

# **Dive into: Our Real-World Scrum Workshop**

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# Reminder to me —

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- I can send you a PDF of this slide deck...
- ...if I have your email address (associated with this webinar)
- ...to be sure, leave it in the Chat or email [info@LeanAgileTraining.com](mailto:info@LeanAgileTraining.com)



# Ask questions

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- Ask along the way
  - By voice
  - Or via Chat
- And you can ask at the end
- And THANKS for asking the first question, so that others are not shy asking the next question.



# Why the Real-World Scrum workshop?

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- You've taken the CSM / CSPO course.
- You've read some articles / books.
- Maybe even tried Scrum some (maybe even a lot)
- BUT: You're puzzled, or you don't know where to start, or you feel you have some problems... You want help!
- This is the workshop to help you.
- We help you make it **real**.



# Yogi Berra

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“In theory there’s no difference between theory and practice.

In practice, there is.”

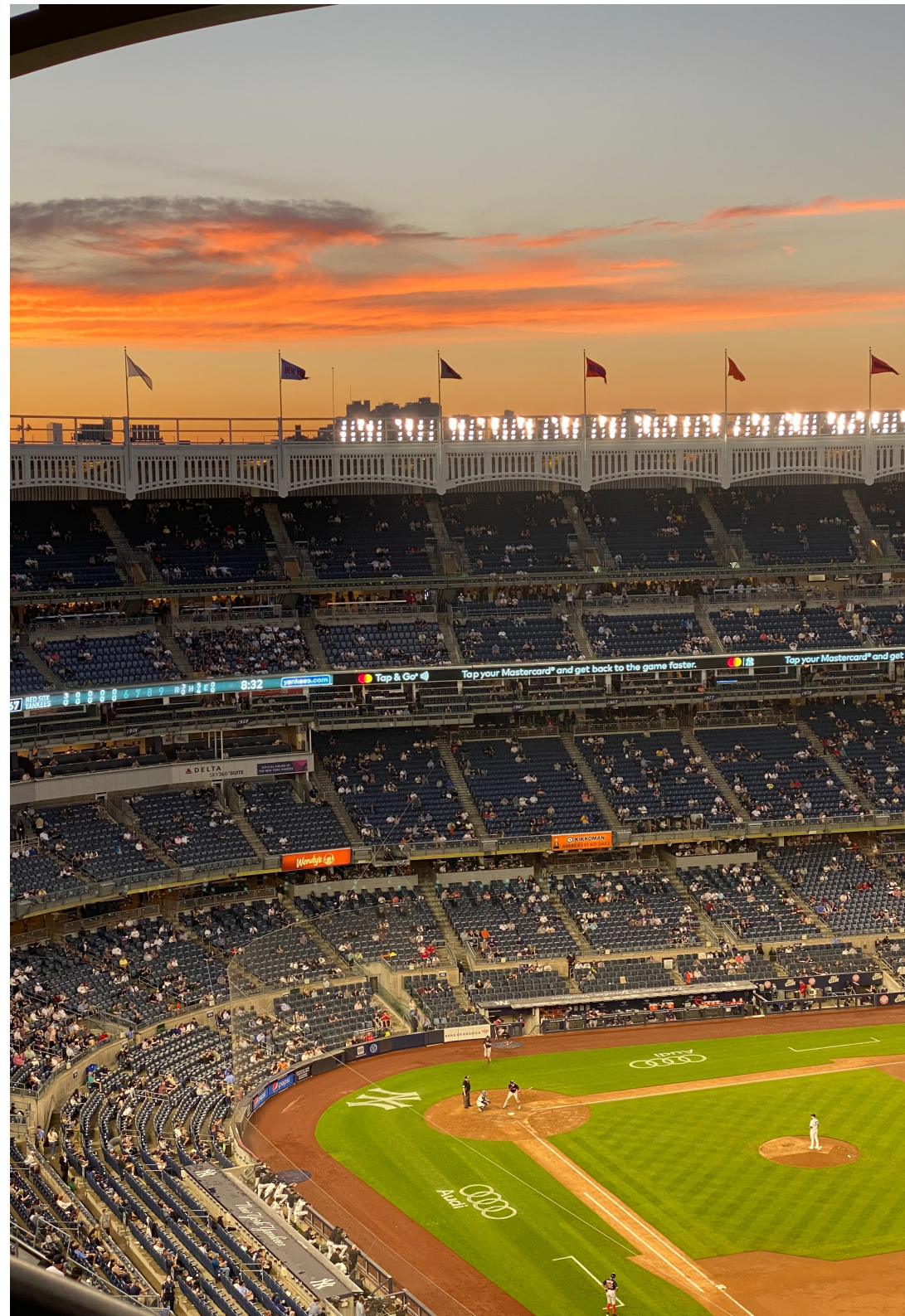


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# Goethe

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“Everything’s impossible until it becomes easy.”

AKA, practice, trial and error, and eventually you learn.

We help you learn and adjust faster.



# For:

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- Bring your whole Team
- ScrumMasters
- Agile coaches
- Developers
- Product Owners
- Managers
- Others

[OR: Bring as many as you can!]

- Better if more buy-in together



# Details

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- Given: Frequently
- Online and in-person
- **8 hours**
- Online: 2 Half days (or Full)
- In-Person: Full day

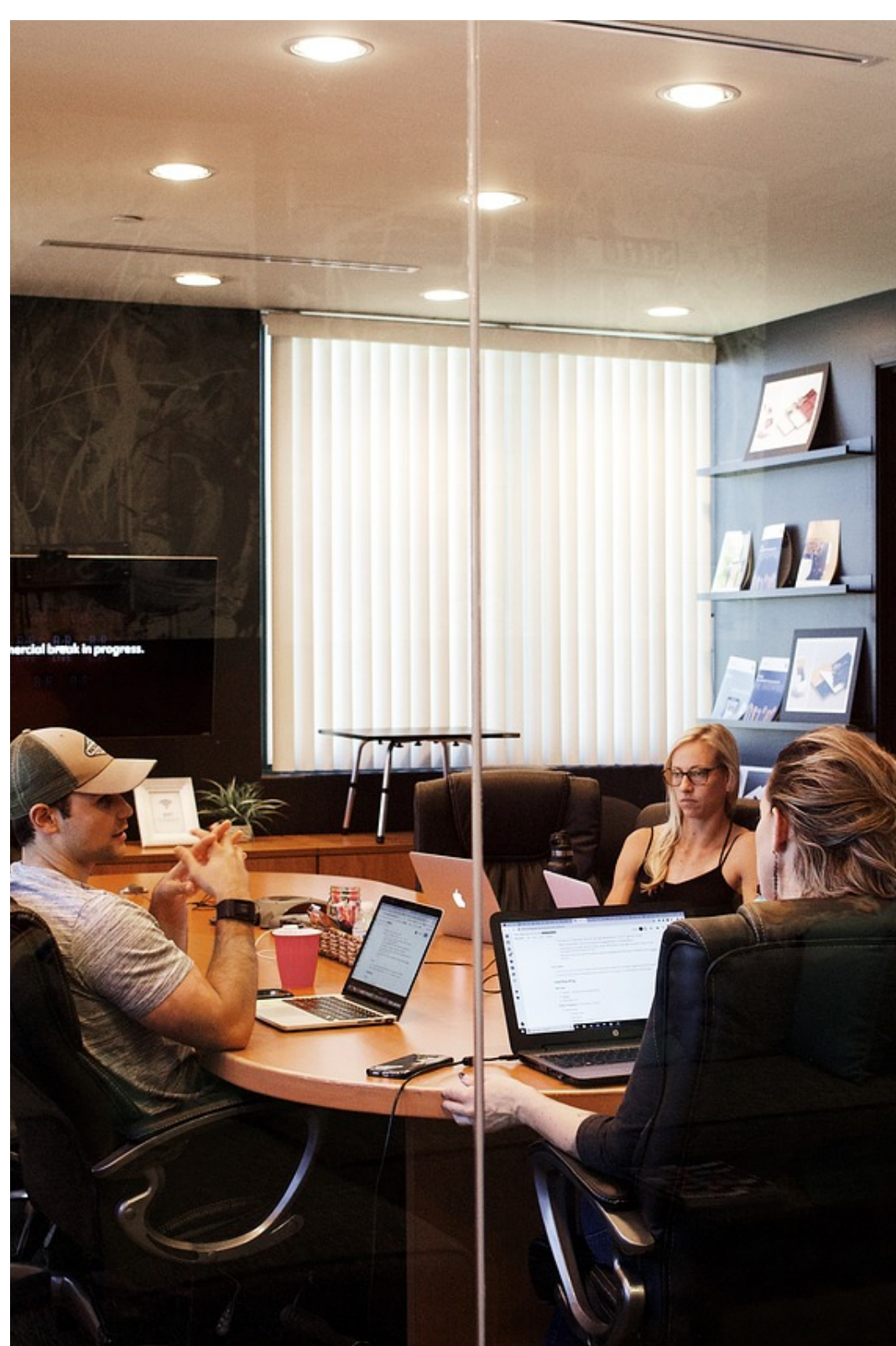




# Two Types

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- Public
- In-House
  - 10? people from same company
  - Ex: Bring 2 teams



# Some reasons...

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- “Scrum is simple, but very hard to master”
- Scrum is only a bare framework
- Everyone has - too much - the old mindset
- There is too much to change - we can only change at some reasonable pace
- Some Scrum-Agile ideas are counter-intuitive
- Your situation or culture just won't allow you to do all of agile-scrum now
- Agile-Scrum must be adapted to your specific situation



# Therefore:

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- You need this help, this workshop
- What to do now?
- How to make progress?
- Where do I think I can get to?
- Is it ok if we start with Scrum-ish?



# Reduce the FUD

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- FUD is Fear, Uncertainty, Doubt
- Increase the confidence



# Real

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- We take your real problems
- Prioritize them, work them.
- We identify some key “starting” activities as well.
- We help you as much as we can in the time box.
- **We expect that attendees are coming from different places. And different perspectives.**
- We identify the problems —> we move toward solutions.



# Areas to cover

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- We ask attendees what they want to cover.
- And we propose things to cover.
- We will influence you (the attendees) to cover also other things, things you haven't considered yet.



# Possible Areas - 1

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- Starting a Team
- Using the Impediment List
- Setting up the (emergent) product backlog & work
- Adding additional Scrum patterns, or things from outside Scrum
- What if you can't do everything in the Scrum Guide?
- What if I have a non-software project / product
- Some help getting changes to happen
- Our PO situation is a mess



# Areas - 2

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- Work before the first (real) Sprint
- PB Refinement - how for us?
- Identifying how good a Team we have
- We are not doing X. Should we give up on Scrum? (Common answer is no, but you may need some adaptation. But what?)
- How to work with other teams or groups or people?





# Areas - 3

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- How to “manage” the chickens
- Planning and delivering in the Sprints
- Too much “interrupt” work for most sprints
- What will collaboration mean for us?
- How will we self-manage
- How will we make decisions
- Doing remote work better



# Each workshop is unique

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- Yes, we will often cover some of the same topics
- BUT: Each workshop will be adaptive to the needs of the people there, and what they need most now.
- Yes, you may attend more than once.



# Results — 1

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- FUD has dissipated.
- You feel some problems are solved.
- You feel you know what to do next.
- You have confidence you can get some value from Scrum, even though you're not doing things correctly (yet)
- You are more motivated (less discouraged, concerned)
- You feel you can now prioritize your changes



# Results — 2

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- We have an initial “plan” (things to work on) and “we can improve.”
- The people in the workshop don’t just have new ideas — they also have an Agile experience.
- Two key words are more real: adaptive and improving
- You have more confidence that you can explain “getting started” (or “starting to change”) to the right people



# What RWS is NOT.

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- Agile Release Planning workshop (I do one on this)
- Workshop on Scrum tools (should be tool specific, IMO)
- Becoming a better agile developer (see CSD course)
- Very in-depth on one or two topics. (Special workshop)
- We may touch on these topics, but if... , let's address that a different way



Now, into more of the details.

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# Four slide decks

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- Two basic topics:
  - Getting started
  - Improving an in-flight team
- We do NOT use all of the 4 decks.
  - We pick and choose
- Now: Let's look a bit at the 4 slide decks



# Get your questions

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- Will ask in a moment





# Webinars

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- We offer free webinars as follow-up to this workshop.
- 1 hour on specific topics.
- You can propose a topic.
- To find these webinars:
- <https://leanagiletraining.com/lean-agile-and-scrum-courses/>
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