# S5: Enterprise Governance of IT COBIT 5

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## **Setting the scene**

"Firms with superior IT governance have at least 20% higher profits...than firms with poor governance given the same strategic objectives."

(Louis Boyle, VP Gartner EXP, 2006)

## IT governance definitions

IT governance is the organizational capacity exercised by the board, executive management and IT management to control the formulation and implementation of IT strategy and in this way ensuring the fusion of business and IT.

(Van Grembergen, 2002)

IT governance is the responsibility of the board of directors and executive management. It is an integral part of enterprise governance and consists of the leadership and organizational structures and processes that ensure that the organization's IT sustains and extends the organization's strategies and objectives.

(IT Governance Institute, 2001)



## **Moving to Enterprise Governance of IT**

Enterprise governance of IT (EGIT) is an integral part of enterprise governance exercised by the Board overseeing the definition and implementation of processes, structures and relational mechanisms in the organisation enabling both business and IT people to execute their responsibilities in support of business/IT alignment and the creation of business value from IT-enabled business investments.

(Van Grembergen & De Haes, 2009)



## Structures, processes and relational mechanisms

#### **Structures**

Roles and responsibilities, IT organisation structure, CIO on Board, IT strategy committee, IT steering committee(s)

#### **Processes**

Strategic Information Systems Planning, (IT) BSC, Information Economics, SLA, COBIT, Val IT, ITIL, IT alignment / governance maturity models

## Enterprise governance of IT

### Relational mechanisms

Active participation and collaboration between principle stakeholders, Partnership rewards and incentives, Business/IT co-location, Cross-functional business/IT training and rotation

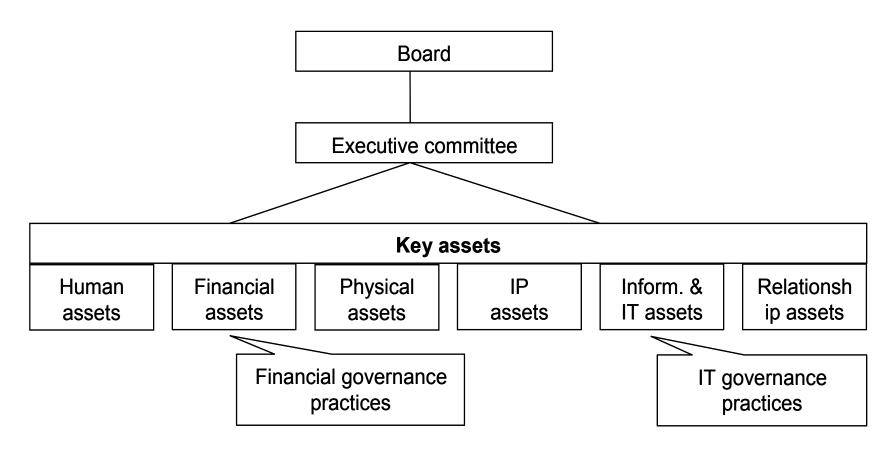


## The knowing-doing gap

- •While organisations do recognise EGIT's importance, they are still struggling with getting such governance practices implemented and embedded into their organisations ('knowing-doing gap')
- •Need for an organizational system, i.e. "the way a firm gets its people to work together to carry out the business". (De Wit and Meyer, 2005).



## **Key assets governance**



## ISO/IEC 38500 (2008): Corporate governance of information technology

#### Scope

- This standard provides guiding principles for directors of organizations (including owners, board members, directors, partners, senior executives, or similar) on the effective, efficient, and acceptable use of Information Technology (IT) within their organizations.
- This standard applies to the governance of management processes (and decisions) relating to the information and communication services used by an organization. These processes could be controlled by IT specialists within the organization or external service providers, or by business units within the organization

## ISO/IEC 38500 (2008): Principles for Enterprise Governance of IT

#### **Principle 1: Responsibility**

Individuals and groups within the organization understand and accept their responsibilities in respect of both supply of, and demand for IT. Those with responsibility for actions also have the authority to perform those actions.

#### **Principle 2: Strategy**

The organization's business strategy takes into account the current and future capabilities of IT; the strategic plans for IT satisfy the current and ongoing needs of the organization's business strategy.

#### **Principle 3: Acquisition**

IT acquisitions are made for valid reasons, on the basis of appropriate and ongoing analysis, with clear and transparent decision making. There is appropriate balance between benefits, opportunities, costs, and risks, in both the short term and the long term.

#### **Principle 4: Performance**

IT is fit for purpose in supporting the organization, providing the services, levels of service and service quality required to meet current and future business requirements.

#### **Principle 5: Conformance**

IT complies with all mandatory legislation and regulations. Policies and practices are clearly defined, implemented and enforced.

#### **Principle 6: Human Behaviour**

IT policies, practices and decisions demonstrate respect for Human Behaviour, including the current and evolving needs of all the 'people in the process'.

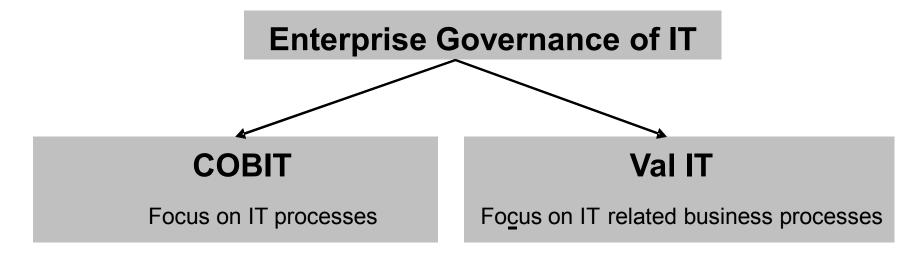
## ISO/IEC 38500 (2008): Corporate governance of information technology

Model

Directors should govern IT through three main tasks:

- a) Evaluate the current and future use of IT.
- b) Direct preparation and implementation of plans and policies to ensure that use of IT meets business objectives.
- c) Monitor conformance to policies, and performance against the plans.

## **COBIT and VAL IT as frameworks for Enterprise Governance of IT**





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**EVALUATE** 

**Business and** Governance **Objectives** 

PO1. define a strategic IT plan

PO2. define the information architecture

PO3. determine technological direction

PO4. define the IT processes, organization and relationships

PO5. manage the IT investment

PO6.communicate management aims and direction

PO7. manage IT human resources

PO8. manage quality

PO9. assess and manage risk

PO10. manage projects

### **COBIT framework**

ME1. monitor and evaluate IT performance ME2. monitor and evaluate internal control

ME3. ensure regulatory compliance

ME4. provide IT governance

#### Criteria

INFORMATION

- effectiveness
- efficiency confidentiality
- integrity availability
- compliance

#### reliability

# **MONITOR AND**

#### IT RESOURCES

**DELIVERY AND** 

SUPPORT

- · application systems
- Infrastructure
- people

#### DS1. define and manage service levels

- DS2. manage third party services
- DS3. manage performance and capacity
- DS4. ensure continuous service
- DS5. ensure systems security
- DS6. identify and allocate costs
- DS7. educate and train users
- DS8. manage service desk and incidents
- DS9. manage the configuration
- DS10. manage problems
- DS11. manage data
- DS12. manage the physical environment
- DS13.manage operations

#### **ACQUISITION AND IMPLEMENTATION**

Al1. identify automated solutions

Al2. acquire and maintain application software

Al3. acquire and maintain technology infrastructure

**PLANNING AND** 

**ORGANISATION** 

Al4, enable operation and use

Al5. procure IT resources Al6. manage changes

AI7. install and accredit solutions and changes

### **Example: Detailed Control Objectives for Manage Changes (Al6)**

#### AI6.1 Change Standards and Procedures

Set up formal change management procedures to handle in a standardised manner all requests (including maintenance and patches) for changes to applications, procedures, processes, system and service parameters, and the underlying platforms.

#### AI6.2 Impact Assessment, Prioritisation and Authorisation

Ensure that all requests for change are assessed in a structured way for impacts on the operational system and its functionality. This assessment should include categorisation and prioritisation of changes. Prior to migration to production, changes are authorized by the appropriate stakeholder.

#### AI6.3 Emergency Changes

Establish a process for defining, raising, assessing and authorising emergency changes that do not follow the established change process. Documentation and testing should be performed, possibly after implementation of the emergency change.

#### AI6.4 Change Status Tracking and Reporting

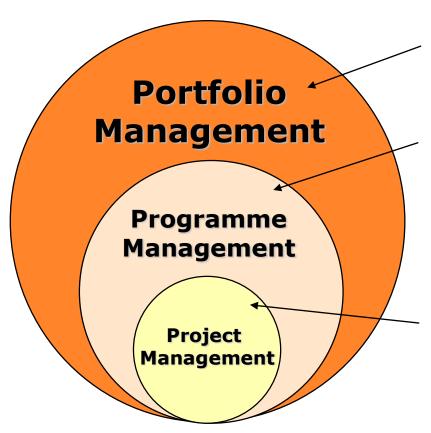
Establish a tracking and reporting system for keeping change requestors and relevant stakeholders up to date about the status of the change to applications, procedures, processes, system and service parameters, and the underlying platforms.

#### AI6.5 Change Closure and Documentation

Whenever system changes are implemented, update the associated system and user documentation and procedures accordingly. Establish a review process to ensure complete implementation of changes.

## Val IT: Projects, Programmes, Portfolios and Value

**Value** – the end business outcome expected from an IT-enabled business investment where such outcomes may be financial, non-financial or a combination of the two.

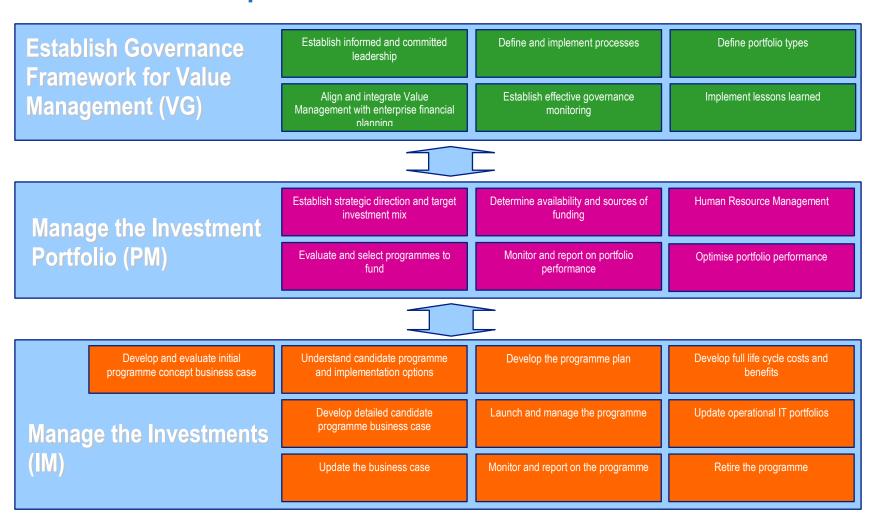


**Portfolio** – a suite of business programmes managed to optimise overall **enterprise value** 

**Programme** – a structured grouping of projects that are both necessary and sufficient to achieve a business outcome and deliver value, including business change management, business processes, people, etc. (primary unit of investment within VALIT)

**Project** – a structured set of activities concerned with delivering a defined capability based on an agreed schedule and budget (that is necessary but not sufficient to achieve a required business outcome)

#### Val IT: Relationship between Processes & Practices



#### Relational mechanisms (Peterson, 2003)

#### Effective communications and knowledge sharing

- Active participation and collaboration of principle stakeholders
- Partnership rewards and incentives
- Business/IT collocation
- Cross-functional business/IT training and job rotation
- IT leadership

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## Implementation of EGIT in practice

#### Requires:

A holistic set of

- Governance Processes
- Structures
- Relational Mechanisms

**Structures Processes Enterprise governance of IT** Relational mechanisms

at all 3 layers of the organization.

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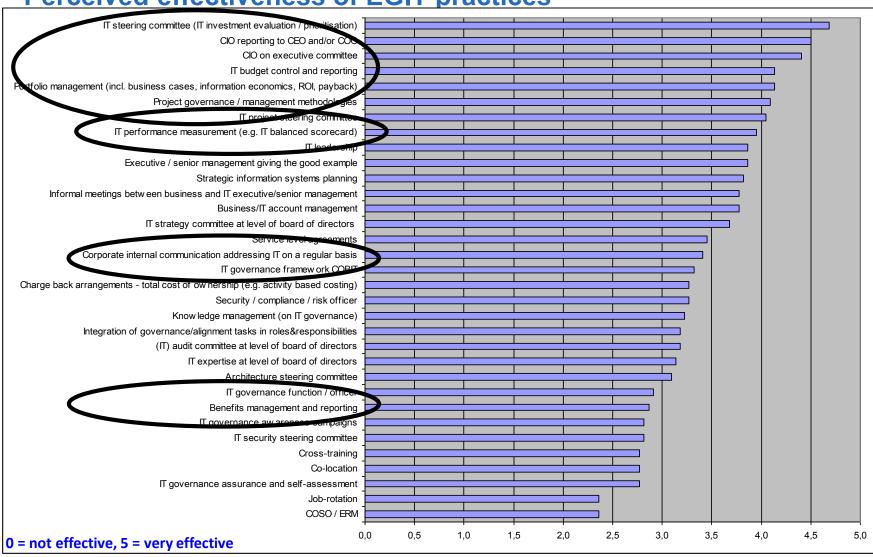
## Implementation...

"a list of 33 EGIT practices based on delphi research"

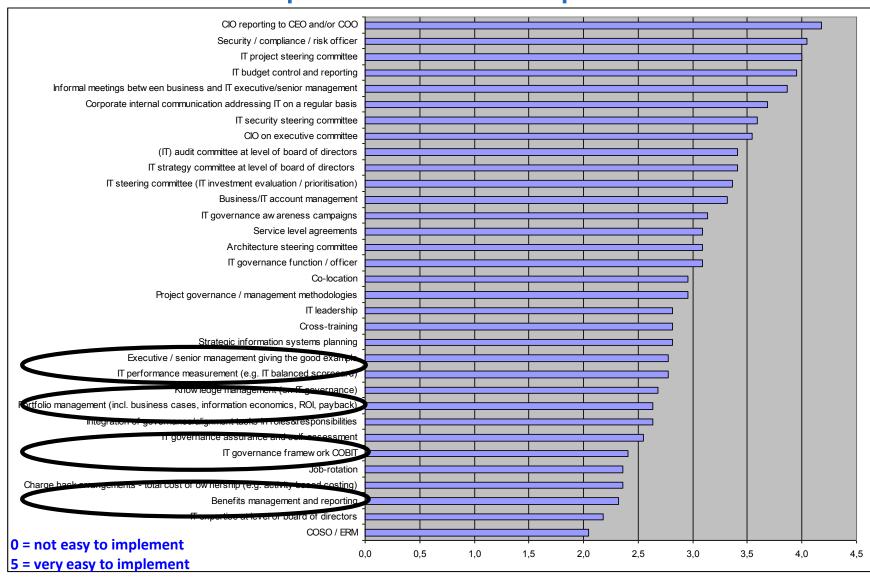
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S		S2	ľ	expertise at level of board of directors	Members of the board of directors have expertise and experience regarding the value and risk of IT
		S3	a	T) audit committee at level of board of directors	Indepent committee at level of board of directors overviewing (IT) assurance activities
		S4	d	IO on executive committee	CIO is a full member of the executive committee
		S5		IO (Chief Information Officer) reporting to CEO (Chief Executive Officer)	CIO has a direct reporting line to the CEO and/or COO
		Số	ľ	steering committee (IT investment evaluation / prioritisation at executive /	Steering committee at executive or senior
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		S7	ľ	Fgovernance function / officer	Function in the organsation responsible for promoting, driving and managing IT governance processes
		S8	S	ecurity / compliance / risk officer	Function responsible for security, compliance and/or risk, which possibly impacts IT
		S9	ľ	Fproject steering committee	Steering committee composed of business and IT people focusing on prioritising and managing IT projects
		S10	ľ	Security steering committee	Steering committee composed of business and IT people focusing on IT related risks and security issues
		S11	Ц	rchitecture steering committee	Committee composed of business and IT people providing architecture guidelines and advise on their applications.
		S12	Ц	ttegration of governance/alignment tasks in roles&responsibilities	Documented roles&responsibilities include governance/alignment tasks for business and IT people (cf. Weill)
	200	Pl	S	rategic information systems planning	Formal process to define and update the IT strategy
	IT governance processes	P2	ľ	F performance measurement (e.g. IT balanced scorecard)	IT performance measurement in domains of corporate contribution, user orientation, operational excellence and future orientation
		P3	р	ortfolio management (incl. business cases, information economics, ROI, ayback)	Prioritisation process for IT investements and projects in which business and IT is involved (incl. business cases)
		P4	c	harge back arrangements - total cost of ownership (e.g. activity based osting)	Methodology to charge back IT costs to business units, to enable an understanding of the total cost of ownership
		P5	S	ervice level agreements	Formal agreements between business and IT about IT development projects or IT operations  The parations of the project of the
		P6	Π	I governance framework COBIT LL DIO	
		P7	ľ	Fgovernance assurance and self-assessment	Regular self-assessments or indepent assurance activities on the governance and control over IT
		P8	_	roject governance / management methodologies	Processes and methodologies to govern and manage IT projects
		P9	-	Fundget control and reporting	Processes to control and report upon budgets of IT investments and projects
		P10	Ш	enefits management and reporting	Processes to monitor the planned business benefits during and after implementation of the IT investments I projects.
		P11	÷	OSO / ERM	Framework for internal control
	relational mechanisms	R1	н	ob-rotation	IT staff working in the business units and business people working in IT
		R2	-	o-location	Physically locating business and IT people close to each other
		R3	-	ross-training	Training business people about IT and/or training IT people about business
		R4	Ц	nowledge management (on IT governance)	Systems (intranet,) to share and distribute knowledge about IT governance framework, responsibilities, tasks, etc.
		R5	Ш	usiness/IT account management	Bridging the gap between business and IT by means of account managers what as in-between
	nce	R6	E	xecutive / senior management in the continuous	Mechanisms artners"
	IT governance n	R7	Ī	uformal meetings between business and IT executive/senior management	Informal meetings, with no agenda, where business and IT senior management talk about general activities, directions, etc. (eg. during informal lunches)
		R8	ľ	leadership	Ability of CIO or similar role to articulate a vision for IT's role in the company and ensure that this vision is clearly understood by managers throughout the organisation
		R9	d	orporate internal communication addressing IT on a regular basis	Internal corporate communication regularly addresses general IT issues.
		R10	Ţ	F governance awareness campaigns	Campaigns to explain to business and IT people the need for IT governance
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Definition

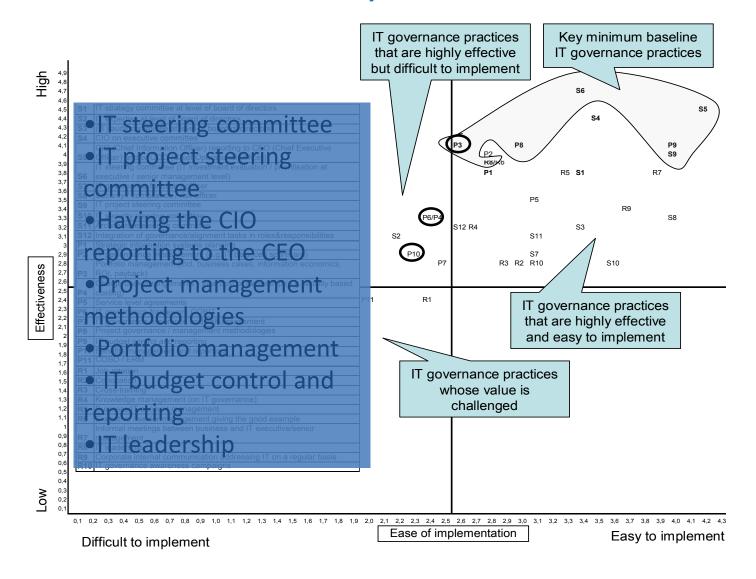
Perceived effectiveness of EGIT practices



## Perceived ease of implementation of EGIT practices



### **Effectiveness vs ease of implementation**





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#### Luftman assessment of business/IT alignment maturity

Validated instrument Used in many studies to assess business/IT alignment 6 attributes

- Communications maturity
- Competency/value measurements maturity
- Governance maturity
- Partnership maturity
- Scope & architecture maturity
- Skills maturity

extra-enterprise

routinely performed

## Luftman assessment of business/IT alignment maturity...

#### attribute characteristics level 1 characteristic level 5

#### communications maturity

 understanding of business by IT minimum pervasive understanding of IT by business minimum pervasive

• inter/intra-organizational learning casual, ad hoc strong and structured

 protocol rigidity command and control informal

 knowledge sharing ad hoc extra-enterprise

• liaison(s) breath/effectiveness none or ad hoc

#### competency/value measurements maturity

 IT metrics technical extended to external partners extended to external partners business metrics ad hoc

ad hoc, unlinked business, partner and IT metrics balanced metrics service level agreements sporadically present extended to external partners

not generally practiced routinely performed with partners benchmarking

 formal assessments/reviews routinely performed none

 continuous improvement none

#### governance maturity

 business strategic planning ad hoc integrated across & external • IT strategic planning integrated across & external ad hoc

• reporting/organization structure **CIO** reports to CFO **CIO reports to CEO** 

central/decentral federated

investment center, profit center budgetary/control cost center, erratic

• IT investment management cost based, erratic business value not formal, regular steering committee(s) partnership

 prioritization process value added partner reactive

## Luftman assessment of business/IT alignment maturity...

attribute	characteristics level 1	characteristic level 5		
partnership maturity				
<ul> <li>business perception of IT value</li> <li>role of IT in strategic business planning</li> <li>shared goals, risk, rewards/penalties</li> <li>IT program management</li> <li>relationship/trust style</li> <li>business sponsor/champion</li> <li>scope &amp; architecture maturity</li> </ul>	IT perceived as a cost no seat at business table IT takes risk ad hoc conflict/minimum none	IT co -adapts with business co-adaptive with business risks and rewards shared continuous improvement valued partnership at the CEO level		
<ul> <li>traditional, enabler/driver</li> <li>standards articulation</li> <li>architectural integration: <ul> <li>functional organization</li> <li>enterprise</li> <li>inter-enterprise</li> </ul> </li> <li>architectural transparency, flexibility</li> </ul>	traditional systems none or ad hoc no formal integration none	business strategy driver/enabler inter-enterprise standards evolve with partners integrated standard enterprise architecture with all partners across the infrastructure		
<ul> <li>skills maturity</li> <li>innovation, entrepreneurship</li> <li>locus of power</li> <li>management style</li> <li>change readiness</li> <li>career crossover</li> <li>education, cross-training</li> <li>attract &amp; retain best talent</li> </ul>	discouraged in the business command and control resistant to change none none no program	the norm all executives, including CIO relationship based high, focused across the enterprise across the enterprise effective program for hiring & retaining		



## **Example questions (partnership maturity)**

#### IT is perceived by the business as:

- A cost of doing business
- Emerging as an asset
- A fundamental enabler of future business activity
- A fundamental driver of future business activity
- A partner for the business that co-adapts/improvises in bringing value to the firm
- N/A or don't know

#### The following statements are about the IT and business relationship and trust.

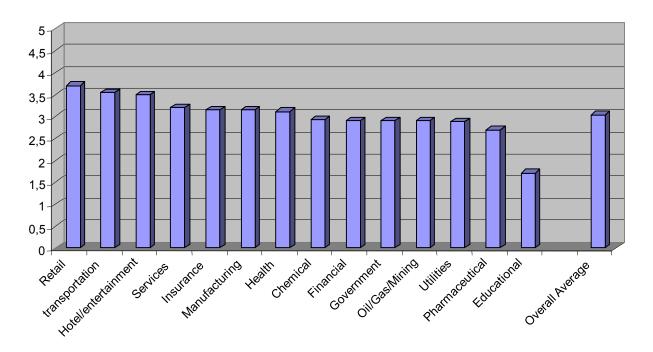
- There is a sense of conflict and mistrust between IT and the business.
- The association is primarily an "arm's length" transactional style of relationship. 2
- IT is emerging as a valued service provider.
- The association is primarily a long-term partnership style of relationship. 4
- The association is a long-term partnership and valued service provider. 5
- N/A or don't know

#### The following statements are about the cultural locus of power in making IT-based decisions. Our important IT decisions are made by:

- Top business management or IT management at the corporate level only 1
- 2 Top business or IT management at corporate level with emerging functional unit level influence
- Top business management at corporate and functional unit levels, with emerging shared influence from IT management
- 4 Top management (business and IT) across the organization and emerging influence from our business partners/alliances.
- 5 Top management across the organization with equal influence from our business partners/alliances.
- 6 N/A or don't know

## **Business / IT alignment international benchmark**

#### Alignment



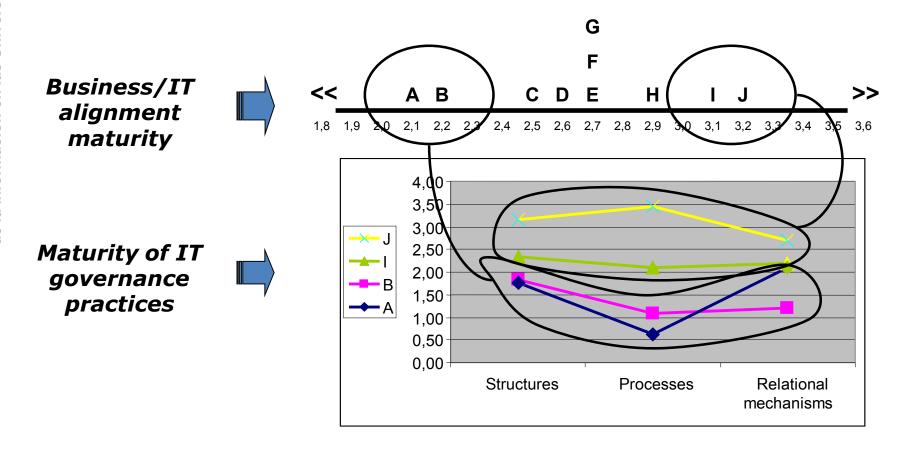


## **Business / IT alignment Belgian benchmark**

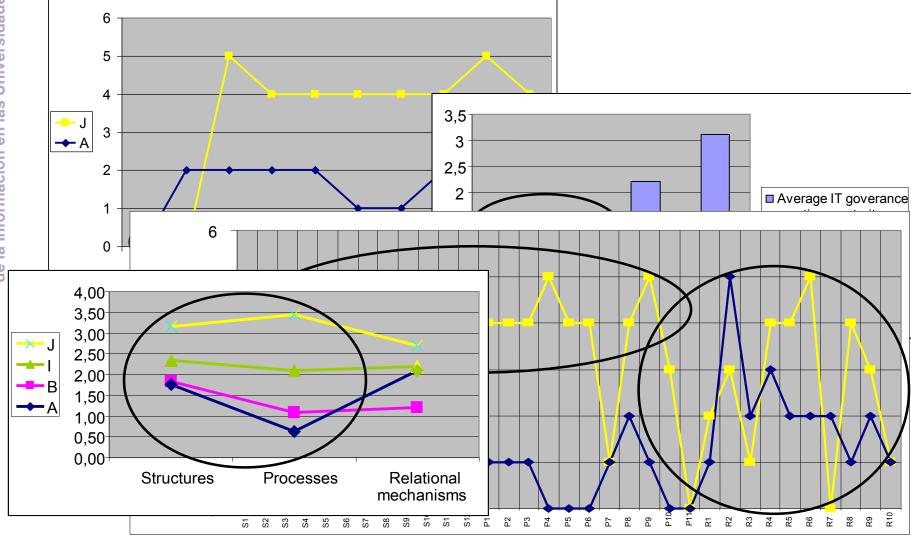
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B	5	3	2	2,27	2,00	0,27	2,16	-0,52	-19%
C	9	3	6	2,59	2,55	0,05	2,56	-0,12	-5%
D	6	3	3	2,98	2,35	0,64	2,67	-0,02	-1%
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### The relationship between EGIT and business/IT alignment



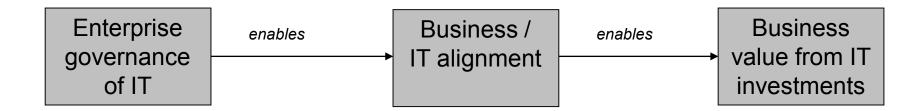
## Extreme cases analysis EGIT practices versus business / IT alignment



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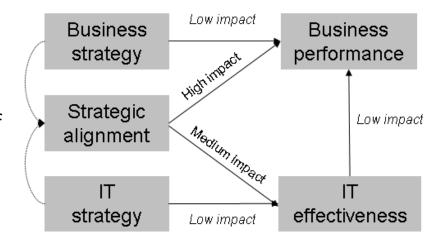
## From enterprise governance of IT to business value



## **Business/IT alignment and Business Value from IT**

Why is alignment important to an organization's success?

- Research from Chan and Bergeron: impact of alignment on business performance is higher than impact of business strategy or IT strategy
- Productivity paradox (Brynjolfson)



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## **COBIT, VALIT and Business Value**

### The validated research cascade model

### **COBIT and Val IT Processes**

#### IT and Business Governance Practices

**COBIT Processes** measured by Processes implementation status

Val IT processes measured by Processes implementation status

### IT Goals

**Technical Capability** measured by IT Goals achievement status

Operational Capability measured by IT Goals achievement status

IT related Business capability measured by IT goals achievement status

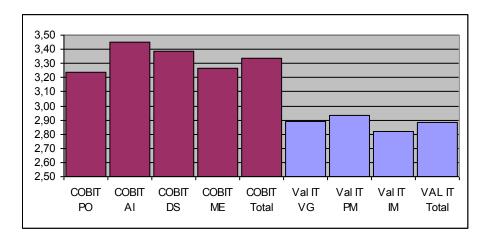
### **Business Goals**

Measured by Business Goals achievement status

**Business Outcome** 

## Implementation status COBIT and VALIT

- Operational oriented processes (AI and DS) are better implemented than planning (PO) monitoring (ME) processes.
- COBIT processes are better implemented than Val IT processes



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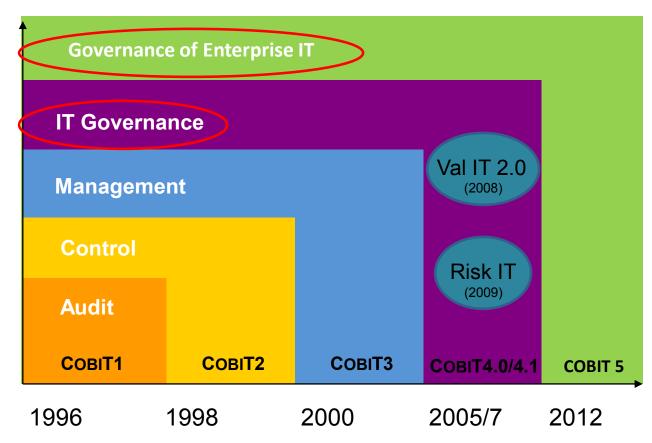
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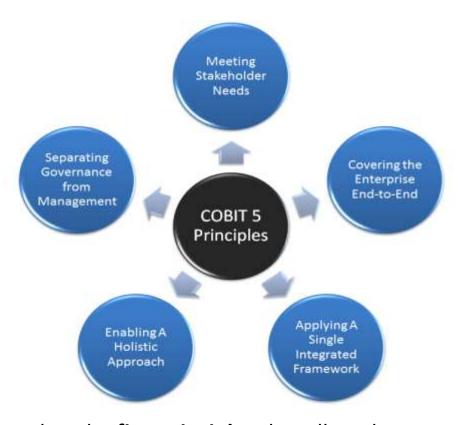
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## **COBIT** evolution





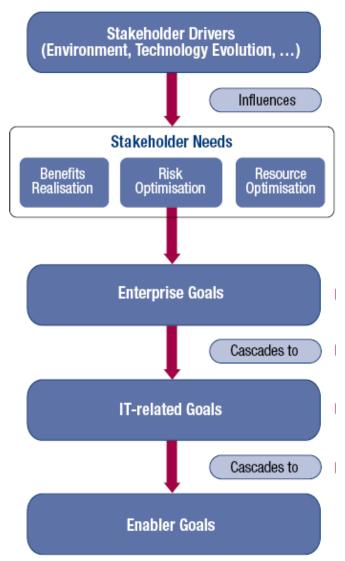
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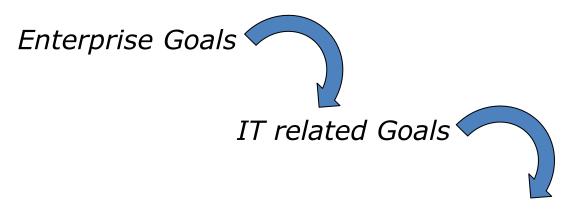
**COBIT 5** brings together the **five principles** that allow the enterprise to build an effective governance and management framework based on a holistic set of seven enablers that optimises information and technology investment and use for the benefit of stakeholders.

## **COBIT 5 - 1. Meeting stakeholder needs**

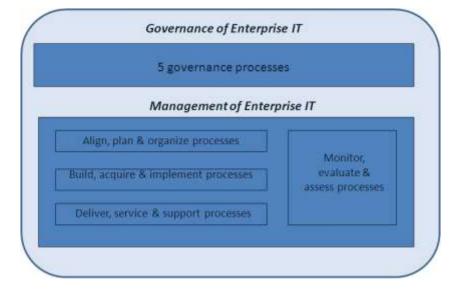
- Stakeholder needs have to be transformed into an enterprise's actionable strategy.
- The COBIT 5 goals cascade translates stakeholder needs into specific, actionable and customised goals within the context of the enterprise, IT-related goals and enabler goals.



## **COBIT 5 - 1. Meeting stakeholder needs**



### COBIT 5 Processes





#### Portfolio of competitive products and services **COBIT 5 - 1. Meeting stakeholder needs** Compliance with externa Compliance with internal Optimisation of business Optimisation of service Managed business risk strategic decision mak Optimisation of busine continuity and avail Information based changing business Competent and Learning & IT Related Goals Financial Customer Internal Growth Alignment of IT and business strategy 2 IT compliance with external laws and regulations Commitment of executive management for taking IT decisions Managed IT related business risks Realised benefits from IT enabled investments and services portfolio Transparency of IT costs, benefits and risk IT services in line with business requirements Adequate use of applications, information and technology solutions 9 10 Integration of applications into business processes 13 Delivery of programmes on time; on budget and meeting quality standards Availability of reliable and useful information IT compliance with internal policies Competent and motivated IT people Knowledge, expertise and initiatives for business innovation

## **COBIT 5 - 1. Meeting stakeholder needs**

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		Alignment of IT and business strategy	IT compliance with external laws and regulations	Commitment of executive management for taking IT decisions	Managed IT related business risks	Realised benefits from IT enabled investments and services portfolio	Transparency of IT costs, benefits and risk	IT services in line with business requirements	Adequate use of applications, information and technology solutions	IT agility	CONTRACTOR OF	resources and capabilities	Integration of applications and technology into business processes	Delivery of programmes en time, on budget and meeting quality standards		IT compliance with internal policies	Competent and motivated IT people	Knowledge, expertise and initiatives for business innovation	
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BAI2 Define Requ	rements	P	5				S	P				5	P	.5					
BAI3 Identify & Bu	iild							P				S	5	্ৰ					
BAI4 Manage Ava	ilability and											-			S				
BAI3 Identify & But Solutions  BAI4 Manage Ava Capacity  BAI5 Enable Organ Change  BAI6 Manage change	nisational			s		S								10					
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## **COBIT 5 - 2. Covering the Enterprise End-to-end**

- COBIT 5 addresses the governance and management of information and related technology from an enterprise-wide, end-to-end perspective.
- This means that COBIT 5:
  - Integrates governance of enterprise IT into enterprise governance, i.e., the governance system for enterprise IT proposed by COBIT 5 integrates seamlessly in any governance system because COBIT 5 aligns with the latest views on governance.
  - Covers all functions and processes within the enterprise; COBIT 5 does not focus only on the 'IT function', but treats information and related technologies as assets that need to be dealt with just like any other asset by everyone in the enterprise.

## **COBIT 5 - 2. Covering the Enterprise End-to-end**

KMP REF	Practice	Board	CEO	CFO	C00	Business Executives	Business Process Owners	Strategy (exec) Committee	Steering (Programmes / Projects) Com	Chief Risk Officer	Chief Information Security Officer	Architecture Board	Enterprise Risk Committee	HR	Compliance Audit	CIO	Head Architect	Head Development	Head IT Operations	Head IT Administration	Project Management Office	Service Manager	Information Security Manager	Bus_Cont_ Manager	Privacy Officer
DSS04.01	Define incident and request fulfilment classification schemes						С									Α	R	R	R			R	С		С
DSS04.02	Record, classify and prioritise requests and incidents						ı												Α			I			1
DSS04.03	Verify, approve and fulfil service requests						R									I	R	R	R			Α			
DSS04.04	Investigate, diagnose and escalate incidents						1									I		С	Α			1	С		
DSS04.05	Resolve and recover incidents						ı									I		R	R			Α	R		С
DSS04.06	Close service requests and incidents						ı									I		1	A			1	R		
DSS04.07	Track status and produce reports						1									ı		I	1			1	1		

## **COBIT 5 - 3. Applying a Single Integrated Framework**

COBIT 5 aligns with the latest relevant other standards and frameworks used by enterprises:

- Enterprise: COSO, COSO ERM, ISO/IEC 9000, ISO/IEC 31000
- IT-related: ISO/IEC 38500, ITIL, ISO/IEC 27000 series, TOGAF, PMBOK/PRINCE2, **CMMI**
- Etc.
- This allows the enterprise to use COBIT 5 as the overarching governance and management framework integrator.
- ISACA plans a capability to facilitate COBIT user mapping of practices and activities to third-party references.



## **COBIT 5 - 3. Applying a Single Integrated Framework**

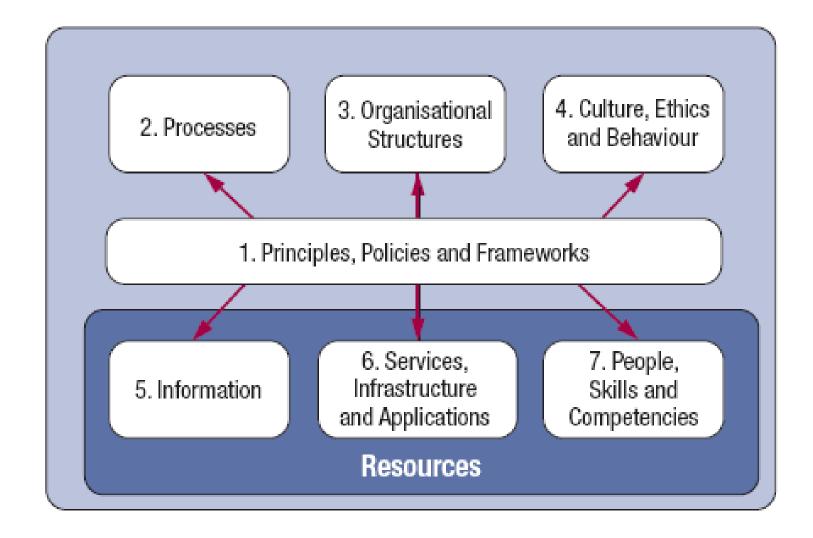
**COBIT 4.1** VALIT 2.0 **RISKIT** Other ISACA frameworks: ITAF, BMIS, Board Briefing on IT Governance, ...

## **COBIT 5 - 4. Enabling a Holistic Approach**

### **COBIT 5 enablers are:**

- Factors that, individually and collectively, influence whether something will work—in the case of COBIT, governance and management over enterprise IT
- Driven by the goals cascade, i.e., higher-level IT-related goals define what the different enablers should achieve
- Described by the COBIT 5 framework in seven categories

## **COBIT 5 - 4. Enabling a Holistic Approach**

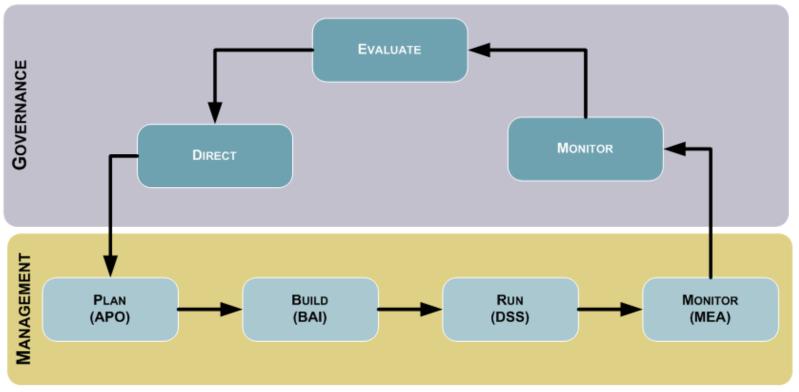


## **COBIT 5 - 4. Enabling a Holistic Approach**

- 1. Processes—Describe an organised set of practices and activities to achieve certain objectives and produce a set of outputs in support of achieving overall IT-related goals
- **2. Organisational structures**—Are the key decision-making entities in an organisation
- **3.** Culture, ethics and behaviour—Of individuals and of the organisation; very often underestimated as a success factor in governance and management activities
- **4. Principles, policies and frameworks**—Are the vehicles to translate the desired behaviour into practical guidance for day-to-day management
- **5. Information**—Is pervasive throughout any organisation, i.e., deals with all information produced and used by the enterprise. Information is required for keeping the organisation running and well governed, but at the operational level, information is very often the key product of the enterprise itself.
- **6. Services, infrastructure and applications**—Include the infrastructure, technology and applications that provide the enterprise with information technology processing and services
- 7. People, skills and competencies—Are linked to people and are required for successful completion of all activities and for making correct decisions and taking corrective actions

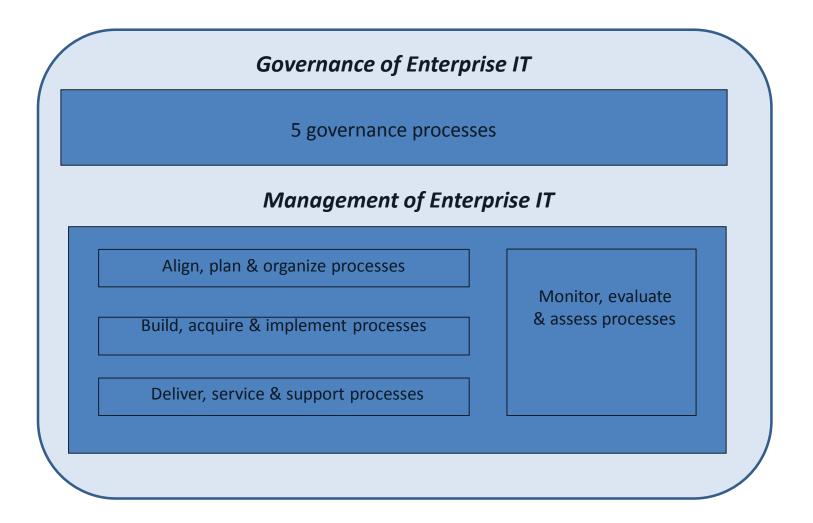
- The COBIT 5 framework makes a clear distinction between governance and management.
- These two disciplines:
  - Encompass different types of activities
  - Require different organisational structures
  - Serve different purposes
- **Governance**—In most enterprises, governance is the responsibility of the board of directors under the leadership of the chairperson.
- **Management**—In most enterprises, management is the responsibility of the executive management under the leadership of the CEO.

- **Governance** ensures that enterprise objectives are achieved by **evaluating** stakeholder needs, conditions and options; setting **direction** through prioritisation and decision making; and **monitoring** performance, compliance and progress against agreed direction and objectives (EDM).
- Management plans, builds, runs and monitors activities in alignment with the direction set by the governance body to achieve the enterprise objectives (PBRM).
- Exercising governance and management effectively in practice requires appropriately using all enablers. The COBIT process reference model allows us to focus easily on the relevant enterprise activities.

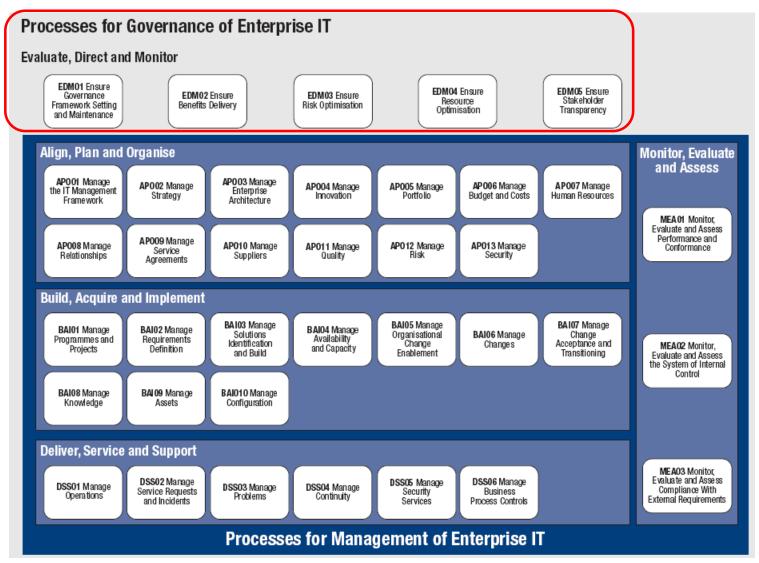


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### **Governance in COBIT 5**



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### Example Governance Process + key management practices

#### EDM01.02 Direct the Governance System

Establish informed leadership and obtain their support, buy-in and commitment. Establishment the structures, processes and practices for the governance of IT in line with agreed governance design principles, decisionmaking models and authority levels. Define the information required for informed decisionmaking.

### Ref

#### Governance Practice

## EDM01.01 Evaluate design of enterprise governance of

Continually identify and engage with the enterprise's stakeholders and document an understanding of the requirements and make judgement on the current and future design of governance of enterprise IT.

### EDM01.03 Monitor the Governance System

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#### Activities

- 1 Analyse and identify the internal and external environmental factors (legal, regulatory and contractual obligations) and trends in the business environment that may influence governance design.
- 2 Determine the significance of IT and its role with respect to the business.
- 3 Consider external regulations, laws and contractual obligations and determine how they should apply within the enterprise governance of IT.
- 4 Determine the implications of the overall enterprise control environment with regards to IT.
- Articulate principles that will guide the design of governance and decision making of IT.
- 6 Understand the enterprise's decision making culture and determine the optimal decision making model for IT.
- Determine the right levels of authority delegation, including threshold rules, for IT decisions.

#### Governance

**Practice** 

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#### Activities

- 1 Communicate governance of IT principles and agree with executive management on the way forward to establish informed and committed leadership.
- 2 Establish or delegate the establishment of governance structures, processes and practices in line with agreed-upon design principles.
- 3 Allocate responsibility, authority and accountability in line with agreed-upon governance design principles, decision-making models and delegation.
- 4 Ensure that communication and reporting mechanisms provide those responsible for oversight and decision-making with appropriate information.
- 5 Direct that staff follow relevant guidelines for ethical and professional behaviour and ensure that consequences of non-compliance are known and enforced.
- 6 Direct the establishment of a reward system to promote desirable cultural change.

### Governance

**Practice** 

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#### **Activities**

- 1 Assess the effectiveness and performance of those stakeholders given delegated responsibility and authority for governance of enterprise IT.
- 2 Periodically assess whether agreed governance of IT mechanisms (structures, principles, processes, etc.) are established and operating effectively.
- 3 Assess the effectiveness of the governance design and identify actions to rectify any deviations found.
- 4 Maintain oversight of the extent to which IT satisfies obligations (regulatory, legislation, common law, contractual), internal policies, standards and professional guidelines.
- 5 Provide oversight of the effectiveness of, and compliance with, the enterprise's system of control.
- 6 Monitor regular and routine mechanisms for ensuring that the use of IT complies with relevant obligations (regulatory, legislation, common law, contractual), standards and guidelines.

### **Questions and discussion**

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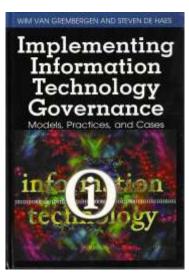
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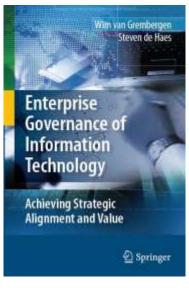
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