	No	Not Apply	Ad-Hoc	Yes	 PC 1
♦ Does the organization utilize a set of policies and standards to control software development?	No	Per Team	Org Wide	Integrated Process	
♦ Are project teams able to request an audit for compliance with policies and standards?	No	Some	Half	Most	 PC 2
♦ Are projects periodically audited to ensure a baseline of compliance with policies and standards?	No	Some	Half	Most	
♦ Does the organization systematically use audits to collect and control compliance evidence?	No	Bus Area	Org Wide	Org Wide & Required	 PC 3



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Intermezzo – how to measure

What?

How
well?

How
wide?



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Assessment Toolbox

	Education & Guidance	Answer	Interview Notes	Rating
EG1	Have developers been given high-level security awareness training?	Yes, we do it every few years		1.05
	Guidance: Application security awareness training is provided to all developers. Guidance: Training covers topics such as common vulnerabilities and best practice recommendations for eliminating vulnerabilities. Guidance: Training is conducted at least annually as well as on demand based on need.			
EG2	Does each project team understand where to find secure development best-practices and guidance?	Yes, at least half of them are/do		
	Guidance: Project managers and security leads are responsible to developers. Guidance: Management informs development groups that they are expected to utilize secure development resources. Guidance: A checklist based on the secure development resources has been created to ensure guidelines are met during development.			
EG3	Are these involved in the development process given role-specific security training and guidance?	Yes, at least half of them are/do		
	Guidance: Role specific application security training is given to developers, architects, QA etc. Guidance: Managers and requirements specifiers receive training in security requirements planning, vulnerability and incident management, threat modeling, and misuse/abuse case design. Guidance: Testers and auditors receive training in code review, architecture and design analysis, runtime analysis, and effective security test planning. Guidance: Developer training includes security design patterns, tool-specific training, threat modeling and software assessment techniques. Guidance: Role specific training is provided at least annually as well as on demand based on need.	No Yes, a small percentage are/do Yes, at least half of them are/do Yes, the majority of them are/do		
EG4	Are stakeholders able to put in security coaches for use on projects?	Yes, a small percentage are/do		
	Guidance: Stakeholders are given the option to request terms for consultation. Guidance: The process for requesting these experts is advertised to project teams. Guidance: A set of security analysts or security-savvy developers have been selected as security coaches.			
EG5	Is security-related guidance centrally controlled and consistently distributed throughout the organization?	Yes, teams write/run their own		
	Guidance: A centralized repository has been created to organize secure development, information resources, and processes. Guidance: A process for requesting security-related guidance is in place to track requests of information in this repository. Guidance: A method for collaboration and communication of security-related topics has been provided. Guidance: Content is searchable based on common factors like platform, language, library, life-cycle stage, etc.			
EG6	Are developers tested to ensure a baseline skill-set for secure development practices?	Yes, we did it once		
	Guidance: Exams are used to verify retention of security knowledge in a per training module or per role context. Guidance: Staff are ranked based on exam scores. Guidance: Some security activities or gates require staff of a certain rank to sign off before the item is marked as complete.			

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Creating Scorecards

- Gap analysis

Capturing scores from detailed assessments versus expected performance levels
- Demonstrating improvement

Capturing scores from before and after an iteration of assurance program build-out
- Ongoing measurement

Capturing scores over consistent time frames for an assurance program that is already in place

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Roadmap templates

- To make the “building blocks” usable, SAMM defines Roadmaps templates for typical kinds of organizations
 - Independent Software Vendors
 - Online Service Providers
 - Financial Services Organizations
 - Government Organizations
- Organization types chosen because
 - They represent common use-cases
 - Each organization has variations in typical software-induced risk
 - Optimal creation of an assurance program is different for each

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SAMM vs. BSIMM

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Before you begin

- Organizational Context
- Realistic Goals ?
- Scope ?
- Constraints (budget, timing, resources)
- Affinity with a particular model ?



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What's your Company Maturity ?

- In terms of **IT strategy** and application **landscape**
- In terms of software **Development** practices
 - Analysis, Design, Implementation, Testing, Release, Maintenance
 - Structured vs. ad-hoc development
- In terms of **ITSM** practices
 - Configuration, Change, Release, Vulnerability -Mngt.

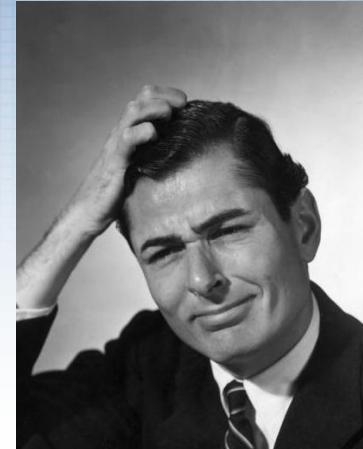
Company Maturity ≈ **Feasibility SDLC Program**



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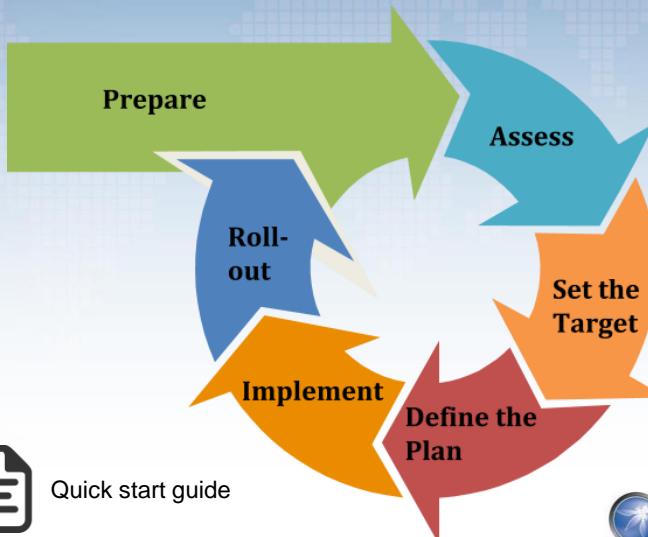
Complicating factors, anyone ?

- Different development teams
- Different technology stacks
- Business-IT alignment issues
- Outsourced development
- ...



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Continuous Improvement with SAMM



The diagram illustrates the SAMM (Software Assurance Maturity Model) cycle as a continuous improvement process. It features a central white circle with six colored arrows pointing clockwise around it, representing the cycle's phases: Prepare (green), Assess (light blue), Set the Target (orange), Define the Plan (red), Implement (yellow), and Roll-out (blue). Below the cycle, the text "Quick start guide" is displayed next to a document icon, and the OWASP logo with the text "Open Web Application Security Project" is on the right.

Quick start guide

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Open Web Application Security Project

Prepare

- 1. Purpose**
Ensure a proper start of the project
- 2. Activities**
 - Define the scope (uniform unit(s))
 - Identify stakeholders
 - Spread the word



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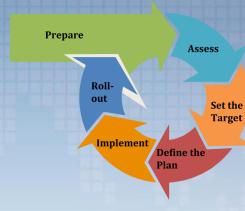
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Assess

- 1. Purpose**

Identify and understand the maturity of the 12 practices for the chosen scope
- 2. Activities**

Evaluate current practices
Determine maturity level



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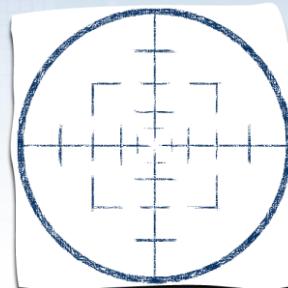
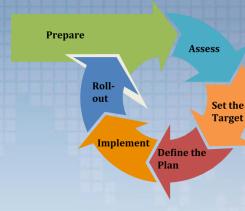


Set The Target

- 1. Purpose**

Develop a target score to guide you in future improvements
- 2. Activities**

Define the target
Estimate overall impact



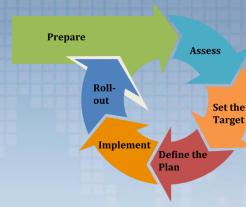
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Define the plan

1. Purpose

Define or update the plan to take you to the next level



2. Activities

Determine change schedule

Develop/update the roadmap plan

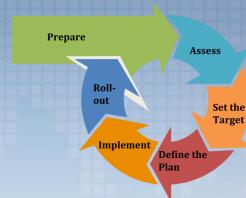


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Implement

1. Objective

Work the plan



2. Activities

Implement activities



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Roll-out

1. Objective

Ensure improvements are available and effectively used



2. Activities

Evangelize improvements

Measure effectiveness



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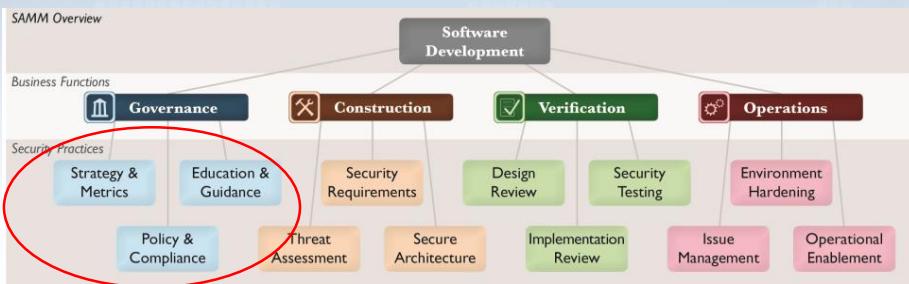
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Governance Business Function



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Strategy & Metrics

1. Goal is to establish a software assurance framework within an organisation

Foundation for all other SAMM practices

2. Characteristics:

Measurable

Aligned with business risk

3. Driver for continuous improvement and financial guidance



VS.



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Strategy & Metrics

Strategy & Metrics

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SM 1



SM 2



SM 3

OBJECTIVE

Establish unified strategic roadmap for software security within the organization

Measure relative value of data and software assets and choose risk tolerance

Align security expenditure with relevant business indicators and asset value

ACTIVITIES

A. Estimate overall business risk profile
B. Build and maintain assurance program roadmap

A. Classify data and applications based on business risk
B. Establish and measure per-classification security goals

A. Conduct periodic industry-wide cost comparisons
B. Collect metrics for historic security spend



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Policy & Compliance

1. Goal is to understand and adhere to legal and regulatory requirements

Typically external in nature

This is often a very informal practice in organisations !

2. Characteristics

Organisation-wide vs. project-specific

Scope

3. Important driver for software security requirements

Privacy Policy



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Policy & Compliance

Policy & Compliance

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PC 1



PC 2



PC 3

OBJECTIVE

Understand relevant governance and compliance drivers to the organization

Establish security and compliance baseline and understand per-project risks

Require compliance and measure projects against organization-wide policies and standards

ACTIVITIES

A. Identify and monitor external compliance drivers
B. Build and maintain compliance guidelines

A. Build policies and standards for security and compliance
B. Establish project audit practice

A. Create compliance gates for projects
B. Adopt solution for audit data collection



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Education & Guidance

1. Goal is to disseminate security-oriented information to *all* stakeholders involved in the software development lifecycle
By means of standards, trainings, ...
2. To be integrated with organisation training curriculum
A once-of effort is not sufficient
Teach a fisherman to fish
3. Technical guidelines form the basis for several other practices



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Education & Guidance

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Assessment Exercise

- Use SAMM to evaluate the development practices in your own company
- Focus on *Governance* Business Function
- Applicable to both Waterfall and Agile models
- Using distributed sheets and questionnaires (toolbox)



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Assessment wrap-up

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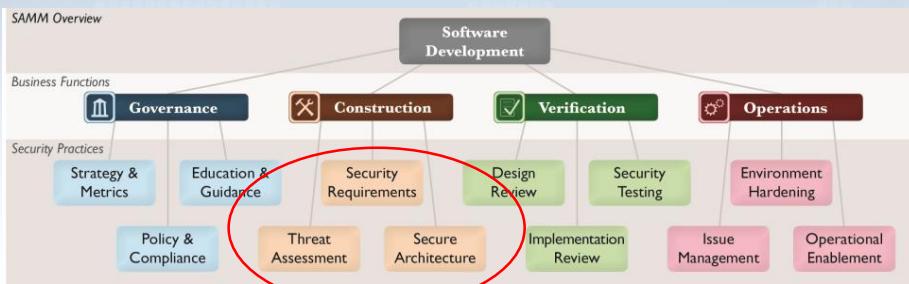
Construction

Business Function



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Threat Assessment

1. The goal of this practice is to focus on the attacker perspective of things

To make sure that security is not only functionality-driven

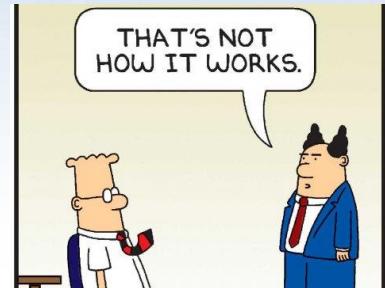
Remember that software security = white + black

2. Very common practice in safety-critical systems

Less so in others

3. This is where “the magic” kicks in

Your imagination is the limit



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Threat Assessment

Threat Assessment

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OBJECTIVE

Identify and understand high-level threats to the organization and individual projects

Increase accuracy of threat assessment and improve granularity of per-project understanding

Concretely tie compensating controls to each threat against internal and third-party software

ACTIVITIES

A. Build and maintain application-specific threat models
B. Develop attacker profile from software architecture

A. Build and maintain abuse-case models per project
B. Adopt a weighting system for measurement of threats

A. Explicitly evaluate risk from third-party components
B. Elaborate threat models with compensating controls



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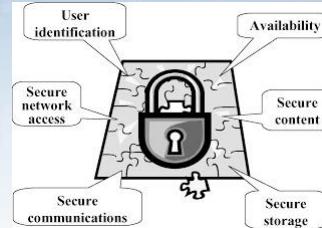
Security Requirements

1. Goal is to make security specification more explicit

Turn security into a positively-spaced problem

2. Source of security requirements

- Compliance
- Risk
- Functionality
- Quality



3. Requirements should be specified in a S.M.A.R.T. way



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Security Requirements

Security Requirements

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OBJECTIVE

Consider security explicitly during the software requirements process

Increase granularity of security requirements derived from business logic and known risks

Mandate security requirements process for all software projects and third-party dependencies

ACTIVITIES

A. Derive security requirements from business functionality
B. Evaluate security and compliance guidance for requirements

A. Build an access control matrix for resources and capabilities
B. Specify security requirements based on known risks

A. Build security requirements into supplier agreements
B. Expand audit program for security requirements



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Secure Architecture

1. Key practice for security

Poor decisions at this step can have major impact, and are often difficult (or costly) to fix.

2. Characteristics

Take into account security principles

Risk is a factor of all components (incl. 3rd party)

3. Use proven solutions

Don't roll your own crypto

Use company standards and best practices



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Secure Architecture

Secure Architecture

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OBJECTIVE

Insert consideration of proactive security guidance into the software design process

Direct the software design process toward known-secure services and secure-by-default designs

Formally control the software design process and validate utilization of secure components

ACTIVITIES

A. Maintain list of recommended software frameworks
B. Explicitly apply security principles to design

A. Identify and promote security services and infrastructure
B. Identify security design patterns from architecture

A. Establish formal reference architectures and platforms
B. Validate usage of frameworks, patterns, and platforms



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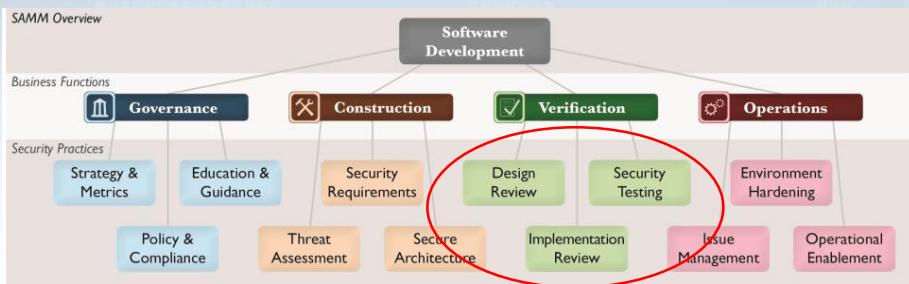
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Design Review

- security assessment of attack surface, software design and architecture
- lightweight activities => formal inspection of data flows & security mechanisms
- enforcement of baseline expectations for conducting design assessments and reviewing findings before releases are accepted.



⇒ Assess and validate artifacts to understand protection mechanisms



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Design Review

Design Review

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DR 1



DR 2



DR 3

OBJECTIVE

Support ad hoc reviews of software design to ensure baseline mitigations for known risks

Offer assessment services to review software design against comprehensive best practices for security

Require assessments and validate artifacts to develop detailed understanding of protection mechanisms

ACTIVITIES

A. Identify software attack surface
B. Analyze design against known security requirements

A. Inspect for complete provision of security mechanisms
B. Deploy design review service for project teams

A. Develop data-flow diagrams for sensitive resources
B. Establish release gates for design review



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Implementation Review

Assessment of source code:

- vulnerability discovery
- related mitigation activities
- establish secure coding baseline

Will require tool investment:

- Language specific
- Basic open source tooling
- Commercial tools maturing

Process & education important!

Source: Gartner (July 2013)

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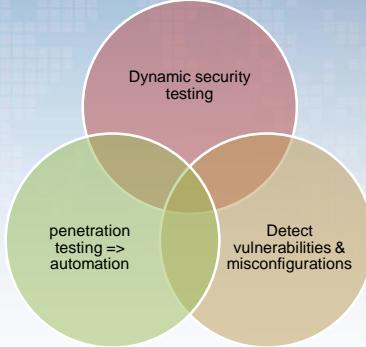
Implementation Review

Implementation Review			...more on page 52
	IR 1	IR 2	IR 3
OBJECTIVE	Opportunistically find basic code-level vulnerabilities and other high-risk security issues	Make implementation review during development more accurate and efficient through automation	Mandate comprehensive implementation review process to discover language-level and application-specific risks
ACTIVITIES	A. Create review checklists from known security requirements B. Perform point-review of high-risk code	A. Utilize automated code analysis tools B. Integrate code analysis into development process	A. Customize code analysis for application-specific concerns B. Establish release gates for code review

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Security Testing

- Based on security & compliance requirements / checklist of common vulnerabilities
- Manual testing can be done, scaled with tooling: intercepting proxy and/or scanner
- Detected defects will require validation, risk analysis & recommendations to fix
- Automate to repeat tests for each release
- Introduce security test-driven development
- Test results to be reported to & accepted by owner for each deployment



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Security Testing

Security Testing				...more on page 66
	ST 1	ST 2	ST 3	
OBJECTIVE	Establish process to perform basic security tests based on implementation and software requirements	Make security testing during development more complete and efficient through automation	Require application-specific security testing to ensure baseline security before deployment	
ACTIVITIES	A. Derive test cases from known security requirements B. Conduct penetration testing on software releases	A. Utilize automated security testing tools B. Integrate security testing into development process	A. Employ application-specific security testing automation B. Establish release gates for security testing	



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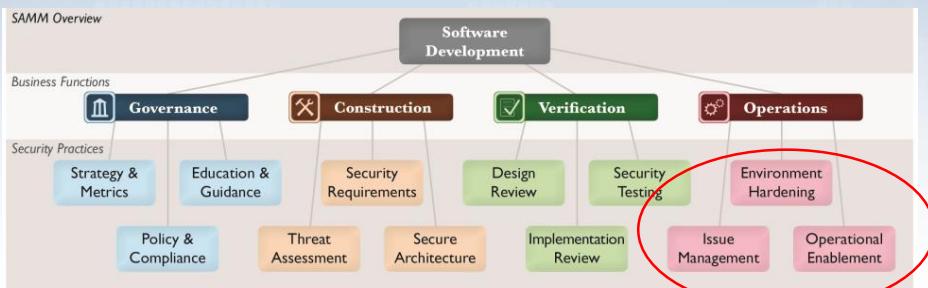
Operations

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Issue Management

Prepare for WHEN, not IF!

Symptoms of malfunctioning SDLC

- handling vulnerability reports and operational incidents
- lightweight assignment of roles=> formal incident response & communication process
- Use vulnerability metrics and root-cause analysis to improve SDLC
- spoc per team & security response team
- communication & information flow is key!
- patch release process & responsible/legal disclosure



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Issue Management

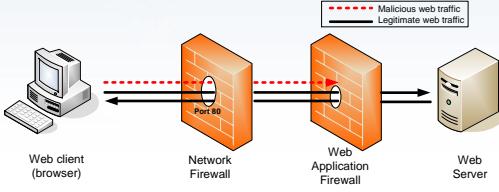
Issue Management			...more on page 60
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OBJECTIVE	Understand high-level plan for responding to issue reports or incidents	Elaborate expectations for response process to improve consistency and communications	Improve analysis and data gathering within response process for feedback into proactive planning
ACTIVITIES	A. Identify point of contact for security issues B. Create informal security response team(s)	A. Establish consistent issue response process B. Adopt a security issue disclosure process	A. Conduct root cause analysis for issues B. Collect per-issue metrics



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Environment Hardening

- Underlying infrastructure hardening & patching
- Track (3rd party) libraries & components
TOP-10 - A9 – Using Known Vulnerable Components
- Add WAF layer (virtual patching)
ModSecurity




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Environment Hardening

Environment Hardening ...more on page 74

OBJECTIVE	Understand baseline operational environment for applications and software components	Improve confidence in application operations by hardening the operating environment	Validate application health and status of operational environment against known best practices
ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Maintain operational environment specification B. Identify and install critical security upgrades and patches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Establish routine patch management process B. Monitor baseline environment configuration status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Identify and deploy relevant operations protection tools B. Expand audit program for environment configuration

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Operational Enablement

Support users & operators

Security documentation!

Feed/document application security logs into SIEM

Lightweight documentation => operational security guides

Change management & end to end deployment integrity

Even more important for outsourced development!



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Operational Enablement

Operational Enablement

...more on page 78



OBJECTIVE

Enable communications between development teams and operators for critical security-relevant data

Improve expectations for continuous secure operations through provision of detailed procedures

Mandate communication of security information and validate artifacts for completeness

ACTIVITIES

A. Capture critical security information for deployment
B. Document procedures for typical application alerts

A. Create per-release change management procedures
B. Maintain formal operational security guides

A. Expand audit program for operational information
B. Perform code signing for application components



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Assessment Exercise

- Use SAMM to evaluate the development practices in your own company
- Focus on *Deployment* Business Functions
- Applicable to both Waterfall and Agile models
- Using distributed sheets and questionnaires (toolbox)



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Assessment wrap-up

- What's your company's score ?
- What's the average scores for the group ?
- Any odd ratings ?



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Setting the Target/Roadmap

1. Roadmap templates can provide direction for targets
What type of company are you ?
2. Take into account the company's risk appetite
3. Only include activities where you see added value for the company, even for lower levels
4. SAMM activities have dependencies – use them !
5. Think about links with other practices in the company
E.g., training, release management, ...



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Staged Roadmap

Security Practices/Phase	Start	One	Two	Three
Strategy & metrics	0,5	2	2	2
Policy & Compliance	0	0,5	1	1,5
Education & Guidance	0,5	1	2	2,5
Threat Assessment	0	0,5	2	2,5
Security Requirements	0,5	1,5	2	3
Secure Architecture	0,5	1,5	2	3
Design Review	0	1	2	2,5
Code Review	0	0,5	1,5	2,5
Security Testing	0,5	1	1,5	2,5
Vulnerability				
Management	2,5	3	3	3
Environment Hardening	2,5	2,5	2,5	2,5
Operational Enablement	0,5	0,5	1,5	3
Total Effort per Phase		7,5	7,5	7,5



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Improvement Exercise

- Define a target for your company and the phased roadmap to get there
- Focus on the most urgent/heavy-impact practices first
- Try balancing the complexity and effort of the different step-ups



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Conclusion Applying SAMM

Lightweight assessment of 12 security practices

Your thoughts:

- Representative summary ?
- New insights learned ?
- Anything not covered ?
- ...



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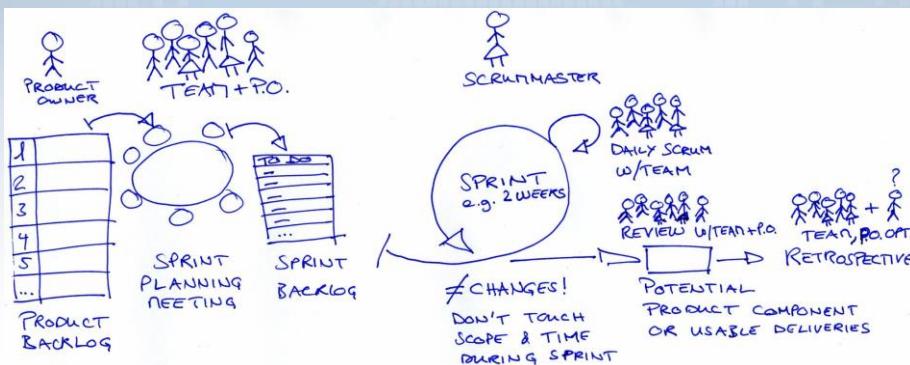
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Agile Models: Scrum



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Agile & Secure development: a mismatch?

Agile Dev.	Security
Speed & Flexibility	Stable & Rigorous
Short cycles	Extra activities
Limited documentation	Extensive analysis
Functionality-driven	Non-functional



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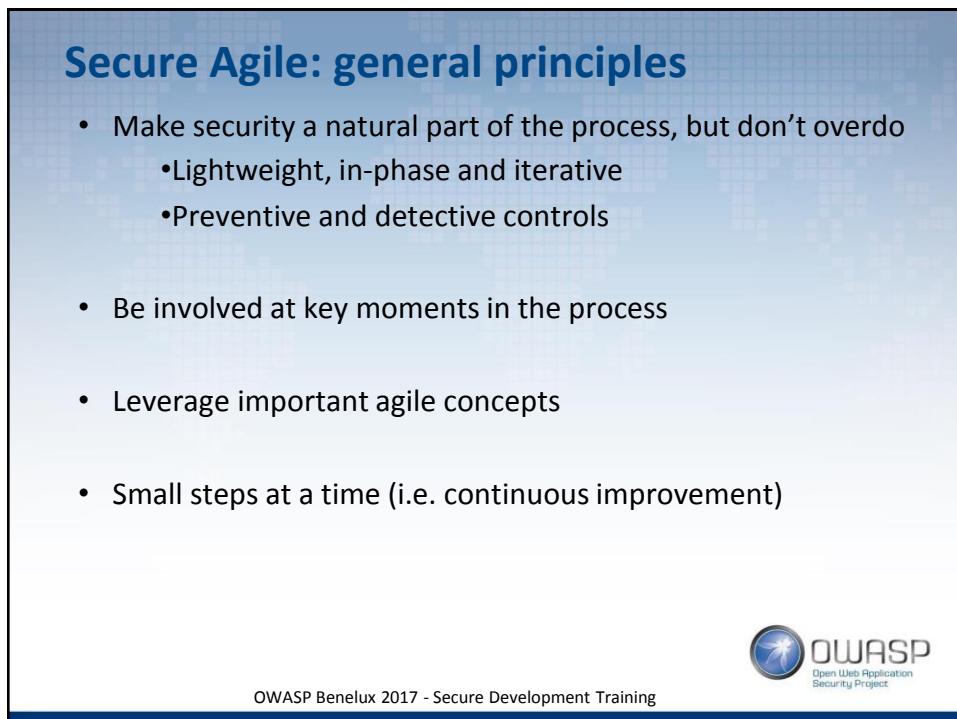
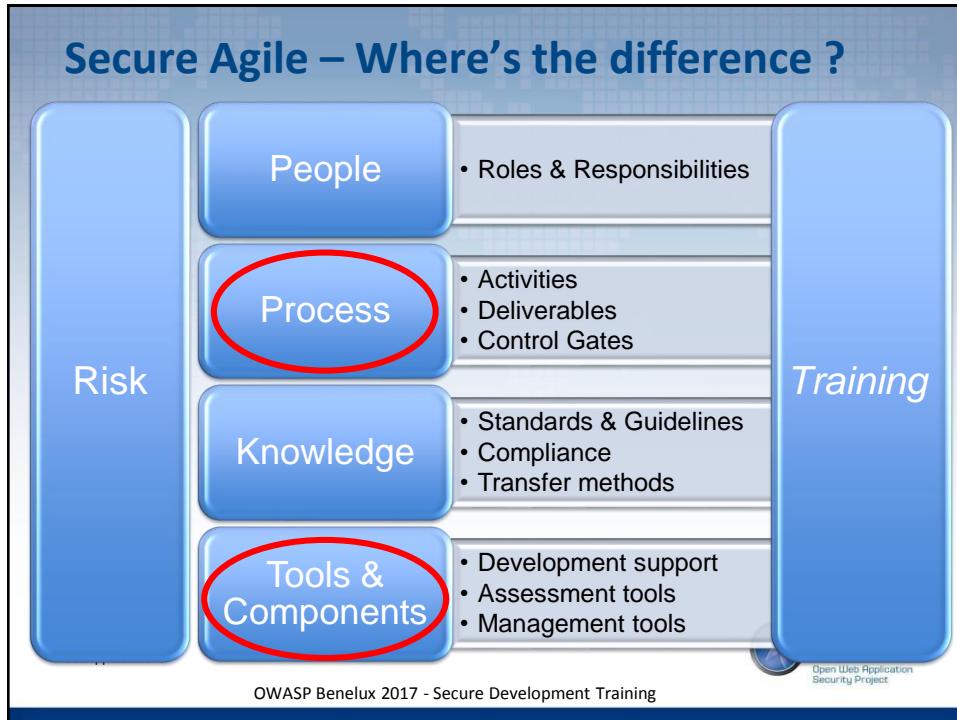
Secure Agile is ...

enablement, rather than control

scalability



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User Stories

- Capture security requirements, policies and regulations in user stories
- Simple, concrete and actionable
- Reusable?
- Mark all user stories with security labels
- Integrate security into user stories as:
 - Definition of Done
 - Acceptance criteria



"As a <type of user>, I want <some goal> so that <some reason>."



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Threat Modelling & Abuser Stories

- Consider writing application security risks as stories
- Security stories: "As a developer, I want to prevent SQLi into my application"
 - Not a real user story (not relevant for product owner, but to help the development team)
 - Never really finished
- Thinking like the bad guy: "User X should not have access to this type of data"
 - Think about what users don't want to and can't do, how to trust users, what data is involved, ...



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Sprint Planning

- Features to be implemented per sprint are selected during sprint planning.
- Ensure security tasks are not “stuck” on the backlog
 - Presence of security-savvy person during sprint planning
 - Establish rules *upfront* to deal with security stories
 - Security labels can be used to drive selection



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Example: MS SDL-Agile

- Basic approach: Fit SDL tasks to the backlog as non-functional stories
- Non-Technical vs. Technical
- Requirement vs. Recommendation
- Each SDL task goes in one of three types of requirements:

Every Sprint

Bucket

One-Time



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Example: Every-Sprint Requirements (excerpt)

- All team members must have had security training in the past year
- All database access via parameterized queries
- Fix security issues identified by static analysis
- Mitigate against Cross-Site Request Forgery
- Update Threat models for new features
- Use Secure cookies over HTTPS
- Link all code with the /nxcompat linker option
- Encrypt all secrets such as credentials, keys and passwords
- Conduct internal security design review



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Example: Bucket Requirements (excerpt)

Bucket A: Security Verification

- Perform fuzzing (network/ActiveX/File/RPC/...)
- Manual and automated code review for high-risk code
- Penetration testing

Bucket B: Design Review

- Conduct a privacy review
- Complete threat model training

Bucket C: Planning

- Define or update the security/privacy bug bar
- Define a BC/DR plan



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Example: One-Time Requirements (excerpt)

- Create a baseline threat model
- Establish a security response plan
- Identify your team's security expert
- Use latest compiler versions



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Security testing

- Automated testing is an important element in agile quality control
- For security, this can be realized by:
 - Unit testing (e.g., authorisation checks, logging, ...)
 - Regression testing
 - Static analysis (SAST) based on coding guidelines
 - Dynamic analysis (DAST) based on scenarios and/or vulnerability tests
 - Fuzzing



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Thou shall use Iteration Zero

- Many agile projects start with an “Iteration Zero” to
- Get the team together
- Choose tools and frameworks
- Get to know the domain

- This is an opportunity for security too, to
- Assign security responsibles
- Select security tools
- Determine risk levels

**BELIEVE IN
ZERO**[®]



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Secure Agile process: key take-aways

- Ensure that security-savvy people are involved at important phases:
 - Sprint planning (to enhance/verify requirements)
 - Development (daily follow-up)
 - Review (to support acceptance)
 - Retrospective (to improve dev. Practices for security)

- Different profiles can be distinguished:
 - Security architect
 - Security engineer
 - Risk Manager/Governance



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Secure Agile Tool Chain: general principles

- Secure agile is about enabling, rather than controlling
 - Embedding security tools to support development
- Given short sprint cycles, automation is important.
- Good tools:
 - Work continuously (to avoid developers being blocked)
 - Integrate well into developer's world
 - Avoid causing too much overhead or confusion
- Evaluate carefully which tools to implement (and which to avoid)



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Secure Coding

- Integrate security tools in the development IDE's:
 - Support for secure coding guidelines
 - Static analysis tools
- Ensure common development environment:
 - Programming run-time
 - Security components (e.g., SSO IdP's, ...)
- Proper source control and versioning



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Security testing

Daily	Per sprint	Before release
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unit tests• Regression tests• Peer reviews <p><small>Integrated with backlog where appropriate</small></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Static Analysis• Dynamic Analysis• Fuzzing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Penetration testing



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Secure Build

- Central build, using central configuration files
- Consider:
 - Code signing
 - Obfuscation
 - ...



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Secure Deploy / DevOps

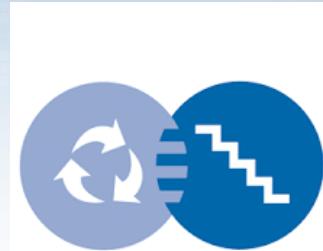
- Automated deploy, using central configuration files
- Consider:
 - Random key generation
 - Appropriate key/certificate protection (config files, key stores, ...)
 - Proper hardening of application servers
 - Security appliance configuration (e.g., WAF)
 - Security monitoring
 - ...



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Hybrid models

- Many companies are combining waterfall and agile
 - Studies indicate better resulting quality
- For security, easier to hook into
 - E.g., full architecture cycle



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Best Practices / Lessons Learned

- Use small steps at a time – the agile way
- Build on agile concepts (backlog, retrospective)
 - Find a way to prioritize security in the planning
- Use automation as much as possible
- Review samples independent of project sprints
- Rely on security champions
 - E.g., security requirements, design review, code review
- Agile should not be an excuse for not having documentation



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The importance of a Business Case

If you want your company to improve, management buy-in is crucial
⇒ You will need a business case to convince them

Typical arguments:

- Improved security quality
- Better cost efficiency
- Compliance
- Risk management
- Customer satisfaction
- Reputation management



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Entry Points

Pick the weak spots that can demonstrate short-term ROI

Typical examples

- Awareness training
- Coding Guidelines
- External Pentesting

Success will help you in continuing your effort



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Application categorization



Granularity !

Inter-
Connectivity !

Use this to rationalize security effort (according to the application risk)



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Communication & Support

Critical success factor !



Spreading the message – broad audience

Setup a secure applications portal !

Regular status updates towards management

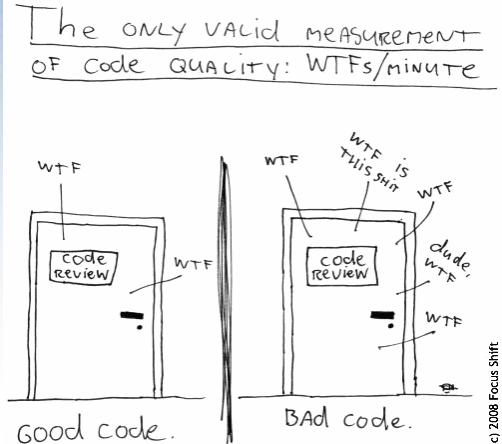


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Monitoring & Metrics

Project vs. Enterprise dashboard

Manual vs. Automated
data collection



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Responsibilities

Core Security team

Support vs. Responsible role

Security Satellite

Analysts

Architects

Developers

Operations

Management

Formalized RACI will be a challenge



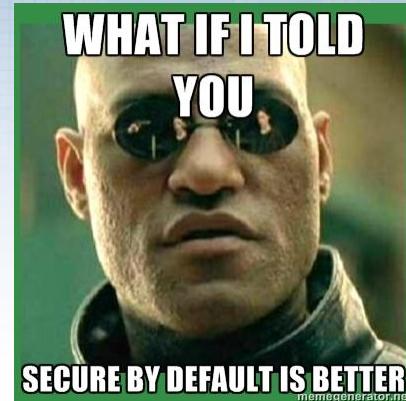
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The Power of Default Security

Construct development frameworks that are secure by default

Minimizes work for developers

Will lower number of vulns.

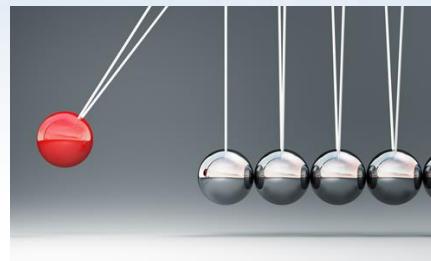


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SDLC impact

Difficult to predict, but:

- Projects are estimated to increase with 5 – 15% for security
- ROI is achievable taking maintenance and incident management into account
- SDLC capability costs approx. 1 FTE/100 developers



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Conclusions

Developing secure software gets more and more complex

SAMM = global maturity foundation for software assurance

Applying SAMM =

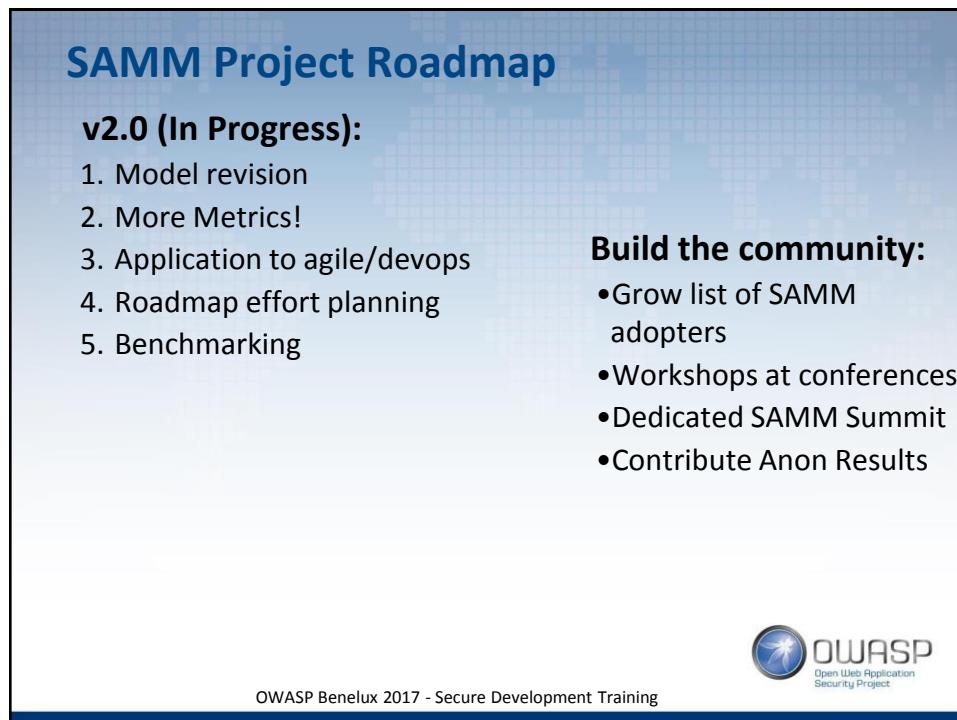
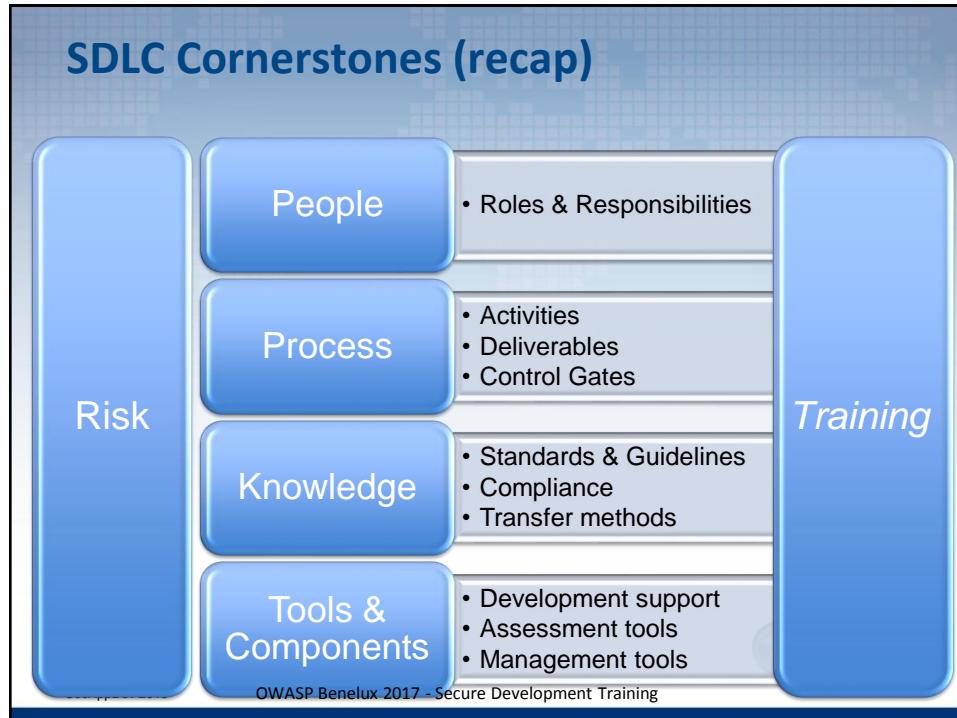
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- Roadmap
- (Continuous) Implementation

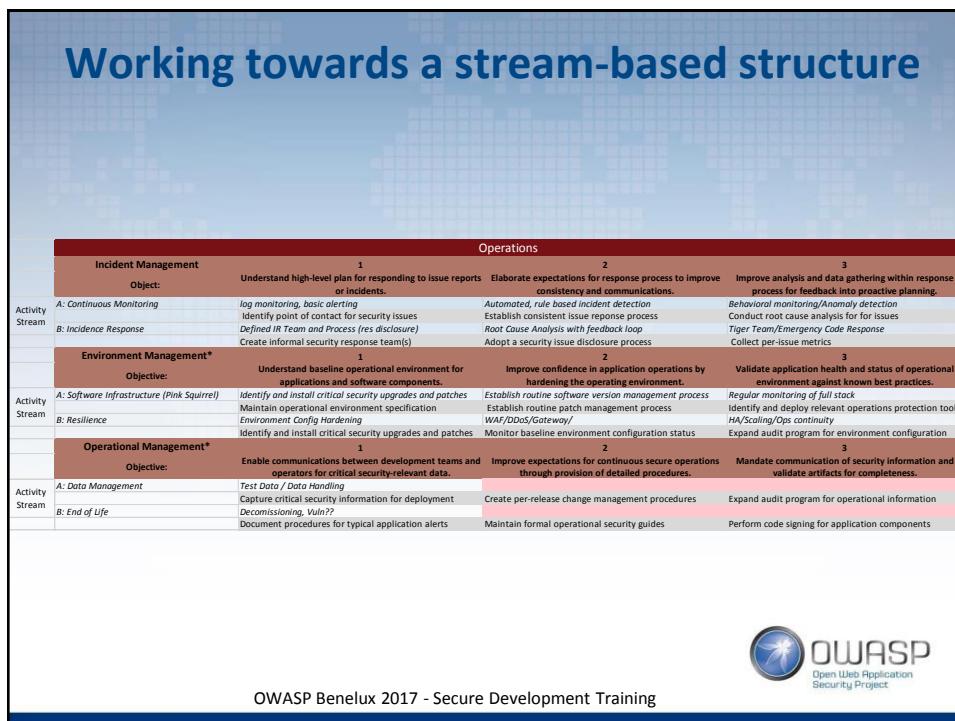
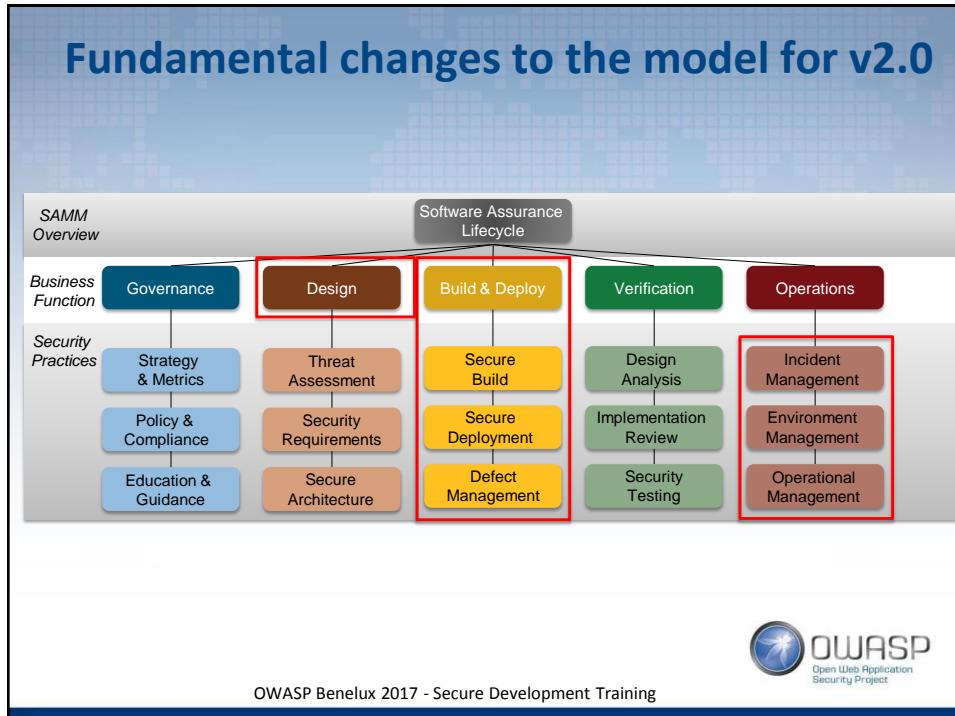


Be ready to face the organisational challenges that will pop up during the journey



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The end



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