Alfabet

Enterprise Architecture Management
Making IT manageable

Ensure IT powers business success

Against the backdrop of corporate governance, Alfabet delivers the complete story on IT and corporate performance to better understand how effectively and efficiently IT is supporting business goals and where Enterprise Architecture Management (EAM) processes can be improved.

Features

Providing functionality for strategy operationalization and business capability assessment in an architectural context, Alfabet helps find the "hot-spots" for business improvement and thus ensures business-relevant IT investment. Alfabet lets an organization define roles, responsibilities and processes within IT and between IT and business to ensure every relevant stakeholder's participation in strategic EAM processes. This promotes business/IT alignment and accountability for architectural issues and domains. Alfabet supports impact analysis for any planned changes and enforces technology strategy by creating and monitoring architecture principles and standards.

- Out-of-the-box EA planning and management processes and a rich meta model for shorter implementation time and faster value delivery for the business

- A proven methodology for aligning business and IT including strategy operationalization, business capability assessment, master planning and advanced road mapping

- Integrated standard software modules for EAM based on ERP principles to keep planning information up-to-date and reliable

Key benefits

- IT projects delivered on time, in budget, and in line with business and IT strategy

- Defensible decisions for project funding

- Effective enforcement of compliance controls

- Optimized cost management for applications and business processes

- Improved governance through defined responsibilities and auditable processes

- Increased transparency in the IT landscape to accelerate IT's ability to innovate

Feature-rich to support all your EAM needs

- Master plans and road maps based on the enterprise strategy
- Scenario and impact analysis to identify architectural conflicts
- Solution design including cost and risk analysis
- Multiple and multi-dimensional portfolio analysis
- Definition of standards, platforms and blueprints
- Checking for compliance to IT standards and granting of waivers

Insight

Understand complexity

Alfabet provides an accurate, real-time picture of the IT landscape—including all applications and technologies, the inter-relationships between them, the technologies on which they run and the business processes they support.

Enterprises achieve faster and more reliable results when analyzing the landscape for optimization potential. The comprehensive, relationally structured information base is suitable as a foundation for any IT initiative.

Alfabet provides:

- Support for data gathering, consolidation and cleansing
- Structure for data and delivery of analytics
- Introduction of IT information management processes

Planning

Address complexity

Alfabet enables enterprises to address immediate and urgent concerns such as reducing costs, eliminating redundancies, improving purchasing and managing licenses and upgrades.

In the longer term, Alfabet helps enterprises to envision their future IT infrastructure and chart a course to achieve it. Users can create road maps with clear priorities, milestones and measures so that the journey is broken down into manageable projects.

Alfabet provides:

- Road maps to coordinate different perspectives
- Visualizations that are as informative as necessary, as simple as possible and stakeholder-specific
- Automated workflows to formalize the IT planning process
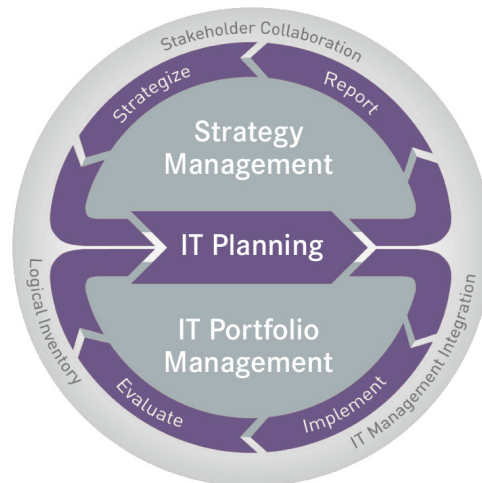
Transformation

Reduce complexity

IT has become more than a function that supports business. It is a critical enabler, capable of transforming the way that an enterprise goes to market and delivers its products and services.

Effective IT transformation begins by putting the business objectives at the heart of IT strategy. Methodologies for relating business to IT in a strategy building process are essential for understanding the impact of strategic and tactical business decisions to the IT landscape early on.

Alfabet provides:

- Implementation of capability management processes
- Strategy and IT value analytics
- Best-practice road-mapping processes

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