

# PA Stage 3 - Target State Logical Architecture

## Further Information on Stage 3

Stage 3 has two topics which together comprise enough information to create a high level view of the scope of changes required to be delivered at BF in order to realise the value from the successful execution of the strategy.

It is at this stage of the API strategy blueprint that you are creating an understanding of what it will take to deliver the expected value from the investment in the API led approach aligned with the business' strategy to transform the customer onboarding journey for the Wealth Management business.

This information will be valuable input into the customer internal investment case which will be used to gain approval to execute the strategy. The topics at this stage are expected to provide some high level information only, however in practice it is expected that the information will be more detailed.

**The topics within this stage are as follows:**

1. Target State Logical Architecture
2. Target Hosting Strategy

The mode of this stage is a **presentation**. The presentation will ultimately describe the roadmap of changes and value created by successfully executing the strategy and be used to get commitment from the organisation during the Long Range Planning process.

**Please consider the flow of the presentation and **begin with the business context from Stage 1** and the activities that have taken place ahead of this stage. Do not jump straight into a discussion of the target state logical architecture.**

## Target State Architecture

It is important that the target state logical architecture is defined and that you make/document assumptions where necessary to support your point of view. The information provided in the assessment is limited and therefore assumptions may be necessary at this stage, for example any security requirements that could influence the design.

It is important to be able to communicate the rationale behind decisions made and answer questions. Remember to ask your ramp buddy for support and guidance.

Objectives:

1. Identification of all the components required for a concise and scalable architecture
2. Understand where to be granular and where to leave open options
3. Understand how MuleSoft unlocks and enables different systems, and the benefits a good architecture can bring
4. Map the steps to move from the current to the target architecture

Resources:

1. [Advisory Confluence on Target Logical Architecture](#)

**Mode: Role playing - Presentation**

Components to assess during the presentation

1. Ability to assess current IT landscape
2. Ability to design and plan a target state, articulating the transition steps necessary
3. Understand the different frameworks to build a target architecture, and pick the one most suitable to the situation
4. Ability to use MuleSoft frameworks, products, and best practices to set the stage for a scalable, reusable Application Network