

Understanding Your Role in a Requirements Session

1. Requirements Team (Facilitator, Business Analyst)

Enable the requirements discovery process by:

- Asking relevant questions
- Recording answers provided by Subject Matter Experts
- Keeping the process moving
- Utilizing effective facilitation and documentation skills
- Keeping the discussion focused on objectives and scope
- Confirming understanding among/with participants

3. Business Subject Matter Expert (SME) / Business Team

Define the business context by providing:

- High level scenario description
- System boundaries confirmation (Context Diagram)
- Examples to clarify ambiguity
- Business rules and policies to ensure accuracy
- Business Activity descriptions
- Future direction for business processes

2. Business Leader / Project Sponsor

Provide the business vision by:

- Explaining the problem/opportunity
- Defining the vision
- Defining the business objectives
- Determining the measures of success
- Defining high level process and requirements

4. Technical Subject Matter Expert (TSME) / Design Team

Assist the requirements discovery process by:

- Acting as a resource to assist the business in defining the "what" (not the "how")
- Providing information on interfacing systems
- Providing clarity on what the system does today

