

# Power Bl Governance & Adoption.

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#### What is this session about?

This session focuses on the governance and adoption of Power BI within an organization in which Power BI is already being (widely) used by users with limited governance and adoption.



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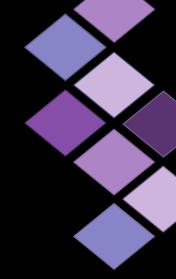












#### Now it's time to get to know you!



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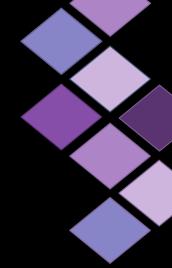


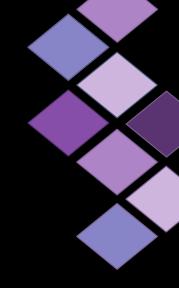
Could you raise your hand if you are an internal Power BI developer / specialist / architect / analist / user / ..?



### Could you raise your hand if you don't do anything with Power BI?

Could you raise your hand if you know what the company policies and best practices are regarding sharing Power BI reports with users?

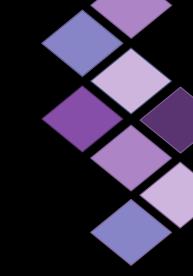


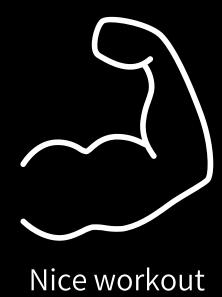


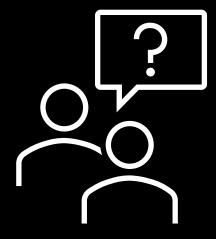
Could you raise your hand if you know who to ask within the company to set up a Power BI Premium capacity?



# Could you raise your hand if you know who is allowed to change Power BI tenant settings?



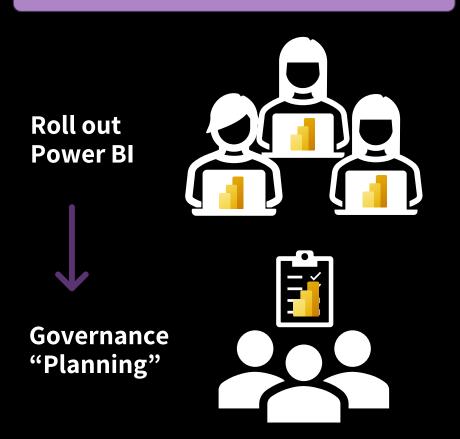




Governance Adoption

#### **Strategies**

#### Scenario 1

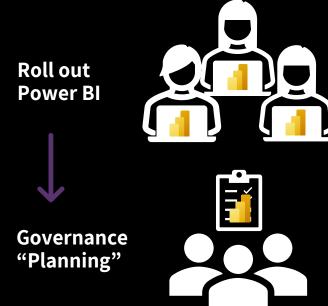




#### **Roll out Power BI first**

- + Immediately start creating solutions
- + Quick wins
- + No restrictions
- Best practices not applied from the start
- Reestablish governance is not easy
- No processes in place





#### **Strategies**

Scenario 1

Governance "Planning"

**Roll out** 

**Power BI** 



Scenario 2





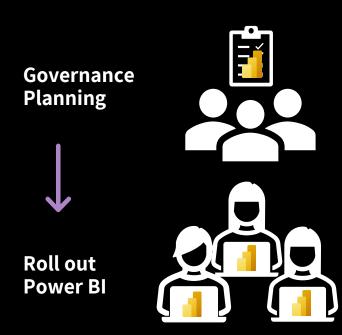
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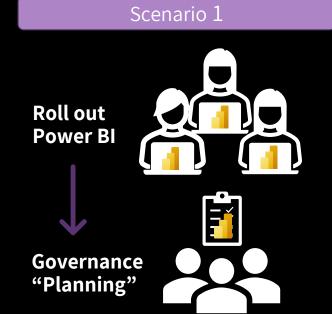


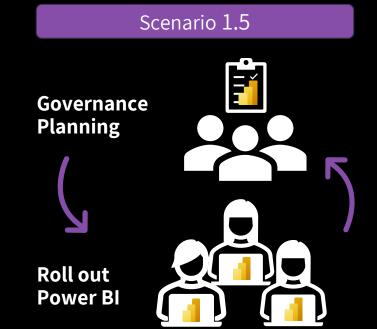
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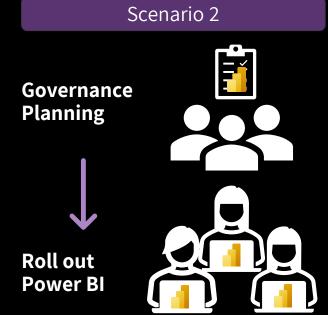
- + Support user community
- + Meet security and compliance requirements
- + Clear processes
- Slow start
- Theory and practice are not always the same



#### **Strategies**







#### So..

- Power BI is (ready to be) used in the organization
- But we are running into some challenges
  - Requesting a Power BI capacity seems impossible
  - The reports that are build are used for exporting to excel instead of using the report itself
  - The Power BI REST API is not available to be used, so automation is impossible
  - Refreshes of semantic models take forever

How can we start addressing all these issues? Where do you start?



## Power BI Governance and Adoption Roadmap





Strategy		Business
Data Culture	Executive Sponsor	alignment
Content management	Content delivery scope	
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#### **Data Culture**

- The behaviors and norms that encourages the use of data.
- Think of data culture as what you do without thinking or when no one is looking
- Your data culture is not a set of rules (that's governance), but can/will be the results of the governance rules.. or lack of rules.



#### **Executive sponsor**

A healthy data culture starts with an executive sponsor



(Credibility + influence + authority)

Executive sponsor =

Broad organizational influence

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<u>Disclaimer: Without sponsor you will most likely fail.</u>



#### **Business alignment**

- Data strategy
- Data culture
- Business objectives
- Bl strategy



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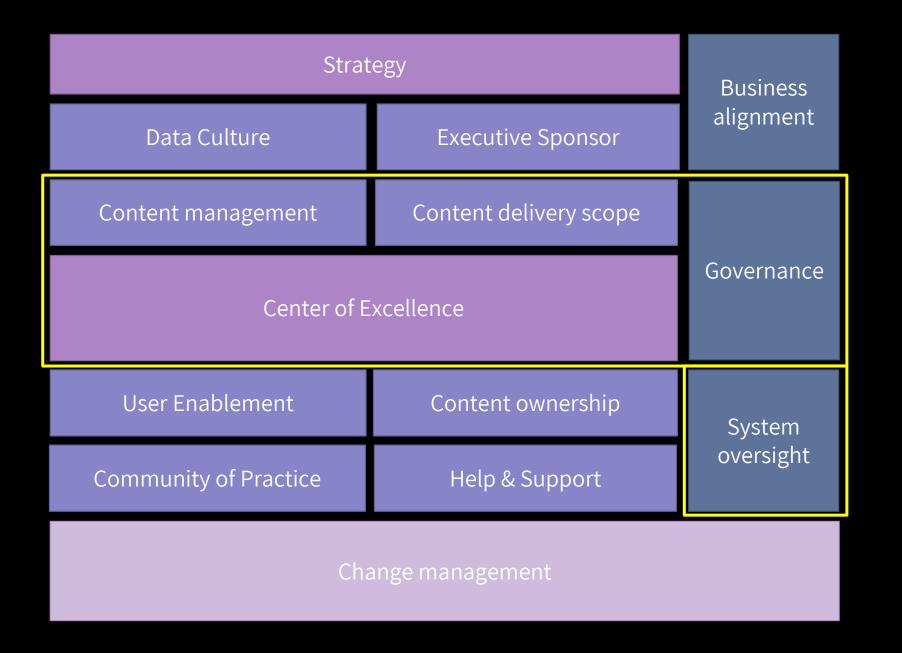
- ✓ Data strategy be a data driven company
- ✓ Data culture only making decisions when it is backed by data
- ✓ Business objectives reaching multiple KPI's
- × BI strategy data only available for management





#### **Customer Case**

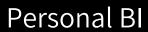
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#### **Content delivery scope**









Team BI



Departmental BI



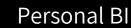
**Enterprise BI** 

#### **Content management**

There are three primary strategies for how business intelligence (BI) content is owned and managed.

	Semantic model owner	Report owner
Business-led self-service BI	Business	Business
Managed self-service BI	IT	Business
<b>Enterprise BI</b>	IT	IT

#### **Content delivery scope Content management strategy** Enterprise BI Enterprise BI Departmental BI Managed self-service BI Team BI Business-led self-service BI



#### **Content management**

Who owns and manages what?

- Assign clear roles and responsibilities
  - If you are a semantic model owner, what does it mean to be a semantic model owner?
  - If you re a report owner, what does it mean to be a report owner?
  - Who is allowed to get access to the workspace, and in which role?
- Adopt roles and responsibilities
  - You can be a semantic model owner, but I have no clue what I am doing?



#### Example – Managed self-service BI

Task	Owner
Making data available in platform for Power BI	IT
Determine and provide access to data in platform	IT
Importing data from platform to Power BI	IT
Create relationships	IT
Create dataset measures	IT
Publish dataset to Power BI service	IT
Create report measures	Business
Create report	Business
Publish report to Powre BI service	Business
Provide access to report	Business



#### **Customer Case**

### But who is going to implement and adopt all these ideas, responsibilities and strategies?





# Power BI Center of Excellence

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- (In)formally recognized



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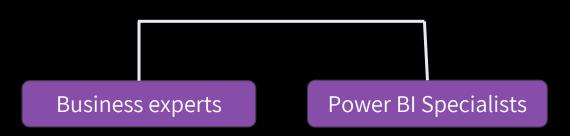
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#### Goals

- Guiding and educating internal users to increase their skillset
- Create consistency and transparancy for user community
- Reducing techical debt
- Promoting the adoption and usage of Power BI

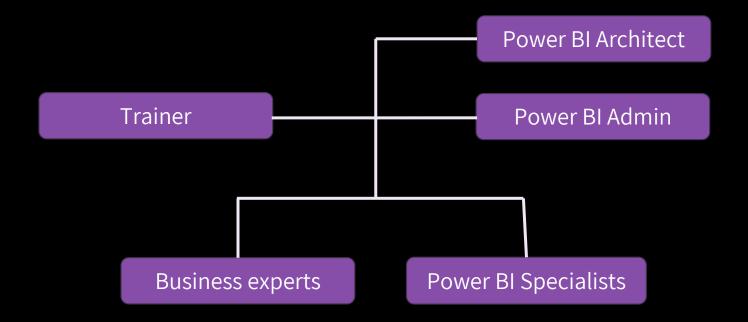


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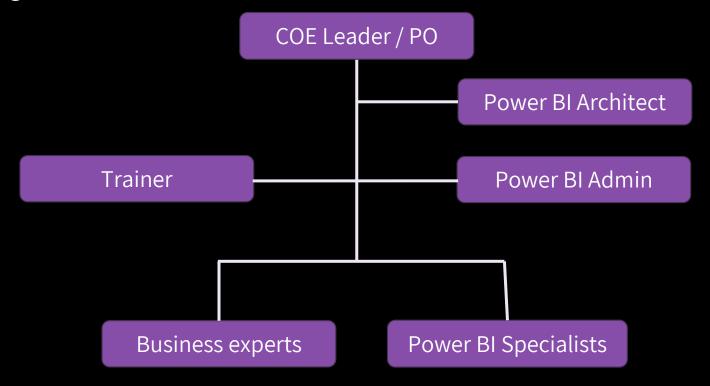


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### Structure of a Power BI Center of Excellence

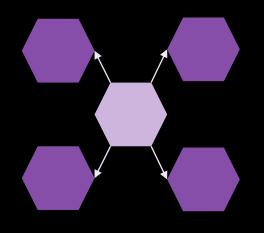


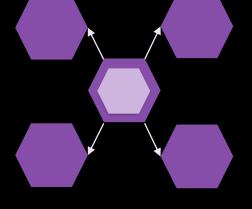
Business experts

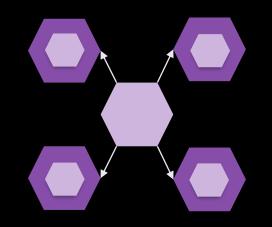


Center of Excellence













Centralized

Unified

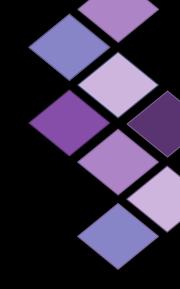
Federated

Decentralized

### Responsibilities of a Power BI Center of Excellence

- Skills mentoring
- Cost management
- Create and update centralized portal
- Training
- System oversight
- Governance
- Internal community
- Knowledge sharing

- Communication
- User support
- Solution design
- Solution development
- Set up best practices
- Integration with other products
- Documentation
- Templates



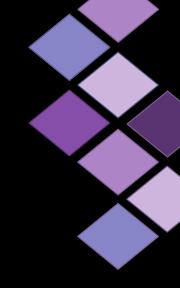


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COE Leader / PO

Power BI Architect

Trainer

Power BI Admin

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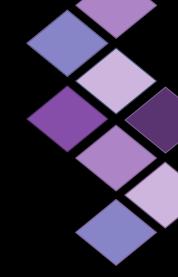
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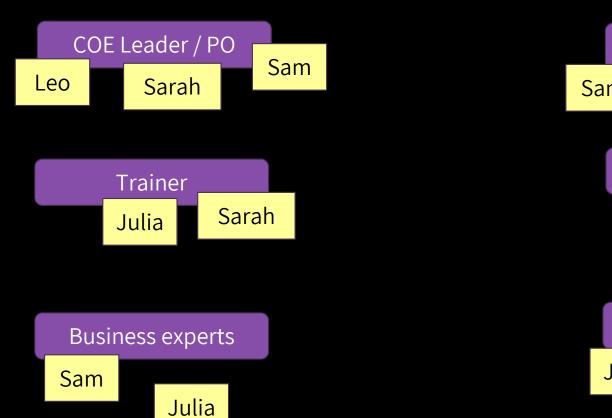
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Julia

Business experts

Power BI Specialists













#### Governance

Governing what users do with the data, not the data itself

Objectives for Power BI governance:

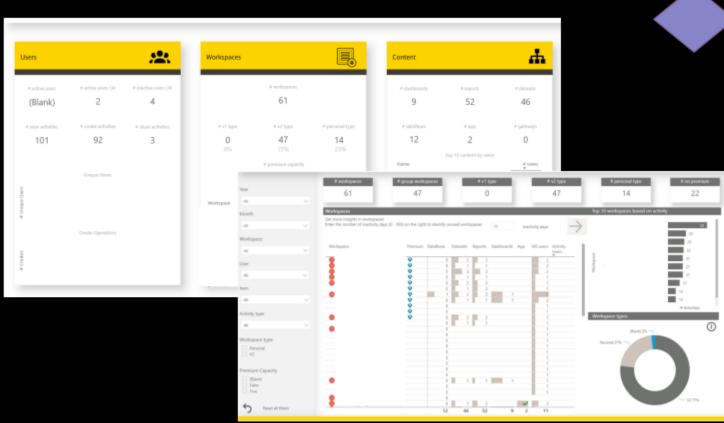
- Empower users to make decisions with data within the defined boundaries
- Improve user experience by providing:
  - Clear and transparent guidelines
  - Consistent and standardized solutions
- Content ownership responsibilities are clear and well adopted
- Reducing risk of data leakage and misuse of data.



The ongoing, day-to-day, administrative activities.

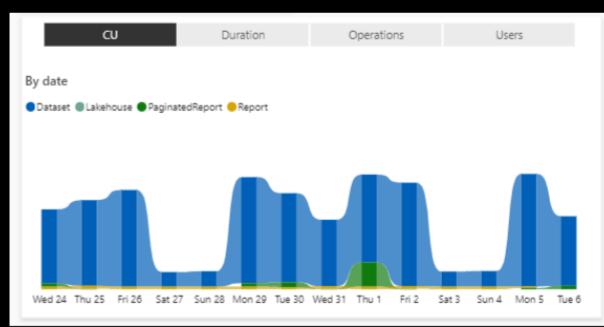
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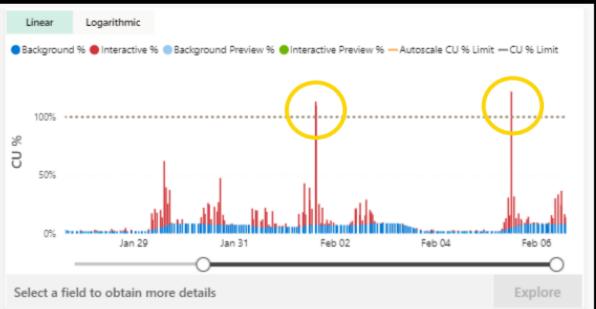
- How many users do you have?
- Are using AD groups to share Enterprise reports?



#### Set up capacity monitoring

- Are the capacities at capacity?
- Cross charging







#### Cost Management

- Does everyone need a Power BI pro license?
- E5 licenses or single Power BI pro licenses?
- PPU vs. F-SKU (or other SKUs)
- Multiple smaller capacites or one larger capacity
- Reserved instances vs. pay-as-you-go
- Scaling

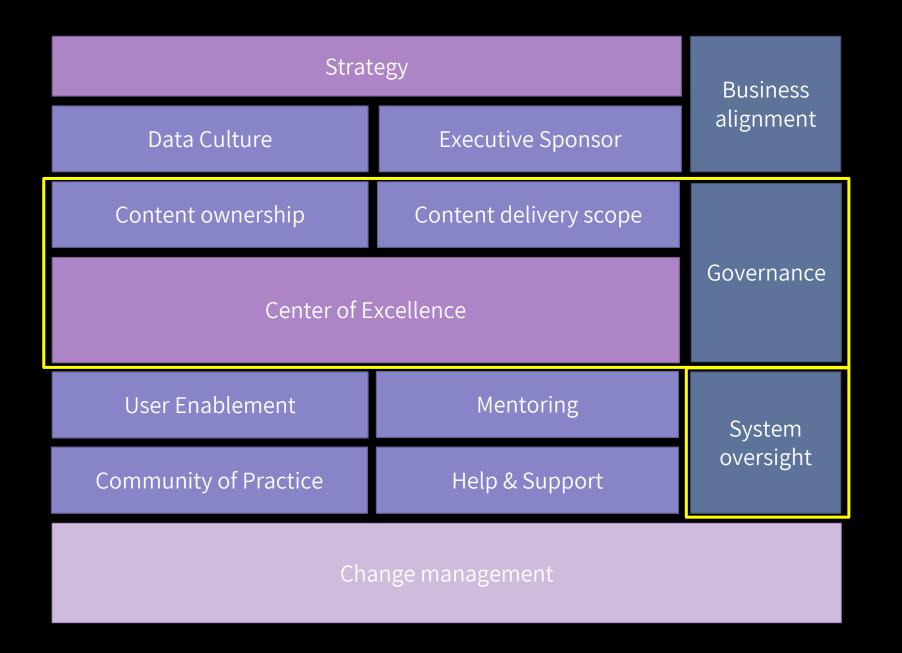


#### Tenant settings

- Calling the (Admin) REST API
- Custom Visuals
- Fabric features
- Domains
- Publish to Web
- External users

#### Admin portal Help and support settings Tenant settings Usage metrics ▶ Publish "Get Help" information Users Disabled for the entire organization Premium Per User ▶ Receive email notifications for service outages or incidents Audit logs Disabled for the entire organization Capacity settings Allow users to try Power BI paid features Enabled for the entire organization Refresh summary **Embed Codes** ▶ Show a custom message before publishing reports Organizational visuals Disabled for the entire organization Azure connections Workspaces Workspace settings Custom branding Protection metrics Create workspaces (new workspace experience) Enabled for the entire organization Featured content

Use datasets across workspaces Enabled for the entire organization



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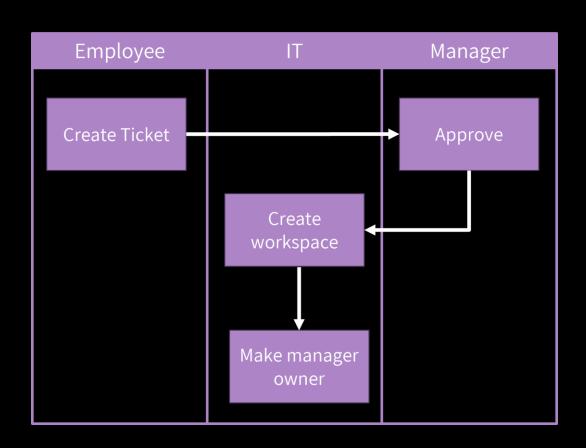
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- How?
  - User enablement
  - Mentoring
  - Community of practice
  - Help & Support



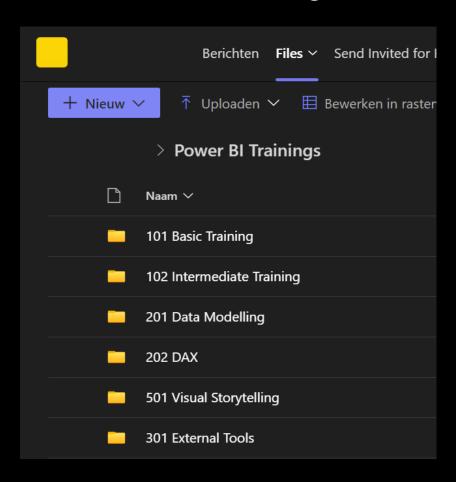
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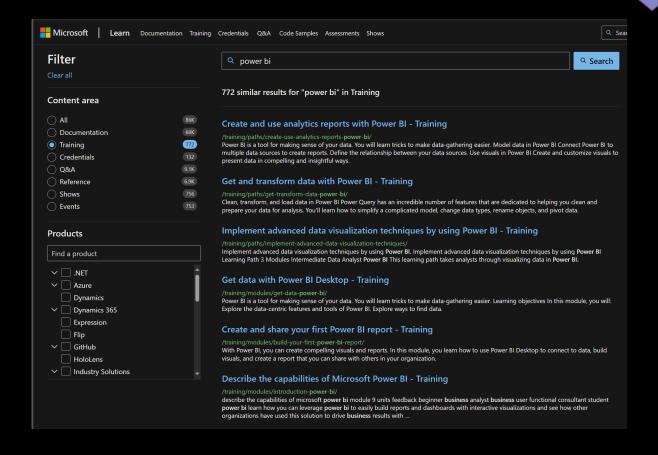
- Create a "How to get started with"
- Create a consistent process
  - How to request Power BI Desktop
  - How to request a pro license
  - How to request a workspace



### User enablement

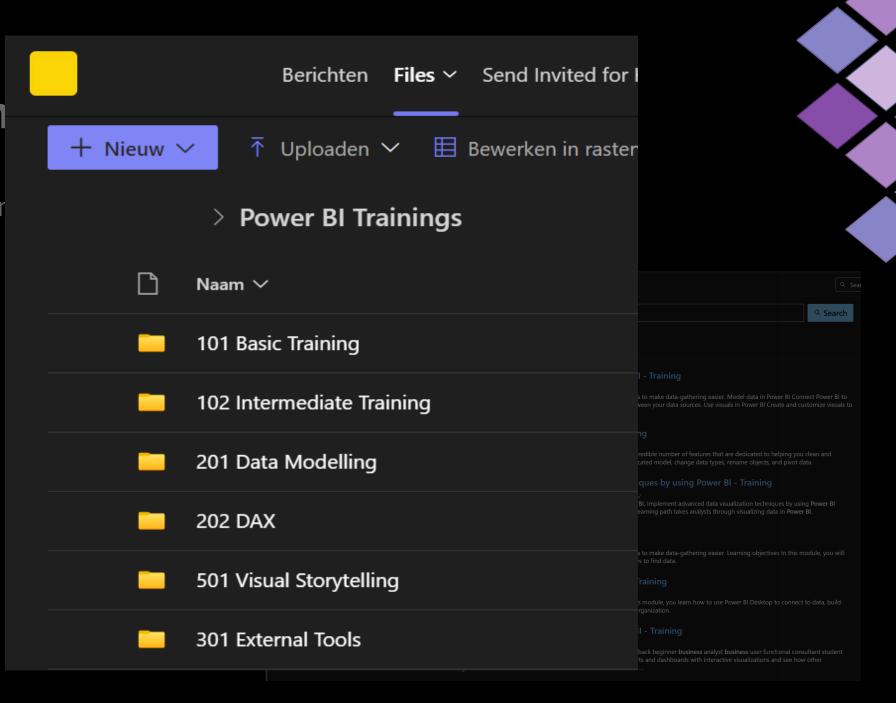
Consider what training services the Center of Excellence can support:

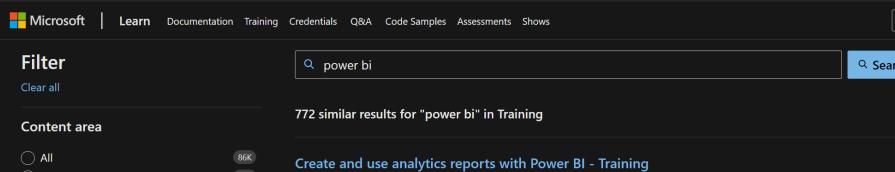




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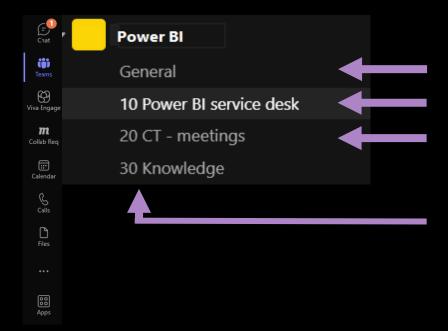
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### User enablement

Create a centralized portal



Channel for generic CoE announcements

Channel to ask questions

Channel for meetings such as:

- Monthly updates
- Q&A office hours

Channel to share information:

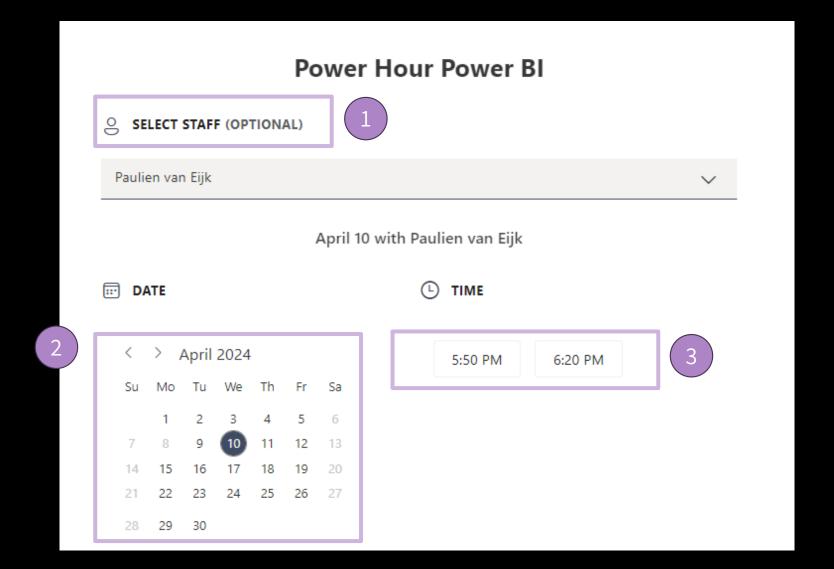
- Webinars
- Blogs
- Youtube videos

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# **Mentoring – Office Hours**





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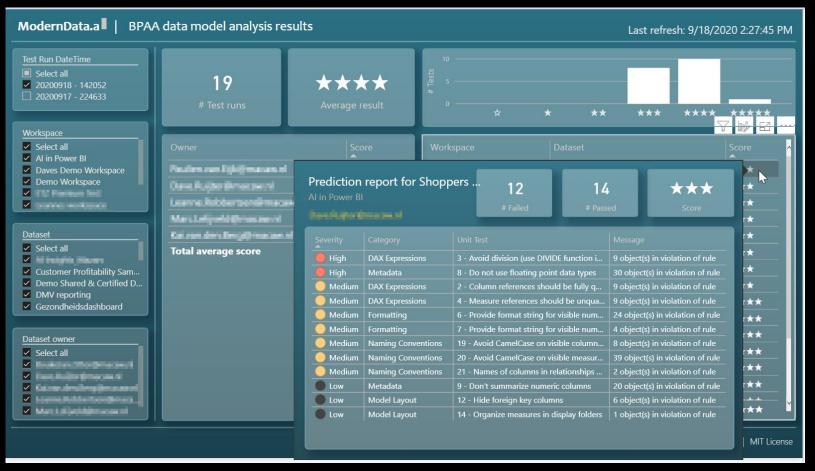


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# **Mentoring - Best practice review**



Blog: Dave Ruijter, Henko Kors - Check the quality of all Power BI data models at once with Best Practice Analyzer Automation (BPAA)



# **Community of Practice**

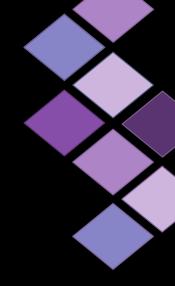
Everyone with an interest in Power BI

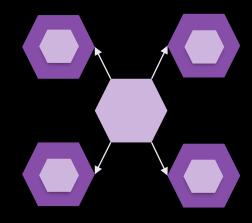
- CoE oversees the entire community
- Champions (Power Users)
- Content consumer
- Content creator



# **Community of Practice - Champions**

- One of the driving factors behind adoption
- Satellite members of the CoE
  - Influence on data policies
  - Influence on creation of best practices and guidance





# Help and Support

Establishing a support system with training, various levels of support and community.

#### Internally

- Intra-team support
- Internal community support
- Help desk support

#### Externally

- Microsoft support
- Community support



# But the CoE can only do so much

- It's the people who make or break the change
- The CoE can provide trainings, but if people don't attend them, they are useless
- The CoE can provide best practices, but if people don't follow them, they are useless
- The CoE can assign roles and responsibilities, but if people don't act, the roles are useless.

Change is about people, not technology and processes.



#### Don't come in with a BANG

Imagine that





#### **Communication is KEY**

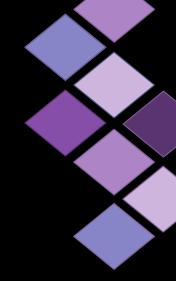
- Not only in relationships...
- Communicate about:
  - What?
  - Why?
  - When?
- Don't forget to keep the door open:
  - Where to find more information
  - Who to contact for questions





# Change management is a profession on its own

A good strategy



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- Set of behaviours and norms (data culture)



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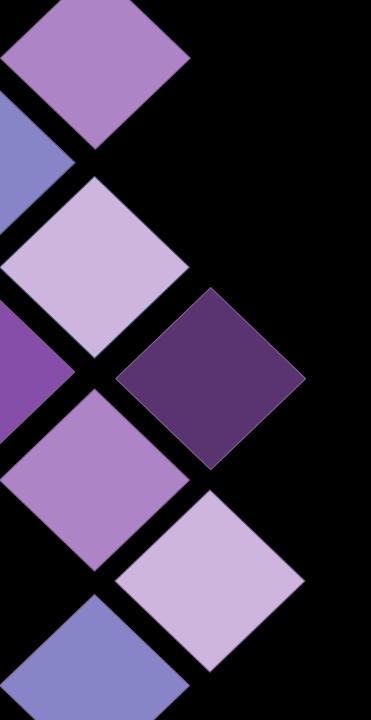
# Wait, this reminds me of something ...





- A good strategy for obvious reasons
- Set of behaviours and norms pieces can only do certain moves
- Someone with influence and authority the Marshall
- Gather the required information using your scouts and spies
- Gather a group of motivated people to reach the goals you have set getting the flag with all
  your generals, captains, majors etc





# Q&A