

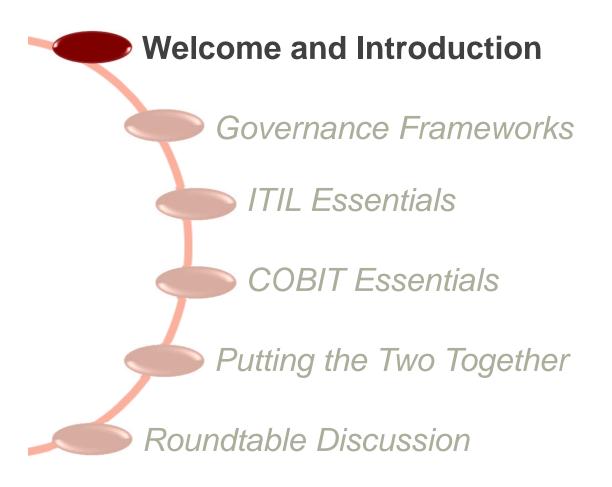
One Part ITIL, One Part COBIT The ingredients for repeatable and controlled processes to support IT services

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Welcome and Introduction

Abstract

Considering the many challenges faced by organizations today, leveraging frameworks to assist in creating repeatable approaches to managing and controlling IT services is a logical, yet difficult task. With so many best practices in the market today, how can one know which ones are applicable? Consider two basic tenets of every IT service provider: provide value in delivered services, and ensure proper governance and control of the processes that support them. This is where the IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL) and Control Objectives for Information and Related Technology (COBIT) play a valuable role. In this presentation we will explore 1) the essential elements of each framework, 2) their applicability in the growing role of IT in today's organizations, and 3) how to leverage these together in a cohesive approach to delivering, managing and controlling effective IT processes. In this presentation and follow on discussion, participants will gain not only an appreciation of the utility of these frameworks, but will walk away with the knowledge (and perhaps) a plan on how to implement these powerful tools at their companies.



Welcome and Introduction

What you will know when you leave here today

The purpose of today's presentation is to provide an overview of the ITIL and COBIT frameworks and how they can work together. When we leave here today, you should understand:

- The fundamentals of GEIT (Governance of Enterprise IT).
- Current frameworks that are growing in applicability and popularity in the market (ITIL, COBIT).
- Examples of how these frameworks can work together to satisfy two basic tenets of every IT service provider: provide value in delivered services, and ensure proper governance and control of the processes that support them.



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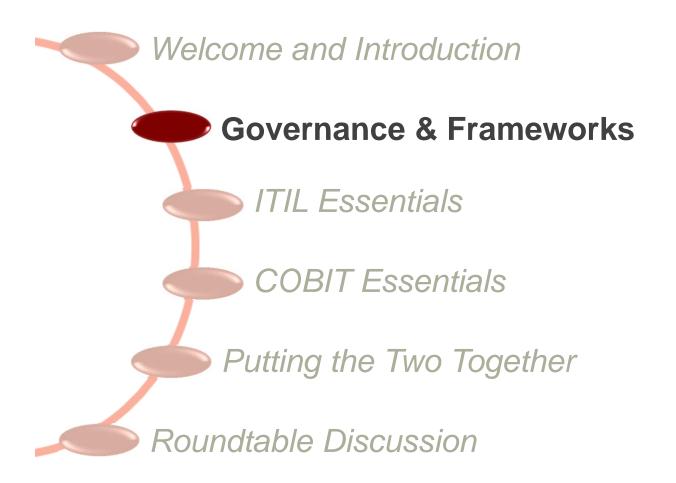
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Applicable Trends

The following trends are driving the need for governance frameworks that provide consistent approach to delivering services:

- Rising demand for best practices is driven by requirements to become more competitive while holding costs down.
- Drivers for framework adoption include pressures created by demand for conformance and performance.
- Historically, IT Service Providers were self-directed and considered cost centers – today, best practices help these providers focus on meeting enterprise objectives.
- As IT moves up the list of strategic goals contribution, justifying technology investments grows - therefore the need for best practices.









GEIT

Governance of Enterprise IT

Governance GEIT Background and Definition

Governance, IT Governance, and GEIT may have different meanings to different enterprises depending on the context.

- Fundamental concern is with IT value delivery to the business and the mitigation of IT related risk.
- Powerful resource to help achieve important objectives.
- Objectives include:
 - Benefit Realization
 - Risk Optimization
 - Resource optimization

COBIT 5 defines governance as:

Governance ensures that stakeholder needs, conditions and options are evaluated to determine balanced, agreed-on enterprise objectives to be achieved; setting direction through prioritization and decision making; and monitoring performance and compliance against agreed-on direction and objectives.

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Governance

Governance of Enterprise IT (GEIT) is driven by many conditions and circumstances determined by numerous factors in the internal and external environments.

- Ethics and culture
- Laws, regulations, policies
- International standards
- Industry practices
- Competitive environment

- The enterprise:
 - Mission, vision, goals, values
 - Governance policies and practices
 - Culture and management style
 - Models for roles and responsibilities
 - Business plans and strategic intentions
 - Operating model and level of maturity

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Frameworks The Need for Frameworks

Effective IT Governance needs a control framework. The following are requirements for a control framework.

- The need for sharper business focus driven by business needs.
- A common language with a standardized process model, objectives, and tools suitable for any type or size of organization.
- A sound framework for ensuring IT compliance with applicable regulatory and security requirements.
- A reliable and useful source based on best practices which are generally accepted in the industry.



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Frameworks





Although there are several methodologies and frameworks competing for the attention of IT leadership, the following are some of the most popular and applicable today.

- Service Management: ITIL, MOF, USMBOK
- IT Governance: COBIT
- Enterprise Architecture: TOGAF
- Project/Portfolio Management: PMBOK, PRINCE2, P3O, BABOK
- International Standards: ISO38500, ISO20000, ISO27000
- Application/Software Development: SWEBOK, SDLC, Agile
- Process & Quality Management: BPM-CBOK, Six Sigma, CMMI



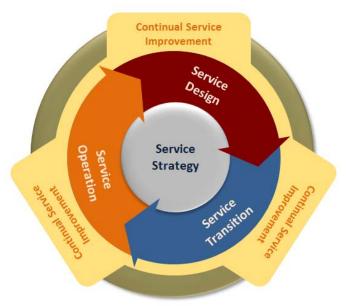




ITIL Essentials Background

ITIL is the most widely accepted approach to IT service management in the world which provides a cohesive set of best practice guidance drawn from public and private sectors.

- Originally developed by the UK's Office of Government Commerce (OGC) and has become a world-wide de facto standard in Service Management.
- The Guidance, documented in a set of five books, describes an integrated, process based, best practice framework for managing IT services.
- Currently these books are the only comprehensive, non-proprietary, publicly available guidance for IT Service Management.



Based on Cabinet Office ITIL® material.



ITIL Essentials

Key Components

The ITIL framework identifies all applicable processes, roles, and functions required to effectively deliver services to customers.



Services



Processes



Roles



Functions

A means of delivering value to customers by facilitating outcomes customers want to achieve without the ownership of costs and risks.

Email

A coordinated set of activities combining and implementing resources and capabilities in order to produce an outcome which creates value.

> Incident Management

A set of connected behaviors or actions that are performed by a person, team or group for a specific outcome.

> Incident Manager

Units of organization specialized to perform certain types of work and are responsible for certain outcomes.

Service Desk

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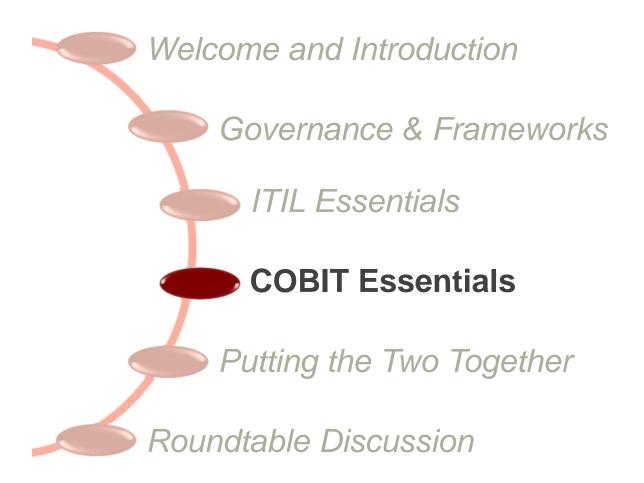


ITIL Essentials

Phases, Processes, Functions

SS Service Strategy	SD Service Design	ST Service Transition	SO Service Operations	CSI Service Improvement
Strategy Management Financial Management Service Portfolio Management Demand Management Business Relationship Management	Design Coordination Service Level Management Service Catalog Management Availability Management Capacity Management Information Security Management Service Continuity Management Supplier Management	Change Management Service Asset and Configuration Management Release and Deployment Management Knowledge Management Transition Planning and Support Service Validation and Testing Change Evaluation	Incident Management Request Fulfillment Problem Management Access Management Service Desk Technical Management Application Management Operations Management	7-Step Improvement







Background

Earlier this year, ISACA completed the rollout from COBIT 4.1 to COBIT 5. COBIT 5 provides an end-to-end business view of the governance of enterprise IT that reflects the central role of both information and technology in creating value for enterprises.

engaged in
implementation
activities can
transition to COBIT
5 and incorporate
this into future
iterations of their
improvement cycles

- COBIT 5 builds on previous versions of COBIT (including Val IT and Risk IT).
- Some new changes include:
 - Increased focus on enablers
 - New process reference model
 - New and modified processes
 - Management practices (formerly control objectives)
 - New maturity model

ISACA – Information Systems Audit and Control Association. ITGI – IT Governance Institute



Product Family

COBIT 5

COBIT 5 ENABLER GUIDES

COBIT 5
Enabling Processes

COBIT 5
Enabling Information

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COBIT 5 for Risk

Other Professional Guides

COBIT 5 ONLINE COLLABORATIVE ENVIRONMENT

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COBIT 5 Essentials

Key Principles

COBIT 5 is based on five key principles for governance and management of enterprise IT:

- Meeting Stakeholder Needs
- Covering the Enterprise End-to-End
- Applying a Single Integrated Framework
- Enabling a Holistic Approach
- Separating Governance From Management



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Meeting Stakeholder Needs

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Covering the Enterprise End-to-End

Applying a Single Integrated Framework

Enabling a Holistic Approach

Separating
Governance From
Management

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Enterprises exist to create value for their stakeholders. The COBIT 5 Goals Cascade is a mechanism to translate stakeholder needs into specific, practical and customized goals.

Step 1

Stakeholder Drivers Influence Stakeholder Needs

Step 2

Stakeholder Needs Cascade to Enterprise Goals

Step 3

Enterprise Goals Cascade to IT Related Goals

Step 4

IT-related Goals Cascade to Enabler Goals



Covering the Enterprise End-to-End

Meeting Stakeholder Needs

Covering the Enterprise End-to-End

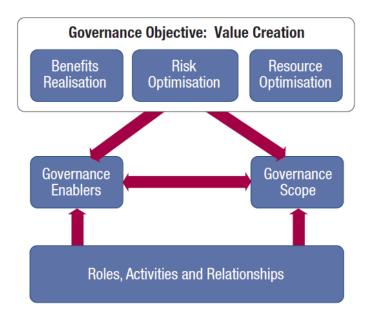
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COBIT 5 addresses the governance and management of information and related technology from an enterprise wide, end-to-end perspective:





Applying a Single Integrated Framework

Meeting Stakeholder Needs

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COBIT 5 is a single integrated framework because it:

- aligns with other latest relevant standards and frameworks.
- is a single overarching framework that can serve as a consistent and integrated source of guidance.
- is presented in non-technical, technologyagnostic common language.
- can act as the overarching governance and management framework integrator.

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Enabling a Holistic Approach

Meeting Stakeholder Needs

Covering the Enterprise End-to-End

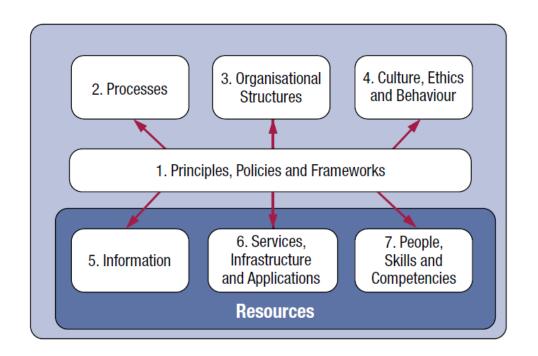
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Enablers are driven by the goals cascade. The COBIT 5 framework describes seven categories of enablers:





Separating Governance From Management

Meeting Stakeholder Needs

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Governance and Management encompass different types of activities, require different organizational structures and serve different purposes.

Governance

Ensures that stakeholder needs, conditions and options are evaluated to determine balanced, agreed-on enterprise objectives to be achieved; setting direction through prioritization and decision making; and monitoring performance and compliance against agreed-on direction and objectives.

Management

Plans, builds, runs and monitors activities in alignment with the direction set by the governance body to achieve the enterprise objectives.



Process Reference Model

Meeting Stakeholder Needs

Covering the Enterprise End-to-End

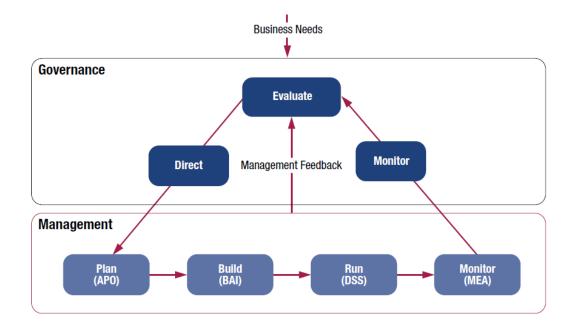
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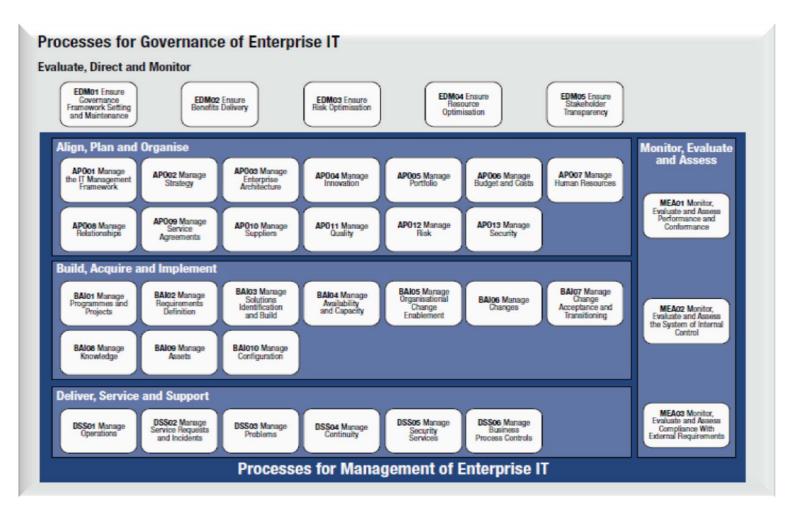
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The COBIT 5 Process Reference Model describes in detail a number of governance and management processes.





Process Reference Model



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Process Reference Model

Processes for Governance of Enterprise IT

Processes for Management of Enterprise IT

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EVALUATE, DIRECT & MONITOR		ALIGN, PLAN & ORGANIZE		BUILD, ACQUIRE & IMPLEMENT		DELIVER, SERVICE & SUPPORT		MONITOR, EVALUATE & ASSESS	
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Enabling Processes

Each of the governance and management processes defined in the Process Reference Model includes detailed process-related content (found in the COBIT 5 Enabling Processes Guide).

Process Identification

Process label (domain prefix) and process number

Domain and Process name

Area of the process (governance or management)

Process Description

Overview of the process
How the process
accomplishes its
purpose

Process Purpose Statement

Description of the overall purpose of the process

Goals Cascade Information

Reference and description of the ITrelated goals that are primarily supported by the process

Metrics to measure the achievement of the IT-related goals

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Enabling Processes

Process Reference Guide information continued...

Process Goals & Metrics

Set of process goals Limited number of example metrics

RACI Chart

Suggested assignment of levels of responsibilities

Responsible, Accountable, Consulted, Informed

Detailed Practice Descriptions

For each process practice, includes: title and description, inputs and outputs, process activities

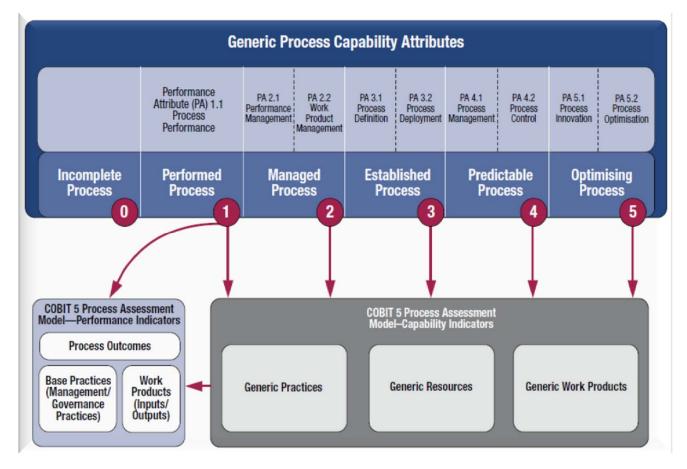
Related Guidance

References to other standards

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Process Capability Model



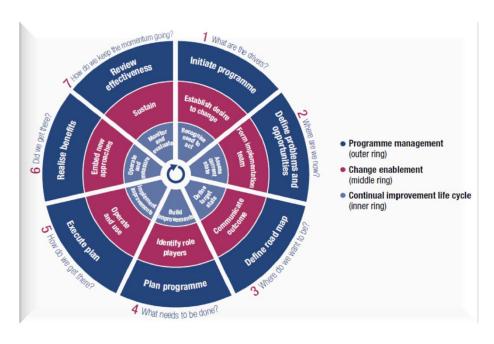
The COBIT 5
Process
Capability
Model provides
a consistent
approach to
assessing and
defining
process
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Continual Lifecycle Approach

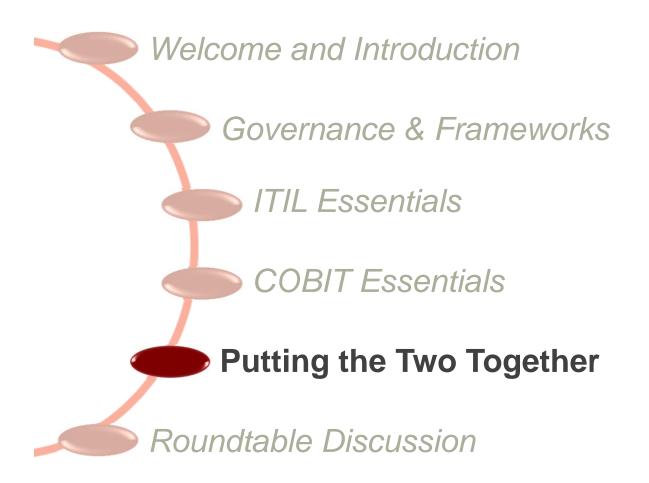
A continual approach provides a method to address the complexities and challenges normally encountered during GEIT implementations. The Seven Phases of the implementation lifecycle are illustrated below.



- What are the drivers?
- Where are we now?
- Where do we want to be?
- What needs to be done?
- How do we get there?
- Did we get there?
- How do we keep the momentum going?

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Integration Objectives

ITIL and COBIT are actually highly complimentary and can help organizations achieve the following key integration objectives.

- Implement and manage IT Service Management processes to achieve business goals while meeting governance requirements.
- Enable clear process goals which are driven by business goals coupled with a meaningful measurement scheme.
- Ensure IT governance and control by providing benefits realization, risk optimization, and resource optimization.

Because of its high
level approach, broad
coverage, and is based
on many existing
practices, COBIT can
easily be used as the
integrator that brings
multiple practices
under one framework
and links those to
business objectives.



General Comparison

Organizations wanting to adopt ITIL need effective GEIT for a successful implementation. COBIT provides this broad based framework.

COBIT - "What to do"

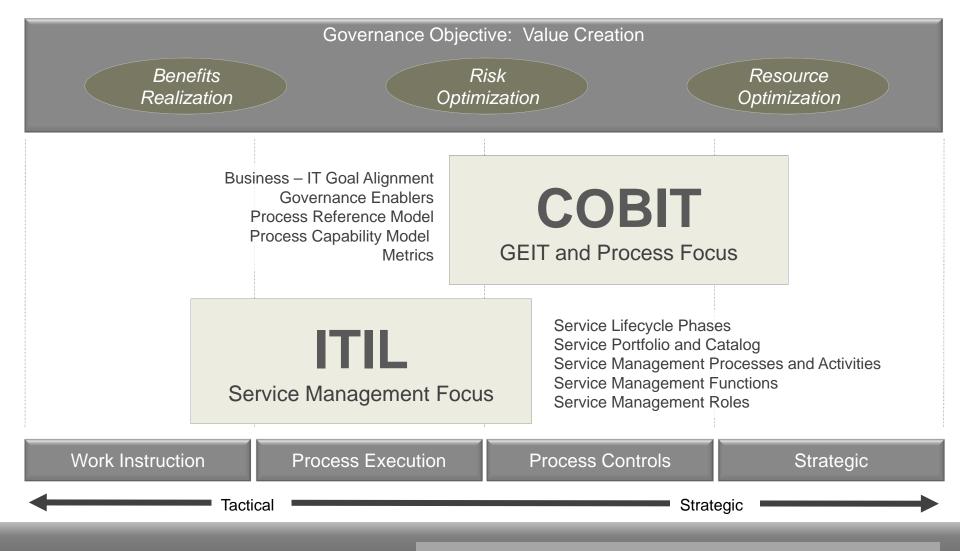
- Assists in goal alignment by cascading.
- Defines processes based on business requirements.
- Separates governance from management.
- Intended to support GEIT and is applicable to most organizations.

ITIL - "How to do it"

- Defines best practice processes for Service Management and includes process activities.
- Processes are more comprehensive and described with activities and flowcharts to assist in implementation.
- Processes can be easily mapped to the COBIT Framework to create effective guidance.



Integration

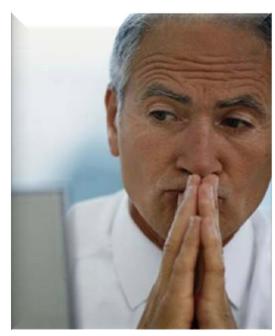




Consideration Areas

Combining COBIT and ITIL in governance implementations is not a trivial endeavor. It requires organizations to address the following complex areas:

- Define IT goals and objectives that are aligned with the business.
- Create and deliver services that provides value to the customer.
- Provide security, compliance, and risk management for information.
- Ensure continuous improvement.





Representative Case Study

The following case study represents a sample approach to using the ITIL and COBIT frameworks in an improvement scenario.

Description

This datacenter provides outsourced IT managed services for the small to mid-sized market nationally. The datacenter was a multi-tenet environment which provided outsourced email, applications, and service desk functions.

Issues

The datacenter had been experiencing decreasing customer service scores and was continually challenged with migration frustrations. Following an independent assessment of their Service Management processes, they decided to focus on ITIL and CobiT frameworks to improve their effectiveness and efficiency in Service Management.

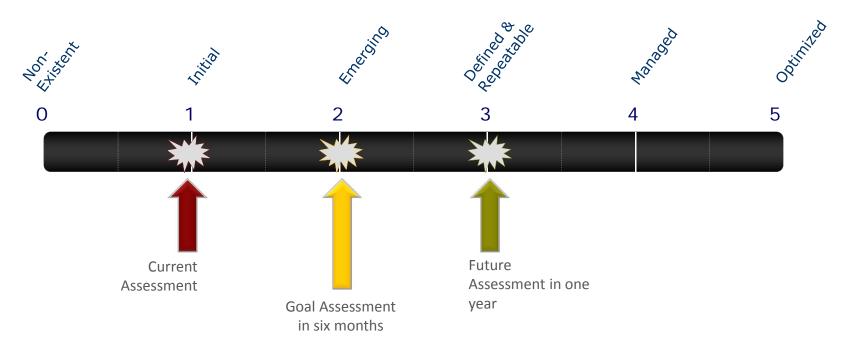
Solution

Use ITIL and COBIT 4.1 fundamentals to increase the original assessment score. Conduct a phased one year approach to control the change tempo in order to keep customer disruption to a minimum.



Representative Case Study

Based on the maturity assessment, the datacenter committed to the following improvement targets.



Note – these scores represent the aggregated maturity level for multiple processes. For the assessment, they mapped their current ITIL processes to Cobit 4.1 processes, and used the Cobit 4.1 maturity model (with some slight internal modifications).



Representative Case Study

The following methodology was used to guide this improvement effort. ITIL and COBIT were the primary frameworks used.

Understand Governance Requirements

Determine all governance and compliance requirements from internal and external sources.

Develop Enterprise, Corporate, and IT Governance models that leverage the COBIT and ITIL Frameworks.

Align With the Business

Use COBIT to document business goals and objectives and develop corresponding IT goals and objectives.

Ensure all governance and compliance requirements are considered.

Define Services

Use ITIL to define and agree on a portfolio of services that meet the business requirements.

Services should be considered from a customer perspective, and further documented in an actionable service catalog with SLAs.

Define Processes

Use COBIT to determine the processes required with RACI and metrics.

Use ITIL to design the processes to effectively deliver, support, and continuously improve services.

Map processes to appropriate COBIT components.

Measure and Control

Use COBIT to Execute, monitor and measure processes to ensure they deliver the services defined that support the customer.

Administer an assurance program that ensures appropriate governance.

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Putting the Two Together

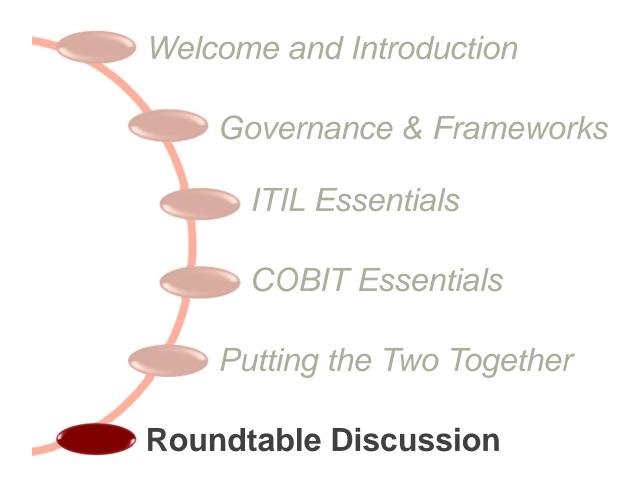
Success Factors

Whether you go down the ITIL path, COBIT path, or both, there are some key success factors that should always be considered:

- Management commitment.
- Process ownership and accountability.
- Training and communication.
- Embrace processes and procedures into the culture.
- Continual improvement and measurements.







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Roundtable Discussion

Topics

- How have you used ITIL, COBIT, or both effectively in your organization?
- Have you encountered any challenges in your implementation efforts? Do you have suggestions on how to handle those challenges?
- Are there any tricks to ensuring accountability in an organization?
- Besides ITIL and COBIT, what other frameworks or standards have you found to be helpful?
- Management commitment is a critical success factor to the success of GEIT:
 - What does management commitment really mean?
 - What are some ways to achieve this?