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International Institute of Business Analysis and Agile Alliance collaborate to advance agile business analysis practices

- *Organizations seek feedback from users of Agile Extension to BABOK® Guide*

Toronto, Ont. (November 9, 2011) -- Today, International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA) and Agile Alliance announce the newest release of the *Agile Extension to A Guide to the Business Analysis Body of Knowledge (BABOK® Guide) 2.0*.

The latest *Agile Extension* can be downloaded free at <http://iiba.info/AgileExtension>. Practitioners can provide comments on the Agile Extension until January 31, 2012 by visiting the [Agile Extension Feedback Form](#). The *BABOK® Guide 2.0* offers a common framework to understand and define the practice of business analysis. It is used by over 200,000 practitioners worldwide and is available at www.IIBA.org.

IIBA® Chief Business Analyst and EVP Kevin Brennan, CBAP, PMP, says, “This new version of the *Agile Extension* will help business analysts deliver valuable business knowledge to agile software developers quickly and effectively. The tool contains ideas that will be useful to all business analysts, even if they don’t work in an agile environment.”

He adds, “I believe that the agile and business analysis communities have a lot to learn from one another, and this joint effort with the Agile Alliance is a major step in that direction.”

Shane Hastie, MIM, CBAP, Member of the Board of Directors of Agile Alliance, says, “Business analysis is critical for successful agile development.” He adds, “The goal of both our organizations is to support practitioners, build bridges between our communities, and advance the state of practice.”

This new release of the *Agile Extension* offers information on business analysis in agile lifecycles; the mapping of information back to the *BABOK® Guide 2.0*; descriptions of over 20 new business analysis techniques useful in an agile environment; and key principles regarding agile business analysis.

The *Agile Extension* has been developed by a global team of volunteers with in-depth experience of both business analysis and agile software development. The tool helps the business analysis community to effectively contribute to agile development efforts while it helps agile software

developers make use of business analysis skills and knowledge to deliver better, more valuable products.



About the Agile Alliance

The Agile Alliance is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the concepts of agile software development (www.agilemanifesto.org). With nearly 6,000 members worldwide, the alliance is driven by the principles of agile methodologies and the value delivered to developers, organizations and end users. The Agile Alliance organizes the annual Agile Conference, the industry's leading event that attracts practitioners, academia, business and vendors from around the globe. www.agilealliance.org



About International Institute of Business Analysis

International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA) is the independent non-profit professional association serving the growing field of business analysis to the international business community. The organization is comprised of more than 22,000 members worldwide in fields ranging from requirements management and requirements analysis to project management and consulting. IIBA® has chapters in over 60 countries and is committed to developing and advancing standards for the practice of business analysis and for the certification of practitioners. www.IIBA.org