

## HOW IS INFORMATION VALUED?

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#### **INFORMATION CYCLE**



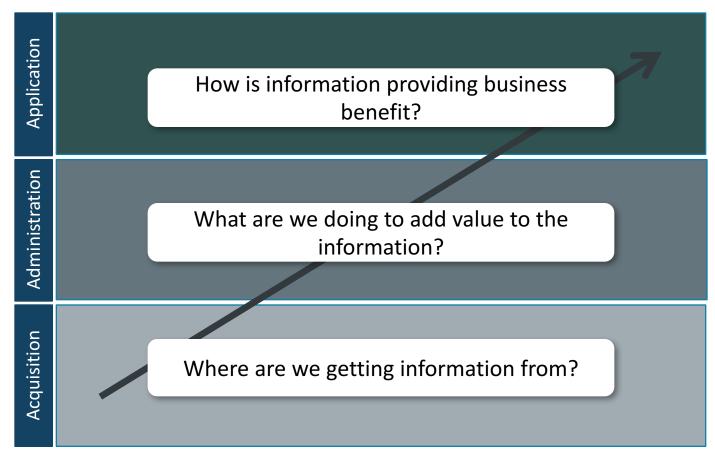
# FACTORS AFFECTING AN INFORMATION ASSET'S UTILITY (ECONOMIC VALUE)

Objective factors	
Accuracy	The data accurately represents reality or a verifiable source.
Integrity	Appropriate links and relationships exist among data.
Consistency	Each type of data has a single representation
Completeness	Records are not missing fields. Data sets are not missing instances.
Accessibility	Data is easily retrieved and/or integrated into business processes.
Precision	Data is recorded with the precision required by the business.
Timeliness	Data is updated with sufficient frequency to meet the business requirements.

Subjective factors	
Relevance	The data is applicable to one or more business processes or decisions.
Usability	Business process(es) and/or individuals understand and are able to leverage this data.
Believability	Data is deemed credible by those using it.
Clarity	Data has a unique meaning and can be easily comprehended.
Objectivity	Data is unbiased and impartial and not depend on the judgment, interpretation, or evaluation of individuals.
Scarcity	Is the data proprietary, secret, and difficult to come by?

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### WHEN DOES INFORMATION BECOME VALUABLE?



#### HOW IS VALUE ADDED TO INFORMATION?

#### **Financial Institutions**

Store your financial assets

Allow you to access them

Enhance them through interest

Loan them out for other people to use

#### **Information Banks (Libraries?)**

Acquire and store your information

Manage the data and cleanse them

Enhance the data through analytics

Enrich the data with outside sources

Loan the data to other organizations

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### INFORMATION FOR DECISION-MAKING

