

CPRE – Is it really necessary?

For more than 10 years I worked in the field of Requirements Engineering. My company develops software for requirements-based project management, applies agile methods and individually targets users. Why should I need a certificate confirming only what I encounter on a daily basis? Why should my company be interested in sending me to training courses and exams?

3 Reasons For CPRE

- **Hands-on Expertise**

Over the years, many companies develop their own way of handling requirements. Terms relating to different things are used synonymously. Key aspects in requirements engineering processes are overlooked by habit. CPRE communicates hands-on, soundly-based knowledge, provides clarity regarding requirements terminology and shows why individual disciplines like stakeholder analysis or system demarcation are highly relevant. With CPRE, you develop a broader perspective.

- **Gaining Knowledge**

Quality cannot be „tested into“ products. Or can it? In software development, manufacturers often pay a heavy price for poorly executed, fragmentary requirements engineering. This is a well-known fact. Involving all stakeholders from the outset and identifying all possible contradictions makes it possible to do everything right - right from the start. Financial risks are minimized and schedules are stable. Knowledge gained with CPRE means clarity that equals cash benefits.

- **Comparing Yourself With Others and the Personal Challenge**

IREB e.V. would not advertise competitions among colleagues, but in cooperation with certification providers IREB offers a neutral test of your personal knowledge. Broken down by individual topic participants receive direct feedback, either in the form of an acknowledgement or as opportunities for improvement. Knowledge and merit can be compared, and successful testing of entire departments is rewarded by a common confirmation of formal skills.

I am pleased with my CPRE certificate. It helps me on a daily basis in the handling of requirements as well as in conversation with customers and users. When we go about something new without having agreed on goals, it increases my awareness.

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