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Enterprise IT Architectures

Enterprise Architecture – Governance







Agenda

- I. Enterprise Architecture Governance & Transition
- **II.** SOA Governance

III. Q&A





Enterprise Architecture – Governance & Transition





What is Governance?

Establishing chains of responsibility, authority and communication to empower people (decision rights)

Establishing measurement, policy and control mechanisms to enable people to carry out their roles and responsibilities

- Corporate Governance
- IT Governance
- EA Governance
- SOA Governance





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Governance involves balancing the key aspects of relationships and processes on a foundation of communication







Key terms and phrases

Governance	A structure of relationships and processes to direct and control the enterprise in order to achieve the enterprise's goals by adding value while balancing risk versus return over IT and its processes. The IT Governance Institute
Principle	The underlying general rules which an organization will use to utilize and deploy all business and IT resources and assets, across the enterprise e.g. "IT systems will be designed to be capable of rapid expansion in line with unpredicted business growth." In EA we distinguish between Guiding Principles and Usage Principles.
Policy	A high level statement of how things will be managed or organized, including management goals, objectives, beliefs and responsibilities. Policies are normally defined at an overall strategy level and can be related to a specific area, for example, Security Policies, Management Policies. In many instances, policies reflect the law and givens, which must be adhered to - this is especially true in the case of Security and Privacy policies
Guideline	A general statement of direction, a desired future state which is not necessarily mandated. Guideline statements are similar in content to principle statements, but without the associated motivation and benefit statements.
Business Steering Committee	This group is responsible for providing business guidance, communicating changes in business direction, and for approving major changes and variances to the architecture. This committee should represent all business units, and participants should be senior managers (people with decision-making authority, for example, general managers or executive vice presidents).
Architecture Management Group (Architecture Review Board)	The group responsible for managing the design, deployment, maintenance, and evolution of the Enterprise Architecture. In addition, the AMG will be responsible for championing the EA throughout the enterprise.





Enterprise Architecture and Governance







Governance !

Importance by Illustrating Service Control









Governance ! *Context of the wider Enterprise*

 "An Enterprise Architecture is only as good as the decision making framework that is established around it." (TOGAF)







EA Governance (how EA decisions are made) is a subset of IT Governance (how IT decisions are made)



Source: IT Governance. How Top Performers Manage IT: Decision Rights for Superior Results, P. Well & J. Ross, Harvard Business School Press, 2004



The Governance and Roadmap areas are nested in IT and Enterprise level work



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Governance specifies how decisions are made within a targeted Management System – in this case Enterprise Architecture.







EA Governance Caveat – A balanced approach





EA Governance affects many decision-makers







Governance Considerations – What is required ? Processes, Roles and Organization



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Key processes are for Architecture Review, Vitality, and Change Management



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Typical EA Governance Aspects





EA Architects are primarily involved in strategy and solution design stages



Secondary Working Environment and Required Experience/Knowledge





Committees for ensuring Enterprise Architecture







Roles and Responsibilities





EA Governance – Overview of the boards/committees





Enterprise Architecture Governance also has many dimensions

	Enterprise Architecture Elements
Strategy	Strategic Alignment - Explicit linkages to IT and Business Strategies in order to support and implement those strategies
	Principles – Fundamental rules upon which the Enterprise Architecture is based
	Architecture Vision – Represents the governing ideas and directions for a target Enterprise Architecture
	Measurements - Measuring the EA benefits and return on investment to prove its value
ts	Framework – Structure of the EA, set of conventions for ensuring consistent notation, terminology and semantics to describe EA
Artifac	Models / Patterns - Overall EA context, diagrams and views; Assemblies of Components for communications and guidance
	Components / Standards – Basic Architecture building blocks, defining reusable functionality of service
nce	Management Processes - Processes required to manage, use and update the Enterprise Architecture
/erna	Roles – Key roles and responsibilities necessary to effectively manage and use the Enterprise Architecture
Gov	Organization – Position and reporting structure of the EA Roles
Roadmap	Current Environment - An understanding of the organization's current operating environment
	Gap Analysis - An assessment of the gaps between the Current installed IT environment, and the Target IT environment
	Transition Plan - Transition initiatives required to effect transformation from the Current State to the Target State



Enterprise Architecture Governance Components



Vision, Mission, Charter

 Development of change vision and specific mission

Architecture Roles & Responsibilities

- Who are the architecture participants?
- How do the participants interact?
- Decision rights

Governance Bodies & Cadence

- What forums review and approve architecture decisions?
- Who leads and participates in the architecture forums, and how often do they meet?

Processes

- What activities are governed?
- Who reviews and approves decisions, and how do escalations occur?

Metrics

 What types of metrics and measures are managed?

Principles

What is the high level development guidance?

Tooling

What tools will be utilized?



Information Governance

Aspects

Information Governance is a holistic approach to managing and leveraging information for business benefits and encompasses people, processes, and technology







- Executive Sponsors and Champions
- Organizational structure and definitions of roles and responsibilities
- Information Governance Experts
- Data Stewards, Data Managers
- Data Quality Experts
- Data Standardization Processes
- Processes and Business Rules for ongoing governance
- Information Governance Policies and Procedures
- Common Data Standards and Business Definitions
- Data Quality Remediation Processes
- Change Management Processes (IT & Business)
- Metadata Repositories, populated with the common data standards, business definitions, data structures, and data transformation rules
- Workflow Technology
- Data Quality Remediation Technology
- Integrated Development and Information Management Platform
- Reporting & Performance Management Technology





Transition initiatives need to be prioritized and approved as part of the overall IT Operating Plan for the enterprise

- EA inspired initiatives should be considered alongside all requests for IT resource (development and implementation):
 - Business driven
 - Technology driven
 - Architecture driven





So as well as guiding development, the EA framework must also provide transition "roadmaps"



Preferred Product Analysis: Selection Criteria







SOA Governance



Governance within the SOA Lifecycle





Why Governance Matters

- Realize business benefits

 Business process flexibility
 - Improved time to market
- Mitigate business risk and regain control
 - Maintaining quality of service
 - Ensuring consistency of service
- Improved team effectiveness
 - Measuring the right things
 - Communicating clearly between business and IT







What is SOA Governance?





SOA Governance Life Cycle Addresses Key Questions



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SOA Governance Lifecycle – How to establish?





Service Governance within SOA Governance

Service Governance – the governing of the individual

service lifecycle management process to maximize how that particular service delivers business value and enables the goals of the business.

SOA Governance – solution portfolio level				
es.				
Service Governance – project service level				
Registry & Repository Support Policy Lifecycle Management				
Change Management				
Service Lifecycle Model				
Service Level Agreement Deakhearde % Other Presentation				
Dashboards & Other Presentation Decision Rights Management				



Governs the Service Consumers as well as the Service Provider



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Example: Defining the Governance Solution





Interaction Between the Lifecycles



- Policies
 - quality gates
 - controls
 - metrics
 - standards
- are *defined* in the Governance lifecycle (for different aspects of Governance)...
- ...and they are *enforced* in the service lifecycle
- metrics are captured to improve governance process



The Governance Framework (Extensions to Development Processes)

 All the "elements" that we need to add to make a process well-governed



non-governed process



well-governed process







Example – Enforcement at Development Time





Example – Enforcing Service Reuse Policy

- During the "Identify Services" activities, the SOA Architect implements the Service Reuse policy searching for existing services
- At the Validate Service Design quality gate the policy is enforced

Policy

Quality Gate



Services should be reused instead of created whenever possible

4 Validate Service Design, semi-automatic enforcement during development



Example – Enforcing Architecture Compliance Policy

- The SOA Architect implements the Compliance with the Reference Architecture policy during all the activities in the Service Modeling phase
- At the Validate Service
 Design quality gate the policy
 is enforced with a manual
 <u>manual
 review</u> of the service model



Policy 2 Services must be compliant with the existing reference architecture
 Quality Gate 4 Validate Service Design, manual enforcement during development



Governance at Development Time – Enforcing Policies of Services Life Cycle













Supporting the Steps of Service Life Cycle





Main Capabilities of Service Registry and Repository







APPENDIX – TOGAF



TOGAF (The Open Group Architecture Framework) 9.1

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TOGAF 9.1 Content Metamodel

