



A lecture of lectures about CoBIT and ISO 27000

Dr. Hale

University of Nebraska at Omaha
Information Security and Policy– Lecture 6

Today's topics:

Last Time recap: FISMA related docs

IS27000 Series

slides from 2013 Jones and Bartlett Learning, LLC

slides from 2007 Luděk Novák, CISA, CISSP

ISO Assessment tool

CoBIT: Control Objectives for Information and related Technology

slides from 2007 IT Governance Institute

slides from 2013 Jones and Bartlett Learning, LLC

ISO 27000 related slides

Policy Frameworks

ISO/IEC 27000

- The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electro-technical Commission (IEC) develop and publish international standards.
- It is common to see these standards abbreviated to ISO/IEC.
- ISO/IEC 27001 and 27002 are the most interesting of the family

Overview of Documents

ISO 27000: Overview and Vocabulary

ISO 27001: ISMS Requirements

ISO 27002: Code of Practice

ISO 27003: ISMS Implementation Guidance

ISO 27004: ISM Measurement

ISO 27005: InfoSec Risk Management

ISO 27006: Requirements for Bodies Providing Audit and Certification of ISMS

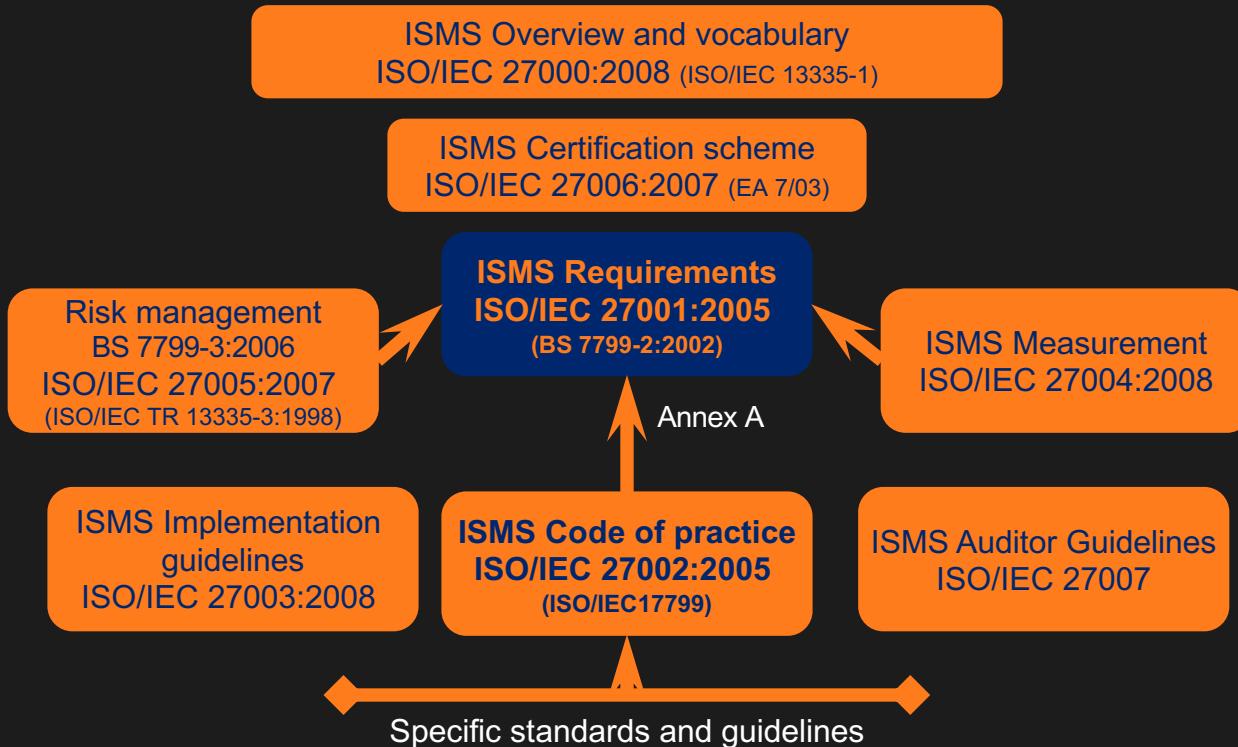
ISO 27007 – 27008: Guidelines for Auditing InfoSec Controls

ISO 27014: Governance of InfoSec

ISO 27015: ISM Guidelines for Financial Services

Next Few slides from 2007 Luděk Novák, CISA, CISSP, modified by MLH 2015

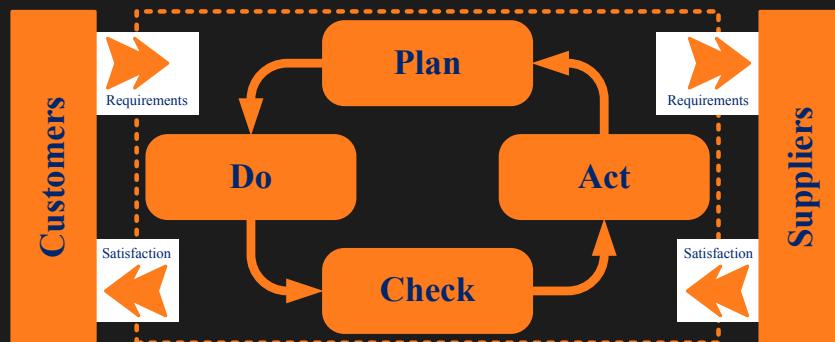
ISO/IEC 27000 family review



Policy Frameworks

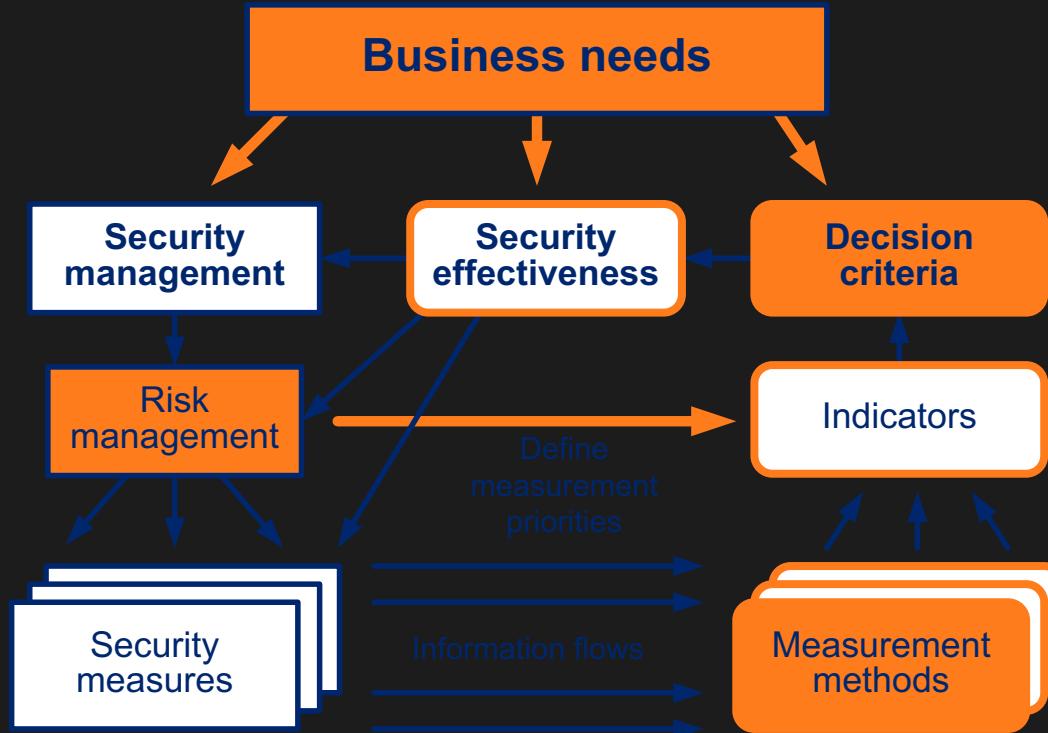
ISO/IEC 27001:2013 principles

- Definition of requirements on Information Security Management System (ISMS)
- Information security management process based on PDCA Model
 - Plan – Do – Check – Act
- Ensure the selection of adequate and proportionate security controls that protect information assets and give confidence to interested parties
- All defined requirements are mandatory and it is not possible to exclude anyone
 - **But it is not necessary to implement all security controls !!!**



Policy Frameworks

ISMS Measurement as a feedback



Policy Frameworks

Examples of ISMS metrics

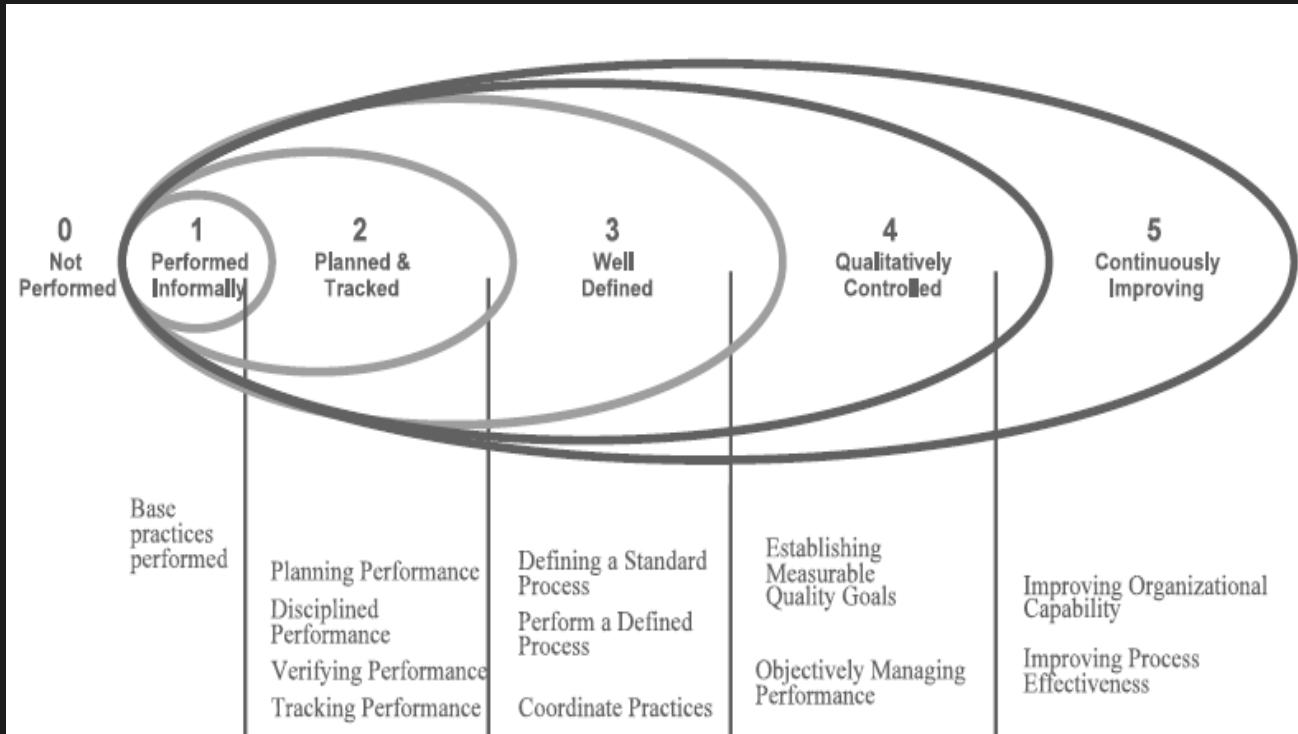
- Percentage (%) of system users/security personnel that have received basic awareness training
- Average frequency of audit records review and analyses for inappropriate activity
- Percentage of systems using automated mechanisms to conduct analysis and reporting of inappropriate activities
- Percentage (%) of systems that are compliant with the baseline configuration
- Percentage (%) of systems successfully addressed in the testing of the contingency plan
- Percentage of accounts not associated with specific users
- Percentage (%) of system components that undergo maintenance on schedule
- Cost of information security incidents of unauthorized access to information systems, due to physical security failures
- Percentage (%) of employees who signed acknowledgement that they have read and understood rules of behavior, before being authorized access to the information system

CMM[®] Security

ISO/IEC 21827 – Systems

Security Engineering – Capability Maturity Model (SSE-CMM[®])

- Capability model for security
- Advantage: more levels to compare security enforcement



[GOTO ISO 27001 control documents]

Policy Frameworks

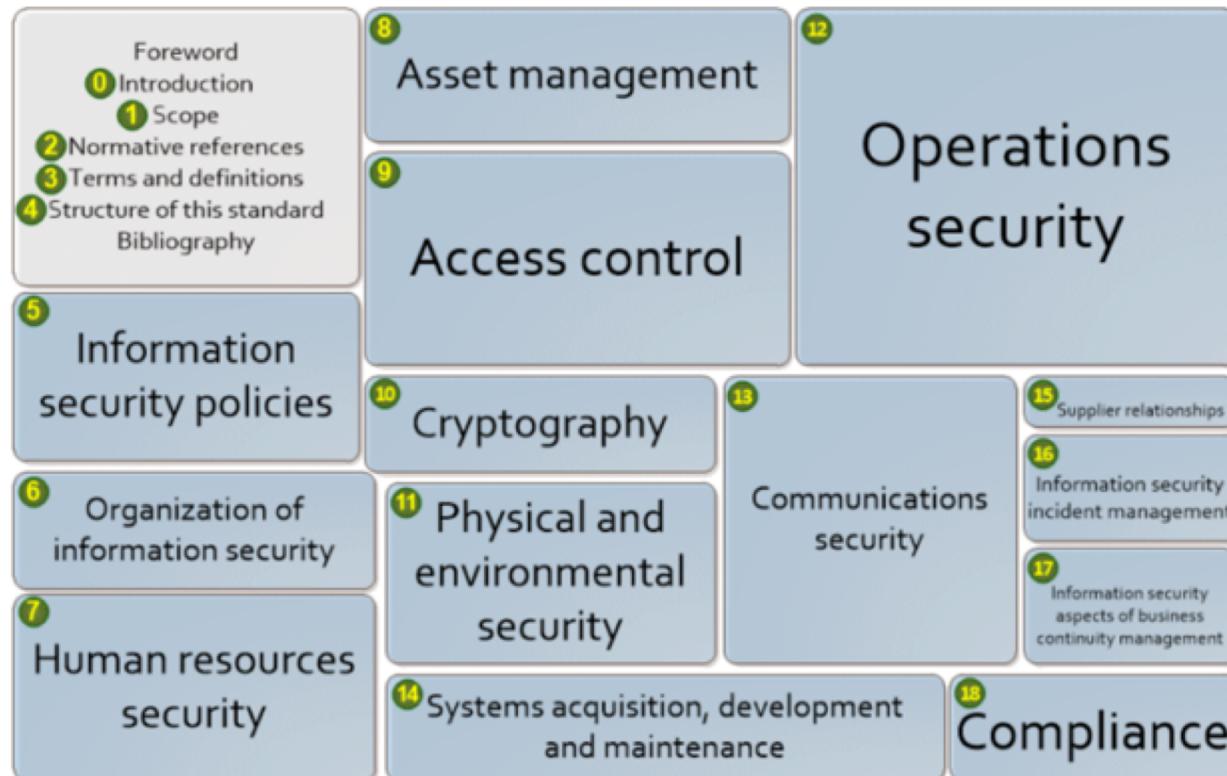
Some slides from 2013 Jones and Bartlett, modified by MLH 2015-2017

ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

ISO/IEC 27002 has 19 sections of best practices, of those, there are 12 main areas that compose the framework

Contents of ISO/IEC 27002:2015 New

In more detail, here is a breakdown summarizing the standard's 19 sections or chapters (21 if you include the unnumbered foreword and bibliography). ~~Click the diagram to jump to the relevant description.~~



ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - Risk assessment and treatment
 - Describes how to perform periodic risk assessments.
 - Security policy
 - Describes how management should define an information security policy.
 - Organizations usually maintain detailed security policies in a library. Information security standards, procedures, and guidelines support the library.

ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - **Organization of information security**
 - Describes how to design and implement an information security governance structure.
 - Covers the need for an internal group that manages the program.
 - **Asset management**
 - Describes inventory and classification of information assets. The organization should understand what information assets it holds, and manage its security frameworks

ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - **Human resources security**
 - Describes security aspects for employees joining, moving, and leaving an organization. The organization should manage systems access rights.
 - **Physical and environmental security**
 - Describes the protection of computer facilities. Valuable IT equipment should be physically protected against malicious or accidental damage or loss.

ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - **Communications and operations management**
 - Describes management of technical security controls in systems and networks
 - **Access control**
 - Describes restriction of access rights of networks, systems, applications, functions, and data.
 - Addresses controlled logical access to IT systems, network, and data to prevent unauthorized.

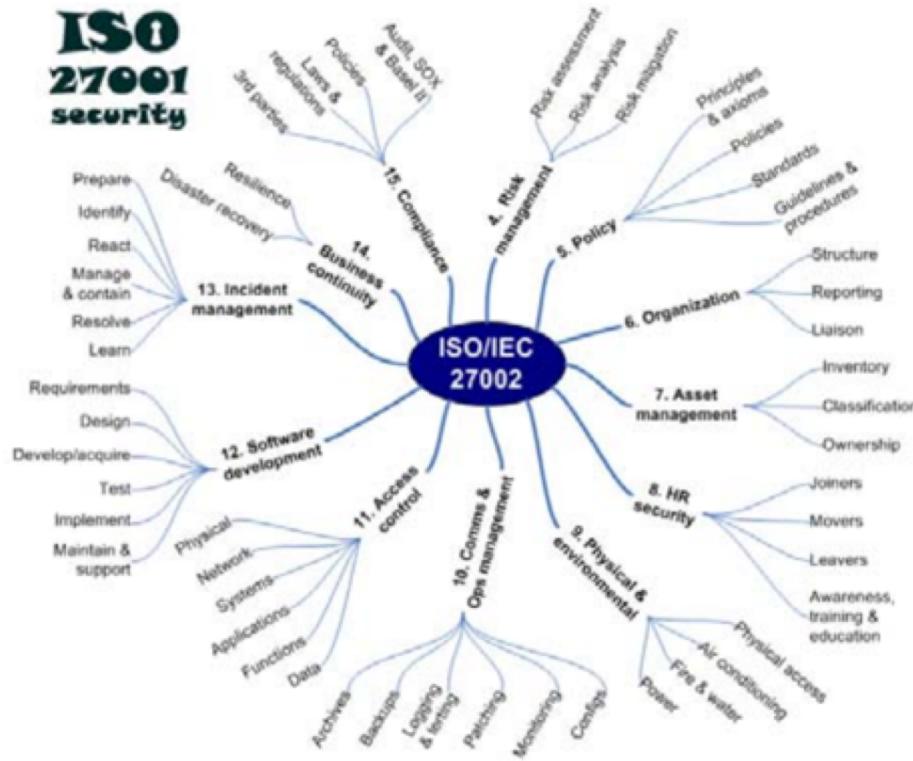
ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - **Information systems acquisition, development, and maintenance**
 - Describes building security into applications in the Systems Development Life Cycle (SDLC)
 - **Information security incident management**
 - Describes anticipating and responding appropriately to information security breaches.
 - Information security events, incidents, and weaknesses should be promptly reported and properly managed.

ISO/IEC 27002 (2015)

- ISO/IEC 27002 outlines **12 main areas** that compose the framework:
 - **Business continuity management**
 - Describes protecting, maintaining, and recovering business-critical processes and systems.
 - Covers contingency planning from analysis and documentation to regular testing of the plans.
 - **Compliance**
 - legal requirements
 - security policies and standards, and technical compliance
 - audit considerations.
- Policy Frameworks**

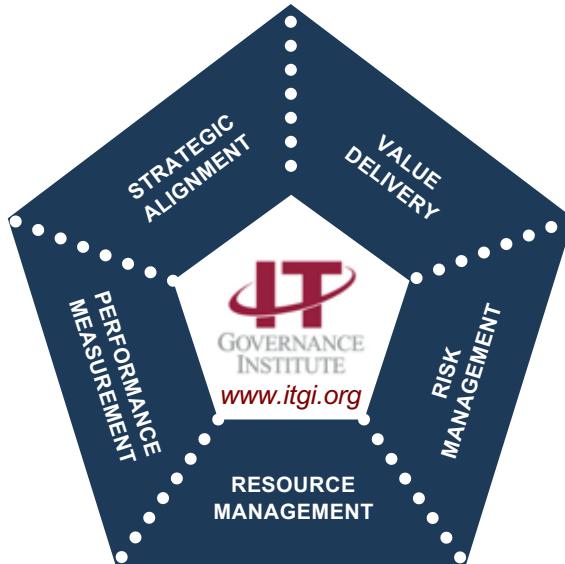
ISO 27001 Security



Next: CoBIT is at the highest level of “standards”

(next slides from 2007 IT governance institute, modified by mlh 2015)

The Need for IT Governance



Enterprise governance is a set of responsibilities and practices exercised by the board and executive management with the goal of:

- Providing **strategic direction**
- Ensuring that **objectives** are achieved
- Ascertaining that **risks** are managed appropriately
- Verifying that the **enterprise's resources** are used responsibly

IT Governance, as Defined by ITGI



IT governance is:

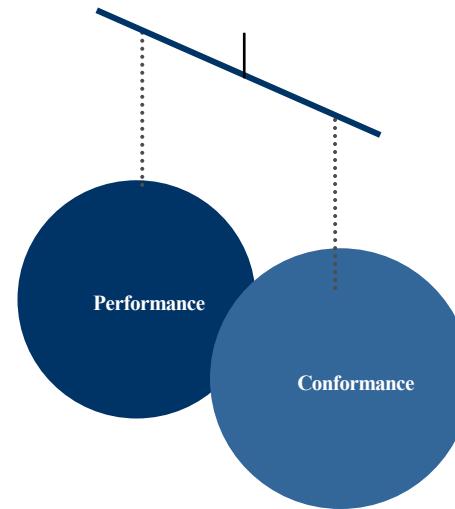
- The responsibility of the board of directors and executive management
- An **integral part** of enterprise governance, consisting of the leadership, organisational structures and processes that ensure that the **enterprise's IT sustains and extends the organisation's strategies and objectives**



Source: Surveys by PwC for the IT Governance Institute Sep-Oct 2003 and Sep-Oct 2005

Enterprise governance is about:

- ◎ **Conformance**
 - Adhering to legislation, internal policies, audit requirements, etc.
- ◎ **Performance**
 - Improving profitability, efficiency, effectiveness, growth, etc.



Enterprise governance and IT governance require a balance between conformance and performance goals directed by the board.

Strategic alignment

Focuses on ensuring the **linkage of business and IT plans**; on defining, maintaining and validating the **IT value proposition**; and on **aligning IT operations** with enterprise operations

Value delivery

Is about executing the **value proposition** throughout the delivery cycle, ensuring that IT delivers the **promised benefits against the strategy**, concentrating on optimising costs and proving the intrinsic value of IT

Resource management

Is about the optimal investment in, and the proper management of, **critical IT resources**: applications, information, infrastructure and people. Key issues relate to the **optimisation of knowledge and infrastructure**.

Risk management

Requires risk awareness by senior corporate officers, a clear understanding of the **enterprise's appetite for risk**, understanding of **compliance requirements**, transparency about the significant risks to the enterprise, and **embedding of risk management responsibilities** in the organisation

Performance measurement

Tracks and monitors strategy implementation, project completion, resource usage, process performance and service delivery, using, for example, balanced scorecards that **translate strategy into action** to achieve **goals measurable beyond conventional accounting**

Board and executive

Set direction for IT, monitor results and insist on corrective measures

Business management

Defines business requirements for IT and ensures that value is delivered and risks are managed

IT management

Delivers and improves IT services as required by the business

IT audit

Provides independent assurance to demonstrate that IT delivers what is needed

Risk and compliance

Measures compliance with policies and focuses on alerts to new risks

COBIT helps bridge the gaps between business risks, control needs and technical issues. It provides good practices across a domain and process framework and presents activities in a manageable and logical structure.

COBIT:

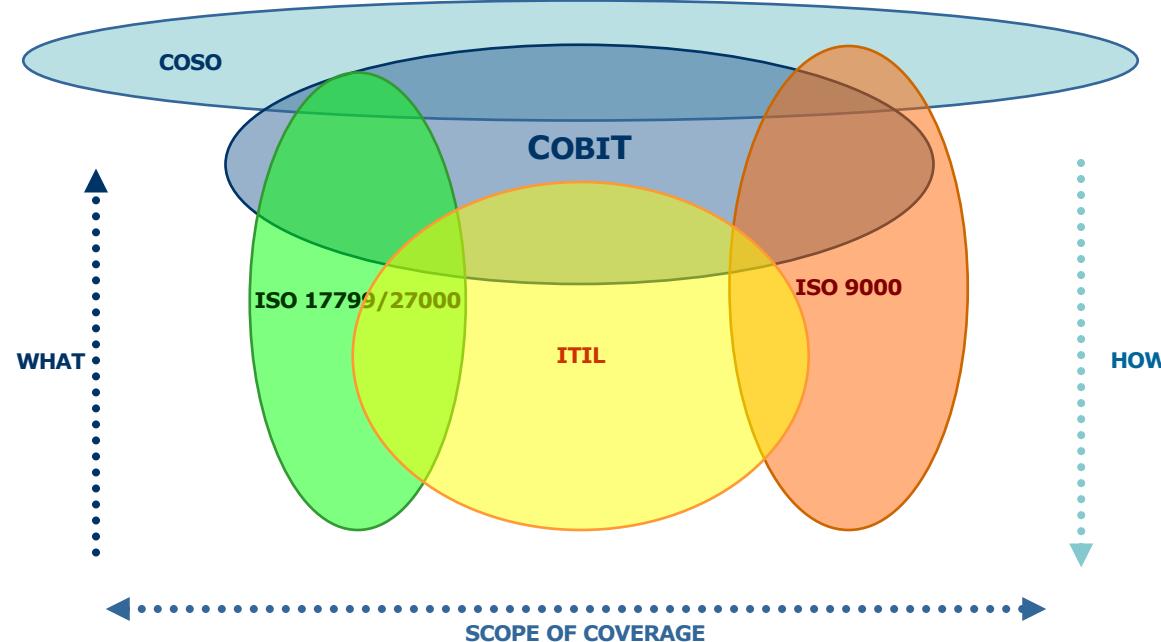
- ◎ Starts from business requirements
- ◎ Is process-oriented, organising IT activities into a generally accepted process model
- ◎ Identifies the major IT resources to be leveraged
- ◎ Defines the management control objectives to be considered
- ◎ Incorporates major international standards
- ◎ Has become the *de facto* standard for overall control of IT



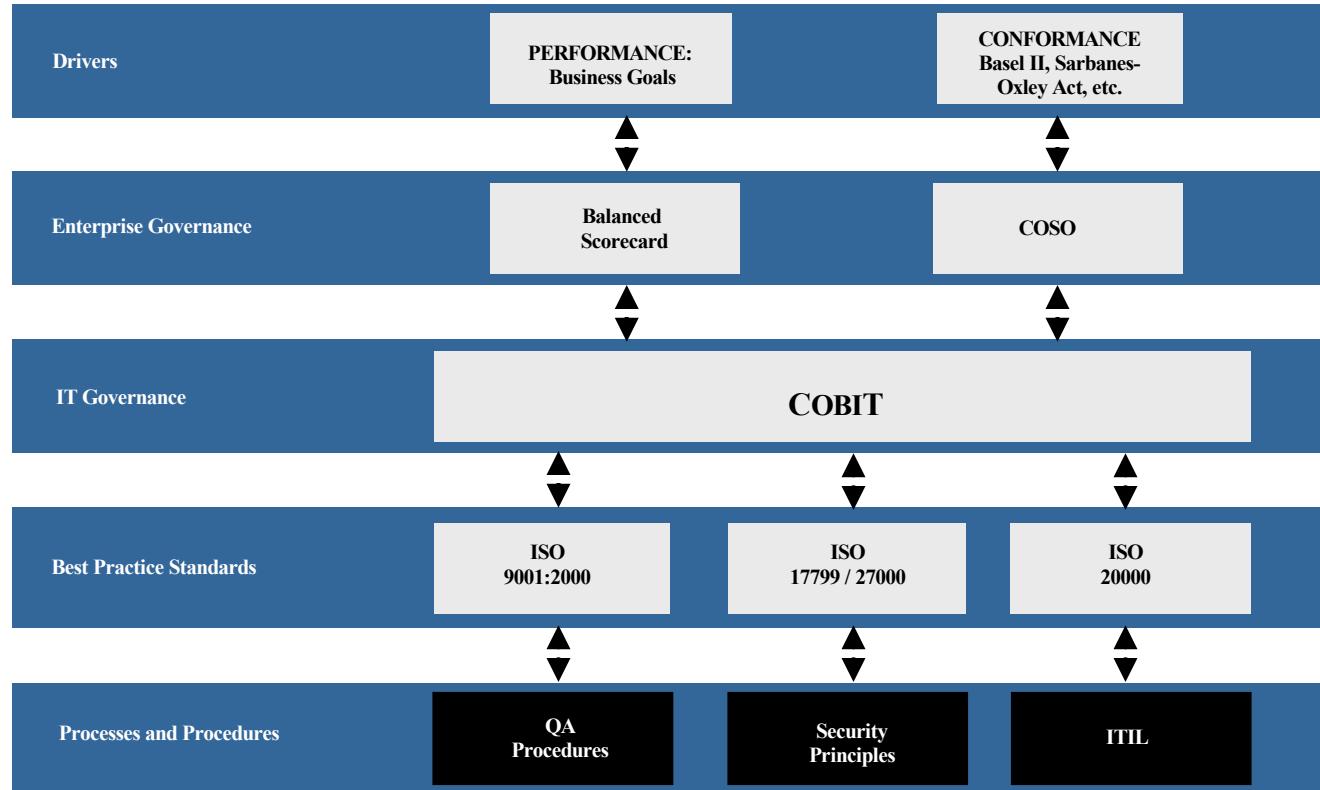
IT resources need to be managed by a set of naturally grouped processes. COBIT provides a framework that achieves this objective.

COBIT and Other IT Management Frameworks

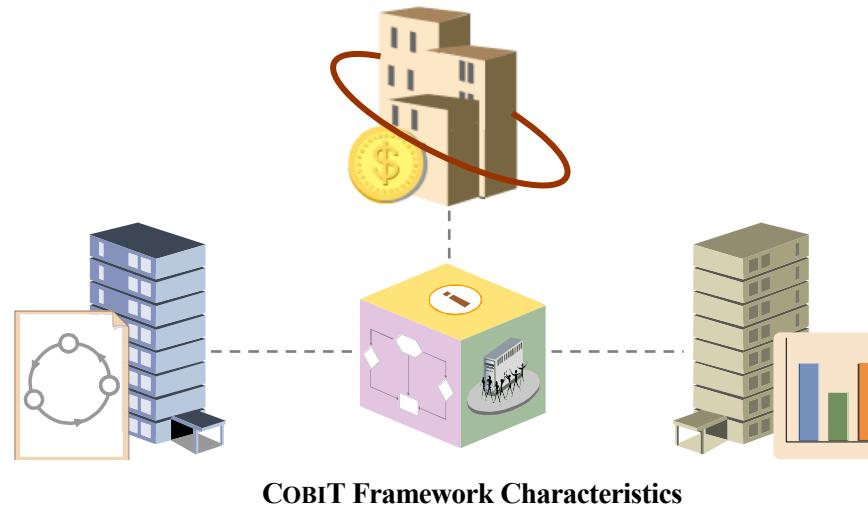
Organisations will consider and use a variety of IT models, standards and best practices. These must be understood in order to consider how they can be used together, with COBIT acting as the consolidator ('umbrella').



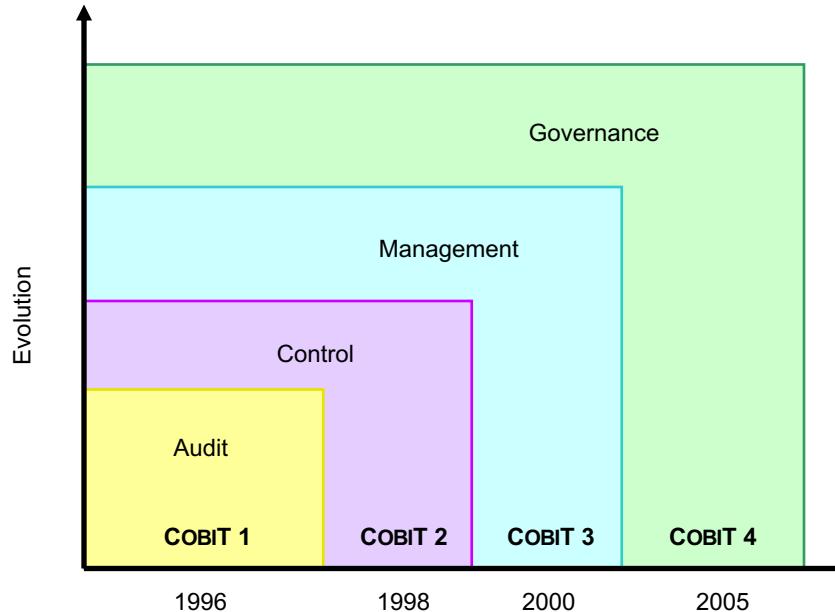
Where Does COBIT Fit?



- ▶ The COBIT framework was created with the main characteristics:
 - Business-focused
 - Process-oriented
 - Controls-based
 - Measurement-driven
- ▶ The acronym COBIT stands for *Control Objectives for Information and related Technology*.



COBIT: An IT Control Framework



For latest updates on COBIT, log on to www.isaca.org/cobit.

COBIT:

- ▶ Has internationally accepted good practices
- ▶ Is management-oriented
- ▶ Is supported by tools and training
- ▶ Is freely downloadable **LIES!!!**
- ▶ Allows the knowledge of expert volunteers to be shared and leveraged
- ▶ Continually evolves
- ▶ Is maintained by a reputable not-for-profit organisation
- ▶ Maps 100 percent to COSO
- ▶ Maps strongly to all major, related standards
- ▶ Is a reference, not an ‘off-the-shelf’ cure

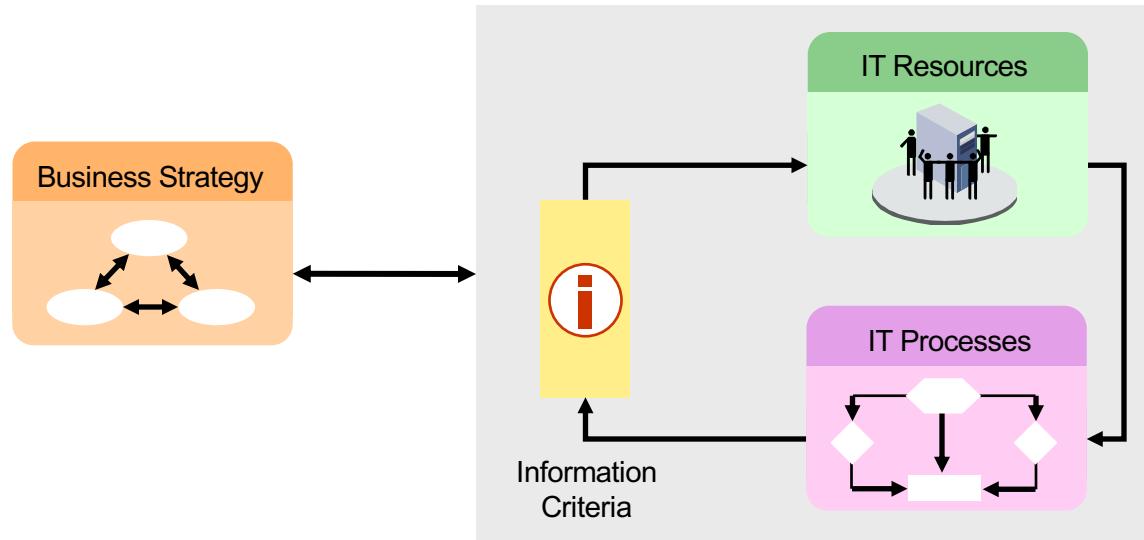


Enterprises still need to analyse control requirements and customise COBIT based on their:

- ▶ Value drivers
- ▶ Risk profile
- ▶ IT infrastructure, organisation and project portfolio

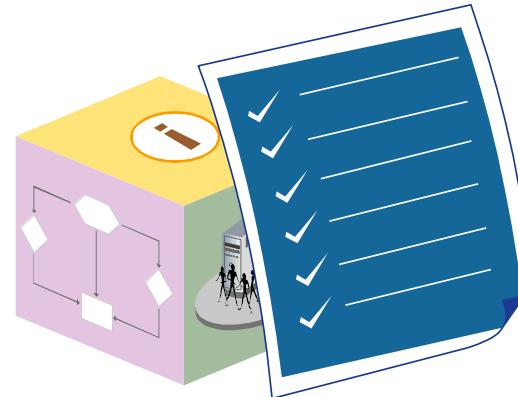
COBIT Components

An organisation depends on reliable and timely data and information. COBIT components provide a comprehensive framework for delivering value while managing risk and control over data and information.

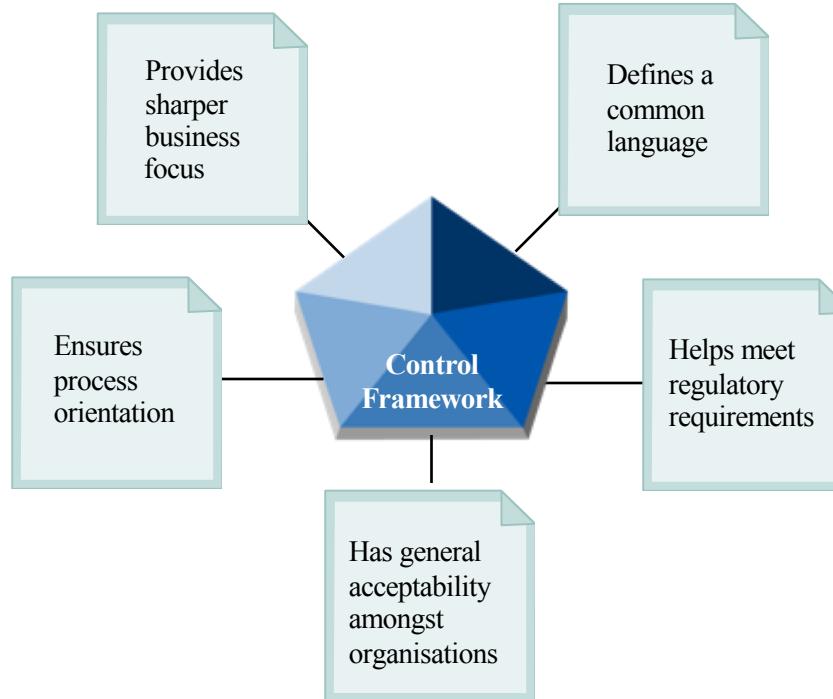


Some of the advantages of adopting COBIT are:

- ▶ COBIT is aligned with other standards and good practices and should be used together with them.
- ▶ COBIT's framework and supporting best practices provide a well-managed and flexible IT environment in an organisation.
- ▶ COBIT provides a control environment that is responsive to business needs and serves management and audit functions in terms of their control responsibilities.
- ▶ COBIT provides tools to help manage IT activities.

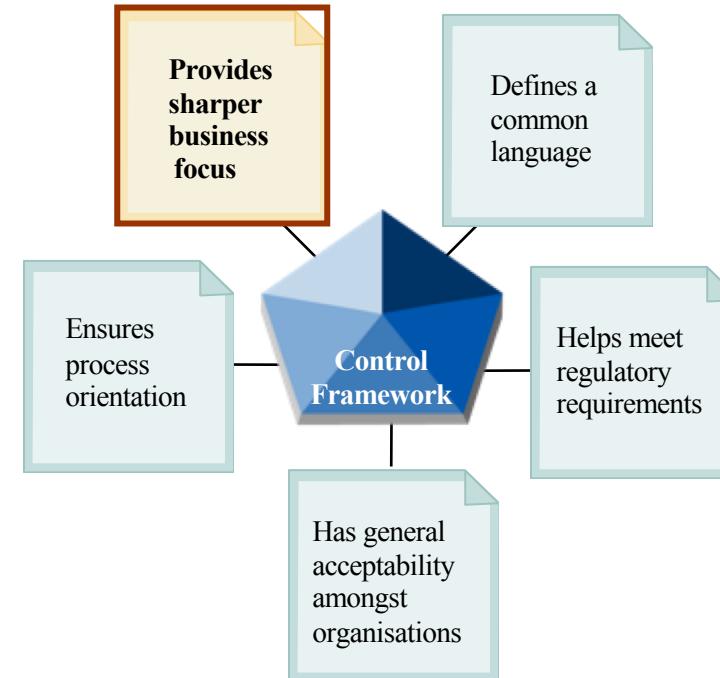


- ▶ COBIT focuses on improving IT governance in organisations.
- ▶ COBIT provides a framework to manage and control IT activities and supports five requirements for a control framework.



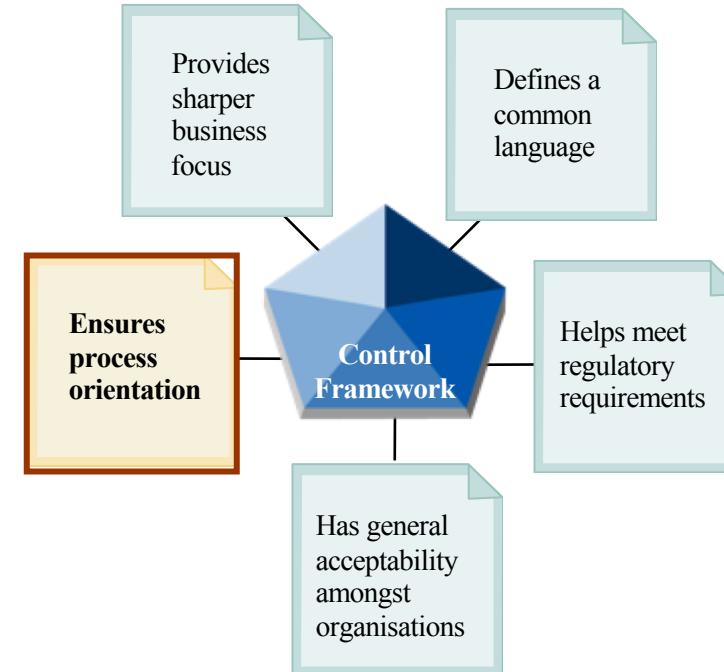
Business Focus

- ▶ COBIT achieves sharper business focus by aligning IT with business objectives.
- ▶ The measurement of IT performance should focus on IT's contribution to enabling and extending the business strategy.
- ▶ COBIT, supported by appropriate business-focused metrics, can ensure that the primary focus is value delivery and not technical excellence as an end in itself.



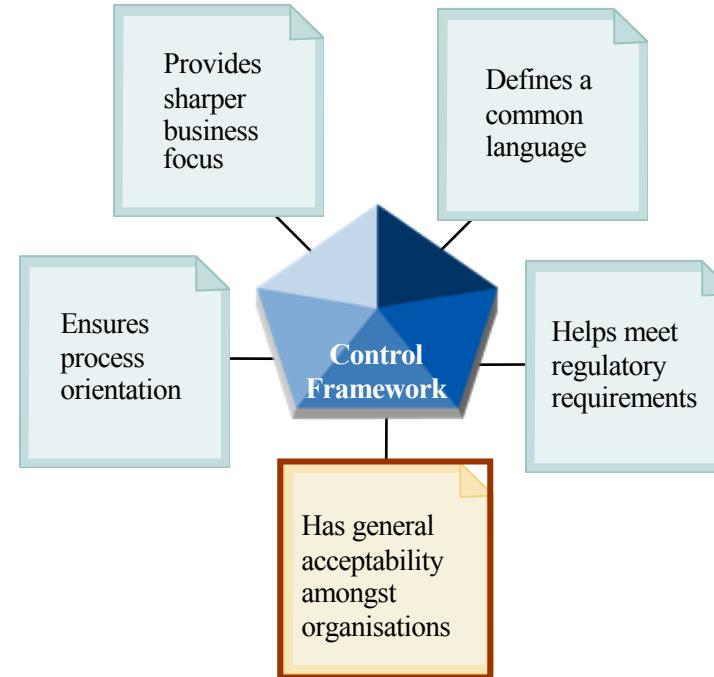
Process Orientation

- ▶ When organisations implement COBIT, their focus is more process-oriented.
- ▶ Incidents and problems no longer divert attention from processes.
- ▶ Exceptions can be clearly defined as part of standard processes.
- ▶ With process ownership defined, assigned and accepted, the organisation is better able to maintain control through periods of rapid change or organisational crisis.



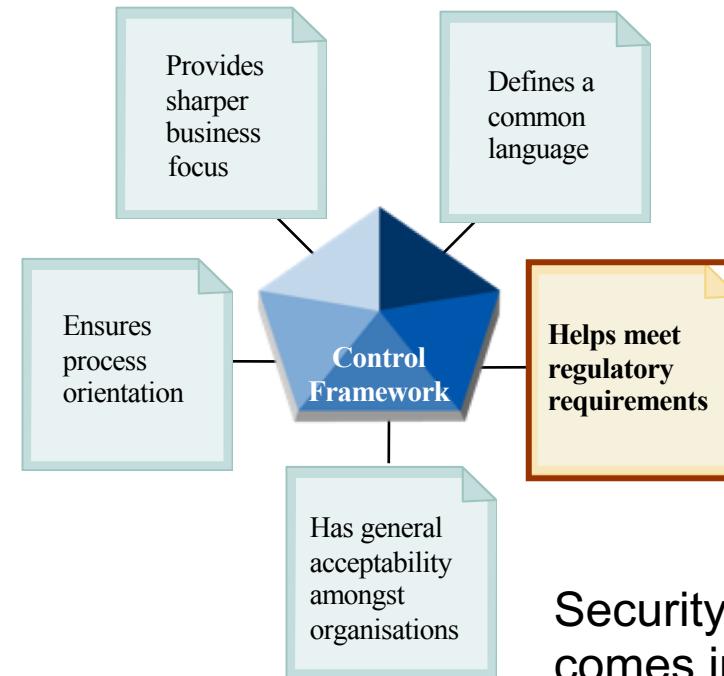
General Acceptability

- ▶ COBIT is a proven and globally accepted standard for increasing the contribution of IT to organisational success.
- ▶ The framework continues to improve and develop to keep pace with good practices.
- ▶ IT professionals from all over the world contribute their ideas and time to regular review meetings.



Regulatory Requirements

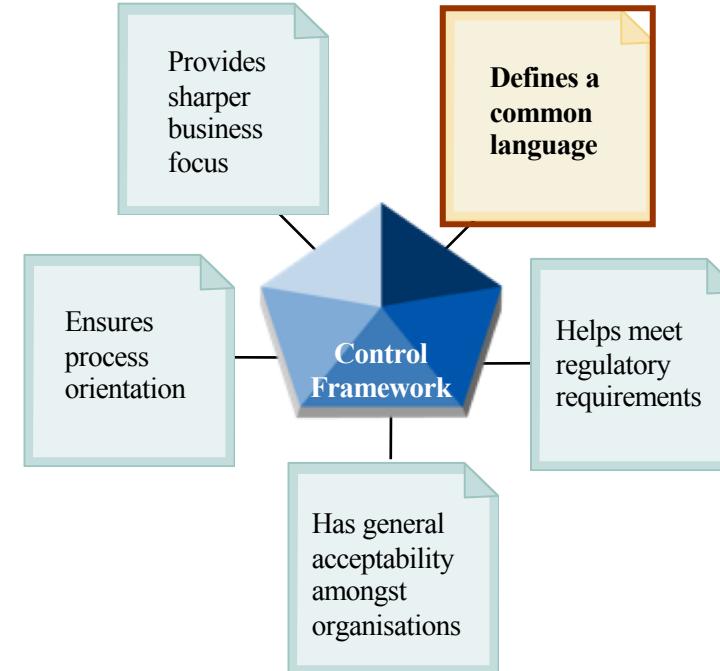
- ▶ Recent corporate scandals have increased regulatory pressures on boards of directors to report their status and ensure that internal controls are appropriate. This pressure covers IT controls as well.
- ▶ Organisations constantly need to improve IT performance and demonstrate adequate controls over their IT activities.
- ▶ Many IT managers, advisors and auditors are turning to COBIT as the *de facto* response to regulatory IT requirements.



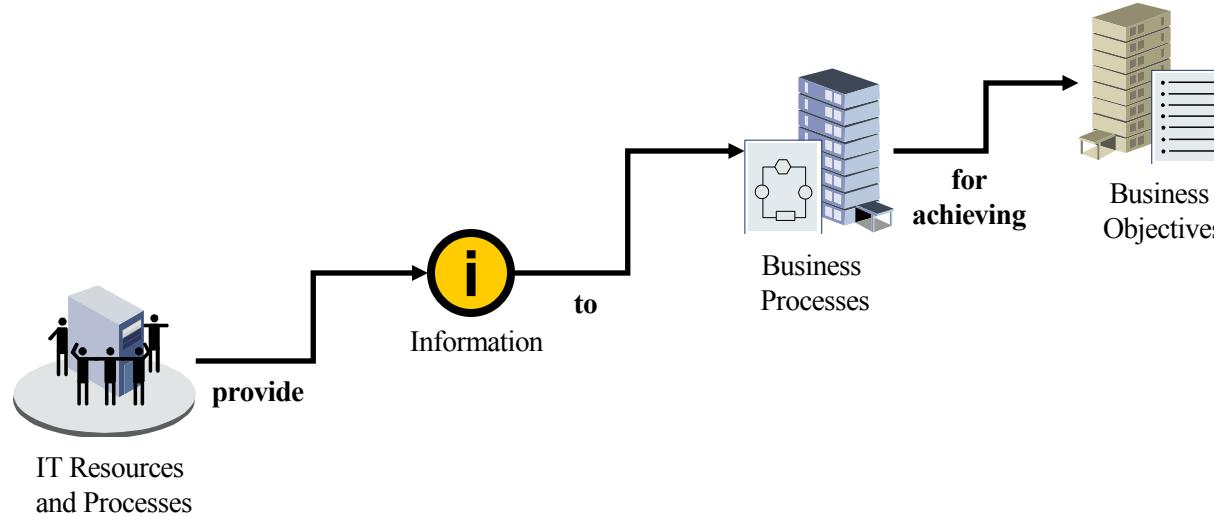
Security Baseline
comes in here

Common Language

- ▶ A framework helps get everybody on the same page by defining critical terms and providing a glossary.
- ▶ Co-ordination within and across project teams and organisations can play a key role in the success of any project.
- ▶ Common language helps build confidence and trust.

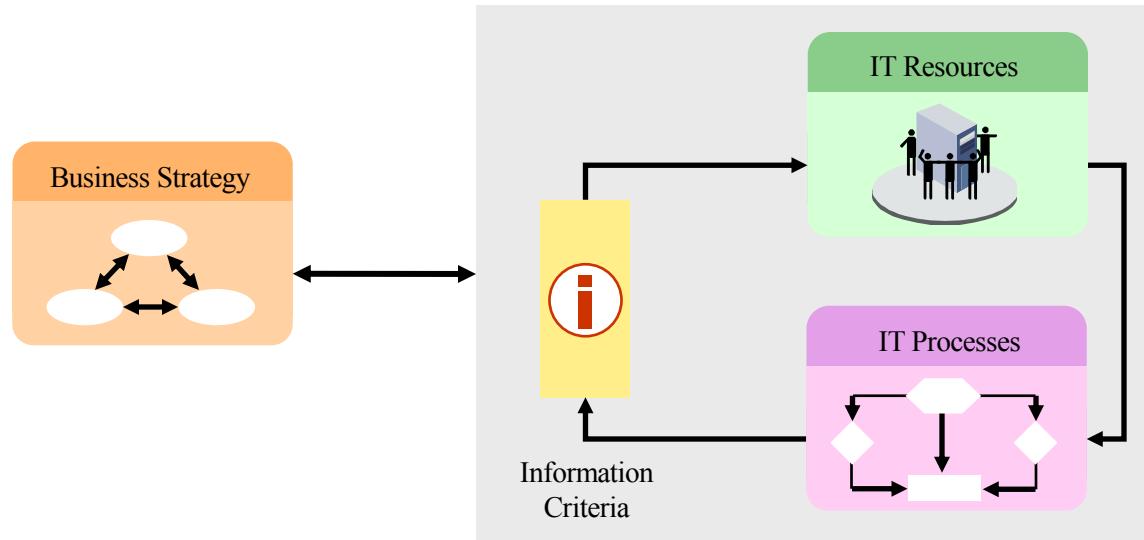


- ▶ The COBIT framework is based on the premise that IT needs to deliver the information that an enterprise requires to achieve its objectives.



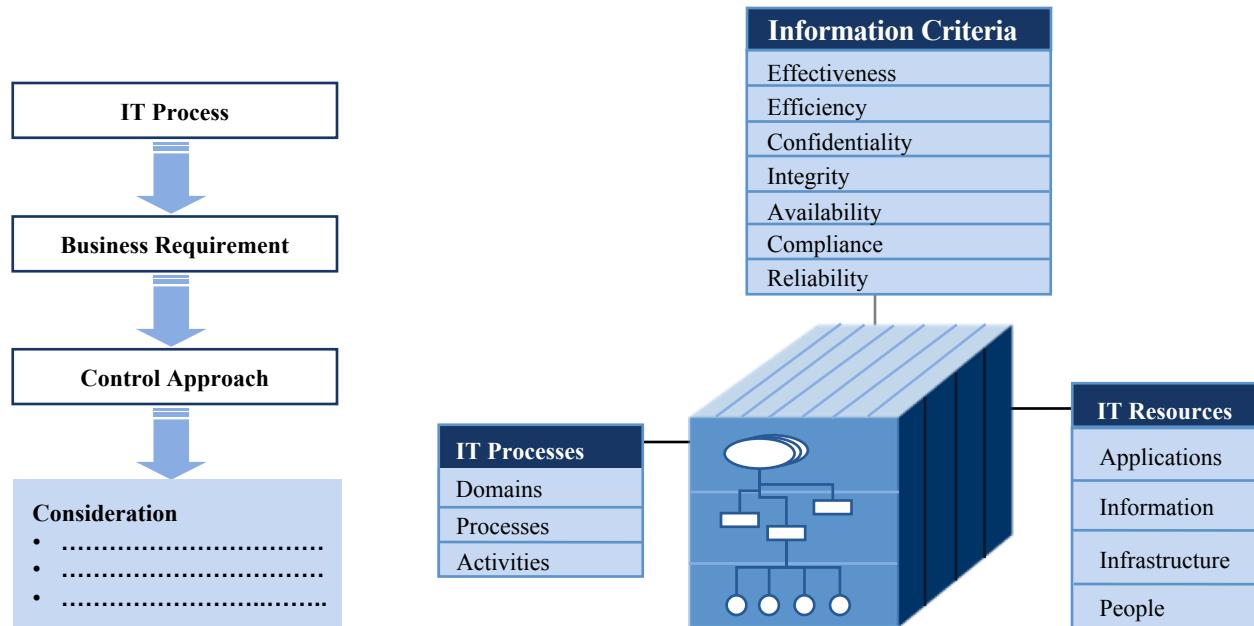
- ▶ The COBIT framework helps align IT with the business by focusing on business information requirements and organising IT resources. COBIT provides the framework and guidance to implement IT governance.

The principle of the COBIT framework is to link management's IT expectations with management's IT responsibilities. The objective is to facilitate IT governance to deliver IT value whilst managing IT risks.



As a control and governance framework for IT, COBIT focuses on two key areas:

- ▶ Providing the information required to support business objectives and requirements
- ▶ Treating information as the result of the combined application of IT-related resources that need to be managed by IT processes



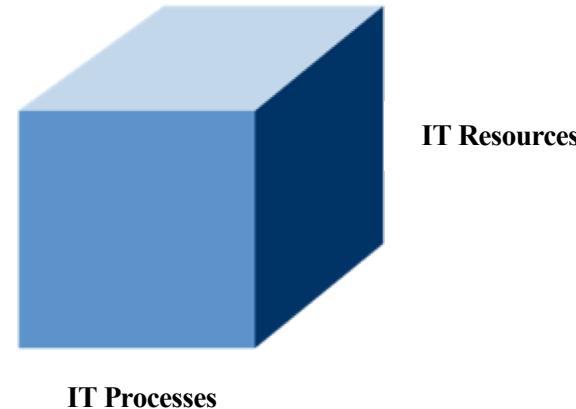
COBIT Cube



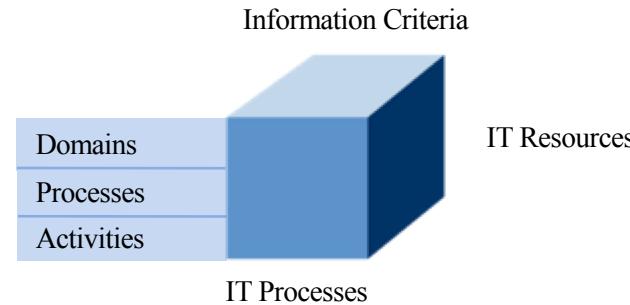
The COBIT framework describes how IT processes deliver the information that the business needs to achieve its objectives.

For controlling this delivery, COBIT provides three key components, each forming a dimension of the COBIT cube.

Business Requirements for Information Criteria



- ▶ COBIT describes the IT life cycle with the help of four **domains**:
 - Plan and Organise
 - Acquire and Implement
 - Deliver and Support
 - Monitor and Evaluate
- ▶ **Processes** are series of activities with natural control breaks. There are 34 processes across the four domains. These processes specify what the business needs to achieve its objectives. The delivery of information is controlled through 34 IT processes.
- ▶ **Activities** are actions that are required to achieve measurable results. Moreover, activities have life cycles and include many discrete tasks.



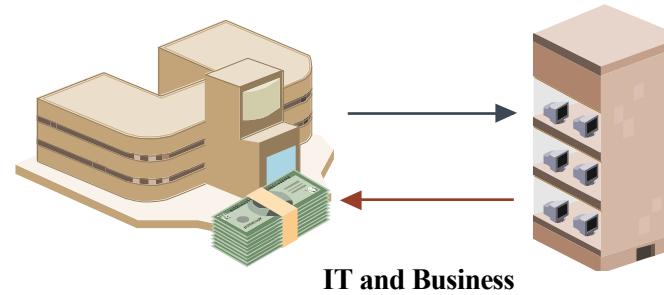
Plan and Organise (PO)

► Objectives:

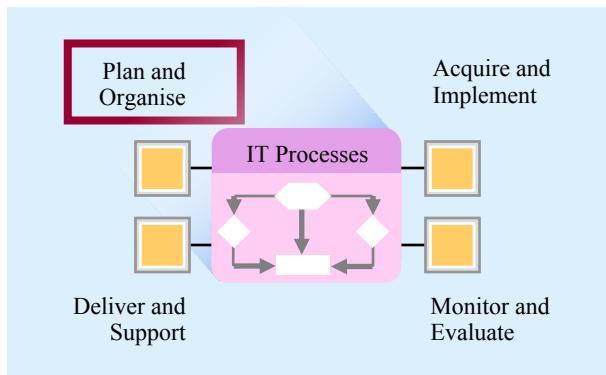
- Formulating strategy and tactics
- Identifying how IT can best contribute to achieving business objectives
- Planning, communicating and managing the realisation of the strategic vision
- Implementing organisational and technological infrastructure

► Scope:

- Are IT and the business strategically aligned?
- Is the enterprise achieving optimum use of its resources?
- Does everyone in the organisation understand the IT objectives?
- Are IT risks understood and being managed?
- Is the quality of IT systems appropriate for business needs?



Let's look at the COBIT process model, which consists of 34 IT processes defined within the four IT domains.



Plan and Organise

- PO1 Define a strategic IT plan.
- PO2 Define the information architecture.
- PO3 Determine technological direction.
- PO4 Define the IT processes, organisation and relationships.
- PO5 Manage the IT investment.
- PO6 Communicate management aims and direction.
- PO7 Manage IT human resources.
- PO8 Manage quality.
- PO9 Assess and manage IT risks.
- PO10 Manage projects.

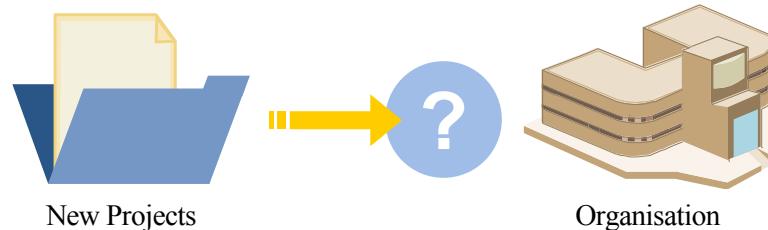
Acquire and Implement (AI)

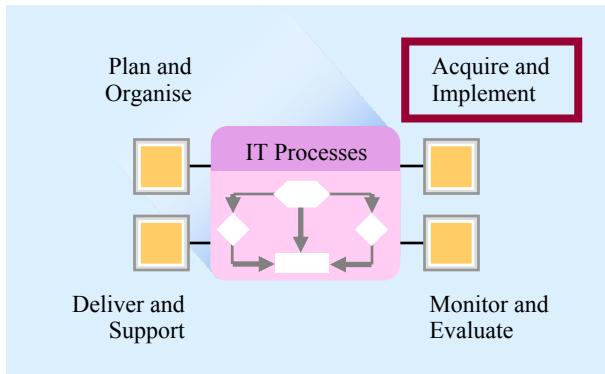
► Objectives:

- Identifying, developing or acquiring, implementing, and integrating IT solutions
- Changes in and maintenance of existing systems

► Scope:

- Are new projects likely to deliver solutions that meet business needs?
- Are new projects likely to be delivered on time and within budget?
- Will the new systems work properly when implemented?
- Will changes be made without upsetting current business operations?





Acquire and Implement

- AI1 Identify automated solutions.
- AI2 Acquire and maintain application software.
- AI3 Acquire and maintain technology infrastructure.
- AI4 Enable operation and use.
- AI5 Procure IT resources.
- AI6 Manage changes.
- AI7 Install and accredit solutions and changes.

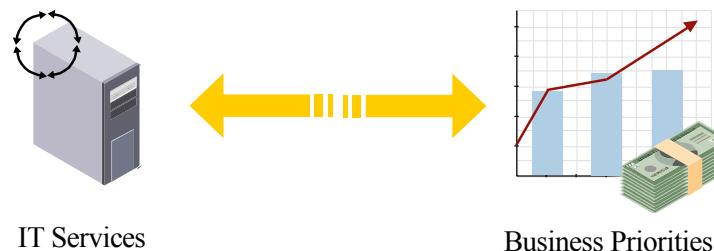
Deliver and Support (DS)

► Objectives:

- The actual delivery of required services, including service delivery
- The management of security, continuity, data and operational facilities
- Service support for users

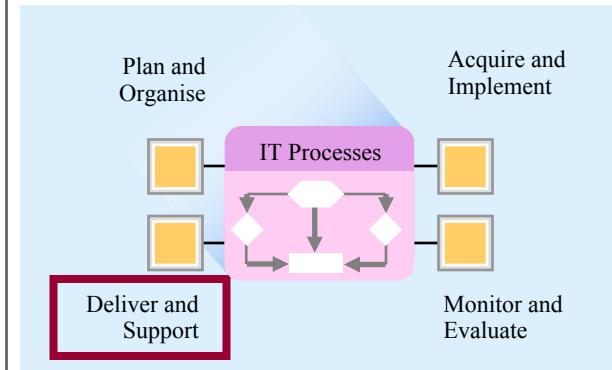
► Scope:

- Are IT services being delivered in line with business priorities?
- Are IT costs optimised?
- Is the workforce able to use IT systems productively and safely?
- Are adequate confidentiality, integrity and availability in place?



Deliver and Support

- DS1 Define and manage service levels.
- DS2 Manage third-party services.
- DS3 Manage performance and capacity.
- DS4 Ensure continuous service.
- DS5 Ensure systems security.
- DS6 Identify and allocate costs.
- DS7 Educate and train users.
- DS8 Manage service desk and incidents.
- DS9 Manage the configuration.
- DS10 Manage problems.
- DS11 Manage data.
- DS12 Manage the physical environment.
- DS13 Manage operations.



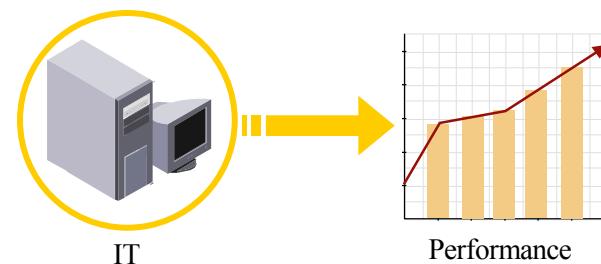
Monitor and Evaluate (ME)

► Objectives:

- Performance management
- Monitoring of internal control
- Regulatory compliance
- Governance

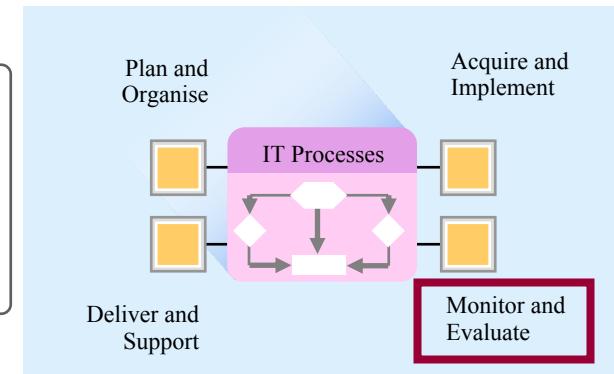
► Scope:

- Is IT's performance measured to detect problems before it is too late?
- Does management ensure that internal controls are effective and efficient?
- Can IT performance be linked to business goals?
- Are risk, control, compliance and performance measured and reported?



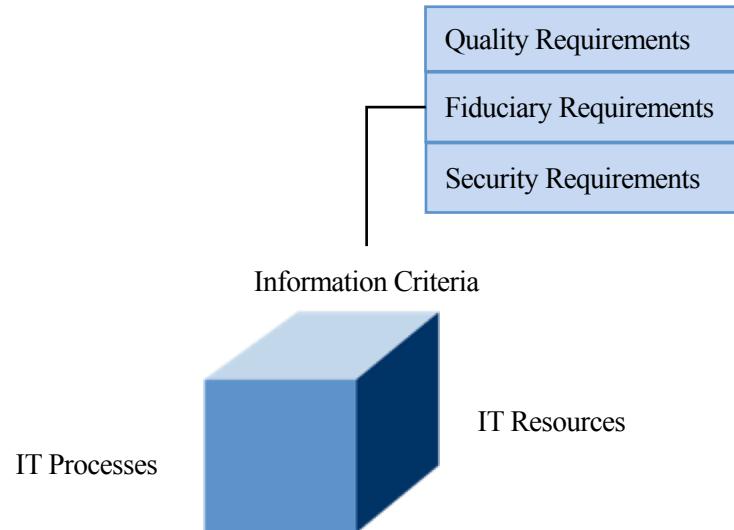
Monitor and Evaluate

- ME1 Monitor and evaluate IT performance.
- ME2 Monitor and evaluate internal control.
- ME3 Ensure compliance with external requirements.
- ME4 Provide IT governance.

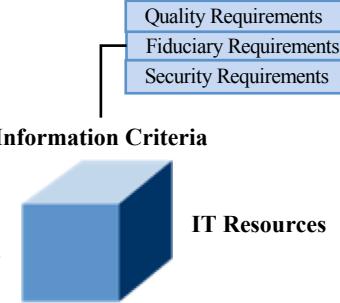
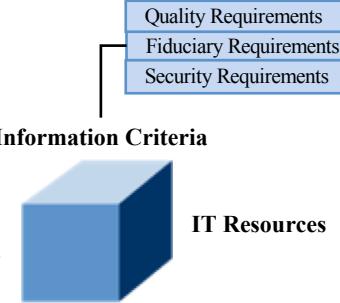
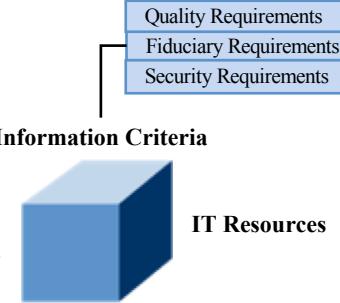
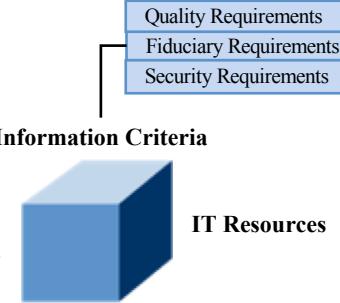


COBIT Cube: Information Criteria

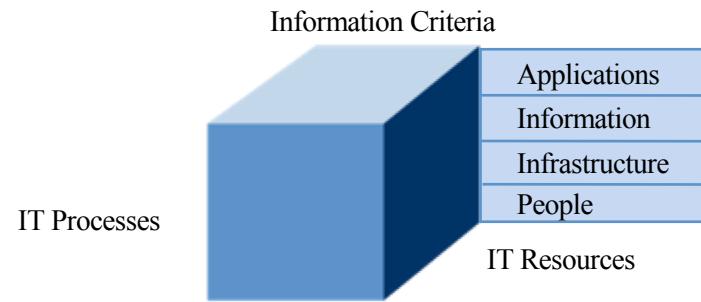
- ▶ To satisfy business objectives, information needs to conform to specific control criteria, which COBIT refers to as business requirements for information.
- ▶ Broadly, information criteria are based on the following requirements:
 - Quality
 - Fiduciary (trust)
 - Security



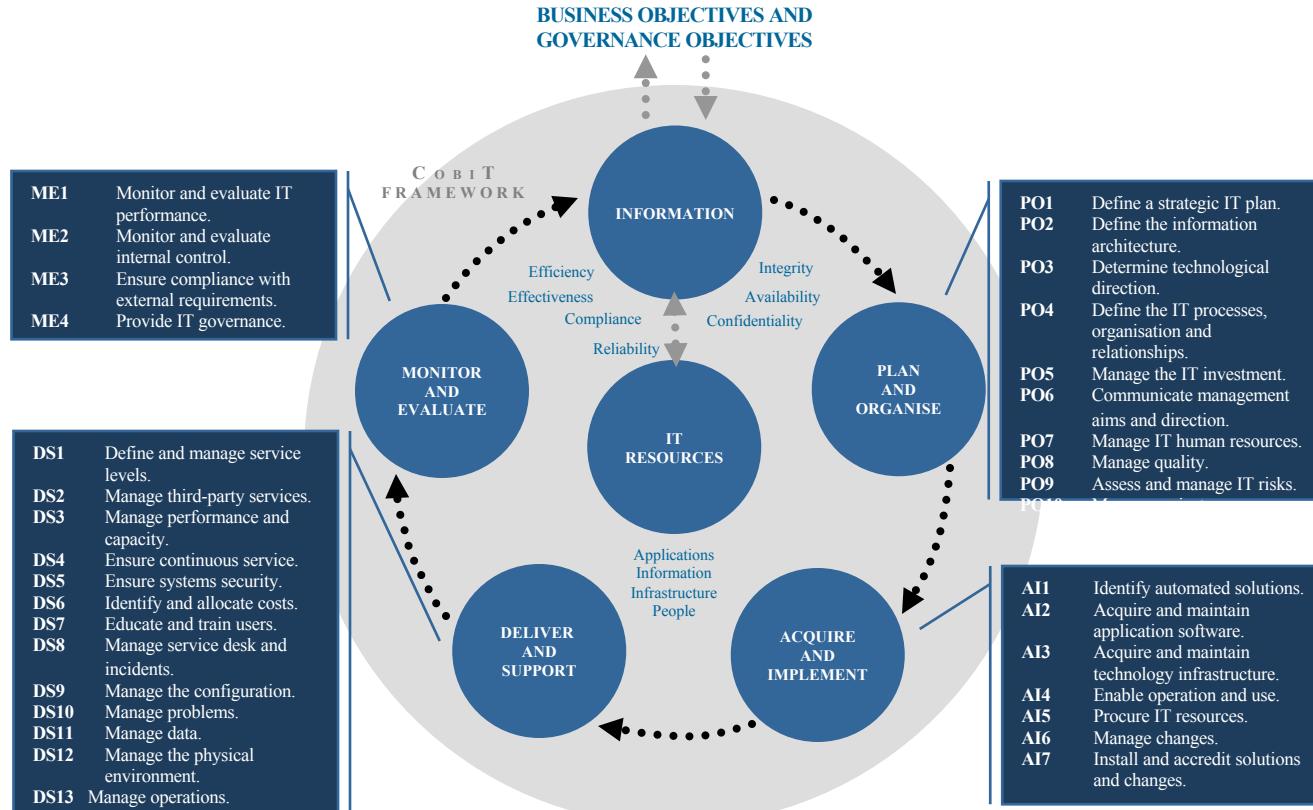
COBIT Cube: Information Criteria (*Cont.*)

Effectiveness	Deals with information being relevant and pertinent to the business process as well as being delivered in a timely, correct, consistent and usable manner	IT Processes	IT Resources	Information Criteria	 A 3D cube diagram representing the COBIT Cube. It has three vertical faces. The front face is light blue and labeled 'IT Resources'. The middle face is dark blue and labeled 'Information Criteria'. The back face is light blue and labeled 'IT Processes'. A bracket on the right side of the cube points to the 'Information Criteria' label.
Efficiency	Concerns the provision of information through the optimal (most productive and economical) use of resources				
Confidentiality	Concerns the protection of sensitive information from unauthorised disclosure	IT Processes	IT Resources	Information Criteria	 A 3D cube diagram representing the COBIT Cube. It has three vertical faces. The front face is light blue and labeled 'IT Resources'. The middle face is dark blue and labeled 'Information Criteria'. The back face is light blue and labeled 'IT Processes'. A bracket on the right side of the cube points to the 'Information Criteria' label.
Integrity	Relates to the accuracy and completeness of information as well as to its validity in accordance with business values and expectations				
Availability	Relates to information being available when required by the business process now and in the future. It also concerns the safeguarding of necessary resources and associated capabilities.	IT Processes	IT Resources	Information Criteria	 A 3D cube diagram representing the COBIT Cube. It has three vertical faces. The front face is light blue and labeled 'IT Resources'. The middle face is dark blue and labeled 'Information Criteria'. The back face is light blue and labeled 'IT Processes'. A bracket on the right side of the cube points to the 'Information Criteria' label.
Compliance	Deals with complying with those laws, regulations and contractual arrangements to which the business process is subject, i.e., externally imposed business criteria as well as internal policies				
Reliability	Relates to the provision of appropriate information for management to operate the entity and to exercise its fiduciary and governance responsibilities	IT Processes	IT Resources	Information Criteria	 A 3D cube diagram representing the COBIT Cube. It has three vertical faces. The front face is light blue and labeled 'IT Resources'. The middle face is dark blue and labeled 'Information Criteria'. The back face is light blue and labeled 'IT Processes'. A bracket on the right side of the cube points to the 'Information Criteria' label.

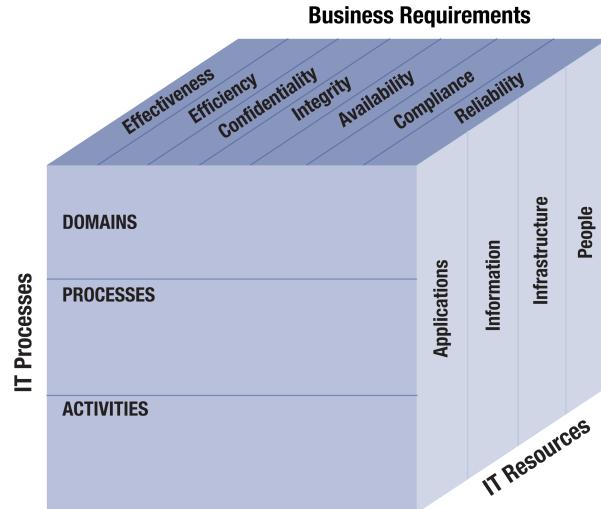
- ▶ IT processes manage IT resources to generate, deliver and store the information that the organisation needs to achieve its objectives.
- ▶ The IT resources identified in COBIT are defined as:
 - **Applications** are automated user systems and manual procedures that process information.
 - **Information** is data that are input, processed and output by information systems, in whatever form used by the business.
 - **Infrastructure** includes the technology and facilities, such as hardware, operating systems and networking, that enable the processing of applications.
 - **People** are the personnel required to plan, organise, acquire, implement, deliver, support, monitor and evaluate information systems and services. They may be internal, outsourced or contracted, as required.



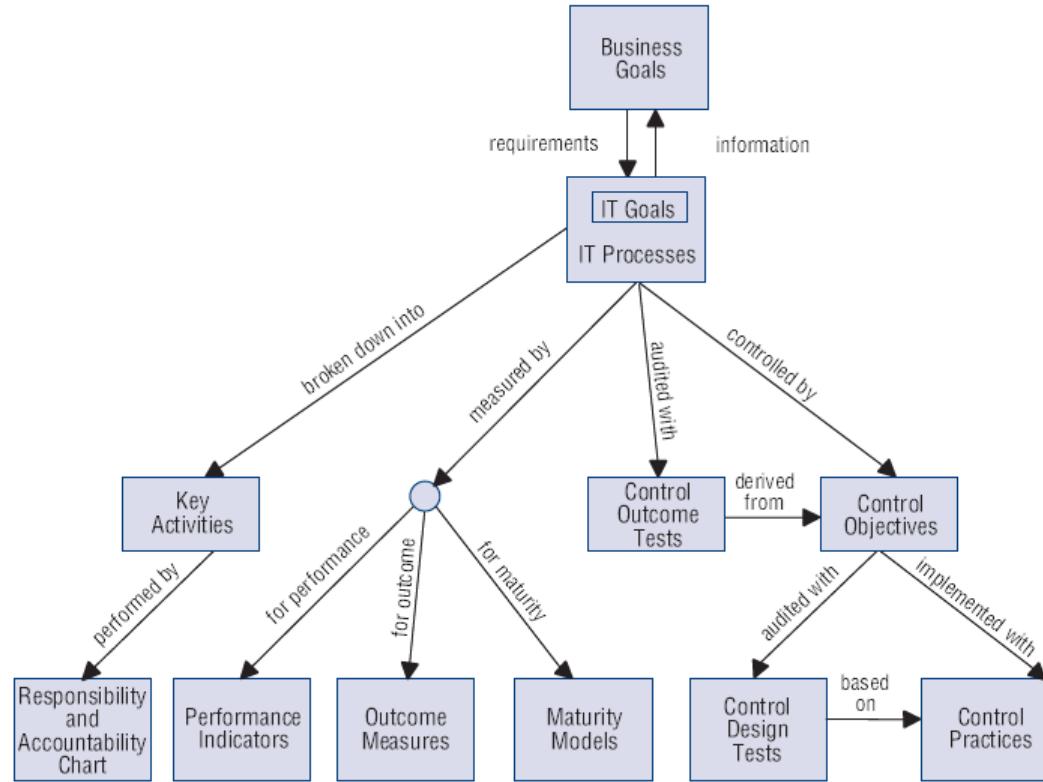
COBIT Framework



IT resources are managed by IT processes to achieve IT goals that respond to the business requirements. This is the basic principle of the COBIT framework, as illustrated by the COBIT cube.



Interrelationship of the COBIT Components



R
e
a
d
i
n
g

Brotby 12



Questions?

Matt Hale, PhD

University of Nebraska at Omaha

Interdisciplinary Informatics

mlhale@unomaha.edu

Twitter: [@mlhale_](https://twitter.com/mlhale_)

