

Architecture Impact Assessment Template

1. Header

- **Domain:**
- **Author / Owner:**
- **Date / Version:**
- **Trigger / Change Event:** (e.g., new SEC regulation, adoption of new attribution model, platform decommission)

2. Summary of Change

- **Description of Change:**
- **Source of Change:** (Regulation, business requirement, vendor roadmap, market trend)
- **Timeline / Deadlines:**
- **Regulatory / Compliance Impact:**

3. Impact Assessment

3.1 Business Impact

- Affected business processes (reporting, client reporting, tax alignment).
- Stakeholders impacted (Ops, Compliance, Product, Risk).
- Criticality of impact (High/Medium/Low).

3.2 Data Impact

- New or changed data elements required.
- Lineage changes (source → transformation → reporting).
- Data quality or reconciliation implications.

3.3 Application / Platform Impact

- Systems impacted (legacy + target).

- New capabilities or modules required.
- Vendor/tool dependencies.

3.4 Integration Impact

- Interfaces, APIs, feeds impacted.
- External parties impacted (TA, fund accounting, benchmarks, regulators).

3.5 Technology & Infrastructure Impact

- Compute/storage implications.
- Security or audit changes required.
- Cloud vs on-prem considerations.

4. Options & Recommendations

- Option A (Minimal change) – description, pros/cons.
- Option B (Strategic change) – description, pros/cons.
- Option C (Hybrid) – description, pros/cons.
- Recommended approach with rationale.

5. Risks & Mitigations

- Risks identified (cost, timing, compliance).
- Mitigation strategies.

6. Next Steps

- Actions, owners, timelines.
- Escalation required (e.g., ARB, Domain Council).