# **Expert Level Test Management with Managing the Test Team**

Duration: 5 days / 40 hours

### **Prerequisites:**

- a. Must Have CTFL Certificate
- **b.** The advanced level Test Manager **CTAL-TM** Certificate
- c. 5 years of Practical Testing Experience
- d. 2 years of Industry Experience In the Specific Expert Level Topics

## Day 1: Test Strategy, Missions, and Organizational Alignment

- Test Missions, Policies, Strategies, and Goals
  - Defining Test Mission and Policy
  - Success Metrics and Measurement
  - Test Strategy Types:
    - Analytical, Model-Based, Methodical
    - Process-/Standard-Compliant, Reactive
    - Consultative, Regression-Averse, Automation
  - Aligning Test Policy and Strategy with Business Objectives
- Organizational Test Alignment
  - Advocating for Testing in Business Context
  - Selling the Value of Testing to Stakeholders
  - Creating a Defensible Test Organization
  - Supporting and Positioning the Team within the Organization

#### Day 2: Team Development and Leadership

- Building the Test Team
  - Writing Job Descriptions and Reviewing Resumes
  - Interviewing Techniques for Key Testing Roles
  - Onboarding and Contract Management
- Developing the Test Team
  - Setting Goals, Role Clarity, and Personality Dynamics
  - Skill Development and Structured Training Programs
  - Mentorship, Feedback, and Performance Management
- Leading the Test Team
  - Effective Information Sharing and Communication
  - Building Loyalty and Trust
  - Motivation and Team Building Activities
  - Managing Distributed and Remote Testing Teams

# **Day 3: Managing External and Cross-Functional Relationships**

Managing External Relationships

- Identifying Relationship Types (vendors, contractors, partners)
- Handling Contracts and Legal Considerations
- Effective Communication with External Entities
- Integration of External Test Components and Quality Validation

#### Managing Across the Organization

- Building and Maintaining Stakeholder Relationships
- Promoting Cross-Team Quality Practices
- Integration of Testing Tools Across Departments
- Managing Ethical Issues in Testing and Reporting

# Day 4: Project and Risk Management

#### • Project Management Essentials

- Accurate Test Estimation and Scheduling
- Budgeting and Resource Allocation Strategies
- Managing and Tracking Test Projects
- Handling Scope Changes, Trade-offs, and Time Constraints

## • Project Risk and Quality Management

- Identifying and Managing Testing Risks
- Participating in Organization-Wide Risk Mitigation
- Establishing and Maintaining Quality Management Systems

#### Day 5: Evaluation, Metrics & Domain-Specific Considerations

#### • Test Project Evaluation and Reporting

- Capturing and Tracking Test Metrics
- Internal and External Reporting Best Practices
- Analyzing Test Results and Communicating Effectively
- Exit Criteria Evaluation and Test Closure
- Applying Statistical Quality Control Methods

#### Domain and Lifecycle-Specific Test Management

- Test Considerations in Lifecycle Models: Agile, V-Model, Waterfall
- Managing Partial Lifecycles, Integration, Maintenance Projects
- Testing Embedded and Safety-Critical Systems
- Release Readiness: Market Demand, Maintainability, Installation

#### Evaluating Effectiveness and Satisfaction

- Test Process and Policy Metrics (Effectiveness, Efficiency)
- Satisfaction Metrics and Stakeholder Feedback
- Conducting Structured Project Retrospectives