

# Data governance framework in an organization

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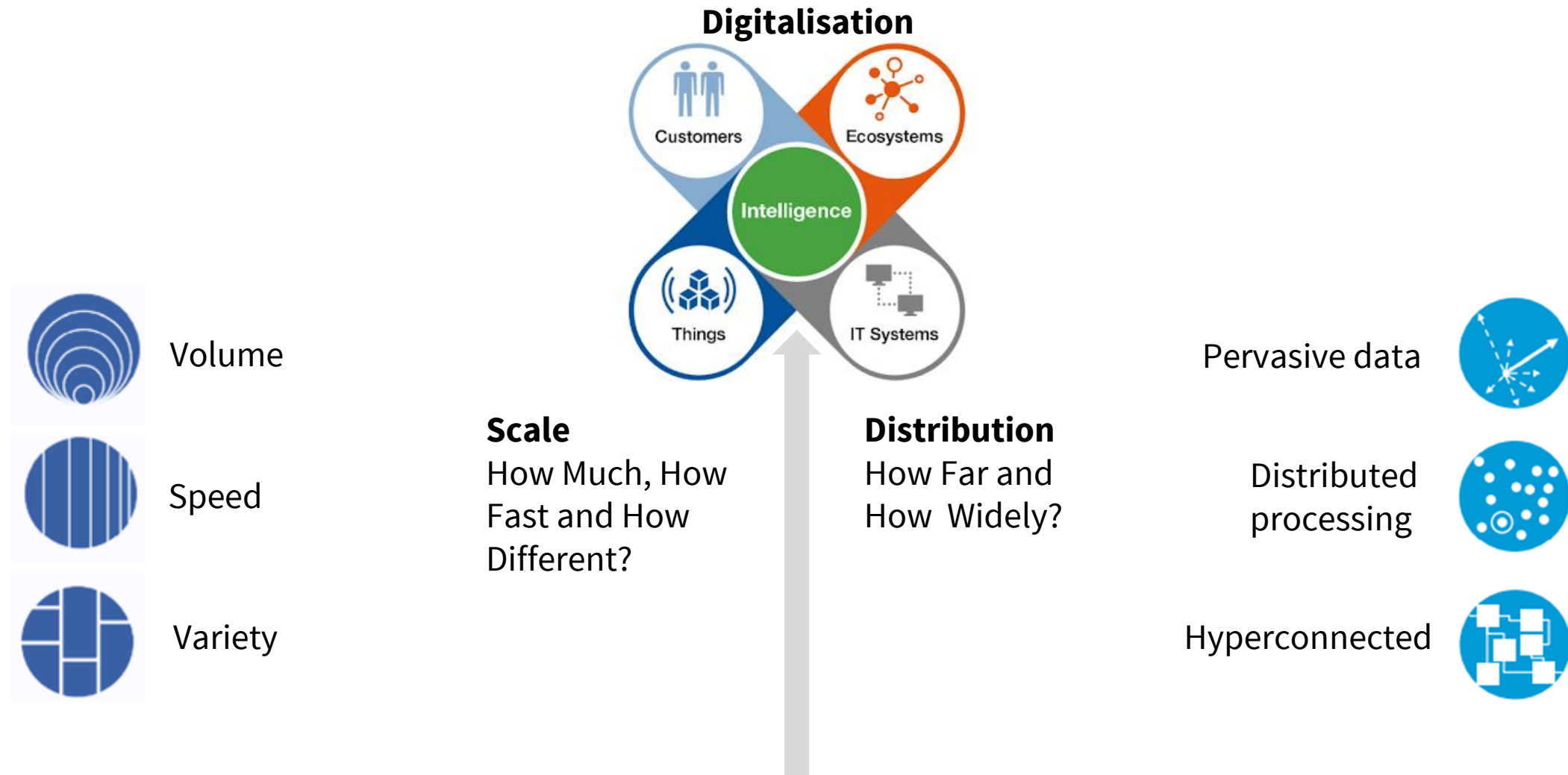
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# **Managing Data and Data strategy adoption**

Elements of Data Governance: logical and physical models

Setup of a Data Framework: an example

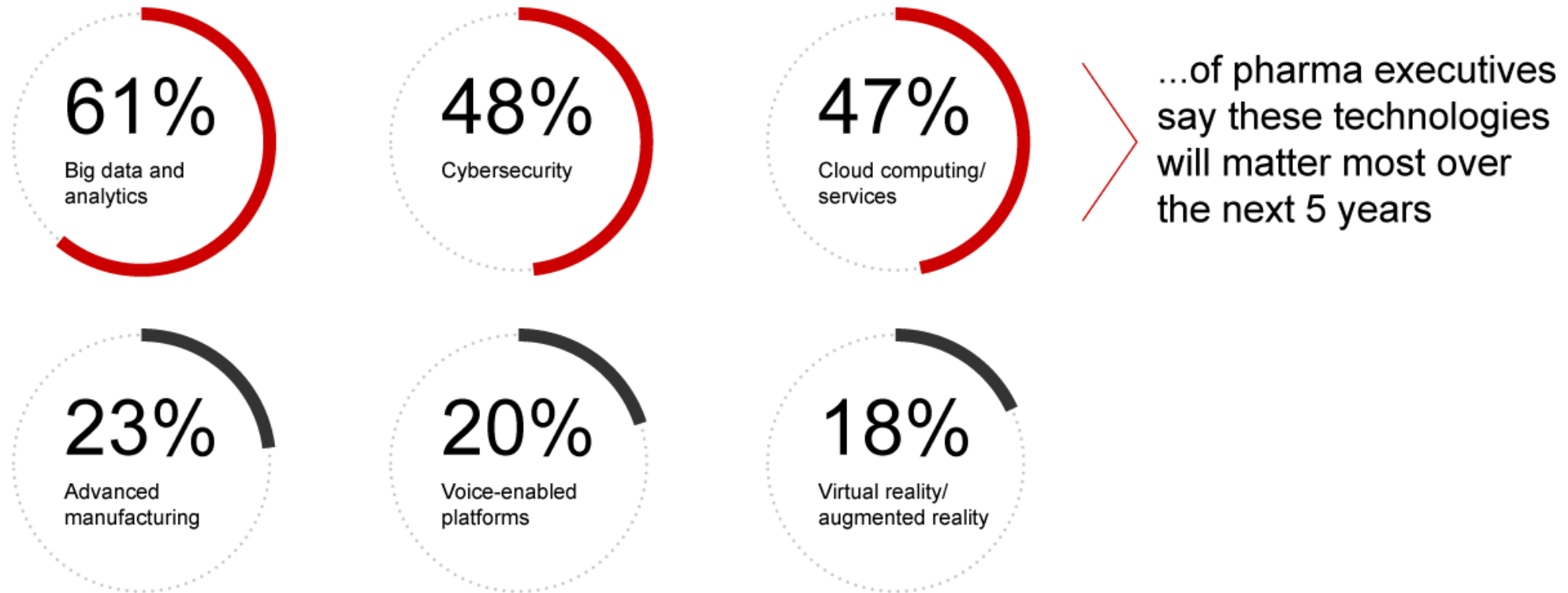
# Digital Business requires to manage, analyze and respond to a huge amount of data



... low Data Quality will have a profound impact on Business Value

# The use of data will be the first source of technological impact

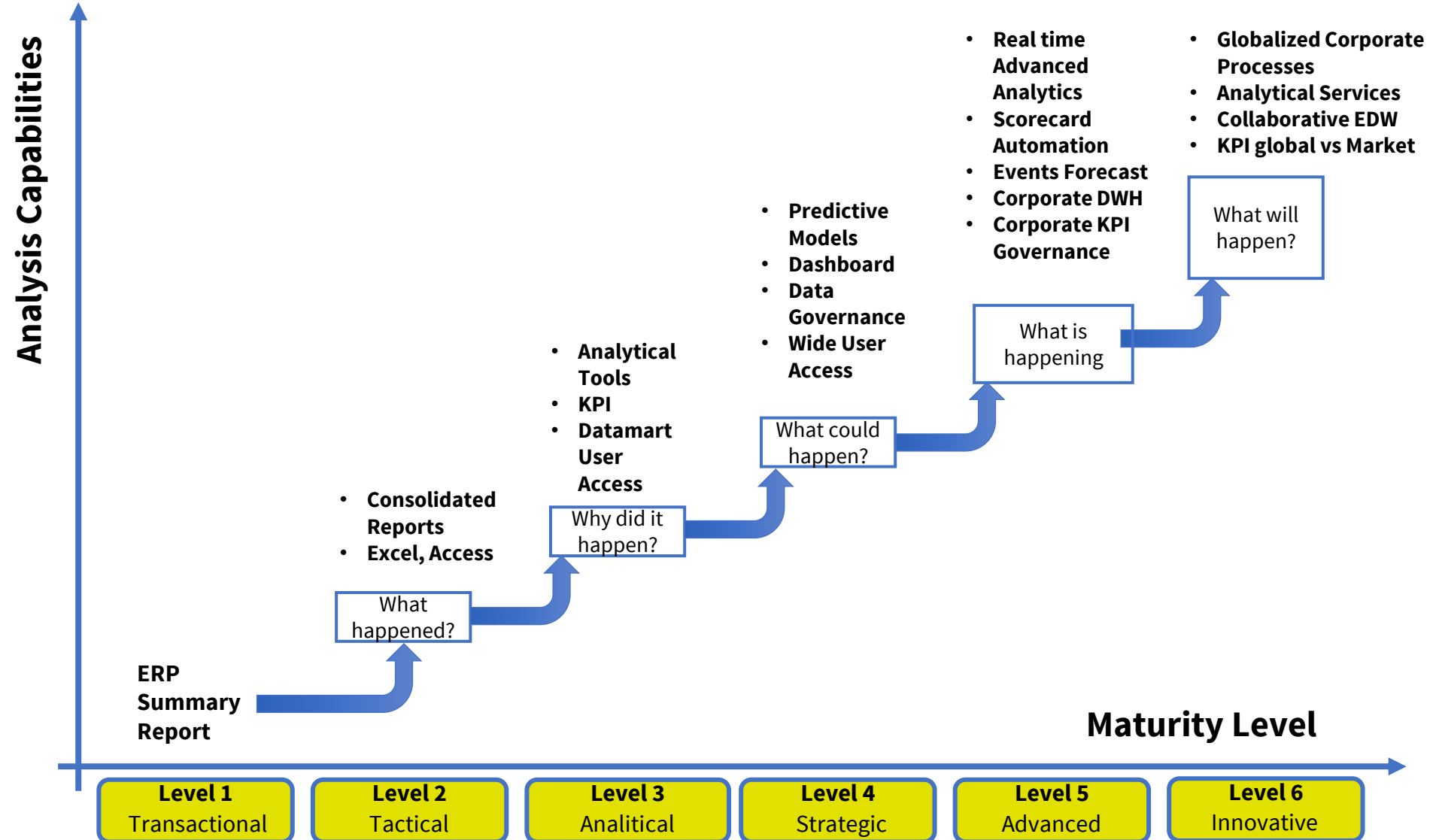
## Pharma executives say big data, cybersecurity and cloud services will have the biggest impact on the industry



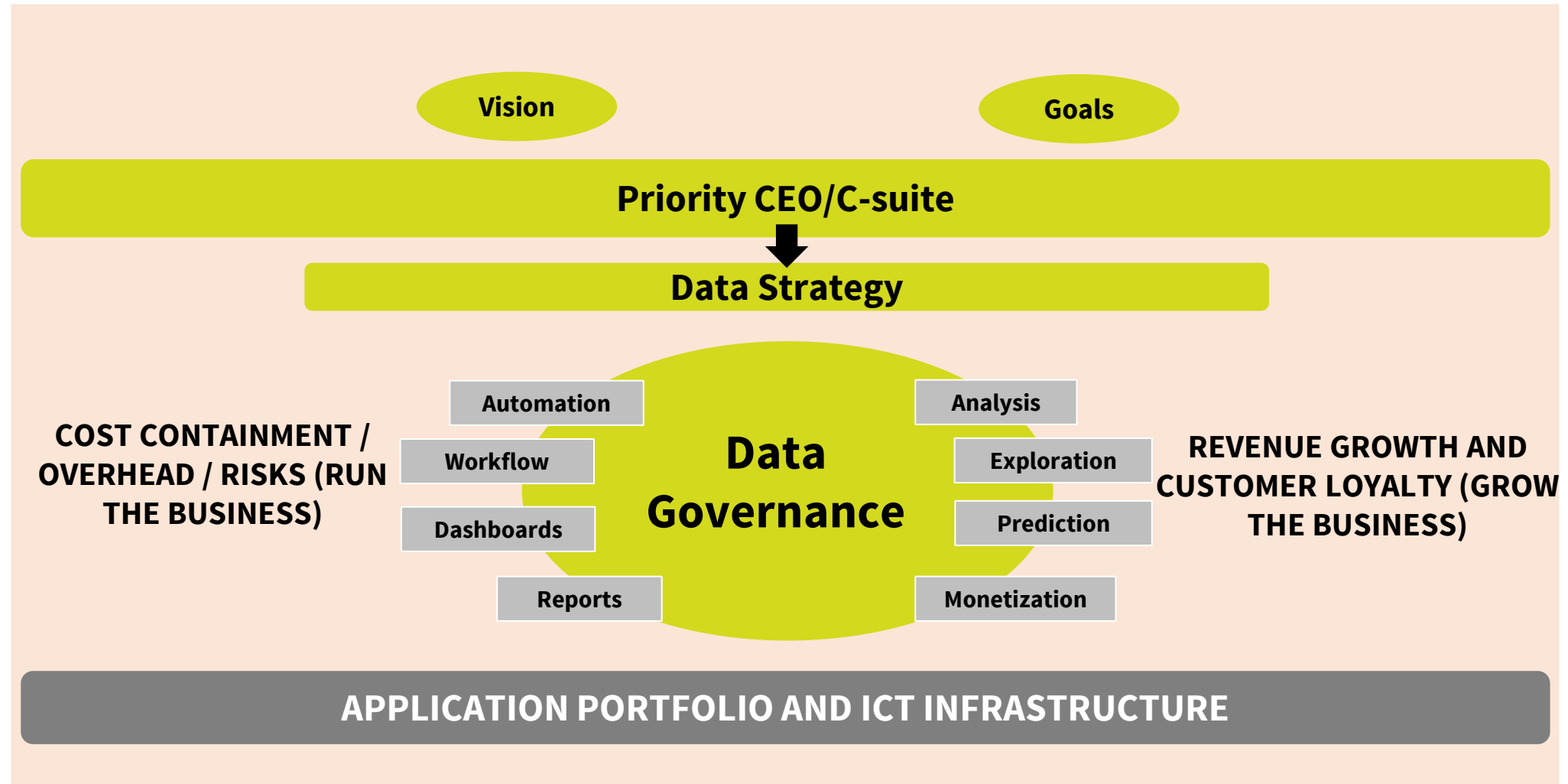
Notes: Respondents were asked to select up to 5 digital trends that would have the most impact on their firm's business activities over the next 5 years; respondents were also asked for most important trends of the last 5 years; trend acceleration is calculated as (next 5 average) – (last 5 average) with a margin 1 percentage point  
Source: Bain Digital Insights Survey,

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# The evolution in the use of data




# Manage Data in innovative companies


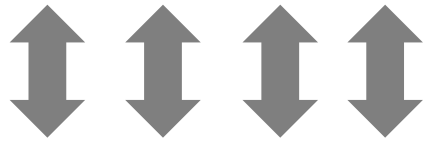


## Intervention Areas

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**Data Strategy.** Define a clear vision on the **use of data** in the company and integrate it into the definition of the innovation projects portfolio, starting with the priorities of the **CEO and C-Suites**



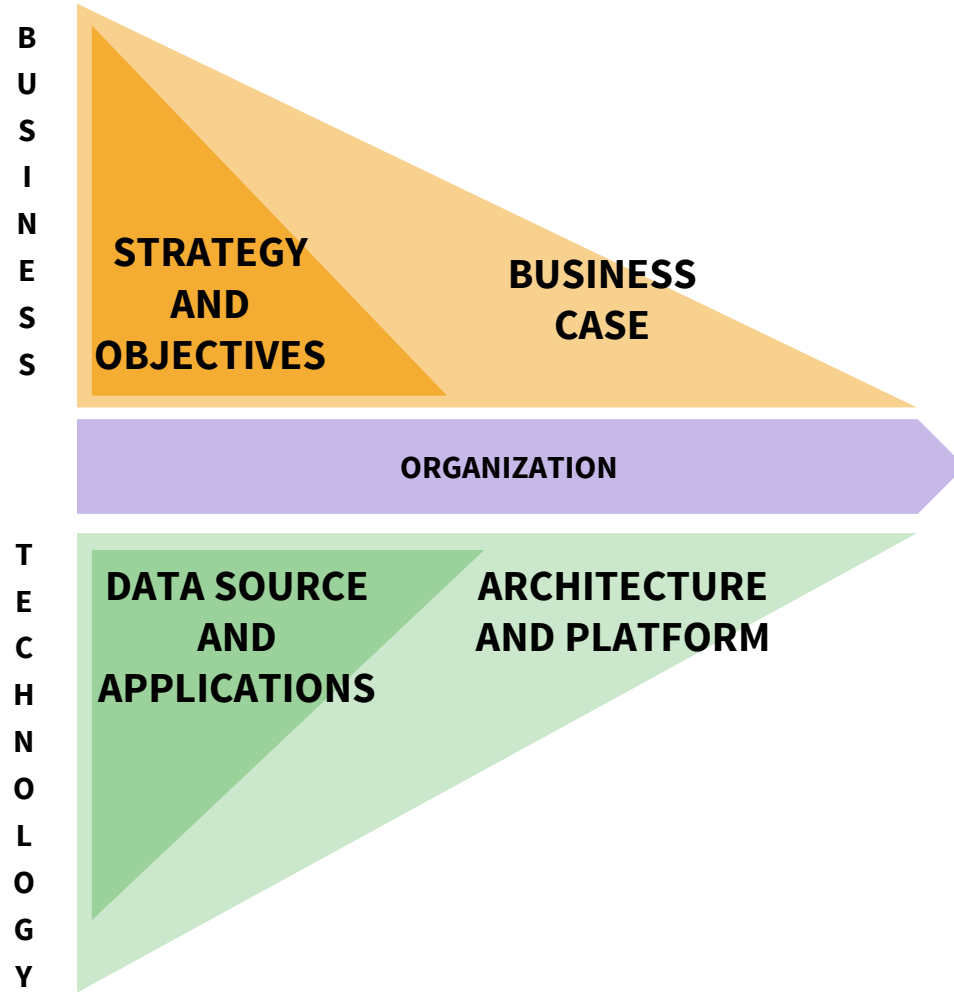
**Data Governance.** Define a **data management** system that guarantees **quality** and correct use, throughout the entire **life cycle**, from acquisition, archiving to cleaning and sharing

- Target the **data domain of value** for the implementation of the business strategy
- Define and develop the **business case**
- Define **goals** and metrics to measure results
- Orienting long-term **architectural and technological choices**

- Guarantee the **integrity, consistency and quality** of the data assets
- Identify the **roles and skills** needed to manage the data assets
- Organize the internal team with adequate **processes and tools**

# Data Strategy: main focus

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## Strategy and Goals

- Business objectives definition and prioritization
- Identification of insights for building business cases
- Detection of the level of corporate maturity in the use of data

## Feasibility Study

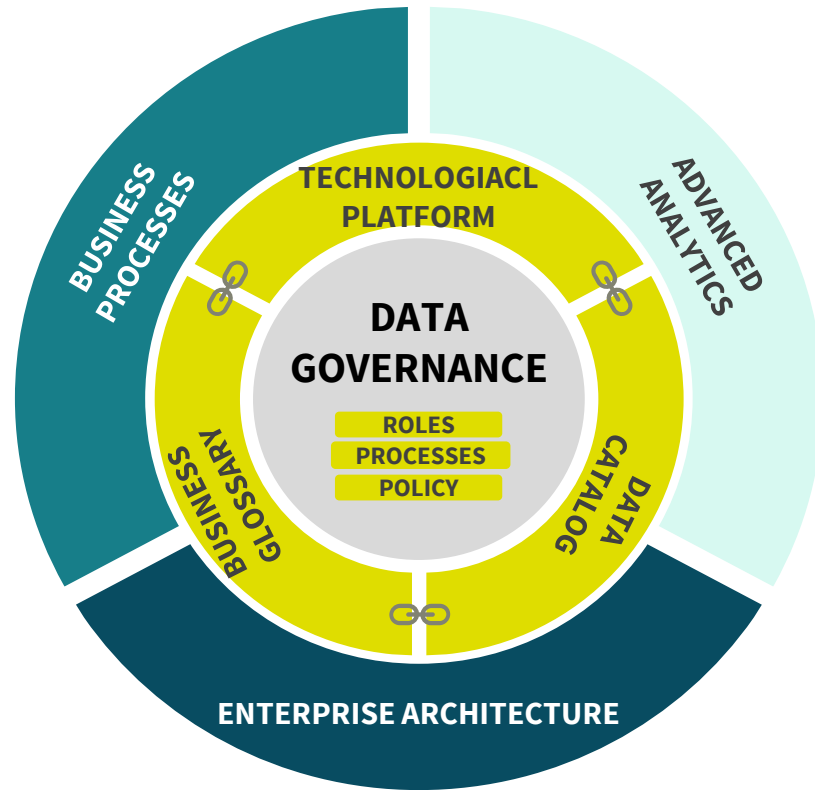
- Accessibility and quality of company data
- Data management technology architecture
- How to view and access data

## Implementation Plan

- Priority Business Case to be built
- Technological evolution interventions necessary
- Creation of a Data Governance structure



# Data Governance: main focus



Entire organization

Business  
Area/Domain

Data  
Platform/DataHub

Specific data driven  
project

## Organization, processes, policies and standards

- Definition of roles and responsibilities of individuals and teams
- Definition of data management processes and its life cycle
- Definition of data management rules and standards

## Data Architecture

- Alignment with corporate strategies
- Coordination and direction of overall architecture
- Supervision, direction, monitoring of processes, projects and initiatives

## Technological architecture and Data Integration

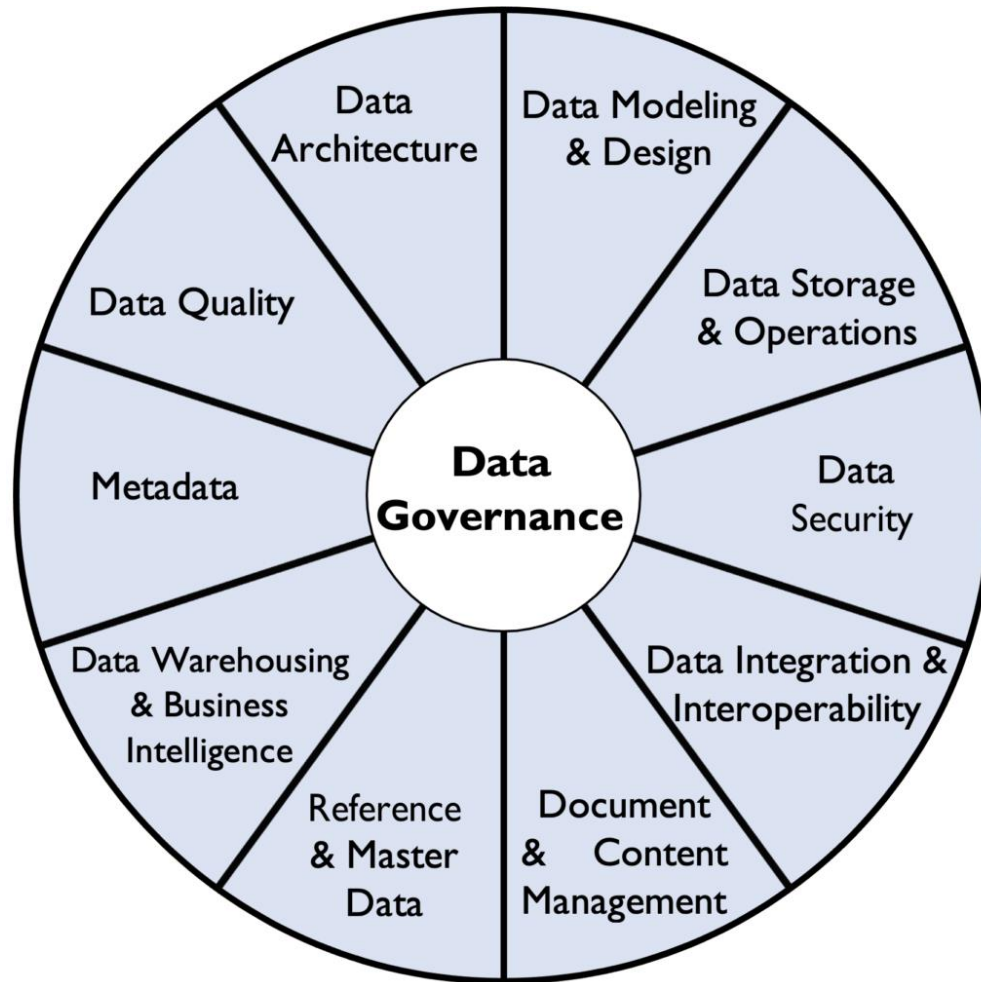
- Data Lake technology stack presidium
- Integrations technology stack protection

## Tools

- Applications and systems to support data governance processes:
  - Business Glossary / Data Catalog / Data Governance Platform
  - Data platform / Data integration / API Management Tools

# DAMA Reference Framework

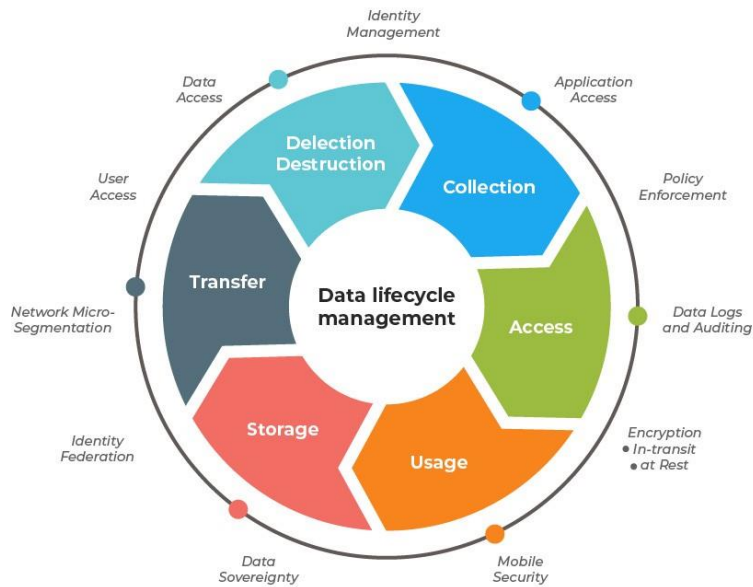
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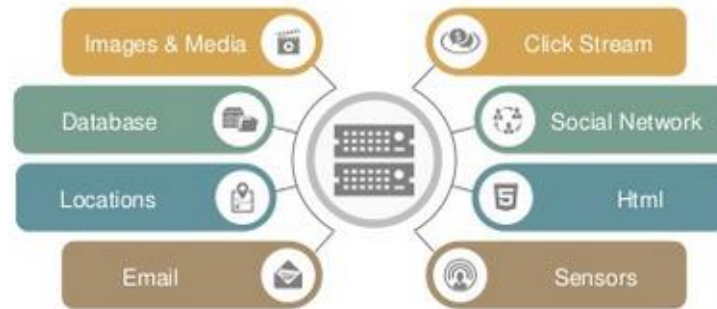
The **DAMA Framework**, short for Data Management Body of Knowledge, serves as a comprehensive guideline for data management professionals. Developed by DAMA International, it provides a **structured approach to managing an organization's data assets**, encompassing a wide range of disciplines such as data governance, data architecture, and data quality management. In today's lecture, we will explore the ten core knowledge areas of the DAMA Framework, which aim to ensure that **data is managed as a valuable resource**.

# Data management is transversal within the company

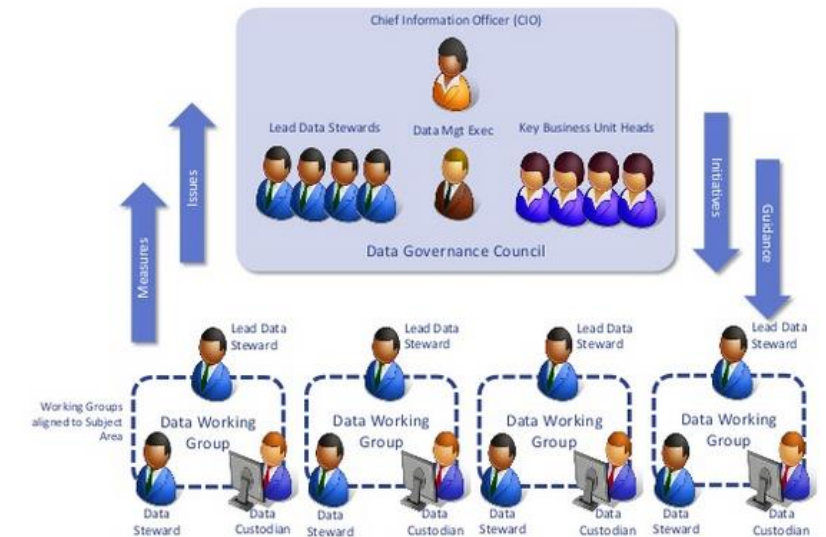
## Data Life Cycle



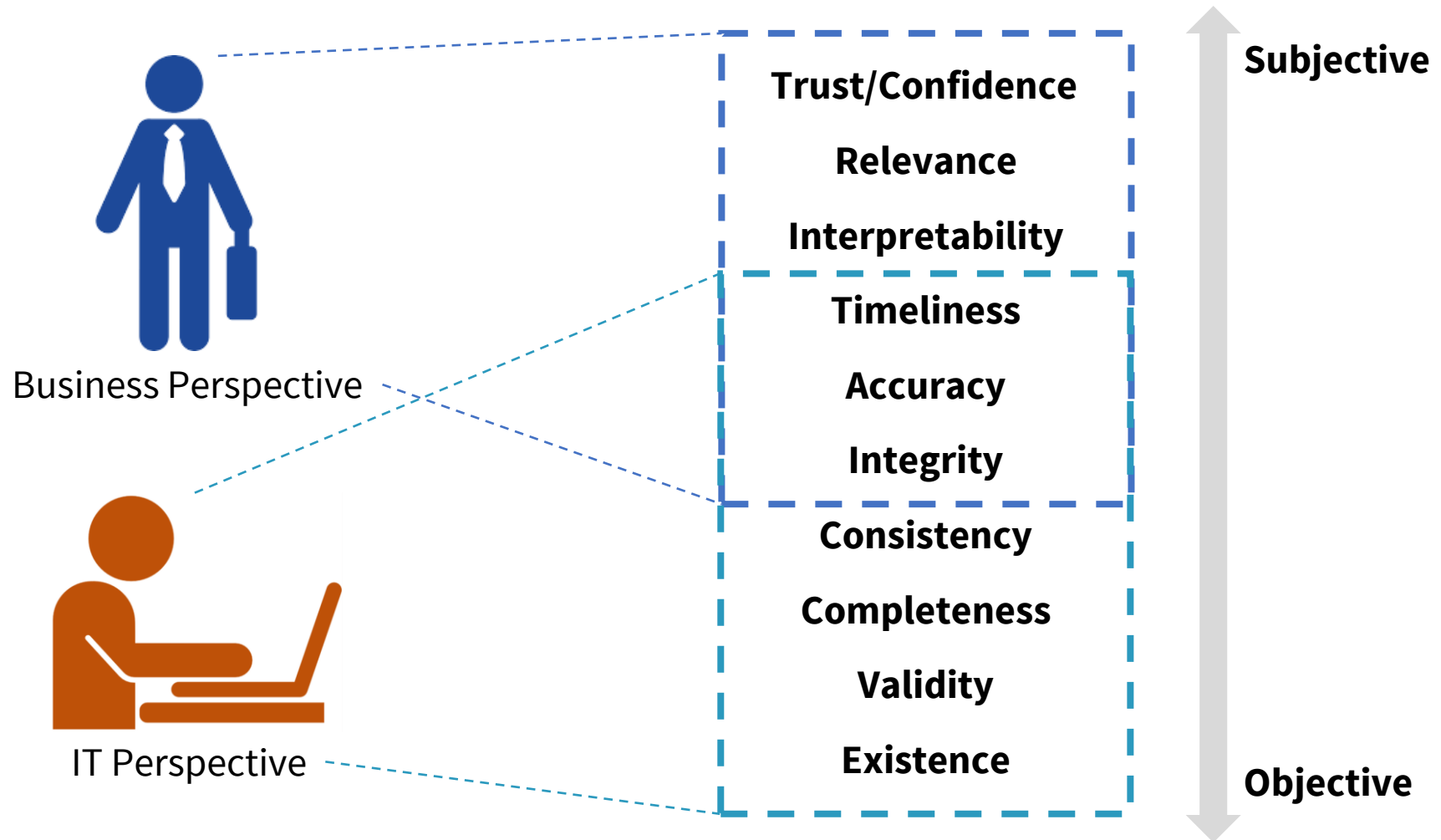
## Data Types



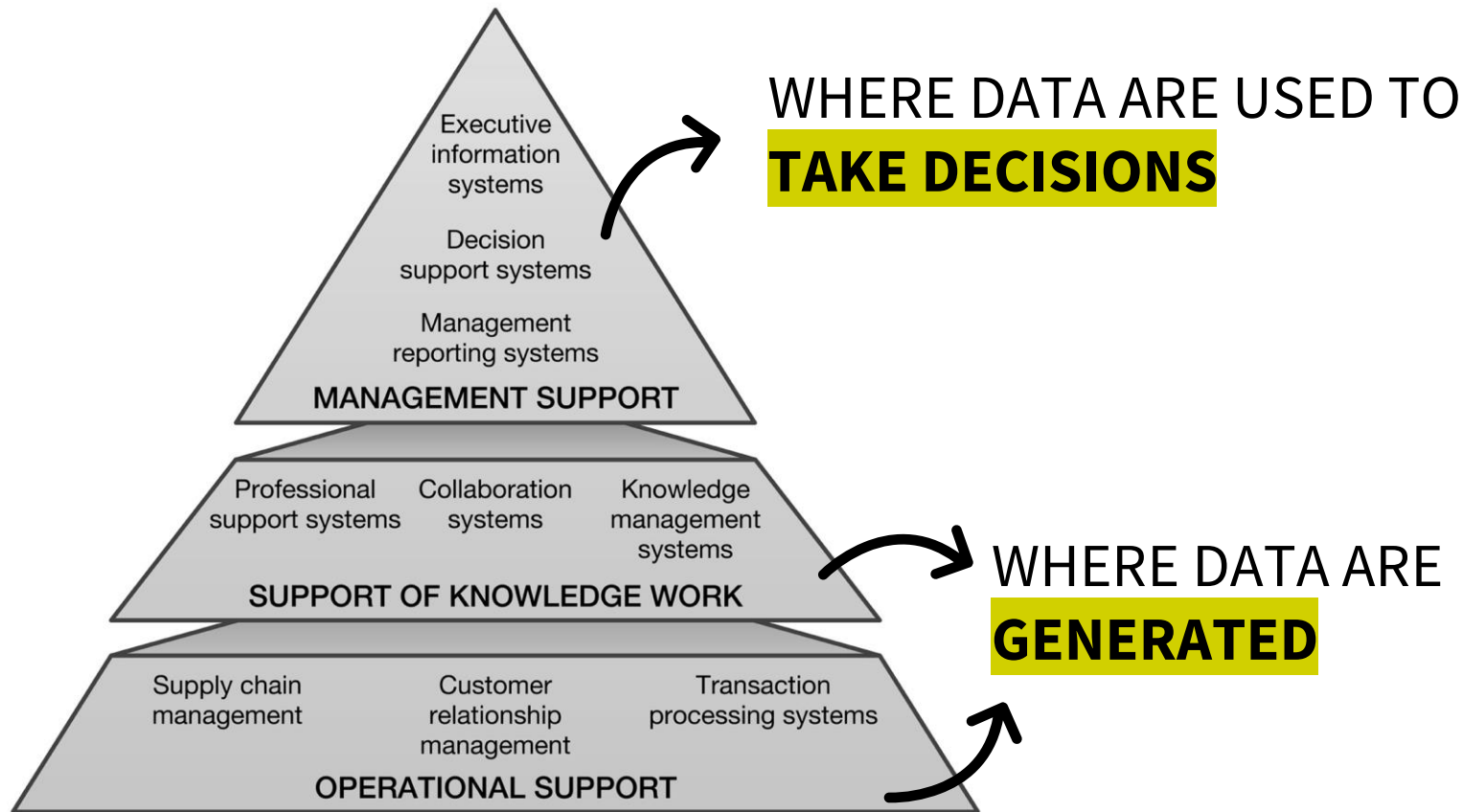
## Data Governance Structure



## Different points of view on the same data



# Data flow

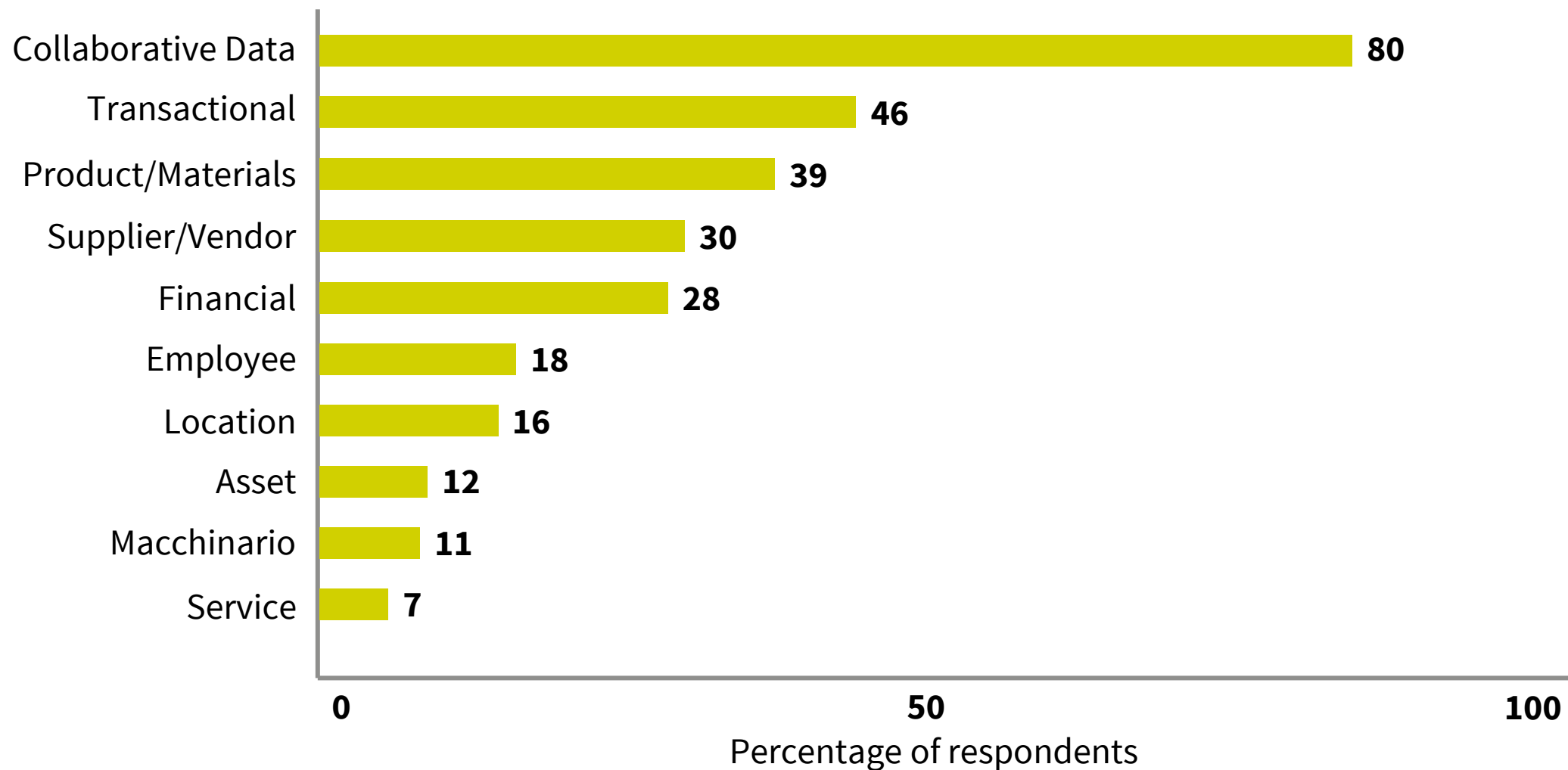


Data flow from Operational IS to Management IS, is crucial **guarantee quality through the entire Data Lifecycle** because **"Garbage-in Garbage out"**

On two occasions I have been asked (*by members of the British Parliament*), "Excuse me, Mr. Babbage, **if you put wrong digits in the machine, will they come up with the right answers?**" ... I am not actually able to understand the kind of confusion that could provoke such a question.

*Charles Babbage, Passages from the Life of a Philosopher, 1864*

## What do most of your colleagues put their time and effort into on data quality?



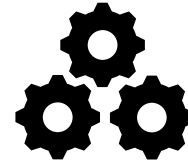
# Good quality data are the foundation of digital business

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## **Compliance**

Reduce the operational risk



## **Operational Excellence**

Increase efficiencies and cut costs



## **Innovation**

Accelerate growth



## **Insights**

Take the right decisions

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**Elements of Data Governance: logical and physical models**

Setup of a Data Framework: : an example



# Logical Model and Physical Model

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## LOGICAL LEVEL

It's the level where Business Entities are located on, which are the information objects represented in terms of concept, used within the business processes

The Logical level responds to the need to provide a unique description to the elements here contained, defining information assets uniquely for the whole organization

## PHYSICAL LEVEL

It's the level on which everything existing at the physical level inside a company is mapped, the Physical Entities themselves, which are based on the business concepts defined at the Logical Level

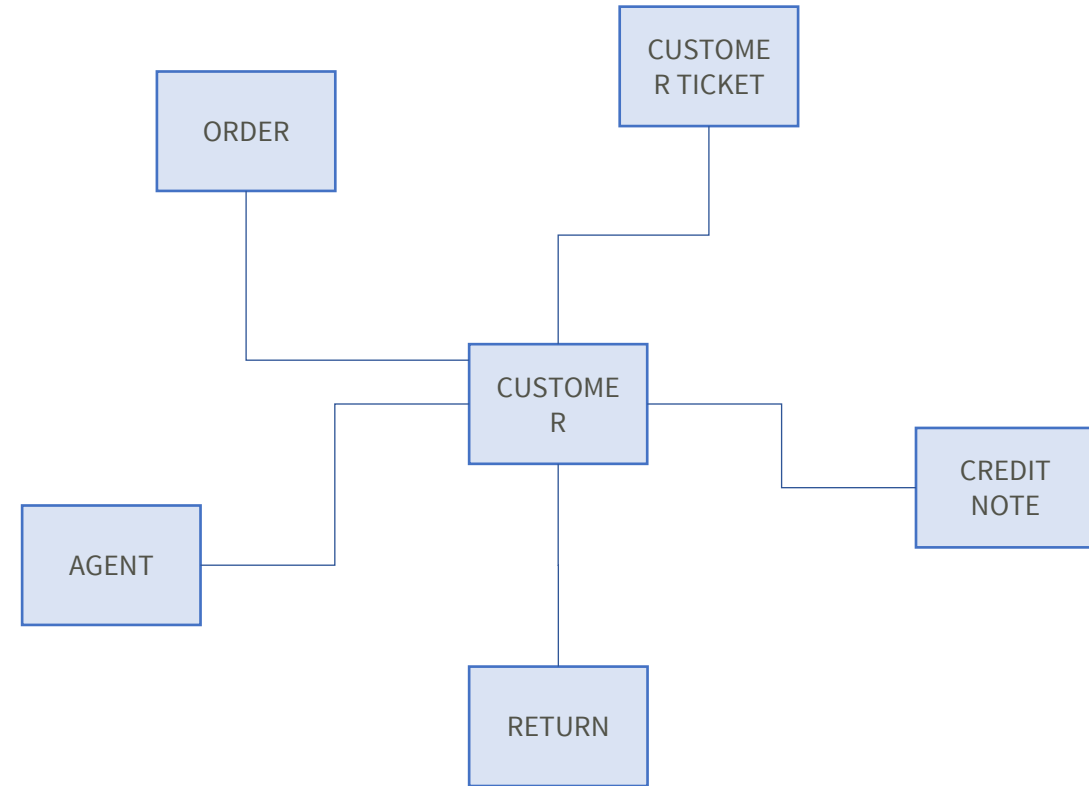
The Physical level translates the logical scheme in terms of tables and relationships, to constitute the real physical structure of the information assets, i.e. what is physically located within the company systems

# Logical Model: Conceptual Data Model

The *Conceptual Data Model* (CDM) is the conceptual model for data providing a graphical representation of the various *Business Entities* (BEs) existing within an organization.

Different BEs can be grouped together, showing the links existing between them and relating one to each other.

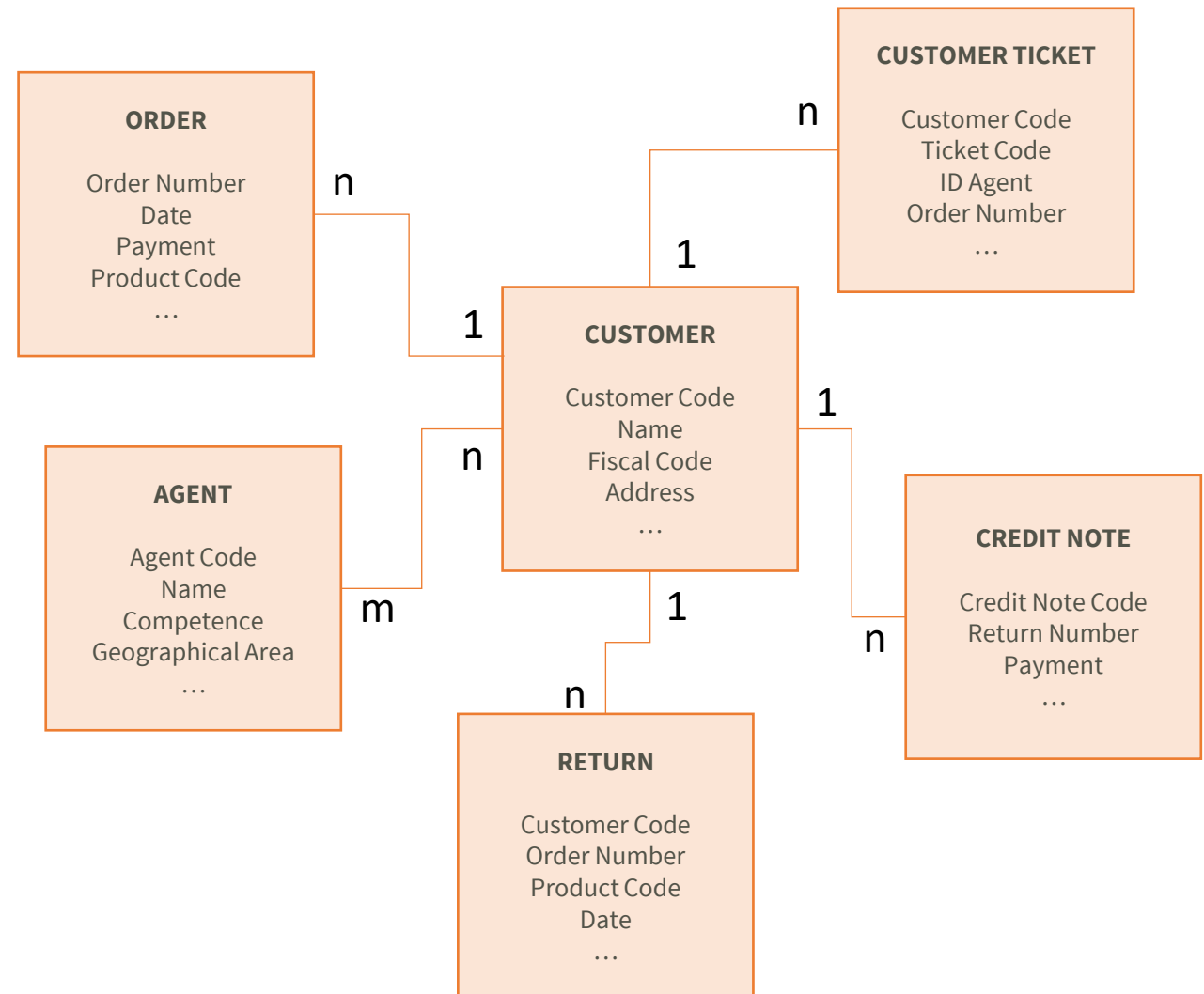
Each element within the CDM represents a business entity (eg. Customer, Order, ...), or rather a logical information element proper of that business context. For example, the EB Customer in the B2C field will represent the consumers to whom the company sells its products / services.



# Physical Model: Entity-Relationship Model

The *Entity-Relationship Model* (or E-R Model) is a theoretical model for the conceptual and graphic representation of data, equivalent to the Conceptual Data Model for the Logical part.

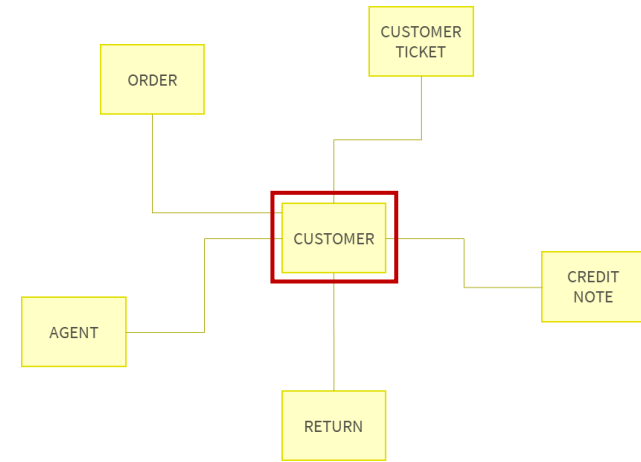
Unlike the previous one, the E-R Model shows the relationships between the physical objects present in the system, thus tables, providing an indication of which ones are related and what type of relationship persists between them.



# Two Levels - Business Entity and Physical Entity

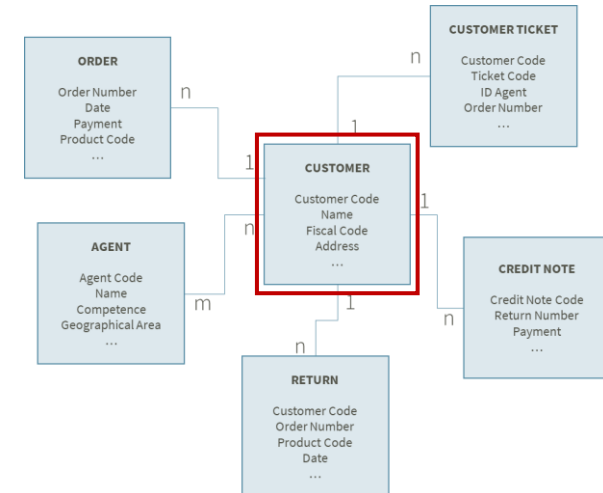
## LOGICAL LEVEL

The **Business Entity** is an information object represented in conceptual terms, or rather a package of information



## PHYSICAL LEVEL

**Physical Entities** represent the digital information objects that reside within the databases of the different systems used by the organization



# Two Levels - Business Entity and Physical Entity

## LOGICAL LEVEL

BEs can be defined and identified regardless of whether they are digitally managed on an organization's system / application

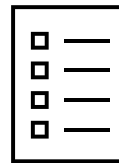


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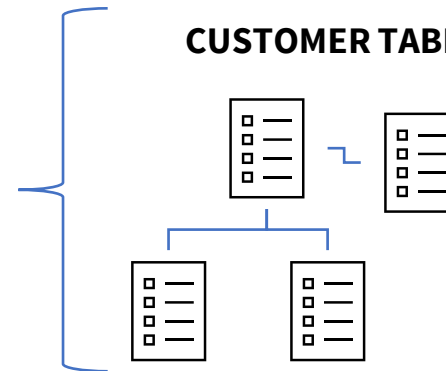
## PHYSICAL LEVEL

Each Physical Entity are made up of aggregates of information coming from one or more source tables

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PHYSICAL  
ENTITY**



**CUSTOMER TABLES**



# Data Attributes and Physical Fields

## LOGICAL LEVEL

A Business Entity can be associated with one or more **Data Attributes** that allow the characterization of that specific business concept (e.g. the B2C customer could have as attributes Name, Surname, Address, ...)

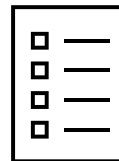


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## PHYSICAL LEVEL

At the physical level, for each Data Attribute is defined a **Physical Field** within the table(s) which constitute the physical entity

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# Methodological Tools

## LOGICAL LEVEL

### Business Glossary:

tool used to give each business term a unique meaning and trace the elements contained on this level



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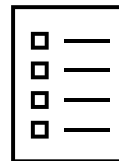
It is useful for creating and sharing definitions and conventions used in terms of the meaning of the data, at the semantic level

## PHYSICAL LEVEL

### Data Catalog:

methodological tool useful for have indication about data, how the data is made, how it is aggregated, and where it resides. What is mapped in the Data Catalog finds a counterpart in the Business Glossary

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It is useful for defining and sharing the meaning of the Data, in terms of syntax

# Metadata

## LOGICAL LEVEL

**Metadata** can be added to the Data Attributes, being useful for improving the understanding and usability of what resides in the system



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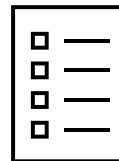
At the Logical level, Metadata can be :

- **Description:** offers a textual description to define the semantics of the data
- **Taxonomy:** it offers an indication of the characteristic of the field, about how data should be indicated
- **Validity/quality rules:** indicates the validity of the data, for example indicating a range of validity
- **Usage rules:** they define how that data is to be used

## PHYSICAL LEVEL

**Metadata** are information that describe various aspects of an information asset, and have value both for the Logical and for the Physical level

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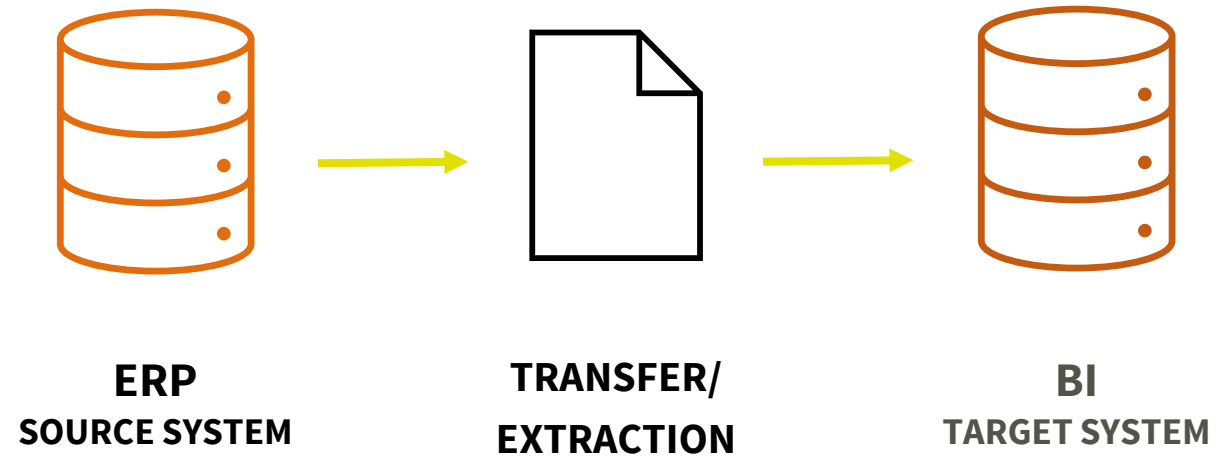
At the Physical level, an example of Metadata is provided by:

- **App:** indicates which application is associated with the Information Object in question
- **Tables:** provide information on which tables compete to define the Physical Entity in question
- **Source Database:** provides information on the origin of Data, in terms of source db



## Data Lineage

The Data Lineage indicates the path that the data follows when transferred from one system to another, for example during the analysis operation of the data within the source system.



## Agenda

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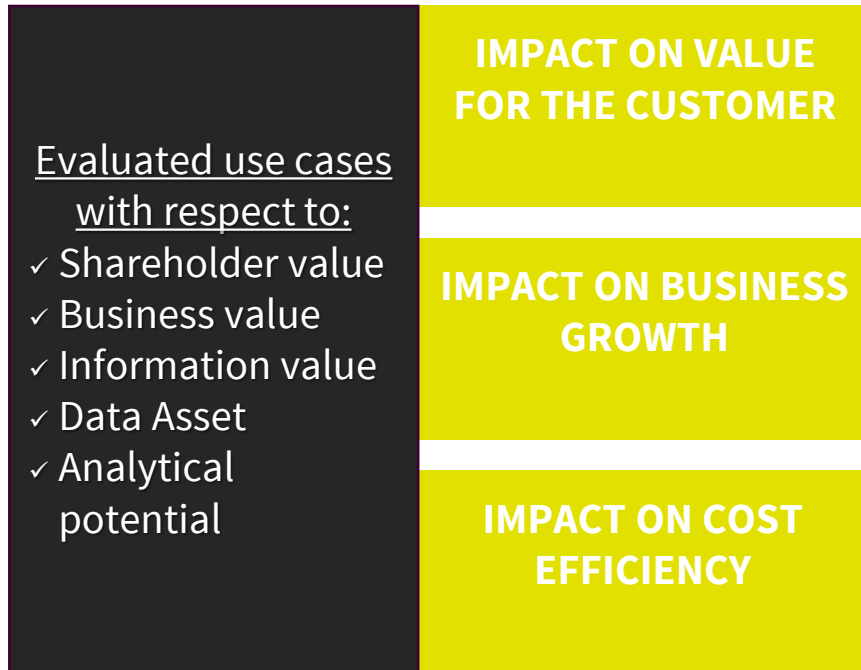
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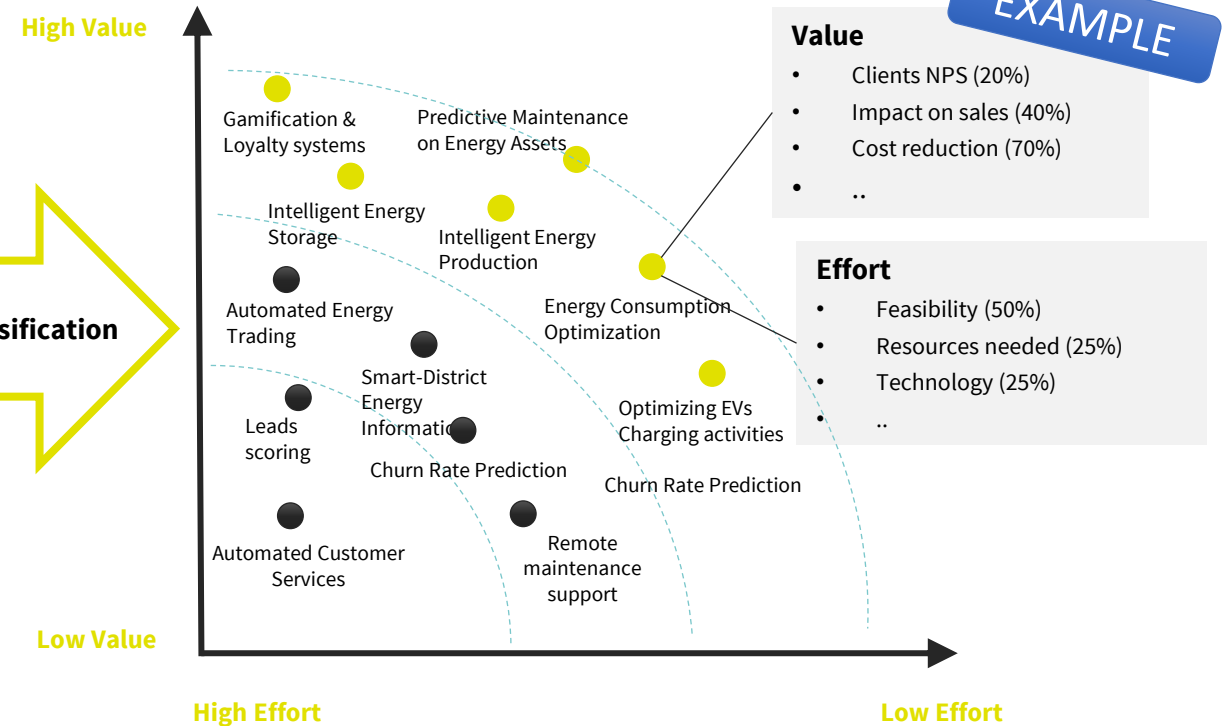
# Data strategy: prioritizing the use cases

## IDENTIFICATION OF "MISSION CRITICAL" USE CASES



Classification

## CLASSIFICATION OF IDENTIFIED USE CASES



# Data strategy: prioritizing the use cases for a data governance project

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**DATA VALUE**

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**Data Value:** level of relevance and strategic priority of the information involved with respect to the objectives of the company

**Data Governance:** level of relevance of the use case in terms of Data Governance (involvement of Business actors, data and systems involved, type of projects, etc.)

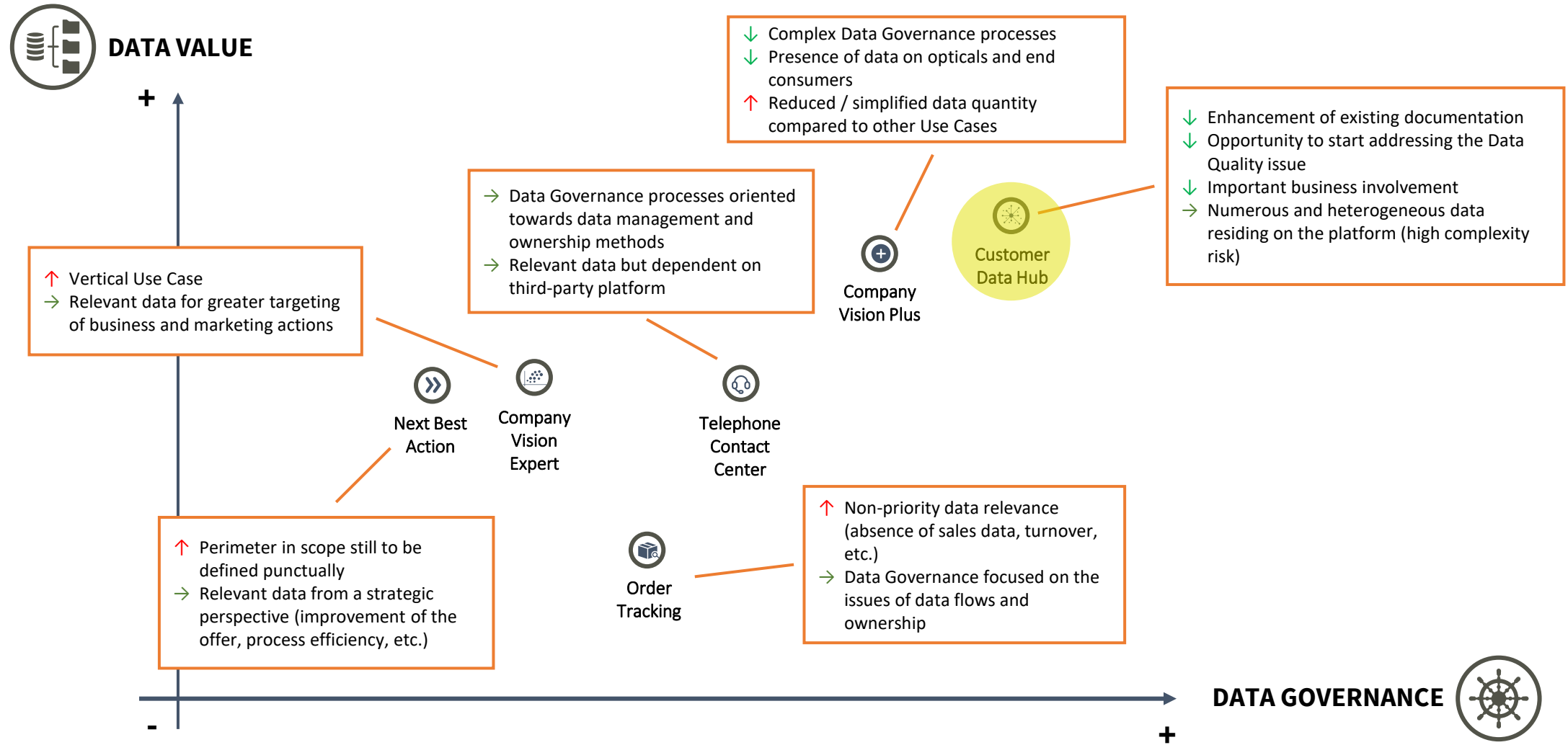
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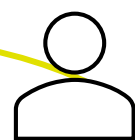
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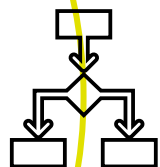
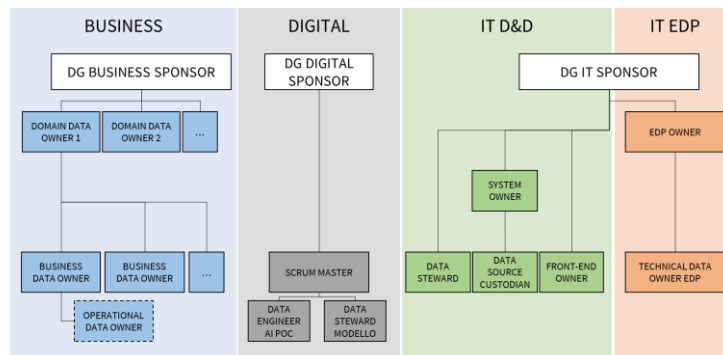
# Synthetic evaluation of the initiatives



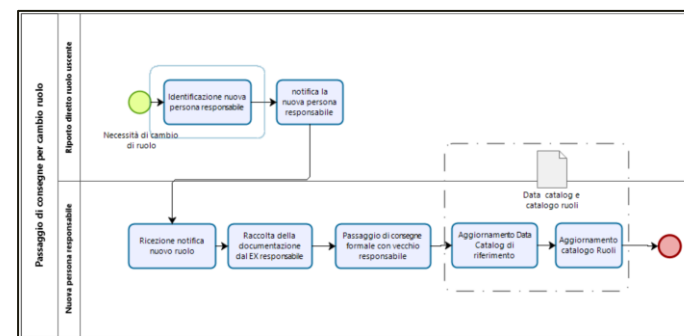
# Characterizing elements of the Data Governance framework



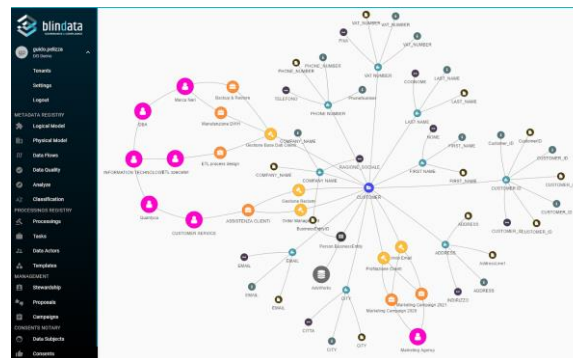
Roles and responsibilities



Phase governance process



Supporting tools



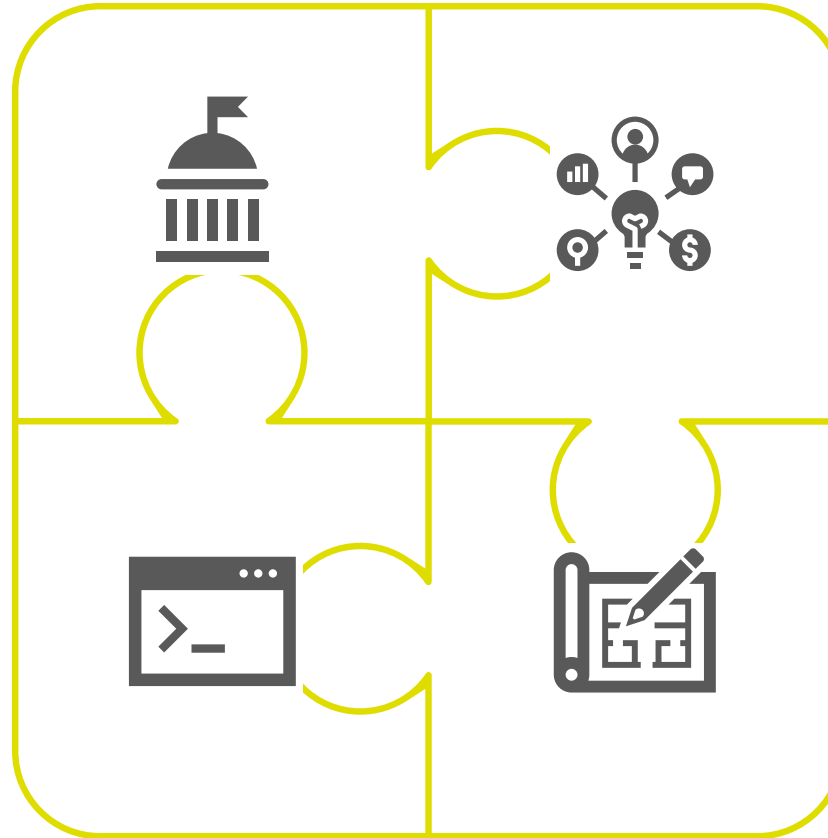
# Data governance: responsibility domains

- Role Assignment
- Check adoption of data governance processes
- Instruments

## GOVERNMENT

- Data Platform technical supervision, source systems and external data sources
- Technical documentation supervision

## SYSTEMS



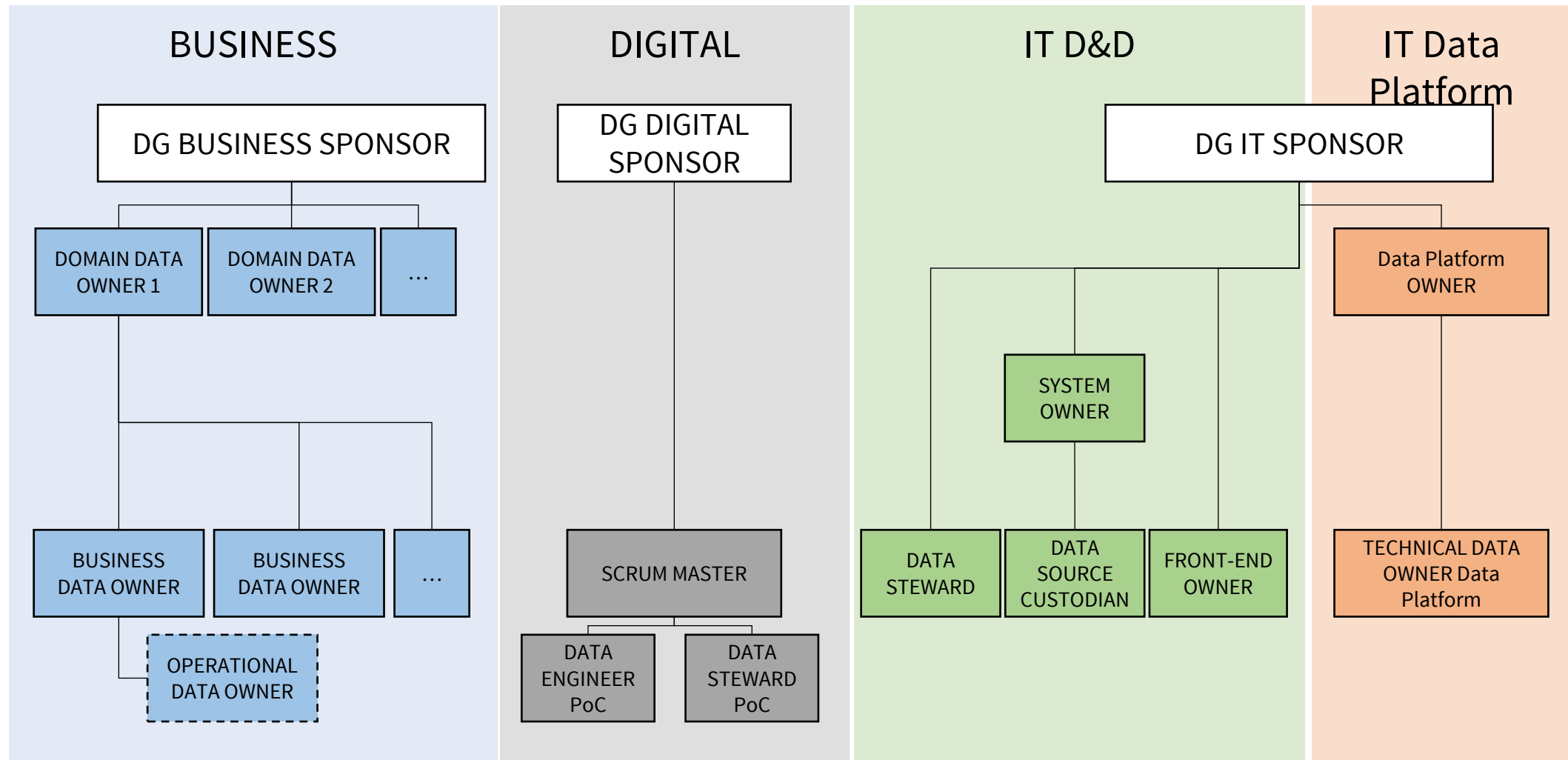
## BUSINESS

- Semantic responsibility and guarantee of alignment with business processes
- Business documentation supervision
- DQ evaluation

## PROJECTS

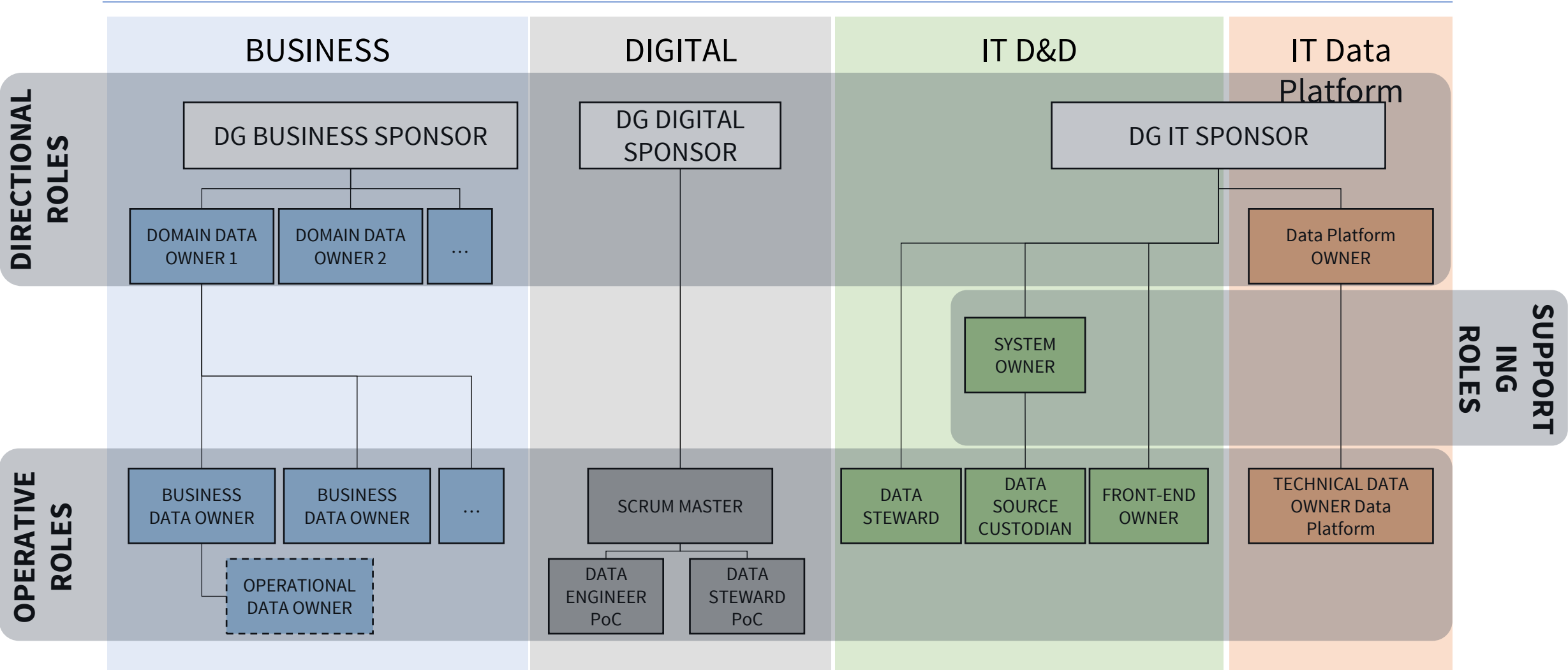
Activation of DG business and technical roles within the project contexts

## Data governance in an organization: example





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