

## Title of Paper

# Testing has no Future.... Unless

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## Presenter

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## Level

Intermediate

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## Target Group

Test Managers & Test Practitioners

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## Key Points

Separate Testing Career paths are important in organisations

The right skills are required to be an effective tester

Practical Certification is important to sales and reputation

Testing is a whole lifecycle event that requires interaction (and skills) to be conducted efficiently

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## Abstract

An interactive session about why testing will always be perceived as the poor relation and has no future unless....

1. The requirement for a "Testing Profession" is realised
2. Test analysis and design skills are added back onto the training plans -
3. Investment, by employers in practical certification

The time is right for testing and testing professionals to move beyond "poor relation" status to become an equal and essential partner in the software development process.

Gartner predicts that the need for software testing services will increase, which will increase the need to strengthen what testing has to offer. Education, training and certification can attract and develop testing professionals to meet that growing need.

So in conclusion, the face of testing is poised to change from a back-end activity that anyone can do to a fully integrated managed service that requires qualified professionals.

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## Biography

An energetic and experienced Testing Consultant with a 20+ year track record of delivery .

Experienced in working with multiple Software development life cycles in various roles and on different size projects from 5 people to 500 people.

Has held multiple roles in his career including people, team and financial management in addition to his end to end test lifecycle experience.

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