

# THE PHOENIX PROJECT

A DevOps Business Simulation

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# Program

14:45 – 15:15	Intro why this simulation
15:15 – 15:30	Intro Simulation
15:30 – 15:40	Read
15:40 – 16:05	Round 1
16:05 – 16:30	Improve
16:30 – 16:55	Round 2
16:55 – 17:15	Closure





# Why will DevOps fail?

- Many organizations are not ready for DevOps, lack of right CULTURE, lack of right COMPETENCES
- Many organizations see DevOps as the NEW FRAMEWORK
- Many vendors promote TOOLS as THE SOLUTION
- Fast implementation

**Gartner**

*“Culture resistance will create significant failure rates when starting with DevOps”*

**CIO**

*“Organizational change issues are far more challenging”*

**THE WALL STREET JOURNAL**

*“Enterprises are not ready for DevOps but will not survive without it”*



# Why will DevOps fail?

“DevOps cannot be obtained overnight with a simple check and little training. It is a transformational approach to core processes and it takes time, dedication and especially a team that can implement DevOps practice.”



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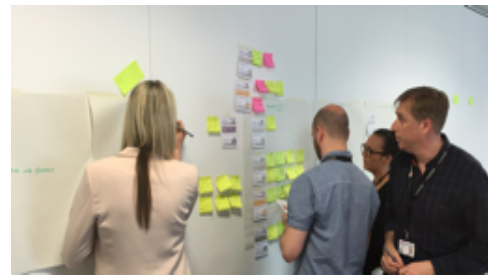
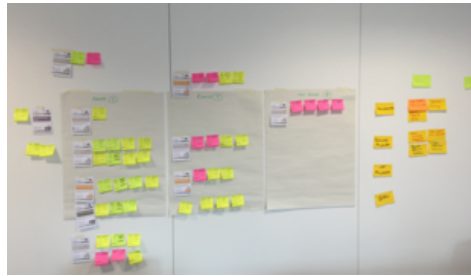


# So, how can we avoid failure?

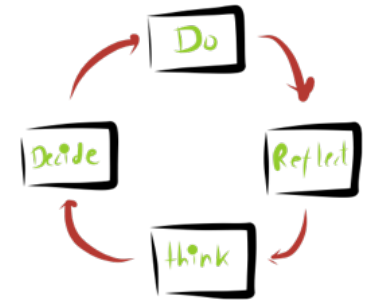
1. Business awareness
2. Senior (IT) management awareness
3. Focus on people (attitude, behavior, skills)
4. Focus on teamwork (collaboration)
5. First processes and behavior then tool
6. Learning by doing culture
7. Transfer theory into practice
8. Integration in current way of working
9. Transformation approach



# The Phoenix Project simulation



- Interactive learning activity
- Group of learners, face to face
- Actors in a challenging, realistic context
- Focus of specific learning objectives
- Aimed at solving day to day problems
- Based on Learning by doing





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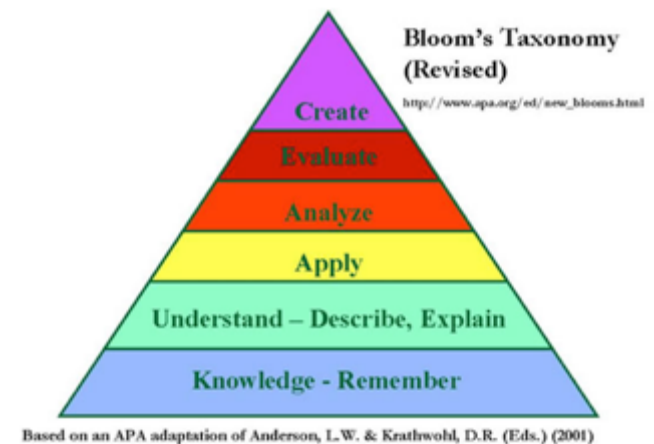
- 10-12 participants
- Acting as roles from the book “The Phoenix Project”
- Dealing with most of the issues from the book
- Experiencing top 10 DevOps challenges
- Bringing real value to the business
- Reflection, experimenting, learning
- Finding solutions
- ... and how to implement them in own work





# Why is a simulation a must have?

- End-to-end works together in a safe environment
- Focus on behaviors, interaction, teamwork
- Continual learning and improvement (Learning Cycle)
- Develops understanding and application of knowledge
- It fits 70/20/10 learning approach
- Focus on relevant issues







# Let's start....

Sorry,  
but we can only run 2 parallel sessions  
  
24 participants



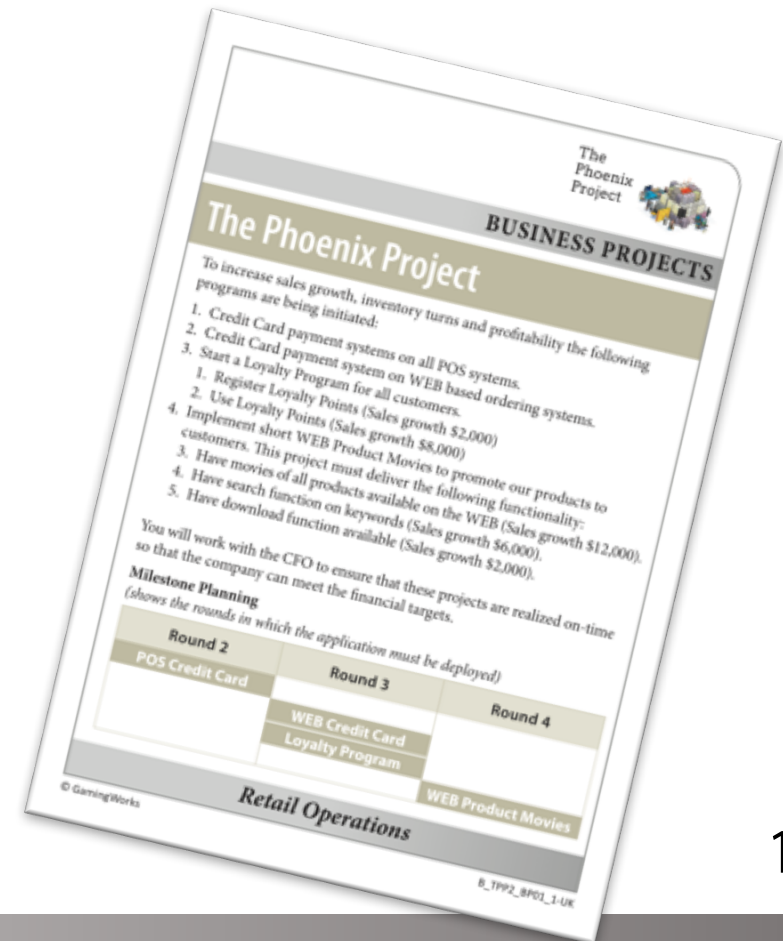
# Let's start with the news...





# Parts Unlimited

- A company that manufactures and sells car parts.
- Facing financial difficulties.
- Relying on the 'Phoenix Project' to increase sales revenue and improve share price.
- Business and IT must work together to make this project a success.





# Business objectives

- Increase sales in the next 2 rounds to \$ 145.000.
- Increase profitability.
- Share price back to \$ 33.



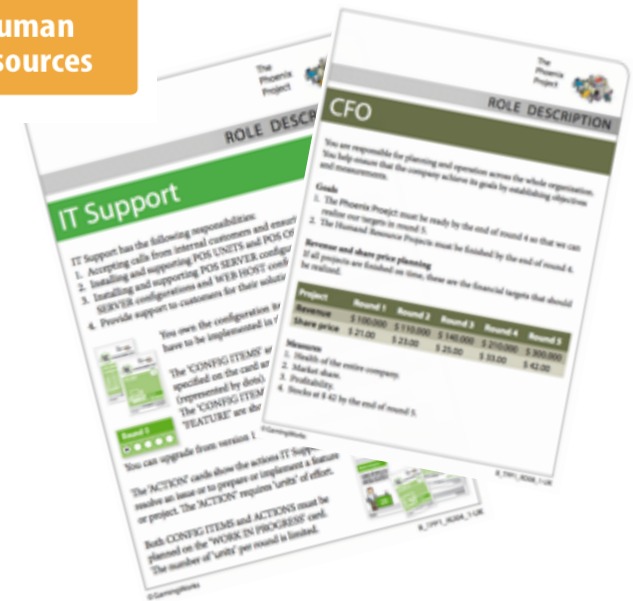
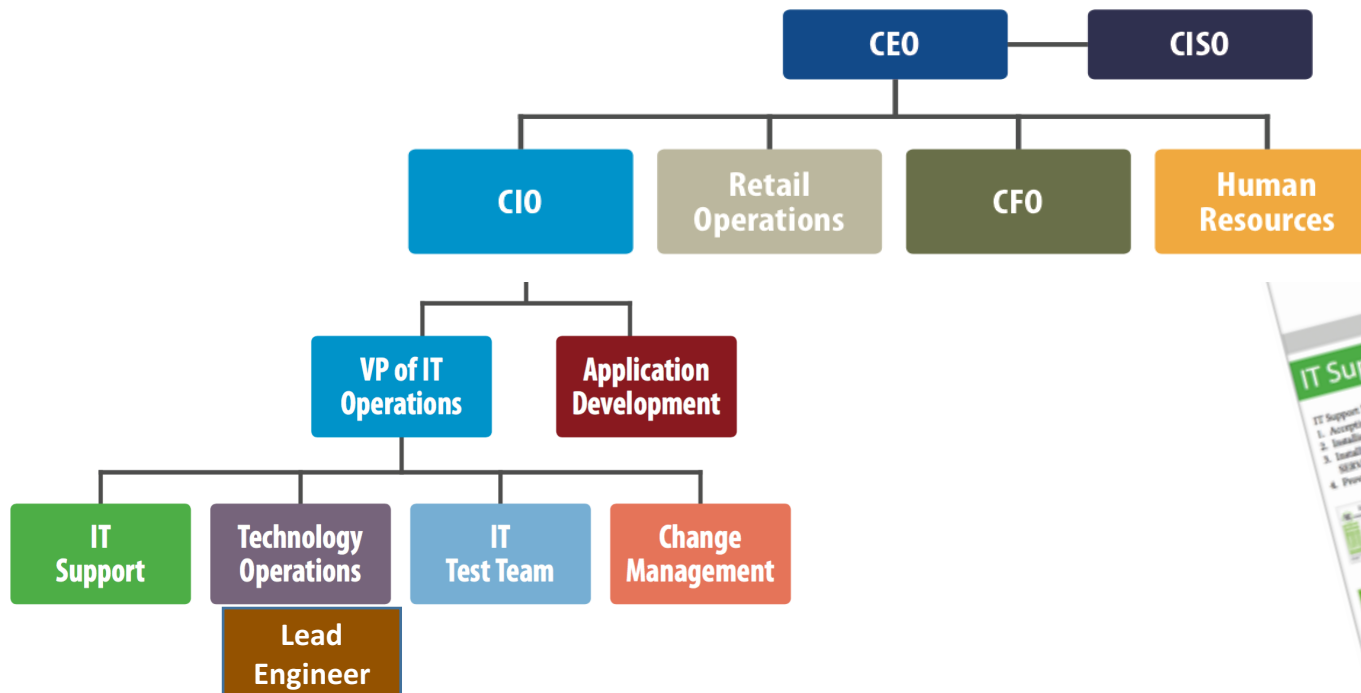


# Objectives of this simulation

- Explore and experience the essence of DevOps.
- Understand the culture and behavioural aspects of working in a DevOps environment.
- Discover how DevOps could help your teams to become more efficient and effective.
- Experience how to 'implement' DevOps principles in your own organization.
- Explore key success factors for DevOps adoption and deployment.



# The Parts Unlimited team





# Simulation round

Prepare the round

PLAN the workload

DO the work

Scoring

Reflection



# How it works

DO

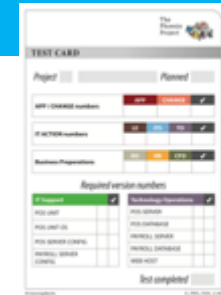


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Project	Phase	Item	Unit	Value	Available
POS Credit Card Payment	IT Support	POS System Training	1	1	1
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# Training

- Training cards to train the team
- Plan the TRAINING cards on the WIP cards
- Effect : Next round





# Read and Questions



Take time to read the materials and ask questions.



# Round 1 Simulation – *25 minutes*

20 MIN

PLAN business projects, features and issues.

5 MIN

DO the work for all teams and plan the change calendar for this round.





# Round 1 Revenue, Share Price, Metrics





# Round 1 DevOps is about...

- Flow
- Visualisation
- Process
- Bottlenecks



# Round 2 Prepare



Take time to implement the improvements for the next round.



# Round 2 Simulation – *25 minutes*

20 MIN

PLAN business projects, features and issues.

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DO the work for all teams and plan the change calendar for this round.





# Round 2 Revenue, Share Price, Metrics

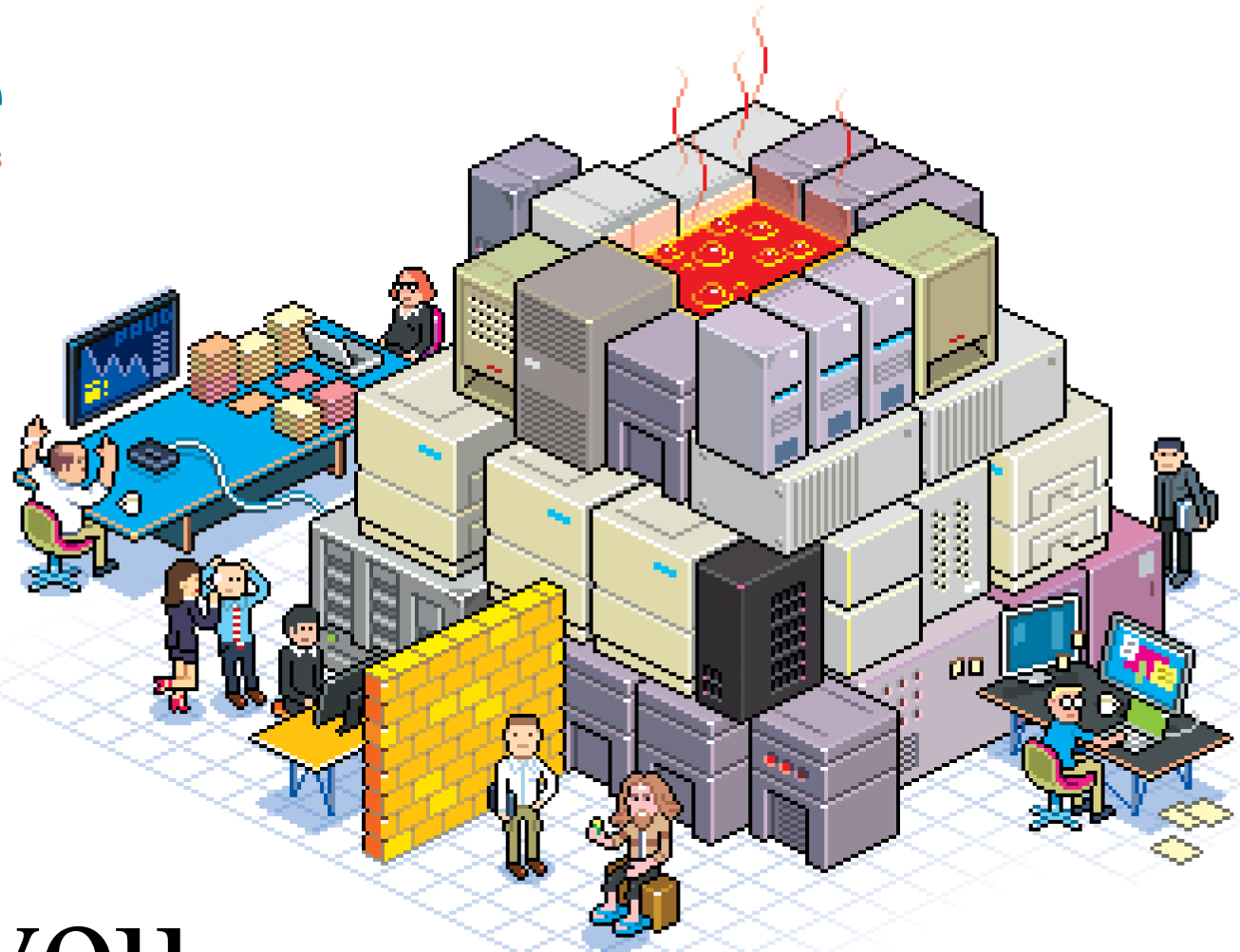






# Round 2 DevOps is about...

- Product Ownership
- Value Stream Map
- Planned/Unplanned Work
- Feedback
- Communication, Collaboration
- Multifunctional Teams



Thank you  
for your time!