The IT4IT™ 3 Foundation Certification

The IT4IT™ 3 Foundation certification provides validation that an individual possesses knowledge of the terminology, structure, and basic concepts of the IT4IT Standard, Version 3, and understand the core principles of the IT4IT Reference Architecture, the Value Streams, and Digital Product in this context.

The learning objectives for this certification focus on knowledge and comprehension. This certification leads to the award of a certificate and an Open Badge.

Competencies

Certified individuals will have the following competencies:

- A reference architecture for managing the business of Information Technology (IT) and the associated end-to-end lifecycle management of Digital Products
- Guidance for the transformation of technology management practices for a faster, scalable, automated, and practical approach to deploying product-based investment models and providing an unprecedented level of operational control and measurable value
- A foundational and flexible IT4IT Reference Architecture to accommodate the continuing evolution of operational and management paradigms for technology

Target Audience

- Individuals who want to achieve IT4IT Level 1 (Foundation) certification
- IT practitioners and professionals (or other individuals) who require a basic understanding of the IT4IT Reference Architecture, Value Streams, and Digital Products
- Enterprise Architects who need a reference architecture that describes the end-to-end functional and data landscape for managing the digital factory
- IT strategy, financial management, and architecture practitioners interested in migrating from a project-based IT investment model to one based on a full-lifecycle management view of a Digital Product or service portfolio
- IT governance and audit practitioners interested in a prescriptive model that addresses the implementation of meaningful controls in a modern, highly automated DevOps toolchain

The Value of this Certification

Certified individuals will have demonstrated their understanding of:

- The basic concepts of the IT4IT Reference Architecture
- The Digital Product and related concepts within the context of the IT4IT Reference Architecture
- The Digital Product Backbone functional component and associated data objects
- The Service Offer Backbone functional components and associated data objects

- The purpose and content of the Evaluate value stream
- The purpose and content of the Explore value stream
- The purpose and content of the Integrate value stream
- The purpose and content of the Deploy value stream
- The purpose and content of the Release value stream
- The purpose and content of the Consume value stream
- The purpose and content of the Operate value stream

Examination

Certification is only achieved by passing the examination.

Examination Name	IT4IT™ 3 Foundation
Examination Type	Multiple-choice examination 40 questions/60 minutes
Supervised	YES
Open Book	NO
Delivery Options	1. At your home or in your office using Pearson VUE OnVUE delivery. 2. Pearson VUE test centers.

Prerequisites

Certification is open to all applicants – there is no requirement for any previous certification.

Study Track

Candidates may choose how they wish to study for this certification, including training course attendance or by self-study. Courses will be available from The Open Group Accredited Training Course Providers.

Certification

The Open Group publishes the definitive directory of certified individuals, and issues certificates and Open Badges.

The duration of certification is indefinite – certification is to a given version of the Body of Knowledge and does not expire, so there are no re-certification or renewal requirements

Next Steps

Candidates may choose to:

- Join as a member and contribute to standard maintenance and development and contribute to the profession