North Star Vision

- We are working towards a future where an "AI-first" working style has agents doing the grunt work, freeing up our consultants to do "people" work and act as agent orchestrators
- Agents act as members of the team, not just tools
- Human consultants focus on relationship management, strategic thinking, and complex problem-solving

Context & Approach

- An agent-enabled Kanban board is currently the best platform to model and develop this future way of working
- Kanban board fits the existing mental model of consulting teams wherein work is tracked, assigned, and iterated upon
- Agents and agent-tools required to realize this vision fall into three buckets that flow together: **Input → Reasoning → Output**

Required Tools & Agents

1. Information Input

Context given to the reasoner – split into "scopes" of knowledge from personal → case → BCG → global

- Personal knowledge management tool (notes, files) - *Not BCG-differentiated, do not pursue*
- Case knowledge management tool (people, workstreams, meetings, emails, transcripts) - **High Priority**
- BCG knowledge querying and retrieval tool (fast, reliable, precise) - **High Priority**
- External knowledge search tool (web, financial data, statistics) - *Not BCG-differentiated, do not pursue*

2. Reasoning & Processing

Reasoning is largely commoditized. Opportunity to "steer" reasoning in a BCG fashion by influencing:

- What work is done (tasks brought onto the kanban board) - Medium Priority
- How the work is done (prewritten task contents, agent assignments for research, content drafting, financial modeling, etc.) - **High Priority**

3. Result Output

Format in which reasoning manifests (slides account for vast majority of our output TODAY):

- Slide creation tool to draft and iterate slides in exportable format (pdf, image, pptx) - **High Priority**
- Email tool & account access for drafts and calendar invites - Medium Priority, non-differentiated except as connector
- Interview guide generation and other specialized outputs

Source: R&D Strategy Development