

## Acceptance Testing for Software Provider

## Assess

Our client is an upcoming provider of enterprise solutions, with a portfolio of pioneering products tackling major pain points in project management, IT service costing and other corporate functions.

In preparation for a crucial funding round and to reach new customers, our client needed to prove their products for robustness in terms of functionality and overall usability.

- provider **Data**: The client lacked a real world sample data set for both with a testing and for use in sales demonstration sessions.
  - ▶ Missing Use Cases: There was no central source of use cases for the system, & the development team did not test in ways that the system was really used.
  - ▶ Product Readiness: Product readiness was sub-par, only 23% of a user focus group marked the system as suitable for daily usage, citing usability issues such as "Hard to navigate" and "Too complex" as main causes.
- round and to reach new customers, **product Fit**: Several product features were mis-aligned with those required by our client needed to prove their potential buyers and users.
  - ▶ Product Demonstration: The system could not be easily used for demos since there had not been any attempts to collect anonymised authentic test datasets.

## **Advance**

- **Overall Test Planning**: Prepare high level test plans, acceptance criteria and expected outcome, based on different user roles & test scenarios.
- ▶ Use Case Generation: Interview relevant stakeholders for user stories, pain points and use cases.
- ▶ Data Collection: Sample data is collected, checked for integrity and pre-processed as needed for testing purposes.
- Test Execution: System is checked for bugs and function improvements using sample data and documented use cases.
- Quality Reporting: Final test results reported and signed off via tracking platform to provide assurance and follow up.



## Assure

- ✓ User Acceptance Testing: All functionalities in the pipeline were tested by cibsys, against 3 key acceptance criteria: Performance, Function Fulfilment and Outstanding Defects
- ✓ Product Usability: New usability recommendations made in 6 key areas Layout, Task Orientation, navigation, data entry, search queries and assistance.
- ✓ Use Case Library: Gap analysis, based on the use cases collected, was conducted at each stage to keep all product developments centred around true customers' needs to ensure testing on real world data.
- ✓ Product Readiness : Acceptance rate increased to approx. 67% within the same focus group.
- ✓ Product Fit: With the use case library, the development team were able to re-prioritise time and efforts on delivering core features, reducing time lost preparing for testing.
- ✓ Product Demonstration: A library of 60 use cases and 3 sets of live data imported helped the client secure its next round of funding and target new clients.

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