Architecture Documentation Review Across Project Phases

Project Phase	Typical Activities	Review AD for ...
Concept	- Identifying stakeholders' needs - Exploring concepts, propose viable solutions - Analyzing alternative architectures - Preparing an architectural concept (such as when assembling a bid for a contract) - Communicating between acquirers and developers as a part of contract negotiations	- Capturing the right stakeholders and concerns - Support for proposal
Development	- Refining system requirements - Creating solution description - Building system or systems - Verifying and validating system	- Support for conformance to a normative specification - Support for evaluation - Support for development - Support for input to generation and analysis tools - Support for judging implementation conformance to architecture - Support for project planning
Utilization	Operating the system to satisfy users' needs	Support for help in tracking down operational errors
Support	Providing sustained system capability	Support for system evolution in concert with the architecture and the associated business planning for evolution

Table 1: How architecture documentation (AD) is reviewed across project phases.