**Using the Technology Lifecycle Launchpad Plus**

**What Views are Populated?**

1. **Technology Lifecycles**Visually shows Vendor and Internal Lifecycles for a Technology Productand the Applications using each Technology Product listed

**What Initial Data do I Need?**

This view assumes that you have already captured your:

* Technology Products

If you have not already captured these, we recommend using the following to support you:

1. **Essential Launchpad Foundation** to capture –
   * Technology Products

Essential Launchpad and its instructions can be found here - <https://enterprise-architecture.org/howto.php#launchpad>

**How to use the Technology Lifecycles Launchpad Plus**

The Technology Lifecycles Import is for the initial bulk set-up of your Technology Products Lifecycles only. Once captured these should be maintained in the Essential Tool Editors (or capture for Open Source). The Import should not be run twice.

From the Technology Lifecyclesection on the Launchpad page, click on the ‘Download Technology Lifecyclesas Excel’ button. A spreadsheet populated with the Technology Products already in your repository will be downloaded.

**Note** this does not export the lifecycle dates, this is for initial import only

Complete the spreadsheet as describes below:

**Part Completed Definition Worksheets**

These sheets will be pre-populated with any Technology Products that you already have in your repository, allowing you to add Lifecycles and Dates.

Tech Prod Vendor Lifecycles

Used to capture the Vendor Lifecycle dates for Technology Products

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Field | Description | Field Type |
| Supplier | Shows the Supplier Name | Completed |
| Tech Product Name | Shows the Technology Product Name | Completed |
| Beta Start | Add the date the Beta Lifecycle starts Note: Use the ISO format yyyy-mm-dd | ISO Date |
| GA Start | Add the date the General Availability Lifecycle starts Note: Use the ISO format yyyy-mm-dd | ISO Date |
| Extended Support Start | Add the date the Extended Support Lifecycle starts Note: Use the ISO format yyy-mm-dd | ISO Date |
| EOL Start | Add the date the End of Life Lifecycle starts Note: Use the ISO format yyyy-mm-dd | ISO Date |

Tech Prod Internal Lifecycles

Used to capture the Internal Lifecycle dates for Technology Products

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Field | Description | Field Type |
| Supplier | Shows the Supplier Name | Completed |
| Tech Product Name | Shows the Technology Product Name | Completed |
| Internal Lifecycle Status | Select the relevant lifecycle. Complete for all lifecycles relevant for this product  Note: If you want to add your own lifecycle terms do so in the Internal Tech Prod Lifecycles sheet | Dropdown |
| From Date | Add the date the selected Lifecycle starts Note: Use the ISO format yyyy-mm-dd | ISO Date |

Lifecycle Value

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Field | Description | Field Type |
| ID | Unique ID – do not change | Completed |
| Name | Name of the Lifecycle value | Free Text |
| Description | Description of the Lifecycle value | Free Text |
| Label | A custom label for the Lifecycle value  Note: This field must be completed, use the same value as the name if no custom label is required | Free Text |
| Sequence No | A sequence number to show order | Free Text |
| Colour | Add a colour hex code | Free Text |