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## Thanks

Thank you for your interest in ReleaseTEAM, we value your feedback and look forward to hearing from you soon.

## Contact

If you have any questions, please contact me directly, I will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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## Welcome to ReleaseTEAM

Welcome to the January 2012 ReleaseTEAM newsletter. As usual, you will find helpful tips and Software Configuration Management industry news.

This month we announce our upcoming CRUG meeting with a special IBM insider presentation around v8.0 IBM Rational ClearCase, brag about our IBM champion and wrap it up with an article from CM Crossroads and partner news.

Thanks again for taking the time to browse our newsletter. If you don't find what you are looking for, just ask, I'll be glad to help!

## IBM Champion- Martina Riedel

The IBM Champion program recognizes innovative thought leaders in the technical community — and rewards these contributors by amplifying their voice and increasing their sphere of influence. An IBM Champion is an IT professional, business leader, developer, or educator who influences and mentors others to help them make best use of IBM software, solutions, and services.  
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Introducing Martina Riedel, IBM Champion and a senior consultant with ReleaseTEAM, an IBM Business Partner focused on software configuration management consulting for customers of Rational ClearCase, ClearQuest, and Rational Team Concert. If you don't know Martina, you may know her famous signature line- "Don't Postpone Joy...Have Fun" from her numerous posts to CCIUG and other SCM chat boards.

ReleaseTEAM is excited to share this news with the SCM community- it shows our dedication to keep consultants on the cutting edge of industry best practices and poised to provide premium customer support.

Please Click [HERE](#) to view Martina's interview on YouTube!

## Q1 CRUG Meeting

Date: Thursday January 26th  
Meeting time: 6pm-8pm  
Meeting topic: ClearCase v8.0  
Meeting location: The Aloft Hotel- Broomfield

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Agenda:  
6:00-6:30 pm Refreshments and Networking  
6:30-7:30 pm Presentation and Discussion  
7:30-8:00 pm Q&A and giveaways

[Click HERE to register for the January 26th meeting](#)

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Join us for an in-depth look at ClearCase v8.0 features including: ClearTeam Explorer - the new graphical user interface for ClearCase supporting web views in a WAN environment and dynamic views in a LAN environment. Introducing CCRCWAN Server - a replacement for ClearCase CM Server with new lean architecture, improved performance and scalability, as well as simplified configuration and administration and CM API 8.0 updates.

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## Q1 TRUG Meeting

Our Q1 Meeting is set for March 29<sup>th</sup>, stay tuned for details on our presentation topic and venue. Email me with your suggestions to:

bbeese@releaseteam.com

[Click HERE to register for TRUG and the meeting on March 29th](#)

We look forward to seeing you at our Q1 meeting in March 2012!



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## CM Crossroads Article

Behaviorally Speaking- Predictions for 2012  
WRITTEN BY CMC MEDIA, Bob Aiello- January 13, 2012  
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Making predictions is always a risky business. How does one really anticipate what might or might not happen in the coming year? The answer is that you observe what is going on in the industry and then form a picture of the patterns that you see emerging. Before I started writing this article, I wrote down the trends that I wanted to cover, based upon what I believe will be essential to understand in 2012. Then I looked back at my predictions article from January 2011, and realized that I had written about much of the same trends last year. Upon reflection, I realized that this is not surprising. Many of the trends that I see in 2012 have a development lifecycle spanning several years. The real challenge is to understand the factors that influence these trends and how they may impact you. The most important thing is to understand what you need to do in order to be successful in the face of the challenges that lie ahead. Here are my predictions for 2012 and some strategies for achieving success.

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## HVRUG- Virtual RUG meeting

[VRUG: Systems Engineering](#): Getting Requirements Right with Model Based Functional Analysis

**Date:** Jan 26th, 2012

**Meeting time:** 12pm - 2pm

**Summary:**

Requirements definition is a critical part of the development lifecycle, but it is common for system-level requirements to be inconsistent and incomplete. The Rational Solution for Systems and Software Engineering provides process guidance and tooling for model-based System Functional Analysis. By visualizing requirements, engineers have a better understanding of intended behavior. The Rational solution does not replace traditional approaches, but instead applies modeling in a non-implementation way to refine and improve upon system requirements. The outcome are requirements that have been validated through model execution, and the avoidance of costly specification errors. Presented by Ed Mayer - Rational Systems Practice Leader



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