

WHAT IS ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE? Some of the most common EA frameworks include The Open Group Architecture Framework (TOGAF), the Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architectures, and the Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA) for use in the U.S. federal government. It helps organizations to rationalize their IT investments and to reduce redundancy, improve efficiency, maintain compliance with standards and regulations, and respond more quickly to changing business environments. It is a comprehensive framework used to manage and align an organization's Information Technology (IT) assets, people, operations, and projects with its overall business goals.

- o Effective enterprise architecture provides a long-term view of an organization's processes, systems, and technologies so that individual projects can build capabilities—not just for the present, but also for the future.
- o EA involves the analysis, design, planning, and implementation of analysis based on an integrated and cohesive approach to the strategic direction of the business.
- o Enterprise architects, the professionals who perform EA, typically use various frameworks to guide the process.

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