Enterprise Architecture Services

Business and Infrastructure Blueprint for Success

Ensuring the infrastructure is aligned and able to keep up with ongoing business needs (instead of a limiter to business growth) can be a significant challenge for IT organizations.

An enterprise architecture (EA) is your blueprint and roadmap for IT alignment with business. In essence, it is the corporate-wide vision for how a company operates. It helps companies to understand their structure and how it does (and should) work. It provides a long-term view of processes, systems, and technologies, enabling IT to proactively plan for business and technology change. In this way, an EA acts as the IT "trusted advisor" and gatekeeper to the business by aligning IT strategy and foundational assets with business priorities—ensuring IT spend is also aligned to the needs of the business.

Here are some of the key business concerns that lead companies to consider implementing an enterprise architecture:

- Will the business be able to deliver new products and services to the market in a timely manner with current IT infrastructure?
- Why does it take the IT department longer and cost more to deliver on business needs?
- Is IT spending money in the right areas to deliver business value?
- There are so many applications doing similar things. Should I choose one or build my own?
- Is IT ensuring that the organization is investing in the right standards and technologies that are in sync with technology trends and our partners' solutions?

If you have any of these concerns, it's probably time for you to take a closer, objective look at your architecture and technology roadmaps.

Why IT People?

IT People consultants can help you establish an enterprise architecture to align your IT strategy and spend with your company's business priorities and roadmap. Our approach is based on the MIT Sloan Model, which focuses on three main concept areas:
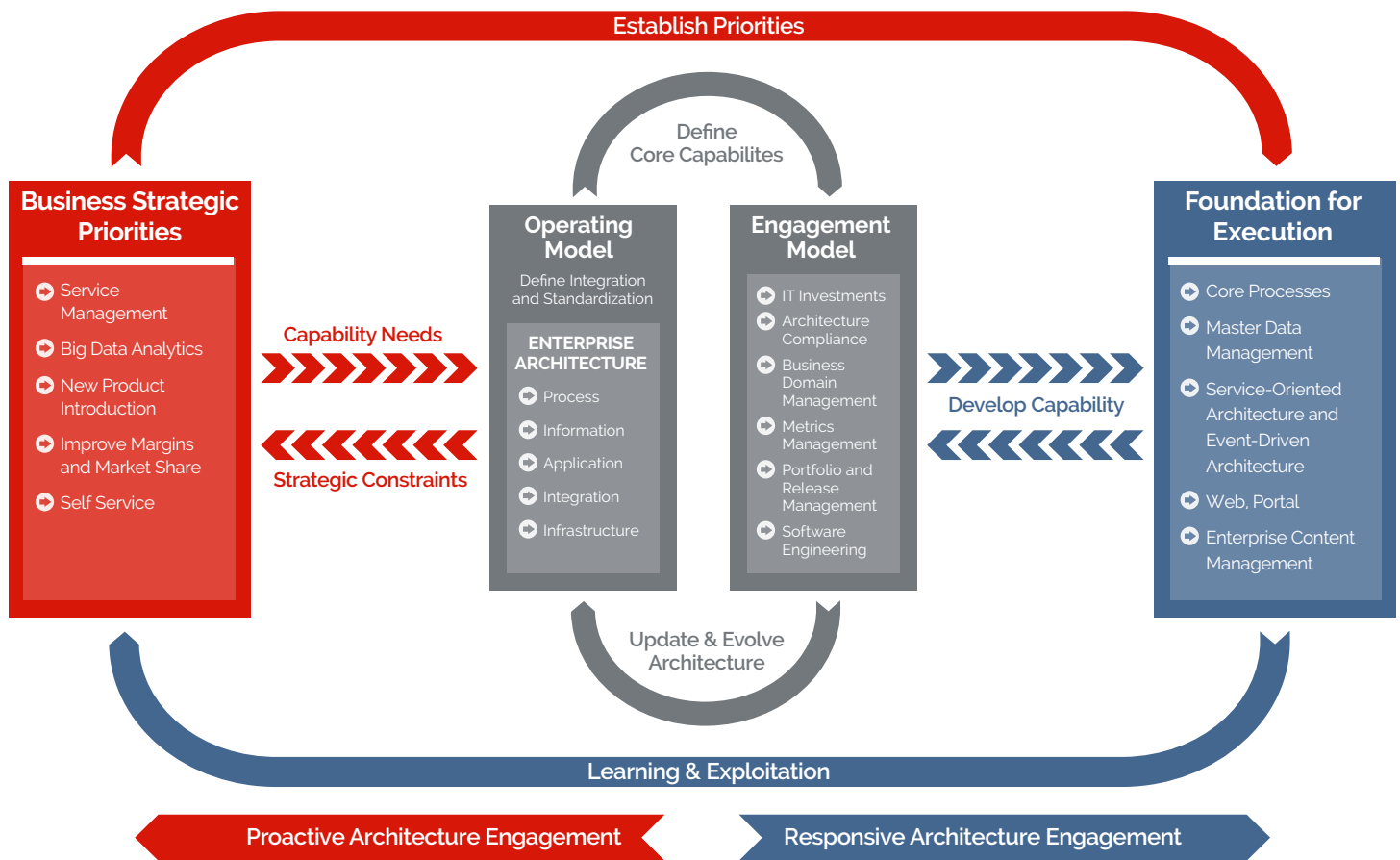
- **Operating Model:** The integration and standardization requirements for the company's core processes
- **Blueprint:** The firm's key business processes, shared data, and integrating technology visualized
- **Architecture Maturity:** The journey an established firm embarks upon as it transitions into more strategic use of IT, essentially the roadmap

We help you define your EA framework by assessing the many levels of your enterprise: underlying technologies to system interaction to application architecture to data management to business processes and standards.

Benefits

- Better alignment between IT strategy and business priorities and vision
- Improved business agility through service enablement and process re-use
- IT cost savings through streamlining of application portfolio and migration to target applications
- More efficient IT operations through effective governance of IT solutions
- Better return on existing IT assets and reduced risk of future investments
- Faster time-to-market for new products and operational innovations
- Reduced risk and exposure to security, legal and regulatory compliance

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Establish Priorities

Define Core Capabilites

Business Strategic Priorities

- Service Management
- Big Data Analytics
- New Product Introduction
- Improve Margins and Market Share
- Self Service

Capability Needs

Strategic Constraints

Operating Model

Define Integration and Standardization

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- Process
- Information
- Application
- Integration
- Infrastructure

Engagement Model

- IT Investments
- Architecture Compliance
- Business Domain Management
- Metrics Management
- Portfolio and Release Management
- Software Engineering

Develop Capability

Foundation for Execution

- Core Processes
- Master Data Management
- Service-Oriented Architecture and Event-Driven Architecture
- Web, Portal
- Enterprise Content Management

Update & Evolve Architecture

Learning & Exploitation

Proactive Architecture Engagement

Responsive Architecture Engagement

Typical services that IT People can provide in this space include:

- Defining the architectural strategy, best practices, design guidelines, standards and tools
- Documenting the current state of complex business processes using tools such as Sparx Enterprise Architect or Troux
- Defining the target state including the roadmap and portfolio of potential projects
- Establishing architectural governance practice and investment review practices
- Performing vendor technology evaluations and delivering recommendations
- Helping early adopters via proof-of-concepts and pilots
- Tailoring frameworks such as TOGAF for easy adoption

For more information about our Enterprise Architecture services, call 919.806.3535 or email sales@itpeoplecorp.com.

About IT People

IT People is a next-generation IT services and workforce solutions firm. We provide consulting, managed services and staffing to Fortune 500 corporations, public agencies, and small and mid-sized businesses throughout North America. Our specialties include IT modernization, infrastructure and applications optimization, and management. We enable organizations to achieve their business goals by transforming their IT processes, applications and infrastructure using the latest technologies for cloud, big data, mobile and social, and by providing them with exceptional talent when they need supplemental staff.

Our Vision and Mission

We are passionate about co-creating value with our customers and employees by offering IT services through applied thought and innovation with the commitment and integrity to deliver quality solutions on time, every time.

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