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# The PDF ProCSS Advantage
## WEBINAR

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# **Welcome!** Today we are going to cover…

PDF ProCSS Overview

Setup & Configuration
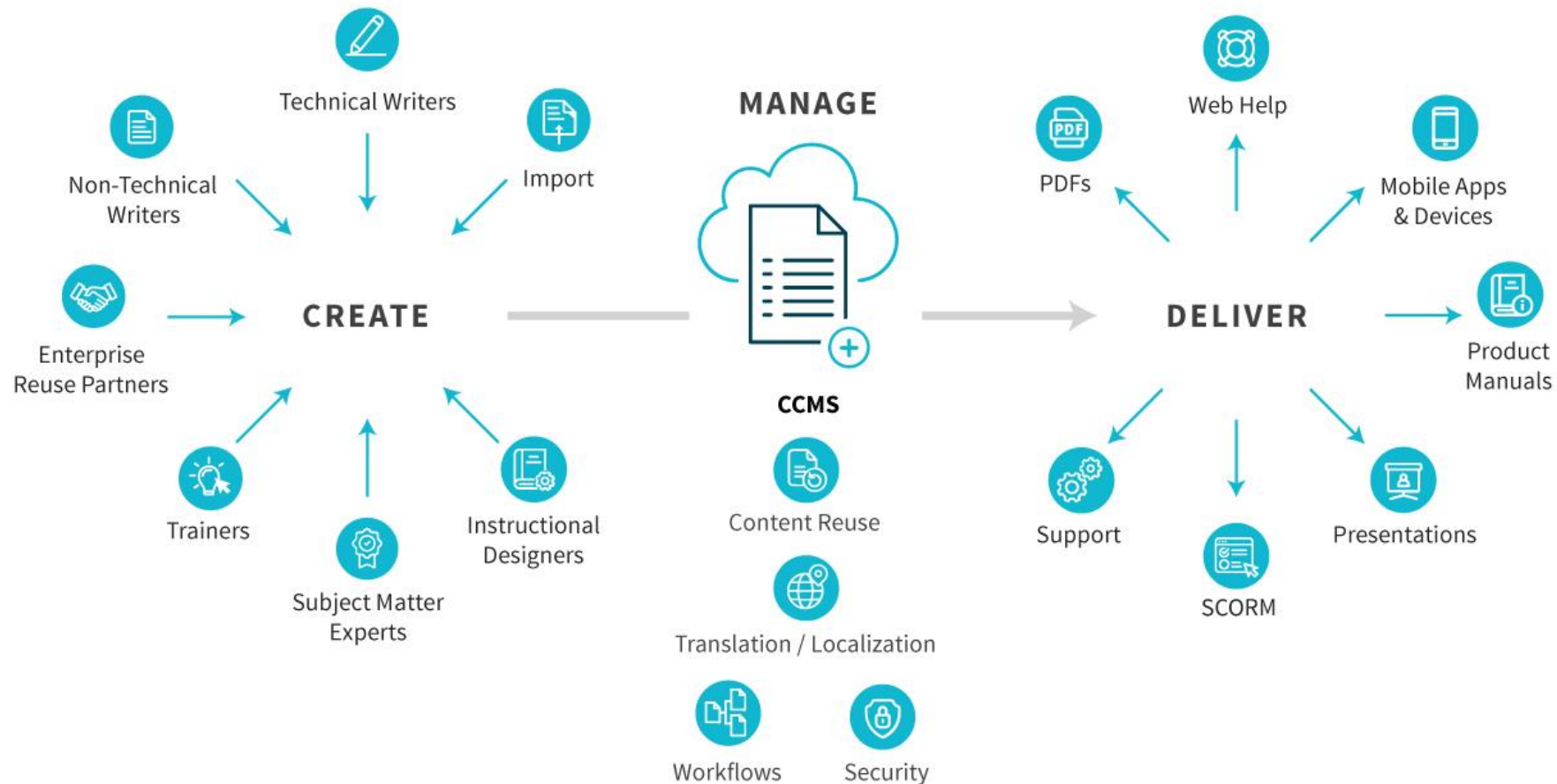
Working with ProCSS documents

Publishing & Themes

Questions & Answers

**Author-it** is an end-to-end SaaS Component Content Authoring, Management, and Publishing Solution for Technical Publications and Learning Development.

# What is PDF ProCSS and why use it?

A fast, modern, and reliable way to produce print-targeted PDF output combining the very latest in XML, HTML5, and CSS formatting technology.

Lightening-fast direct XML to PDF using Antenna House Formatter. 10–20 times faster than Word.

Create PDFs with bookmarks, clickable links, TOC and Index, custom cover pages, background images, in over 70 languages.

Support for complex tables, multi-level numbering, flexible floats, multi-column layouts, drop caps, and more!

Flexible page layouts, headers and footers, and sophisticated pagination controls.

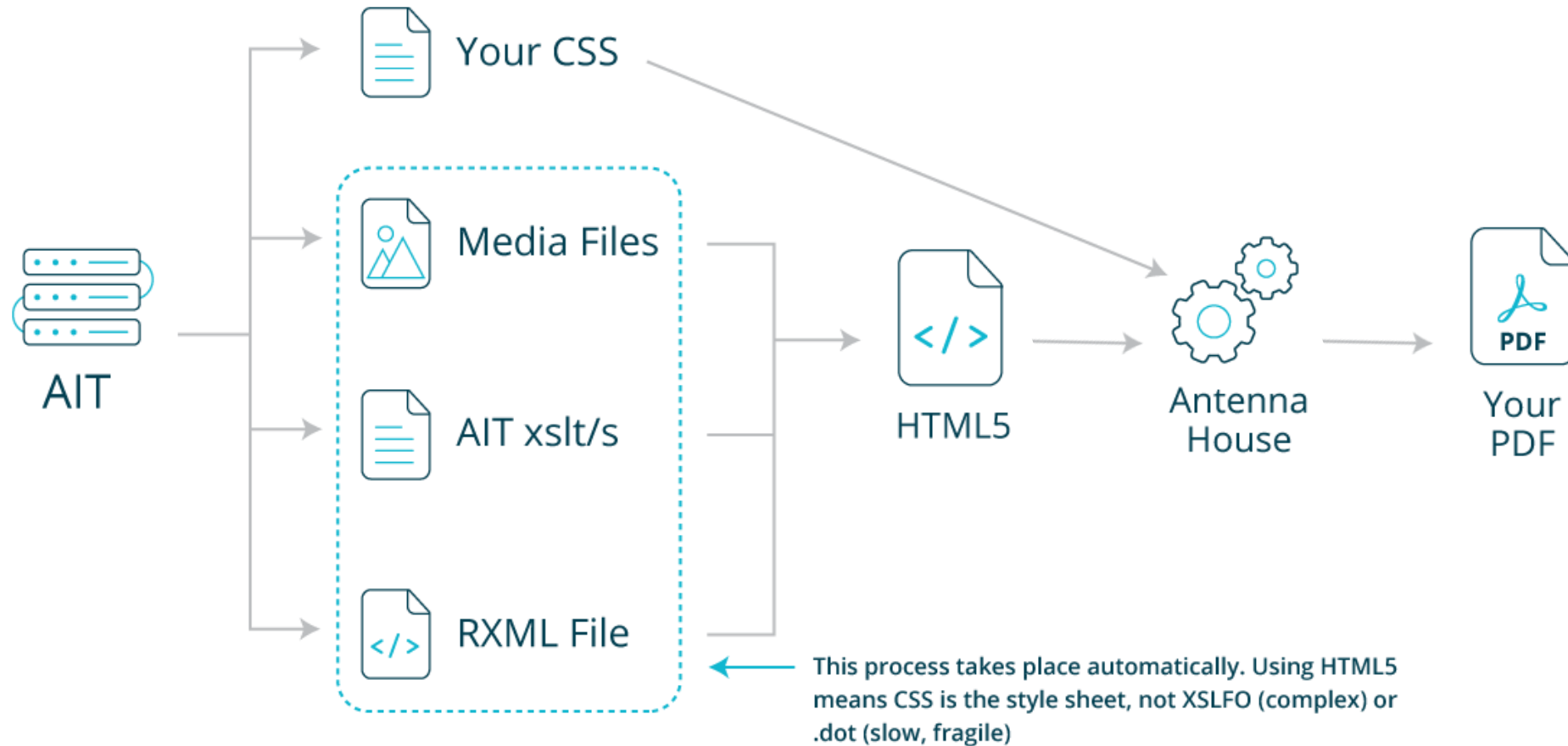Create any number of themes using standards based CSS3 paged media style sheets.

Preview documents for Reviews and Approvals.

Included by default on Cloud. On Premises requires separate purchase.

# PDF ProCSS Publishing and Rendering Process.



AIT → Your CSS

Media Files
AIT xslt/s
RXML File → HTML5 → Antenna House → Your PDF

This process takes place automatically. Using HTML5 means CSS is the style sheet, not XSLFO (complex) or .dot (slow, fragile)

# Setup & Configuration

Before getting started, you will need to import some objects and setup your publishing profile.

Download the PDF ProCSS templates and objects
https://space.author-it.com/PDFProCSS/downloads/PDFProCSSObjects.zip

Importing Headers and Footers

Download and install the default PDF ProCSS Themes
https://space.author-it.com/PDFProCSS/downloads/PDFProCSSThemes.zip

Setup the PDF ProCSS Publishing Profile
(we will do this for you in Cloud)
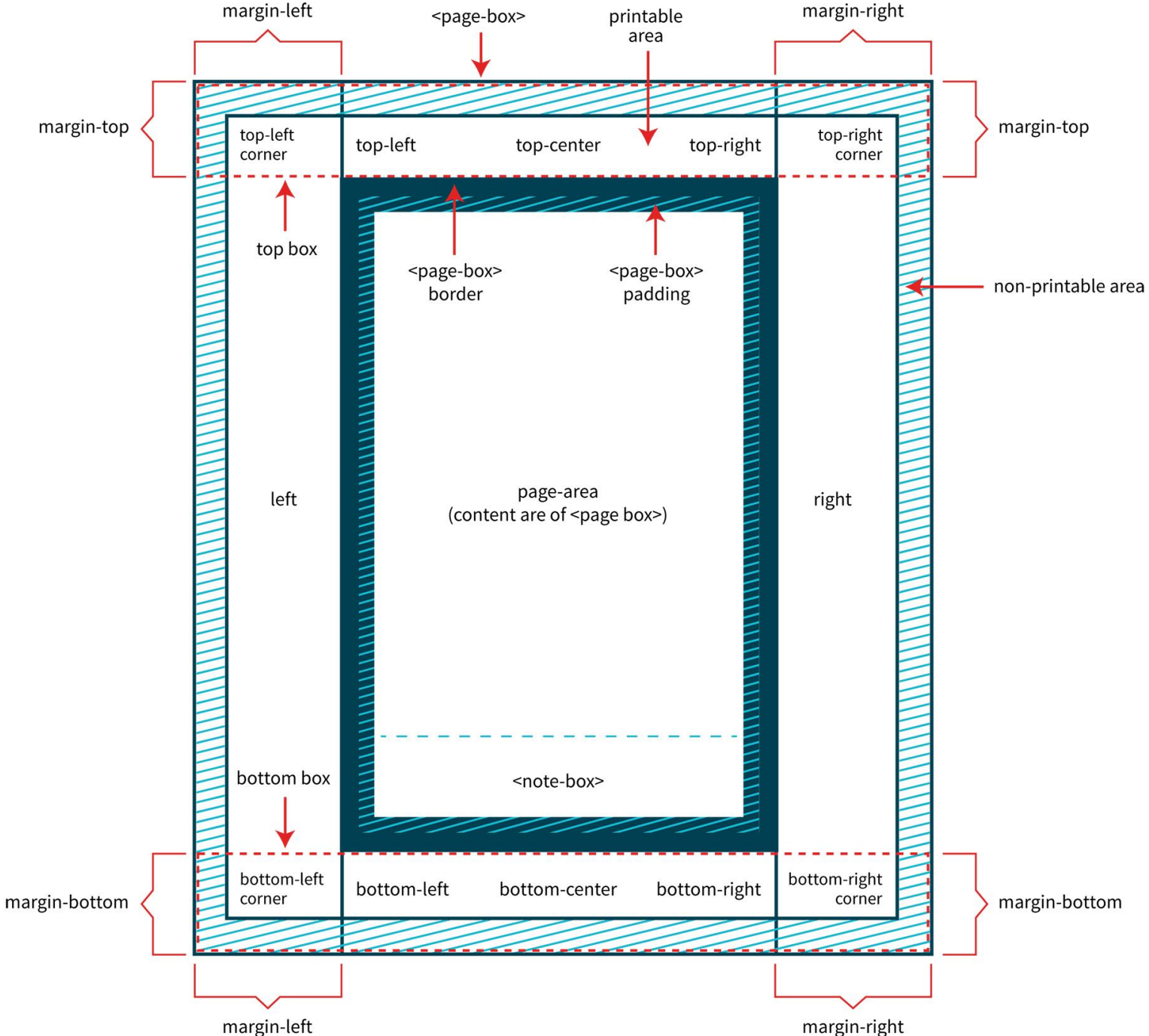
Download and install Antenna House Formatter
https://www.antennahouse.com/trial-formatter

# CSS3 Paged Media Layout

Each part of the page has predefined names which you control with CSS rules.

https://www.w3.org/TR/css-page-3/

# Working with PDF ProCSS books

Let's take a look at how to create and manage a PDF ProCSS book in Author-it.

Creating a new PDF ProCSS book or converting an existing book.

Understanding and configuring page layouts, headers, and footers.

Adding content and images.

Creating page number cross references and linking.

Adding and configuring Glossary and Index.

# Publishing & Basic Themes

Now for the results and an introduction to how to make your own Themes.

Publishing your PDF ProCSS document.

Tracking down issues using the publishing logs.

Understanding and creating PDF ProCSS Themes.

Changing logos and background images.

Setting default fonts, colours and icons.

# Questions and **Answers**

# Thank you for joining us!

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