# Project Start Architecture (PSA) The killer application for EA

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### Agenda

- What is a PSA?
- Why is the PSA such a success?
- How does the PSA fit into TOGAF?
- Questions/discussion





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### Instruments



## From vision to execution





# **Different architectures**





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Strategic Vision Abstract What Think

Operational Execution Detail How Do



# **Definition Project Start Architecture**

- The PSA is the translation of the total set of reference architectures to the project specific situation. The PSA delineates a concrete and usable framework within which the project should be carried out.
- The objective of the PSA is to provide the project with a well defined; relevant and practical scope so that the project results fit into the bigger picture within the organization.



- Scoping of the solution
- Project transcending design choices
- Policies, guidelines, standards applicable to the project
- Relevant models/visuals
- Architecture deviations



# Content in more detail

#### **1.** Project Information

- 1. Goal of the project
- 2. Project organization
- 3. Architects involved
- 4. Business drivers
- 5. Architecture drivers

#### 2. Business Architecture

#### 1. Products / services architecture

Scoping
Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 2. Process architecture

1.Scoping 2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 3. Organization architecture

1.Scoping 2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 3. Information Architecture

#### **1.** Application Architecture

1.Scoping

2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 2. Data Architecture

1.Scoping

2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### **1.** Technical Architecture

- 1. Middleware Architecture
  - 1.Scoping 2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 2. Platform Architecture

- 1.Scoping
- 2.Policies, guidelines, standards

#### 3. Network Architecture

- 1.Scoping 2.Policies, guidelines, standards
- 2. Project transcending design choices
  - 1. Choice #1
  - 2. Choice #n

#### **3.** Architecture Deviations

- 1. Deviation #1
- 2. Deviation #n



## **Relationship with Prince2**



### **Prince2 and PSA**







### The position of the PSA





# The purpose of the PSA (1)

#### • Enable Client to implement changes in a structured fashion

#### To serve this purpose, the PSA

- > Reflects the content of the whole Client Architecture Framework
- > **Provides the architecture references that are relevant to the project**
- > Provides proof that project results will fit into the bigger picture of business, information and IT
- > Ensures that architectural risks in engineering are identified
- > Provides a justification for deviations from the architecture
- > Ensures reuse of expertise and existing components when possible.
- Enable the management to commit to and decide on target solutions, in an early stage of the project

To serve this purpose, the PSA

- > Provides the high level content of the scope of the project
- > Translates architecture references into the project's target solution
- > Prevents discussions later on in the project



# The purpose of the PSA (2)

#### A PSA is NOT a design document

- Only a high level design of the target solution
- Only design to enable the project leader to plan the project
- Detail of the design enough to be able to plan with about 80 % certainty
- A PSA is NOT a projectmanagement document
- No reference to the planning itself
- No reference to the project approach
- No requirements management
- No budgets



### **Overview Architecture processes**





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# **Achitecture and Projects**





# Relationship between the documents





## **Project support processes**



### The content of the PSA





# **PSA in Dutch Government**

Interna	tional	standa	rds		
	Euro	pean Int	teropera	rability Framework	
		Neder	landse (	Overheids Referentie Architectuur	
			Sector (Munic	or Reference Architectures icipalities, Provinces etcera)	
				Organizational Reference Architecture	
				Project Architecture	





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### PSA advantages (user experiences)

- Provides all people in the project with a clear point of departure and the right limits, scope and guidelines
- Makes sure the project solution fits into the bigger picture
- Provides projects with a quicker start
- Has increased the acceptance of the architecture practice dramatically
- Gives a clear picture of the impact of architecture on the project
- Helps project managers to make a better project plan
- Helps in outsourcing to suppliers (better basis for a service level agreement)
- Is a valuable document for onboarding people in a project
- Is a valuable document in transferring solutions to operations & maintenance (used for acceptance testing)
- Limits discussions with project sponsors
- Makes projects more reliable
- Accelerates projects



### Business value of solution architectures

- Result of a PdD Study (Raymond Slot, University of Amsterdam, Capgemini NL)
- Usage of solution architecture within software development projects is correlated with the following effects:
  - > 19% decrease in project budget overrun
  - > Increased predictability of project budget planning which decreases the percentage of projects with large (>20%) budget overruns from 38% to 13%
  - > 40% decrease in project time overrun
  - > Increased customer satisfaction: with 0.5 to 1 point On a scale of 1 to 5
  - > 10% increase of results delivered
  - > Increased technical fit of the project results





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### Applying the ADM at Different Levels





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# Partitioning



Allows for management of costs and complexity by dividing up the Enterprise and assigning appropriate roles and responsibilities to each partition



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# **TOGAF Definitions**

 Solution Architecture: A description of a discrete and focused business operation or activity and how IS/IT supports that operation. A Solution Architecture typically applies to a single project or project release, assisting in the translation of requirements into a solution vision, highlevel business and/or IT system specifications, and a portfolio of implementation tasks.

• **Capability Architecture:** A highly detailed description of the architectural approach to realize a particular solution or solution aspect. Show in a more detailed fashion how the enterprise can support a particular unit of capability. Capability Architectures are used to provide an overview of current capability, target capability, and capability increments and allow for individual work packages and projects to be grouped within managed portfolios and programs.

**Capability:** An ability that an organization, person, or system possesses. Capabilities are typically expressed in general and high-level terms and typically require a combination of organization, people, processes, and technology to achieve. For example, marketing, customer contact, or outbound telemarketing.





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### **Questions/discussion**

- Would the PSA be a useful addition to a next version of TOGAF?
- Should a PSA contain requirements?
- Should a PSA contain the solution design?
- Is there a 1:1 relationship between Project and Solution?
- Where does an architecture end and a design start?
- Should TOGAF provide more guidance in crafting a solution architecture/capability architecture?
- Why not use common management vocabulary like Portfolio, Programme, Project.....





The PSA is a big success! It has proven to be the killer application for Enterprise Architecture

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