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AUTHOR SCOTT M. GRAFFIUS RECEIVES RECOGNITION THROUGH THE FIFTH ANNUAL BEVERLY HILLS INTERNATIONAL BOOK AWARDS

Los Angeles, CA — The Fifth Annual Beverly Hills International Book Awards[®] recognized Scott M. Graffius' book, *Agile Scrum: Your Quick Start Guide with Step-by-Step Instructions*, as a winner in two categories — Business-General,



and Technology. The competition is judged by experts from all aspects of the book industry, including publishers, writers, editors, designers, and copywriters. Winners and finalists are determined based on overall excellence.

There are a variety of frameworks to develop products and services, and most methodologies fall into one of two broad categories: traditional or agile. Traditional practices engage sequential development, while agile approaches involve iterative and incremental deliverables. Organizations are increasingly embracing agile to meet their business needs and successfully manage projects.

Agile Scrum: Your Quick Start Guide with Step-by-Step Instructions provides those interested or involved in innovation, project management, product development, software development or technology management with an authoritative roadmap to easily and quickly implement Scrum, the most popular agile project management and delivery framework. It encompasses a powerful set of principles and practices that help teams deliver products in short cycles, which enables speedy feedback, rapid adaptation to change, and continuous improvement.

Agile Scrum: Your Quick Start Guide with Step-by-Step Instructions has also been praised by the Midwest Book Review as "... an all-inclusive instruction guide that is impressively 'user-friendly' in tone, content, clarity, organization and presentation." The US Review of Books rated the guide as "Recommended," and Readers' Favorite awarded the best-of-class Five Stars designation to the book.

Graffius is President of Exceptional PPM and PMO Solutions, a consultancy specialized in project, program, portfolio, and PMO management inclusive of agile, traditional, and hybrid frameworks. He leverages his expertise, professional standards, and industry best practices to help companies achieve significant business results, such as strategically aligned initiatives, faster time-to-market, upgraded on-time delivery, improved on-budget delivery, higher satisfaction, and greater competitive advantage.

He is a former vice president of a provider of diverse consumer products and services over the Internet including social networking and internet access. Before that, he worked in organizations with businesses ranging from advanced technology products and services to business services, retail, e-commerce, manufacturing, and entertainment. He has experience with consumer, business, reseller, government, and international customer markets, as well as international experience spanning 20 countries.

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