



DEVSECOPS FOCAL POINT FORUM 2025

Where AI, Agile, and Security Shape the Future of Software

14-15 October 2025

Novotel Hotel
Sydney Australia

Co-located with AI and Automation in Business Forum

WHY ATTEND?

- **Practical Solutions for Success:** Learn strategies to embed security effortlessly into your agile and DevOps workflows, enabling your team to deliver secure, high-quality software more efficiently
- **Fresh Perspectives:** Be inspired by industry leaders who are redefining DevSecOps and Agile, while exploring the latest trends shaping the future of software development
- **Engaging Discussions:** Participate in interactive sessions that tackle real-world challenges, offering you practical solutions you can apply immediately
- **Meaningful Connections:** Build lasting relationships with developers, security experts, and agile practitioners in a collaborative and supportive environment
- **Empower Your Team:** Gain the knowledge, tools, and connections to drive innovation and keep your organization ahead in the fast-changing tech landscape
- **Expand Your Horizons:** Discover insights from diverse fields, broadening your perspective and enhancing your approach to secure and agile development.

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10 KEY THEMES

1 Old Wisdom, New World: Revisits timeless leadership principles and examines their relevance in today's rapidly changing technological landscape, emphasizing the importance of adaptability and continuous learning.

2 AI and the Future of Work: Delves into the transformative impact of AI on the workforce, exploring both the challenges and opportunities it presents for leaders and organizations.

3 Agile and DevOps in the Next Decade: Explores the evolution of Agile and DevOps methodologies, discussing emerging trends, anticipating future challenges, and examining how these practices will continue to evolve

4 Sustainable Agile Development: Focuses on building sustainable Agile practices that prioritize long-term success and employee well-being, emphasizing the importance of avoiding burnout and fostering a culture of collaboration

5 Visa's Agile Transformation: Presents a case study of Visa's successful Agile transformation journey, sharing valuable insights into the challenges, best practices, and outcomes of implementing Agile at scale

6 Securing the DevOps Pipeline: Delves into the critical aspects of securing the DevOps pipeline, discussing best practices for implementing security measures at every stage of the development lifecycle

7 Testing Challenges in Agile: Addresses the unique challenges of testing software within an Agile framework, exploring strategies for effective test automation, continuous integration, and continuous delivery

8 Measuring DevOps Success: Focuses on defining and measuring key performance indicators (KPIs) for DevOps success, discussing how to track progress, demonstrate ROI, and continuously improve DevOps practices

9 AI Bias Mitigation: Explores the ethical considerations of AI in software development, with a focus on mitigating bias in AI algorithms and ensuring fairness and equity

10 AI in the Organization: Discusses the broader implications of AI within the organization, including its impact on culture, decision-making, and the future of work

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DAY 1 - TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2025

09:00 - 09:10

OPENING REMARKS
Welcome To The Conference And An Overview Of The Day's Events

09:10 - 09:40

Old Wisdom for a New World: Leveraging Past Lessons for a Safer Future

- Our world is a whirlwind of complexity and uncertainty, and the introduction of new technologies often amplifies these risks. It's easy to assume that with each technological leap, we need to start from scratch, discarding the lessons of the past. But the truth is, history offers invaluable insights that can help us navigate the challenges of today's innovations.
- Let's take a journey through time, exploring how past mistakes and successes have shaped our understanding of technology. By examining the "ghostly" echoes of earlier innovations, we can uncover timeless principles that remain relevant even in the face of cutting-edge advancements.
- Today, generative AI is at the forefront of technological progress. But as we explore its potential, we must also confront the risks and challenges it presents. By applying the wisdom gleaned from past experiences, we can build safer, more reliable systems and applications. Ultimately, the key to a safer future lies in recognizing that innovation isn't always about starting anew. It's about building upon the foundation of knowledge and experience that has come before us. By embracing this approach, we can harness the power of technology while minimizing its risks.

09:40 - 10:10

Beyond Automation: AI and the Future of Human Work

Our industry has been transformed by new technologies, radically changing how we work. Thirty years ago, deployment cycles took 3-5 years; today, they happen in seconds. This rapid pace is largely due to our focus on investing in tools that boost developer productivity. We're still driven to create tools that simplify developers' work and make it easier for others to join the field. Many companies are heavily invested in enhancing productivity. However, the abundance of productivity tools doesn't automatically lead to increased productivity. Companies need to examine and adapt their internal systems and processes, especially in decision-making and information sharing. This is where many companies stumble. They heavily invest in areas where developers are coding but neglect other crucial areas. The impact of these changes is significant for enterprise businesses, often with failure indicators appearing too late for recovery.

Poornima L. Nathan
Technology Strategist and Enterprise Transformation Leader

10:10 - 10:40

Morning Coffee Break and Networking

10:40 - 11:10

Empowering Agile Teams: Ten Leadership Principles

This session will explore ten key leadership principles that empower Agile teams to perform at their highest potential. Attendees will learn strategies for promoting autonomy, encouraging continuous learning, and fostering a culture of collaboration and innovation. By adopting these principles, leaders can drive high-performance teams that excel in today's fast-paced DevOps environments.

Omar Turza
Vice President-Head of Credit Transformation
Arab Bank





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11:10 - 12:00

PANEL DISCUSSION: The Future of Agile and DevOps: Preparing for the Next Decade of Innovation and Challenges

Expert panel on what the next decade holds for Agile and DevOps practices

Purshottam Purswani
Chief Technology Officer
Atos

Rahul Trikha
Director of Product & Technology
Domain

Dhiraj Matlani
Head of Architecture
Service NSW

12:00 - 13:00

Lunch Break and Networking

13:00 - 13:30

Moving from Agile Sprints to DevOps To Enables Sustainable And Long Term Success

Desmond J Seeley
FS Engineering Chapter Area Lead
Commonwealth Bank

13:30 - 14:00

Containerization and Orchestration: Revolutionizing Software Development and Deployment

N. Subramanian
Cloud Security, DevSecOps and Cloud Solution Architect

14:00 - 14:30

Designing Agile Plays in a Complex Organization

In today's fast-paced business environment, organizations are constantly seeking ways to adapt and thrive amidst complexity. Agile methodologies offer a powerful framework for managing this complexity, but implementing agile practices in a complex organization can be challenging. This presentation explores the concept of "agile plays" as a strategic approach to implementing agile in complex organizations. Drawing on real-world examples and best practices, we will delve into the key principles and strategies for designing and implementing effective agile plays. Topics covered will include: understanding complexity in organizations, the role of agile in managing complexity, designing agile plays for different organizational contexts, implementing agile plays effectively, and overcoming common challenges in agile implementation. Whether you're just starting your agile journey or looking to enhance your organization's agile practices, this presentation will provide valuable insights and practical strategies for success in a complex organizational environment.

14:30 - 15:00

Securing the DevOps Pipeline: A Comprehensive Guide to Compliance and Best Practices

Hitesh Kumar Jamb
DevOps and Test Automation Lead EMBA | MIT Immersion Program Winner
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15:00 - 15:30

Afternoon Coffee Break and Networking

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15:30 - 16:00

Tricking Your Product Manager Into Prioritizing Tech Debt

Developer experience is crucial for retaining top engineering talent, yet many organizations struggle with this due to technical debt. According to our 2024 DevEx survey, nearly 60% of developers cite technical debt as a top negative factor in their experience. The way PMs and engineers work together is a critical point in time where tech debt will be addressed or grow out of control. This talk will explore how engineers can collaborate with product managers to priorities and reduce technical debt.

16:00 - 16:30

DevOps Success Metrics: How to Measure and Prove Value

Developing KPIs that prove the value of DevOps to stakeholders and the business.

Uzma S.
Product Owner - Platform Engineering
Greenstone Financial Services

16:30 - 17:00

Data-driven Hypothesis Development: Navigating Ambiguity With Structured Experiment

May Xu
Regional Head of Technology
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DevSecOps Maturity Model for Enterprise

Navigate the complexities of enterprise DevSecOps with our session on the DevSecOps Maturity Model. Gain a strategic framework for continuous improvement, focusing on progressing through maturity levels and integrating security across the entire development lifecycle. This session distinctly addresses enterprise-level implementation, offering a roadmap that complements, rather than overlaps, with discussions on specific metrics, pipeline security, or AI integration, providing a unique perspective on holistic DevSecOps evolution.

Vinod Bansal
AUSPAC Practice Manager - DevSecOps & DX
QBE Insurance

09:40 - 10:10

Mitigating Bias in AI: A Strategic Approach

- In the rapidly evolving landscape of artificial intelligence (AI), organizations are faced with critical decisions on how to invest their limited resources into AI solutions wisely. This talk introduces a framework that serves as a strategic guide for organizations aiming to optimize the value derived from their AI investments. The framework is structured to assist decision-makers in thinking through the most effective approaches for navigating transformational change. Given the current desire of almost every organization to aggressively adopt AI capabilities, this presentation will discuss this framework to focus on key aspects of transformational change while mitigating implicit biases.
- Through sharing industry research and best practices, this presentation will provide insights into the decision-making processes when dealing with disruptive technologies. Attendees will gain a deep understanding of how to align their organization's goals with the most suitable AI strategy, ensuring that every dollar spent on AI is strategically invested for maximum value.
- In conclusion, this talk aims to equip participants with a versatile decision-making framework that facilitates nuanced choices in the complex landscape of AI investments. By exploring the intricacies of how disruptive technologies can best be operationalized, novel capabilities such as artificial intelligence can provide your organization with a competitive edge.

Manohar Esarapu
Chief Infomartion & Innovation Officer
City of Port Phillip

10:10 - 10:30

Morning Coffee Break and Networking

10:30 - 11:00

Navigating the AI Revolution: A Holistic Testing Approach for DevSecOps

Naveed U Ahmed
Quality Assurance & Automation Evangelist

11:00 - 12:00

Roundtable Discussion Topics:

- 1. AI-Assisted Development: Using GitHub Copilot and Other Tools to Accelerate Delivery**
- 2. AI-Driven Testing: Booting Software Quality and Speed**

Hitesh Kumar Jamb
DevOps and Test Automation Lead EMBA | **MIT Immersion Program Winner**
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- 3. Taming the Cloud Beast: Cost Optimization with Cloud Custodian**





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12:00 - 13:00	Lunch Break and Networking
13:00 - 13:30	Optimizing Cloud Costs with AIOps, SRE, Chaos Engineering, and FinOps Purshottam Purswani <i>Chief Technology Officer</i> Atos
13:30 - 14:00	From Concept to Code: Leveraging LLMs for Agile Excellence <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unlock the next level of agile and XP development by integrating Large Language Models (LLMs) like ChatGPT and GitHub Copilot across the software development lifecycle. This presentation unveils how leveraging LLMs from initial ideation to final deployment transforms agile practices, enriching pair programming, test-driven development, and continuous integration with innovative AI capabilities.• Learn to automate and refine development tasks, enhance specification clarity, and boost testing efficiency with ChatGPT, optimizing every phase of agile workflows for superior product quality and team productivity. Embrace the future of agile development with actionable insights on leveraging AI for competitive advantage.
14:00 - 14:30	Proactive Security in the Age of AI: A Practical Guide to Threat Modeling
14:30 - 15:00	Afternoon Coffee Break and Networking
15:00 - 15:45	PANEL DISCUSSION: How to Successfully Incorporate AI into Your Organization Akhil Mittal <i>Cloud Platform and DevOps Manager</i> Bupa Australia & New Zealand Uzair Majid <i>DevSecOps & Cyber automation Lead</i> Vinod Bansal <i>AUSPAC Practice Manager - DevSecOps & DX</i> QBE Insurance Rahul Trikha <i>Director of Product & Technology</i> Domain
15:45 - 16:15	AI Integration Blueprint - Vision to Reality: Key Factors for a Successful Implementation Anusha Arjunamani <i>DIVC Cyber and Information Security Manager</i> Digital.NSW
16:15 - 16:45	Sponsor Slot
16:45 - 17:00	Closing Remarks Erudite CEO





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30%

Head of Department

20%

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/General Manager

10%

C-Level / President /
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Enterprise Architect
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Platforms/Digital Platforms
Continuous Development
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- 14-15 October 2025

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