## Anand Gopalakrishnan

## **Associate Director**

Anand Gopalakrishnan is an Associate Director with Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) in Jersey City. RBC is one of the top 15 largest banks in the world and fifth largest in North America and provides focused expertise in banking, finance and capital markets. His background includes seventeen plus years of broad experience in technology roles at various companies including TD Bank, Fifth Third Bank, ADP, Nippon Yusen Kaisha and Johnson & Johnson.

He started his career as a mainframe developer and since then transitioned into other technologies such as Java, Relational Databases and Scripting Languages driven by market and business requirements. In his various technology roles, he has spent substantial time in developing and managing number of scalable applications that resulted in cost savings and operational efficiencies within the business functions.

He joined RBC in 2005 as a consultant for managing a technical team for integration project involving RBC's two broker dealer entities. Subsequently he took an offer of employment and joined as Solutions Architect for Financial Control and Regulatory Reporting.

He has repeatedly proven to be a valuable team member, who is able to combine his extensive technical knowledge to local regulatory landscape and developing optimal technology solutions for business stakeholders. In one of the peer reviews, the head of the Financial Regulatory Reporting for RBC Capital Markets commented; without his assistance, the firm would be at a much higher risk in the reports and submission that the regulatory team provides to all regulators. He takes ownership of each project and strives to making our functions, the most efficient. Most recently, as part of Foreign Banking Organization implementation, he went over and above his mandate to work collaboratively with Business Analysts and other stakeholders across work streams to ensure data to Axiom reporting application are available within regulatory filing deadlines.

Anand is very passionate about coding and learning new technologies. He is currently learning web technology stack skills and very enthusiastic in applying it to real work environment. He is open to change and always ready to adapt quickly to changes in the business environment.

He also likes to help others with their technology solutions and is an active browser in the connect boards.

When not coding, Anand absolutely loves photography and spends lot of time on it. For him, photographs are priceless, because they freeze moments in time to cherish forever. He likes to use lot of natural light and gets fascinated in taking photographs of nature and buildings. He also likes gardening, playing piano and anything science and technology.

Anand holds a Bachelor of Computer Science degree from Bharathiar University in India. He currently lives in Piscataway, NJ with his wife and 13 year old son.