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DITA: Making it Work for You, March 16 – 18 2009

DITA (Darwin Information Typing Architecture) is certainly the most talked-about development in the field of user documentation. If you are involved in writing documents such as user manuals, procedures or online Help, DITA promises you a framework for designing and delivering well-structured content efficiently and consistently in a single-sourcing environment.

iDTP presents in cooperation with Suite Solutions a three day DITA course.

This DITA Quick Start Workshop is designed to get you up and running authoring, managing and publishing your content using DITA. The workshop is intensive, pragmatic and includes plenty of hands-on exercises. Your trainer is Shimon Brody, Principal Consultant, with over a decade of extensive experience as a technical communicator, trainer and tool specialist.

After completing the workshop, you will:

- Be well grounded in the foundations of using DITA for documentation and training content
- Have hands-on experience authoring DITA content and assembling topics into deliverables
- Understand the basics of information architecture and be able to design your own content model, plan for reuse and achieve multi-purpose documents
- Be able to publish your content into PDF and HTML-based formats using the DITA Open Toolkit

Bring your own laptop to do the exercises. As part of the training, we will help you to install and configure the DITA Open Toolkit so you can publish your own documents.

Small class, maximum interaction: The class will be kept small to allow plenty of interaction with the instructor, so register today to reserve your place.

The workshop will be held in **Utrecht**, only 30 kms from Amsterdam, on **March 16, 17 and 18** (monday to wednesday) 2009. The location is easy to access by public transport or by car.

The cost for this three day workshop is **€1500** per student. This will include lunch and printed course material.

Day 1: DITA Overview

- Overview of DITA
- Business Advantages
- Topics: The Basic Information Types
- Maps: Assembling Topics into Deliverables
- Examples and Exercises

Day 2: Moving Ahead with DITA

- Linking Methods
- Using DITA for Training Content
- Reusing Content
- Information Architecture
- Revising Processes
- Examples and Exercises

Day 3: Filtering and Publishing

- DITA Tool Chain
- Overview of the DITA Open Toolkit
- Rendering Outputs Using Different Transtypes
- Filtering Output Using DITAVAL
- Basics of Customizing Your Output
- Common Errors and Mistakes
- Examples and Exercises

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