XMetaL DITA Authoring Training

When and Where?

The XMetaL DITA Authoring Training is a two days hands-on session offered on-site. Dates and locations are fixed in agreement with the client.

Purpose

The XMetaL DITA Authoring Training is for organizations and individuals who need to create DITA content. The workshop guides the participants through the features of XMetaL Author Enterprise DITA edition and covers DITA authoring best practices.

Workshop Outline

This comprehensive full two day hands-on Authoring Training provides an introduction to DITA and the authoring of DITA in XMetaL Author Enterprise DITA edition (version 5.5 and 6). The workshop consists of lab exercises and modules covering the core DITA topic types, maps, bookmaps and DITA authoring in XMetaL. It also includes DITA advanced features such as reuse (conref), conditional text and filtering.

The training is delivered as a mixture of slide presentations, demonstrations and hands-on lab based exercises. Delegates will receive handouts, lab exercise material and links to books and articles on the web that they can use for future reference.

The workshop covers the following:

Introduction to XML, DITA and XMetaL

- Why we need XML
- XML Single Source Publishing
- XMetaL Interface Tour
- DITA Explained
- Topical Writing
- DITA Document Structure
- Working with DITA content: cross references, links, relationship tables, content reuse conditional text and metadata
- What's new in DITA 1.2 and how it is supported by XMetaL

Lab exercises

- Working with DITA Content
- Working with DITA topics

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- Working with DITA maps and bookmaps
- Content reuse
- Conditional text

Objectives

After completion of the training, participants will be able to create and publish DITA topics and maps in XMetaL DITA. They will also be able to identify the building blocks for defining an information architecture, knowing what possibilities DITA offers for linking, content reuse, profiling and metadata.

Who Should Attend

The training is aimed at information architects, technical writers, style sheet developers, IT professionals and project managers who need to know how to use XMetaL for DITA authoring. An understanding of DITA and XML is helpful but not required.

Instructional Method

The training is delivered in English 2 full days on-site. It is made up of a mixture of:

- Classroom instruction
- Hands-on lab exercises
- Interactive question and answer sessions
- Links to follow-on reading material

The training can be followed-up by remote training sessions for advanced XMetaL features.

More Information

Contact us through our website.

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