



Power Platform The Rise of the Business Technologists

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The Rise of Business Technologists

IT-driven Technology strategy



Technology is no longer reserved solely for IT departments

Work Transformation



4 / 5 Technologists work in business areas outside of IT

Digital Transformation



Companies supporting business technologists are 2.5 times more likely to accelerate digital transformation

Establish new Technology



According to Gartner research, 41% of employees can be described as business technologists, though this number varies significantly by industry.



JOHN

Chief Supply Chain Officer / VP of
Supply Chain Management

Business
Technologist

Business Technologist

- A business technologist is an employee who reports outside of IT departments (centralized or business unit IT) and creates technology or analytics capabilities for internal or external business use. Business technologists can be individuals whose primary job entails technology work. They can also be citizen technologists whose primary job is done through technology work.

Source: [Definition of Business Technologist - Gartner Information Technology Glossary](#)

Bio

Executive leader responsible for making investments in supply chain technology to drive operational excellence.

John is responsible for leading and supporting the supply chain team and ensuring that all procurements are done on a timely basis. John is responsible for following up on certain procurements remotely in different sites as needed and works closely with all sectors to ensure that planned activities are implemented accordingly.

Wants & needs

- Ability to pivot to changing business needs like shifting to digital commerce, going direct to consumer, adding new order intake and fulfillment systems
- Complete visibility into the supply chain, logistics, inventory, maintenance and factory operations 24/7
- Balance customer service commitments with the right inventory levels and mix at the right place to reduce costs
- Making business technologists a part of Fusion Teams

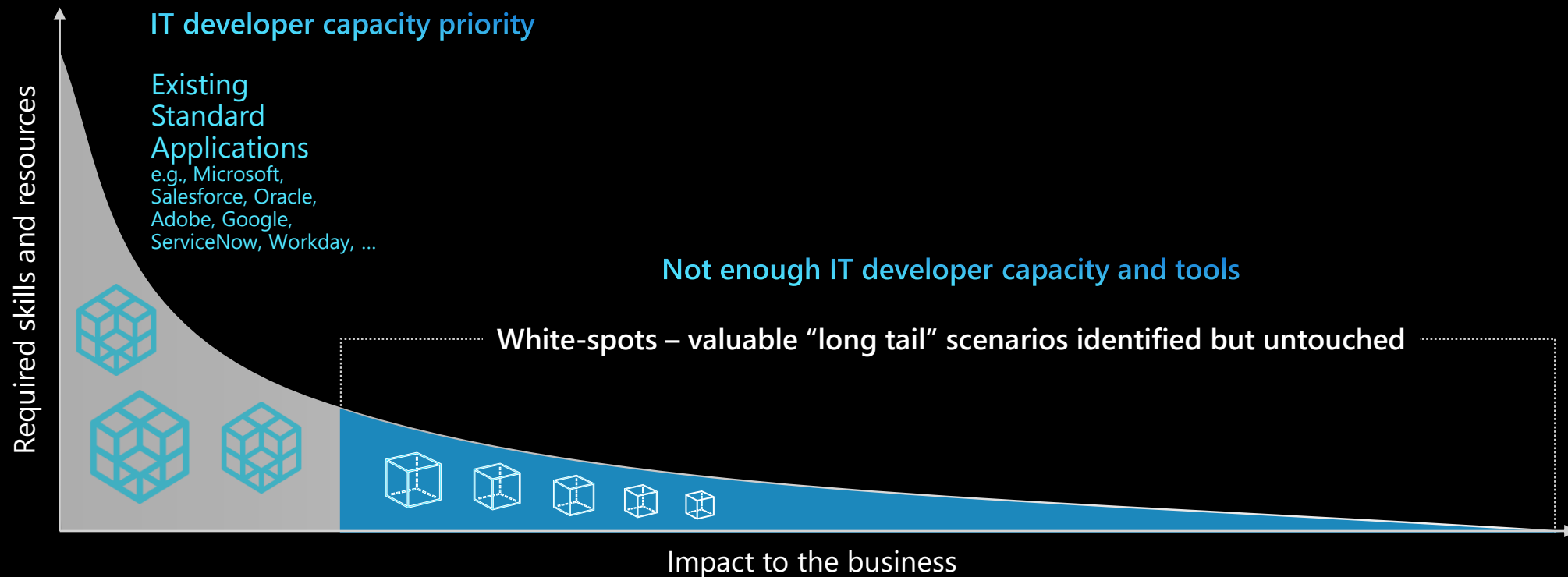
Typical projects

- Pursuit of insight and personalization using artificial intelligence and advanced analytics
- Optimization of complex systems using predictive analytics to minimize downtime
- Automation of manual tasks with robotic process automation to boost productivity
- Integration of customer journeys across channels and delivering an omnichannel experience

Challenges

- Lack the ability to proactively mitigate supply chain disruptions and constraints
- New solutions are difficult to implement
- Lack the ability to identify supply chain risks and inability to effectively track and trace products and raw materials through the value chain.
- Inability to perform multiparty collaboration in a secure way.

Power Platform can cover new & evolving scenarios with new developer economics



365 training
Migrate siloed data apps to centralized Collaboration App accessible via Teams

Replace 3rd Party Workflows

Enable Control-Tower-Scenarios via Power BI, Power Apps, Power Automate & Co.

Center of Excellence to control & pursue low-code adoption

>10 M€/Y
annual EBIT
impact for 15k
users

70% of customer interactions are now digital

still though organizations struggle to provide completely connected user experiences across all channels

Avg. of
\$6.8M ↓

Financial impact of a failing digital transformation initiative

Avg. of
976 ↗
Apps

only 28% of these apps on average are integrated, compared to 29% in 2021

Avg. of
52% ↘

IT projects weren't delivered on time over the past 12 months

Nearly
46% ↗

of Organizations' internal software assets are available for developers to reuse (API)

API-led connectivity
52% ↗

Increases productivity, drives agility via self-service, enhances innovation

Nearly
1/3 ↗

plan to invest in robotic process automation, most centrally tracking & managing via IT

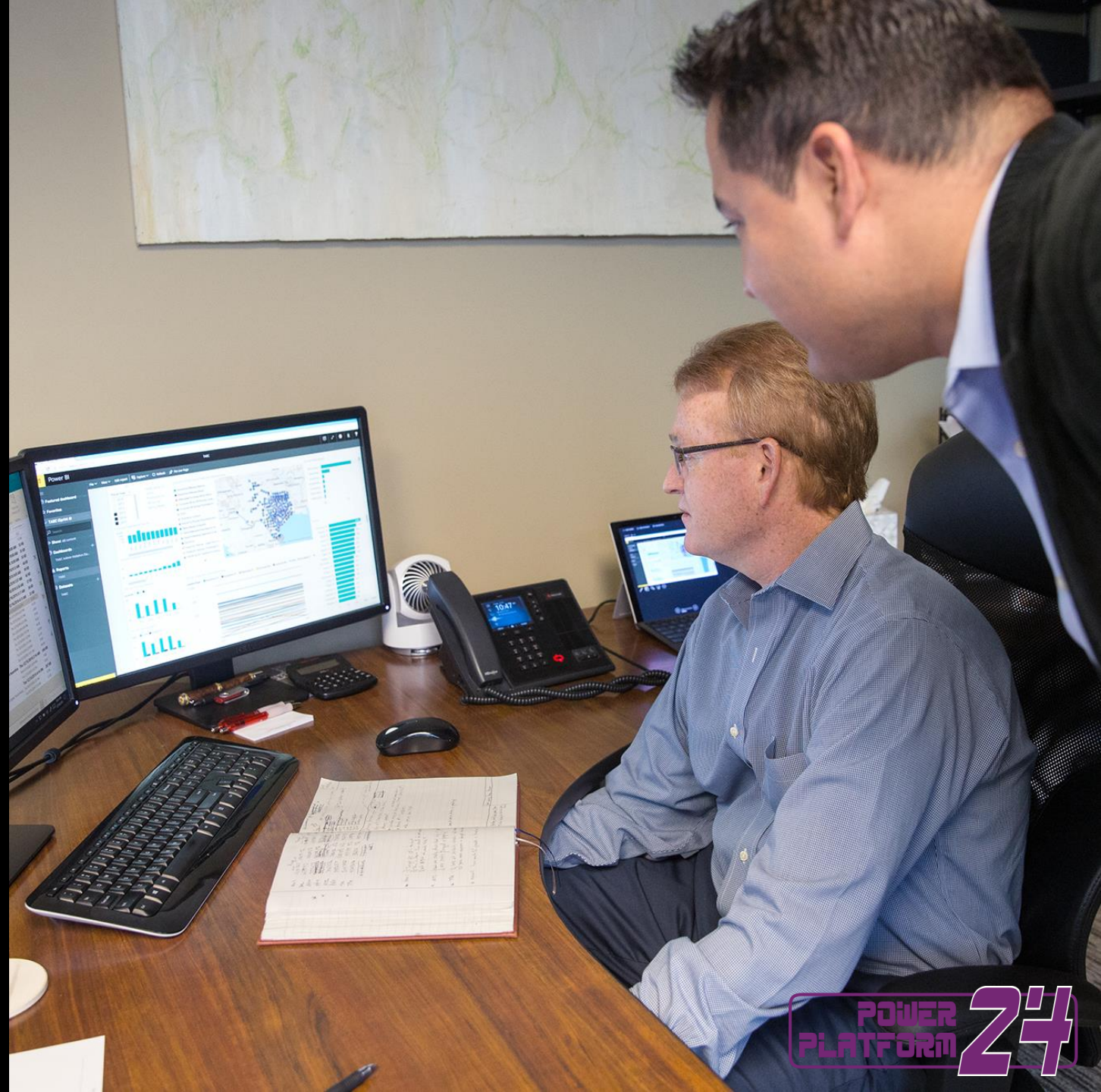
MuleSoft's 2022 Connectivity Benchmark Report, in partnership with Vanson Bourne and Deloitte Digital, was produced from interviews with 1,050 IT leaders across the globe.

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When my team got involved in the project, we started to listen and ask questions: "Where are you trying to go with this? What data are we hoping to analyze?"

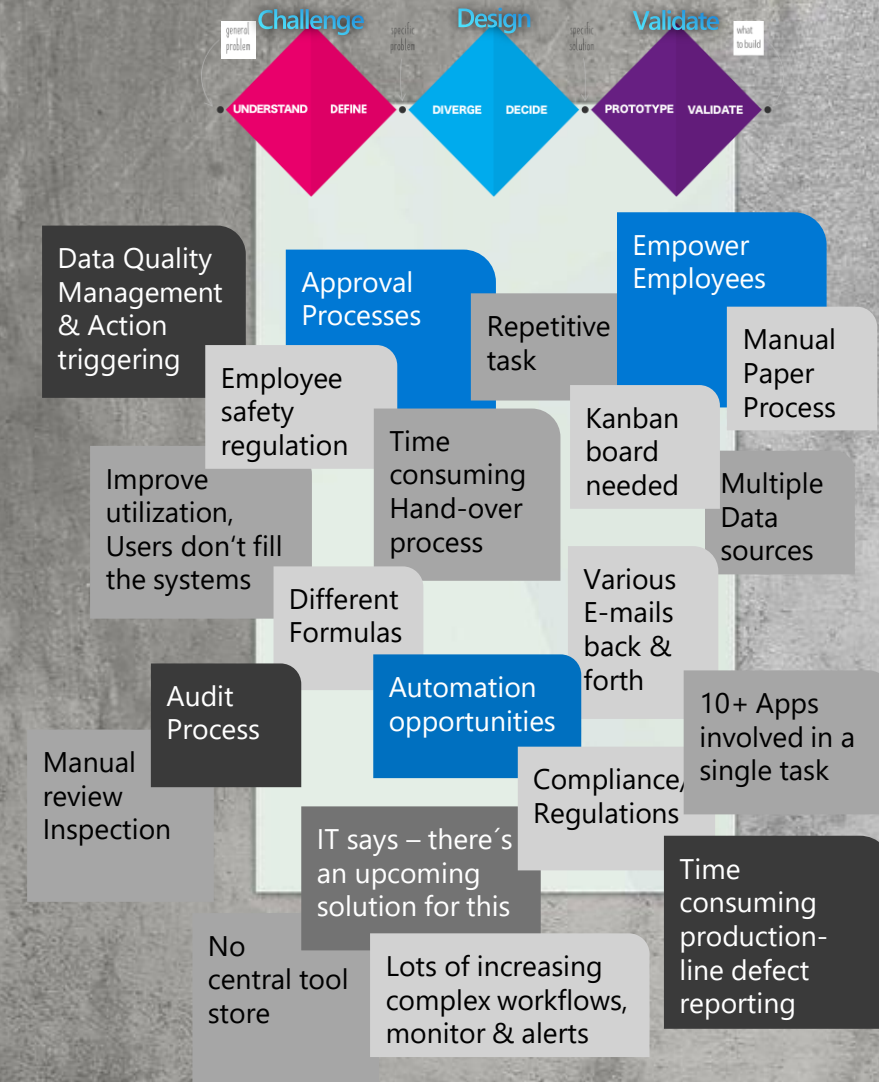
Turns out, what they were really trying to do was analyze text-based data.

The tool they had been looking at performed data visualization, which was what they thought they needed. The tool didn't solve the problem of analyzing text. When we really listened, we found that's where the problem was and we were able to introduce a different tool that had really high adoption.



How to uncover the typical long-tail scenarios, untouched by classic IT software development?

Running Design Thinking workshops typically unfold business problems without immediately mapping those to Technology. Rethinking business problems resulting in solutions is a common exercise.



Typical business technologist's found in Manufacturing industry



Quality-control Inspector

Quality control inspectors monitor operations to ensure products are being produced according to standards. They review specifications, oversee processes and identify defects in goods and materials. Some quality control inspectors make suggestions to improve the efficiency and accuracy of machines and operations.



Assembler

Assemblers study instructions to understand the work or construction process. They also measure, connect and weld parts together. Assemblers should be good communicators, have technical knowledge and be skilled in using tools and machines.



Warehouse Worker

Warehouse workers are responsible for various tasks, including preparing and placing orders, shipping merchandise and completing deliveries. It's also their job to track and unload the various merchandise housed within their warehouse. Warehouse workers need to have a high school diploma and experience working in this line of work. They should also have great time-management and organization skills.



Manufacturing Technician

Manufacturing technicians are responsible for setting up and operating equipment as well as making necessary adjustments to meet safety and quality standards. Manufacturing technicians often blend their technical and mechanical skills to get their job done. Many of their skills can be learned on the job.



Packaging Engineer

Packaging engineers develop packaging ideas, performing research and evaluate package production. Employees in this field use their knowledge of science, engineering and technology to design product packaging. Packaging engineers should be good problem solvers and communicators.



Plant Managers

Plant managers oversee the operations of manufacturing factories. They manage employees, monitor processes and perform quality control. They also hire employees, create schedules and maintain certain quotas. Plant managers should have excellent problem-solving and critical-thinking skills to do well in this role.

What are typical Power Platform usage scenarios by those roles?



Quality-control Inspector

Quality approval from engineer to supervisor with signature, Dock audits for shipments



Assembler

New hire onboarding process from start to finish, incl. checklists



Warehouse Worker

Factory line processes like Center lining, Clean-Inspect-Lubricate and Tagging.



Manufacturing Technician

Production line machinery inspections and remediation app and processes. Identifying problems, coordinating equipment repairs including parts, suppliers, workflows/checklists



Packaging Engineer

Truck In / Out – Delivery trucks entering or exiting factory area being traced and tracked
CPG and automation of supply chain - automation of shipping documents and access for partners & customers



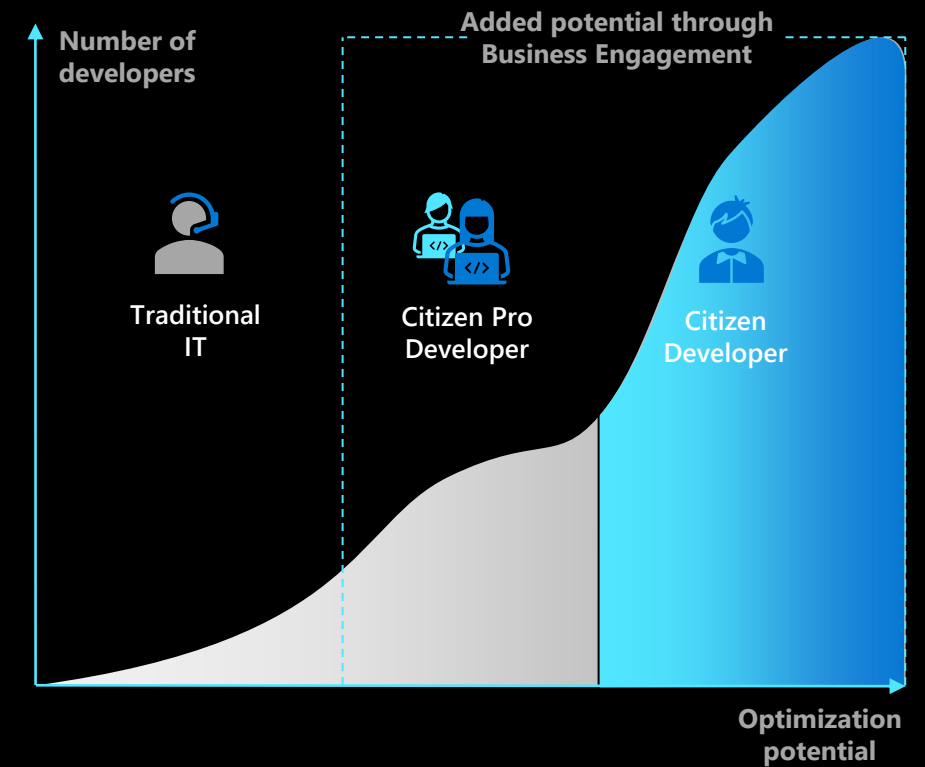
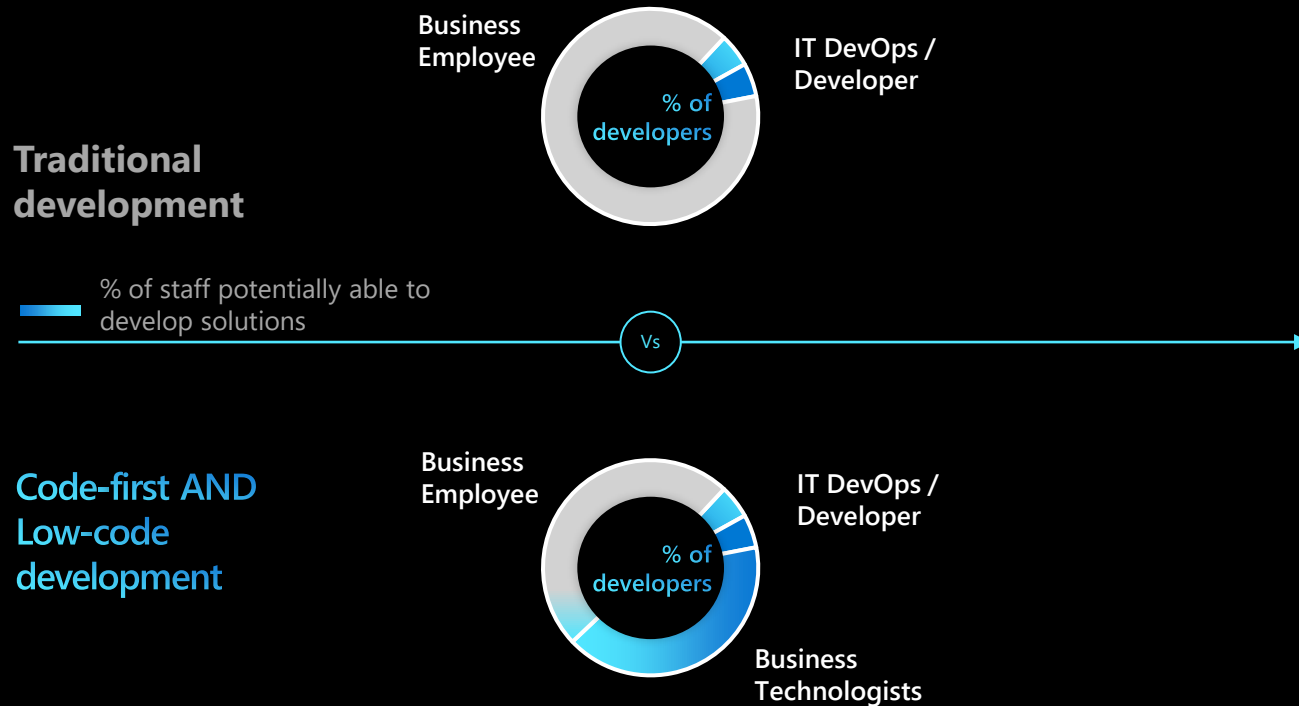
Plant Managers

CAPEX / OPEX request tool. Digital manufacturing: Project-, Expenditure requests & approvals and allocation of budgets



Business Technologists

Helping enterprises establish a new technology delivery model



Topics a Business Technologist deals with in 2022



Data
Fabric



Cybersecurity
Mesh



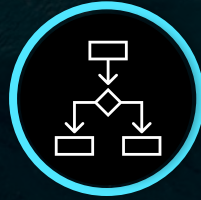
Privacy-Enhancing
Computation



Cloud-Native
Platforms



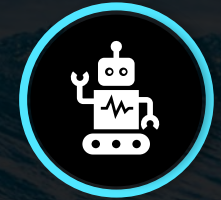
Composable
Applications



Decision
Intelligence



Hyper-
Automation



AI
Engineering



Distributed
Enterprises



Total
Experience



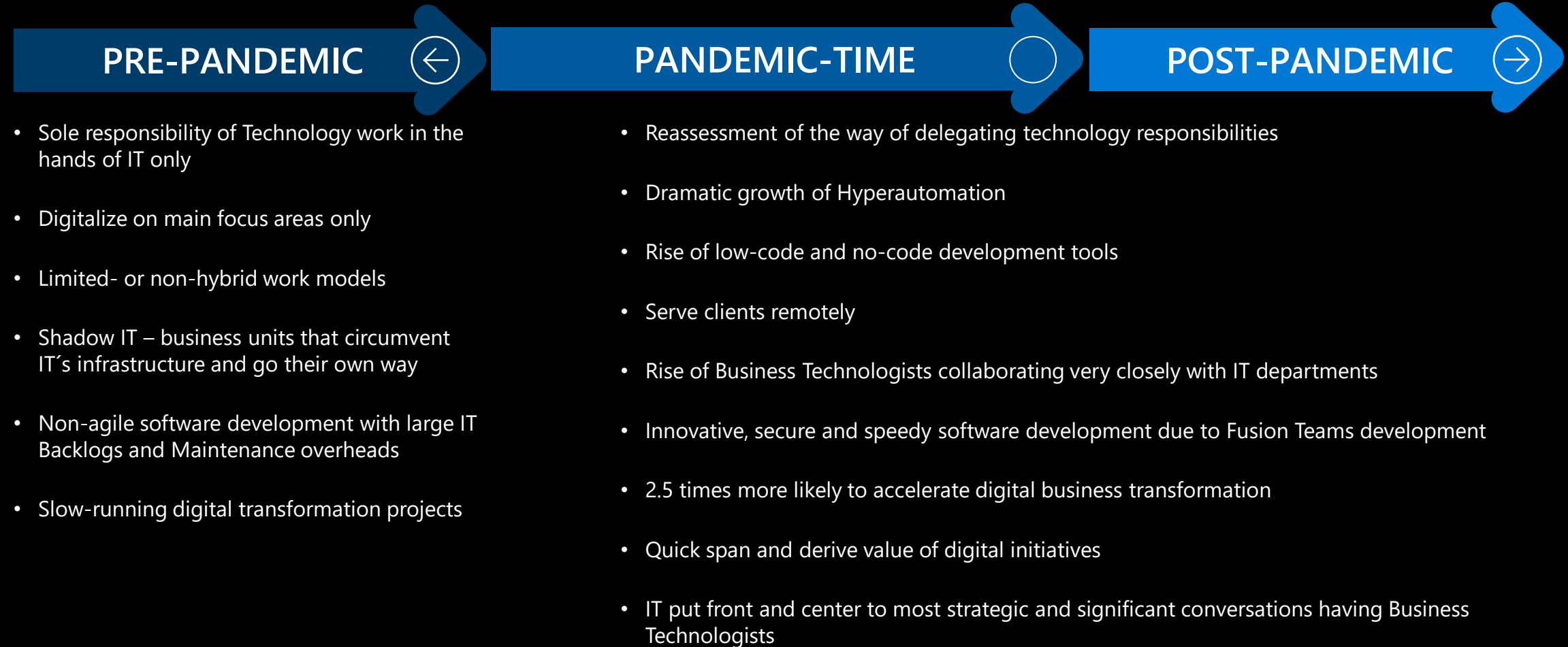
Autonomic
Systems



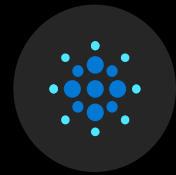
Generative
AI

Democratization of digital delivery

Putting the responsibility, tools and accountability for building digital capabilities in the hands of business units and not just IT



Addressing the wants & needs and enabling for self-service



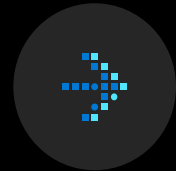
Visualize data from your processes



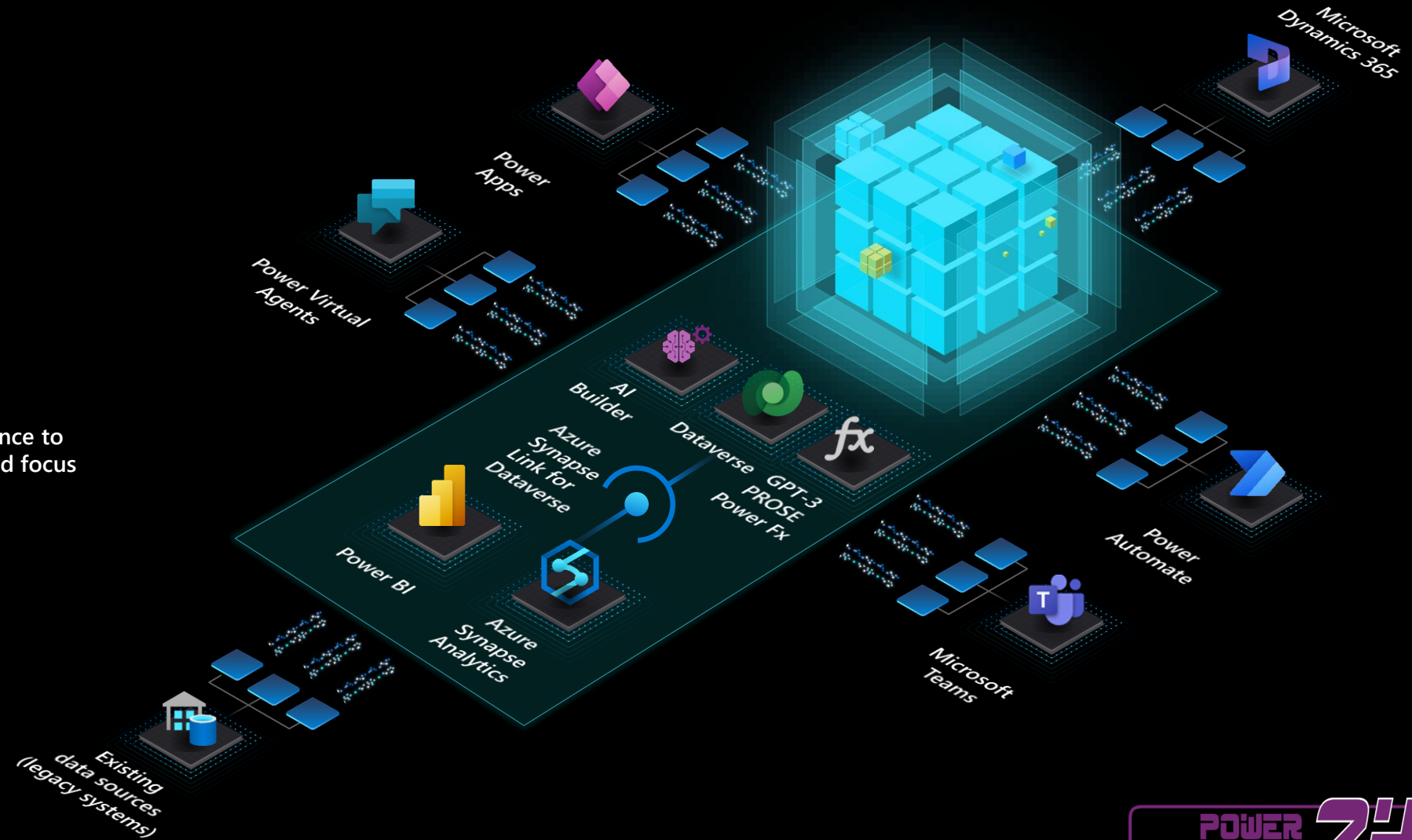
Glean insights across your business



Use Artificial Intelligence to filter out the noise and focus



Turn insights into action



The Power Platform is designed to empower fusion teams allowing three key audiences to come together.

The **code-first** developer who can extend or build-upon the platform using code first

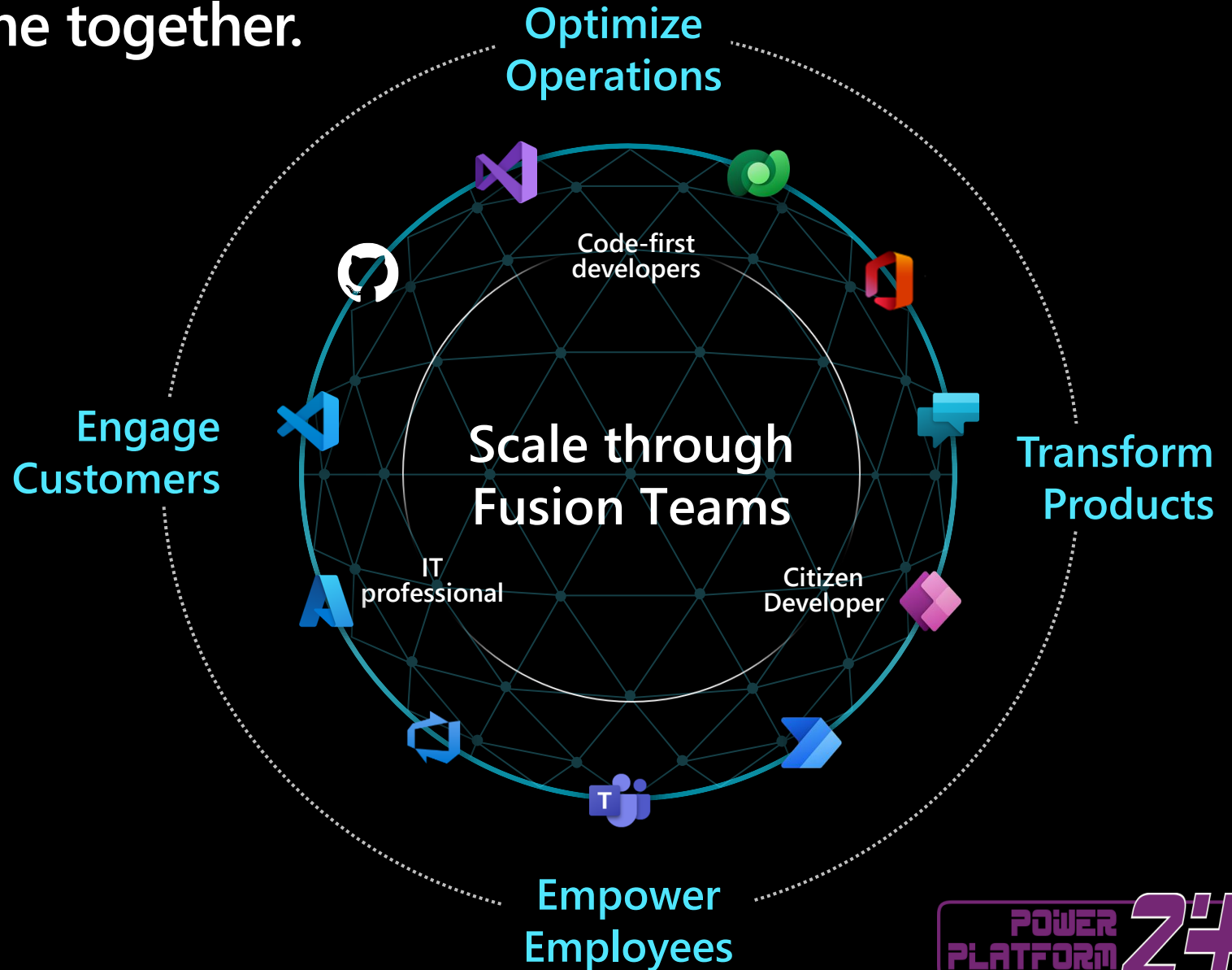
The **citizen developer** who can build solutions without writing code

And finally, **the IT Professional**, which frankly tends to be a persona that can wear many hats: It can be the administrator, or the governance team

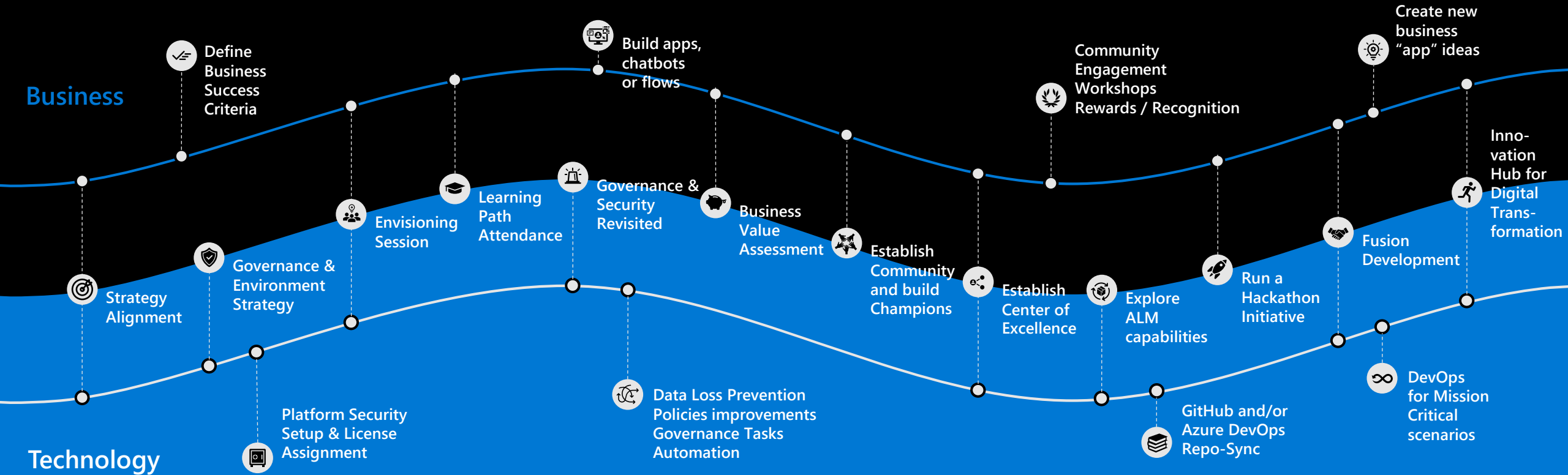
The IT security team that set up the foundation but also represents the IT team managing the E2E process, the deployment, the application lifecycle

This is where the **Power Platform** is so magical: Not only do we support all these persona, but we allow each audience to **work in the tooling of their choice**, using the tools for the process they're already familiar with

Scaling with fusion development means you will be tasked to build and deliver the app, with ongoing maintenance of the solution, and then any CI/CD for it that come from the continual update processes your business uses.



Business Technologists supporting Adoption journey



Strategy Alignment

- Understand low-code positioning, the "big picture and scope" in terms of driving digital transformation initiatives
- Defining common principles across all platforms
- Gain alignment on Adoption journey
- Get Center of Excellence sponsorship
- High level understanding of needs
- Agreed upon action/deployment plan

Adoption Strategy & Vision

- Empower every employee to leverage Microsoft Power Platform to drive digital transformation
- Review Adoption Planning Workbook
- Define your goals, and S.M.A.R.T. success criteria
- Ensure organizational readiness
- Adoption Workbook
- Ensure learning & readiness plans in place
- Ensure establishment of community

Governance & Security

- Define cadence around deployment plan, security and rollout
- Compliance Feasibility
- Monitor, Act, Automate
- Timeline & Process
- Commitment to implement and regular adjust governance and security

Community & Champions

- Business Value Assessment
- Community rewards and recognition
- Ensure continuous ideation & improvements
- Scale-out knowledge
- Best-practices sharing
- Setting org-wide standards
- Quick span and derive value of digital initiatives

Center of Excellence

- Recruit multi-disciplinary teams to establish a Center of Excellence
- Invest in organic growth while maintaining governance & control
- Drive innovation and improvement
- Continuous Assessment of maturity level
- Enable development at scale
- Establish robust guardrails
- Break down geographic and organizational silos
- Unite like-minded people

Fusion Development

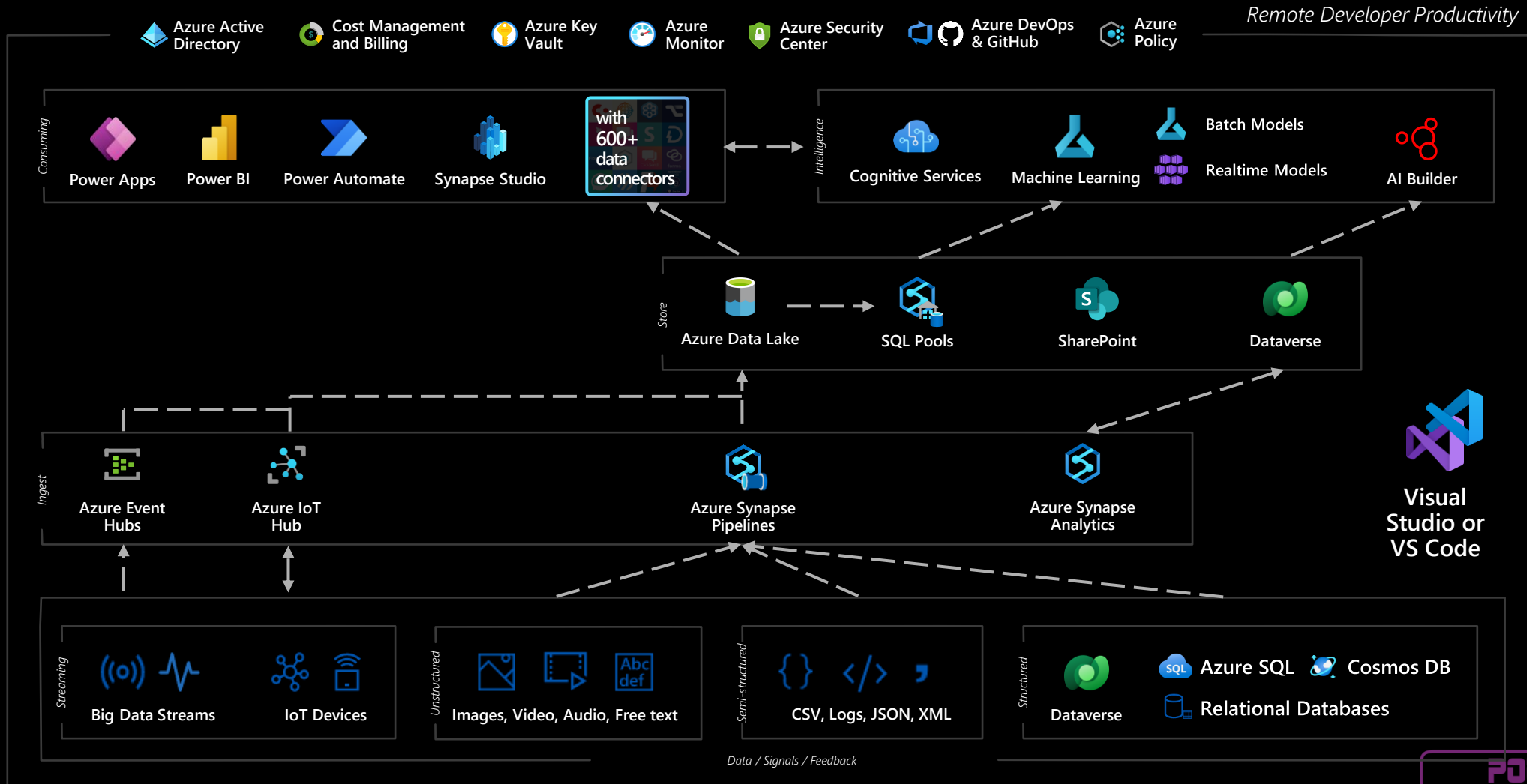
- Unite and combine code-first and citizen developers
- Drive Fusion development scenarios (e.g., Azure + Power Platform)
- Enable code-first developers with additional low-code tools
- Lower IT-Development Backlog
- Accelerate digital business transformation

Goal

When Developers + Business Technologists meet

Example: Building a Citizen AI enabled Control Tower with the help of Azure + Power Platform

Low Code Developer



Code-first Developer



Key Takeaways and learnings



Employee Demand

Employees demand co-decisions made on future IT strategy. Participate in strategic conversations and shape the digital transformation journey together



Teamwork has changed and new expectations raised

Accelerating digital transformation, successful companies are establishing the culture of Fusion Teams development, enabling for rapid application development & Hyperautomation



Post-pandemic Democratization

Business Technologists help establish a Fusion Dev culture, Low-code tools being used by code-first developers, Software to transform from single product suites to orchestrated platforms.

Thank you!



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