

Enterprise Architecture Process, Structure and Organization

t-eam* - a framework derived from project experience

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*toolbox for enterprise architecture management





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☐ The benefits: lessons learned



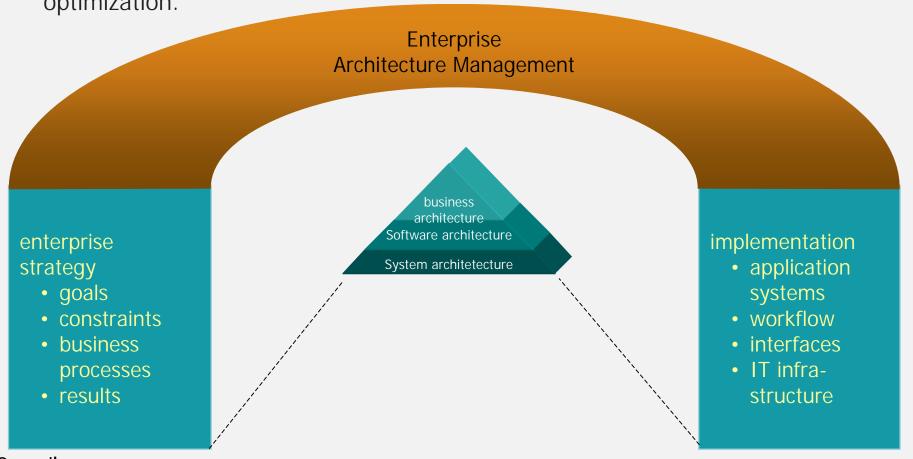
From strategy to implementation

Architecture management aligns IT to business and so must do the splits between strategy and implementation.

⇒The alignment is based on navigation from business artifacts (e.g. business units or processes) to IT artifacts (e.g. applications or infrastructure)

⇒Architecture management processes ensure continuous controlling and

optimization.





Bridging the gap

The EAM House

Structure

(EA entities, relationships beween strategic and operational topics, stakeholder specific views)

Process

(strategic processes (e.g.application portfolio planning), operational processes (e.g. software architecture design), linking between processes)

Organization

(principles, roles, functions, committees, work load balancing)

enterprise strategy

- goals
- constraints
- business processes
- results

implementation

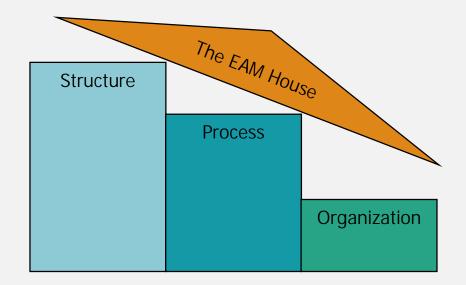
- application systems
- workflow
- interfaces
- IT infrastructure



Distribution of efforts in recent projects

- The columns of the EAM house (structure, processes and organization) are of equal value for being successful in enterprise architecture management
- ➤ As we learned from a survey* many recent projects focus on structure
 - collecting and analyzing data for application portfolio planning
 - defining reference architectures
 - structuring and refurbishing the system architecture
- ➤ Processes and organization get lower attention

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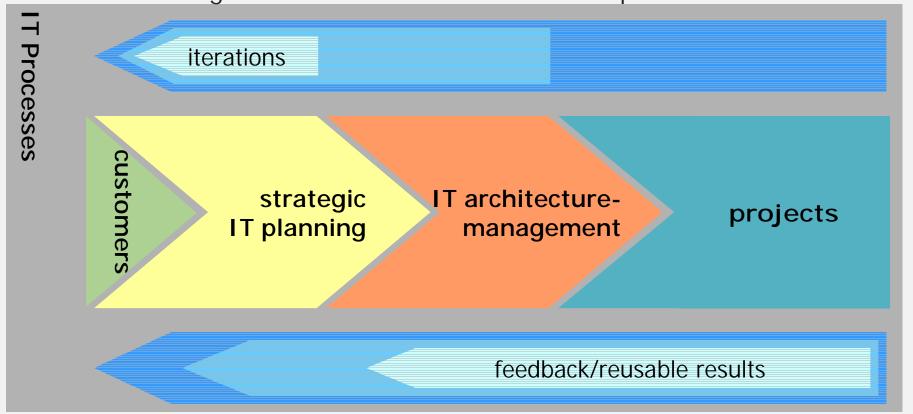
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The environment of architecture management

- □ Architecture management is embedded into the other IT processes and cooperates directly with strategic IT planning and IT projects therefore it has to provide the link between strategy and implementation.
- Quality enhancement is done through
 - ⇒ iterations: manage risks and take care of moving targets
 - ⇒ feedback: generate reusable assets and best practices

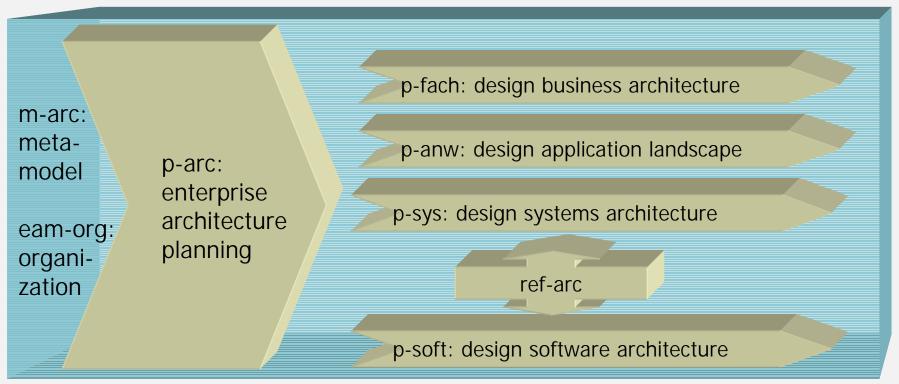




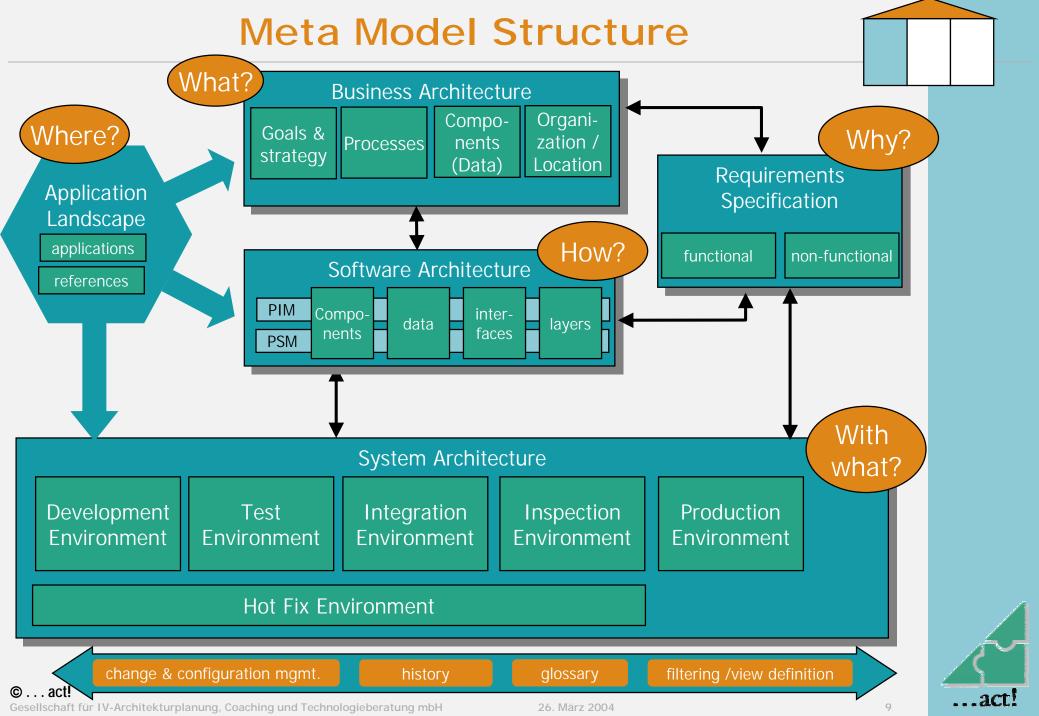
t-eam

The act! – reference model for enterprise architecture management t-eam* is assembled from separately usable components:

- ⇒ process templates p-arc, p-fach, p-anw, p-sys und p-soft,
- ⇒ reference architecture ("blueprint") ref-arc,
- ⇒ meta model and enterprise architecture repository m-arc,
- ⇒ organizational patterns for implementation and operation of EAM.







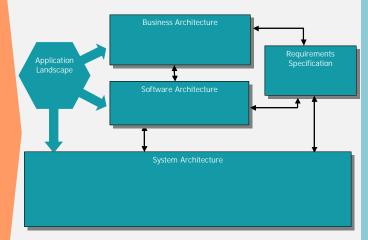
Architecture management processes

- ☐ The EA processes within t-eam are directly linked to the meta model,
 - ⇒ activity inputs and outputs are specified in the meta model
 - ⇒ Methodology is based on the meta model (e.g. data analysis for application landscaping)
 - ⇒ Semantics is specified through the meta model

design business architecture

design application landscape
design software architecture
planning
reference architecture

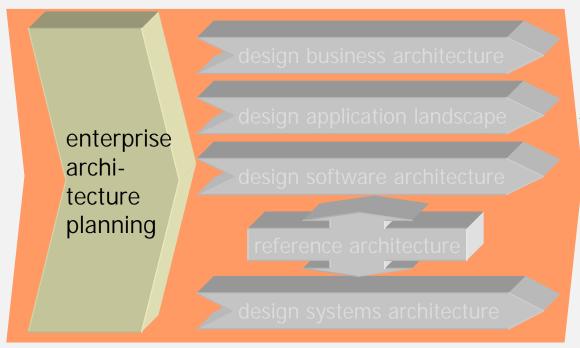
design systems architecture

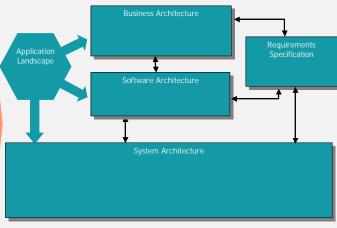




Enterprise Architecture Planning

- Integrate and consolidate enterprise architecture
- Analyze enterprise and IT strategy
 - derive implications on enterprise architecture
- Analyze application and project portfolio
 - evaluate strategic impact
 - derive value production
 - evaluate (costs ↔ risks ↔quality ↔functionality)
- Market research
 - IT-technology
 - methods und tools
 - standards

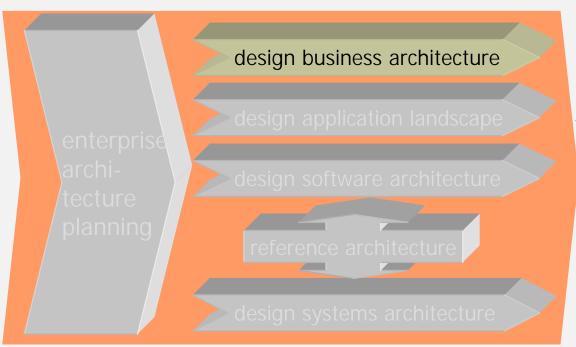


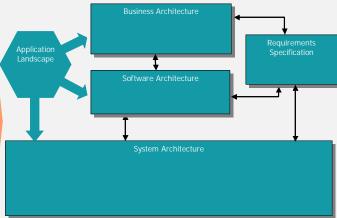




Design Business Architecture

- develop and maintain enterprise wide business architecture as enterprise architecture module
- develop component portfolio (business components, business objects)
- develop process portfolio (business cases, deliverables, business processes, actors)
- goals and constraints
- specify requirements
- develop glossary
- supply business architecture for enterprise wide use

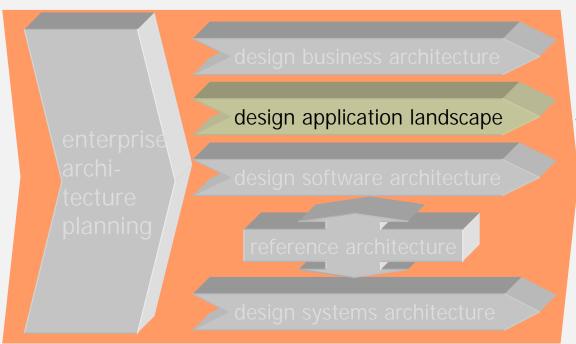


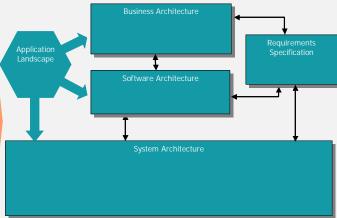




Design Application Landscape

- Analyze existing application portfolio and develop application landscaping plan
- specify application systems
 - Define responsibilities
 - Reference business, software and systems architecture
- Develop and evaluate future application portfolio scenarios
- Derive application portfolio development plan
- Control development process
- > Supply recent application portfolio and development plan for enterprise wide use

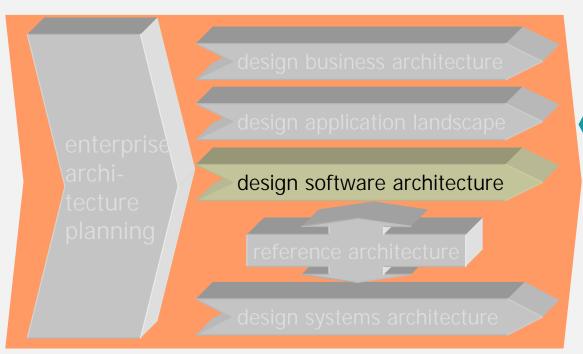


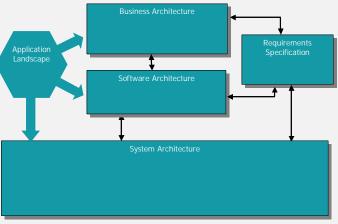




Design Software Architecture

- Develop and maintain enterprise wide software architecture (reference architecture) as module of enterprise architecture
- ascertain requirements
 - > non-functional / functional requirements
 - fundamentals
 - constraints
- develop and evaluate architecture scenarios
- > test scenarios and derive reference architectures
- Specify and control development plan

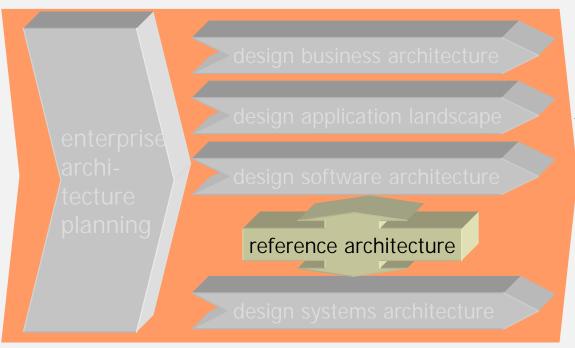


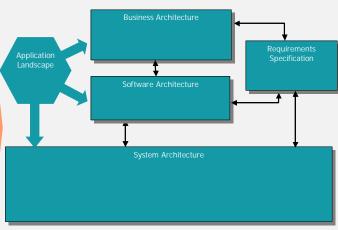




Reference Architecture

- Specification of valid reference architectures according to subject areas, e.g.
 - back office
 - mobile sales support
 - intranet
 - internet
 - data warehouse
- Definition of coverage to functional and non-functional requirements
- Specification of conformity with fundamentals and constraints
- Documentation of heuristics and patterns

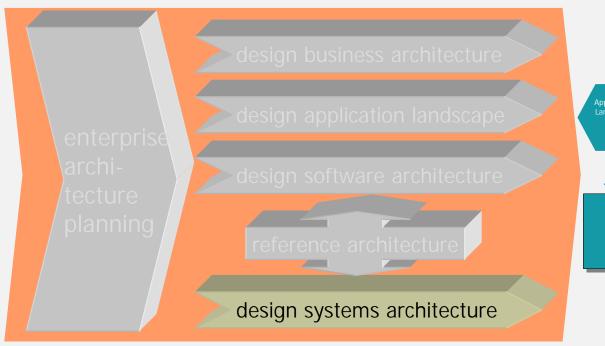


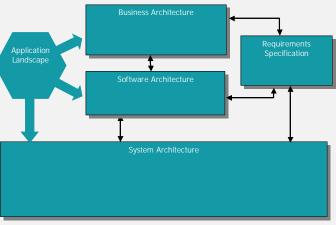




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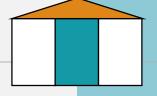
- Develop and maintain enterprise wide technology model as module of enterprise architecture
- Conduct technology projects (development, optimization, procurement)
- Create technology model ("tool basket")
- Supply technology model for enterprise wide use
 - "tool basket"
 - standards (e.g. guidelines for deployment and operations)
 - capacity specifications







Architecture management processes



Strategic architecture management

design enterprise architecture design application landscape

design business architecture Operational architecture management

design software architecture

design systems architecture implement reference architecture

enterprise strategy

- goals
- constraints
- metrics
- ...

implementation

- processes
- application systems
- organisation
- infrastructure
- · ...



EAM Organization

The EAM House

Organization

EA roles

- Enterprise Architect
- Software Architect
- ReUse Manager
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committees

- Architecture board
- Sounding board
- . . .

Critical success factors

- · Bridging the gap -
- diversify /distribute EA functions
- . . .

Organizational principles & patterns

- Accountability
- Punctuality
- . .

Marketing patterns

- •EA motivation
- •EA goal setting
- •EA information
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Best practices

- Find a mentor
- Decentralize architecture development
- Concentrate on low hanging fruits
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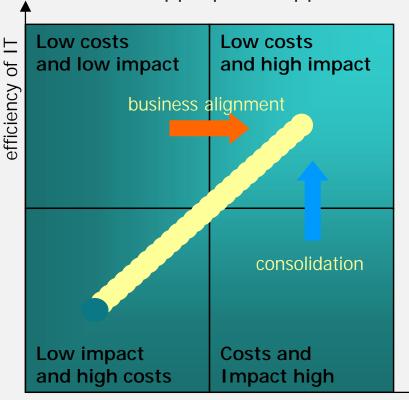


Benefits of enterprise architecture management

... result from contribution to IT's efficiency and effectiveness:

- ⇒ effectiveness (Do the right things.): architecture management plans and develops business architecture and application portfolio aligned to enterprise strategy
- ⇒ efficiency (Do things right.): architecture management cares for cost efficient and appropriate applications and infrastructure.

effectiveness of IT



An enterprise architecture managment programm needs a clear perspective:

- The business approach. The red way needs an anchor in business, operationalized strategy. The initialization needs fairly stable targets.
- The technical approach. The blue way needs a clear methodology, a database, able to deal with scale and different aspects (business, applications, infrastructure).



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