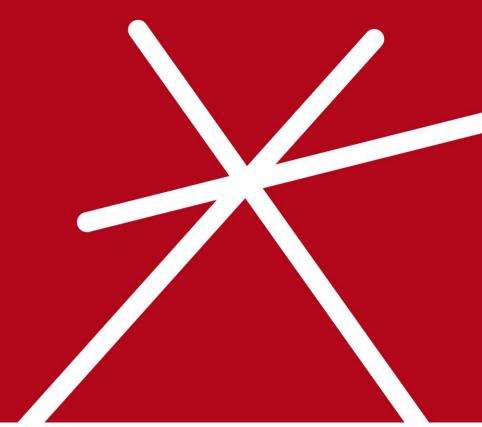


# Business Capability Management: Your Key to the Business Board Room

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## The Confusion of Tongues

## Why IT fails to meet business expectations



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No common vocabulary between IT and Business

- Processes are too detailed
- Strategies and projects are too variable
- Applications are functionally isolated and too technical
- Business can't relate technology costs and business value



#### The result:

- No common understanding of business and IT strategy
- No common view of IT support
- Plans not synchronized

## **Defining Business Capability**

A **business capability** defines the organization's capacity to successfully perform a unique business activity. Capabilities:

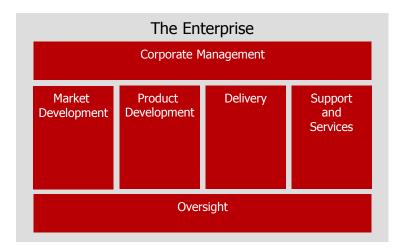
- are the building blocks of the business
- represent stable business functions
- are unique and independent from each other
- are abstracted from the organizational model
- capture the business' interests

#### A **business capability map** is:

 a model of the firm associating the business capabilities, processes, and functions required for business success with the IT resource that enables them\*

<sup>\*</sup> Source: Forrester Research

## Capability Map: Example of Level 1

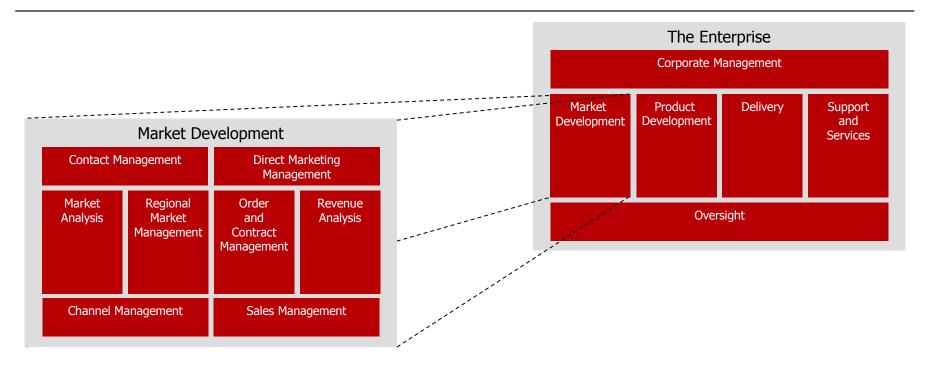


#### Capabilities should:

- mean something to the business answering questions like "what are the 6 main activities required to run your business?"
- at the high level represent the 5-9 main generic capabilities of the organization
  - could be same as high-level process model
  - could in part coincide with the high-level product groups
- have a clear management responsibility within the business organization
  - who IT talks to when supporting this capability
  - have clear responsibilities for a capability area within IT



## Capability Map: Example Levels 2 and 3

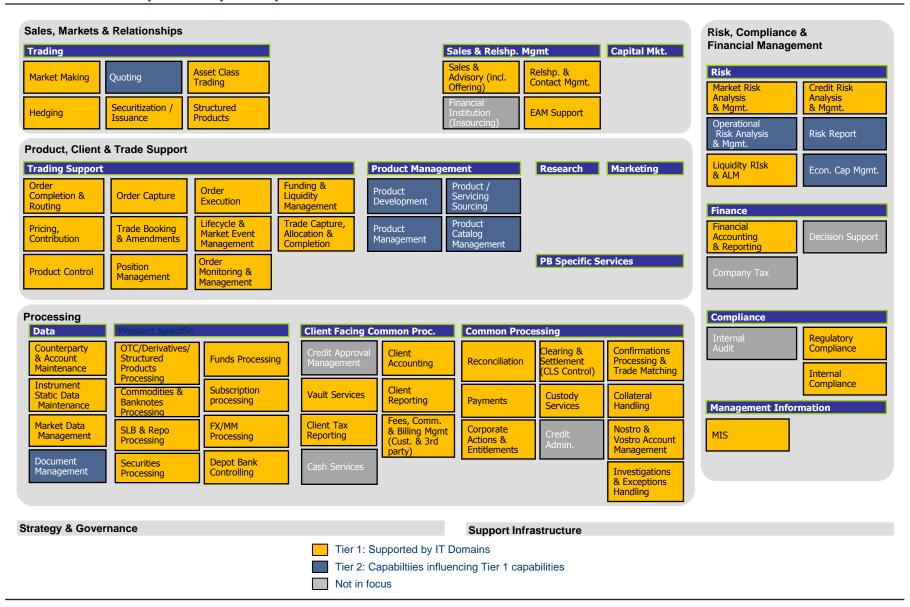


### Capabilities should:

- be hierarchal in structure for drill-down
- be stable and process-independent
- have no more than 3-4 levels in the hierarchy (providing stability)
- be defined independent of current IT support for that capability
- non-overlapping, capsulated (self-contained, "outsource-able")



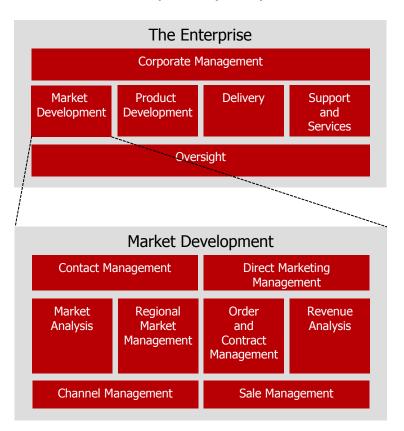
## Business Capability Map of a Financial Institution





## From Business Capability to Business Value

#### **Business Capability Map**



#### **Business Capability Uses**



- Demand Management according to strategy
- Relating operational IT cost to business value
- Application and process rationalization
- Design and delivery of agile technology solutions

The path from the Business Capability Map to Business Value is described in the IT planning process.

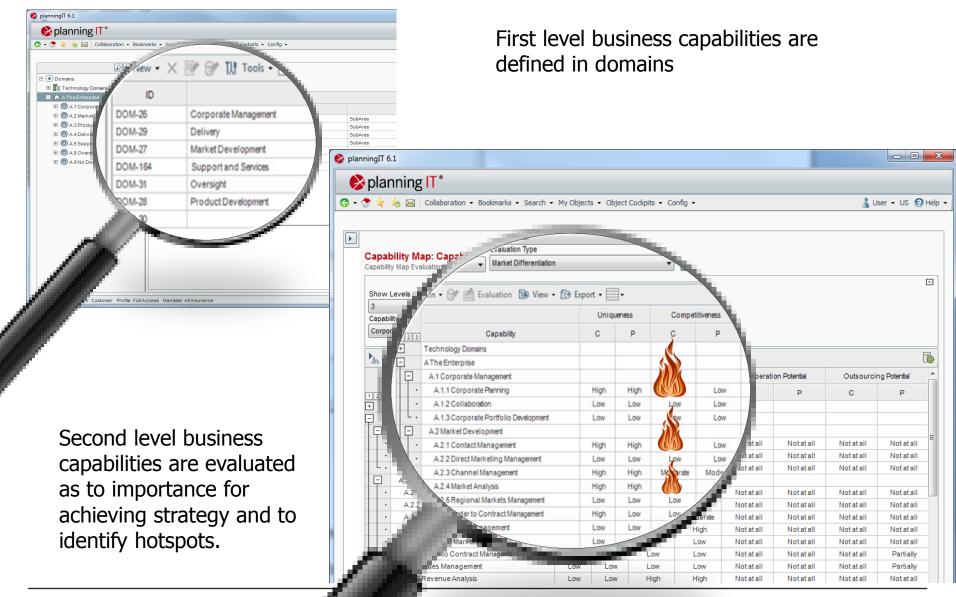


## Demand Management according to Strategy

#### IT Planning activities:

- Define Business Capability Map
- Map Business Capabilities to Business Strategy
- Assess current/required strength/performance of Business Capabilities
- Derive Demand strategies from performance gap for Business Capabilities
- Analyze project requests based on Business Capabilities
- Assure that aggregate demand reflects business goals
- Understand demand impact on application/technology architecture at an early stage

## Assess Current/Required Strength of Business Capabilities





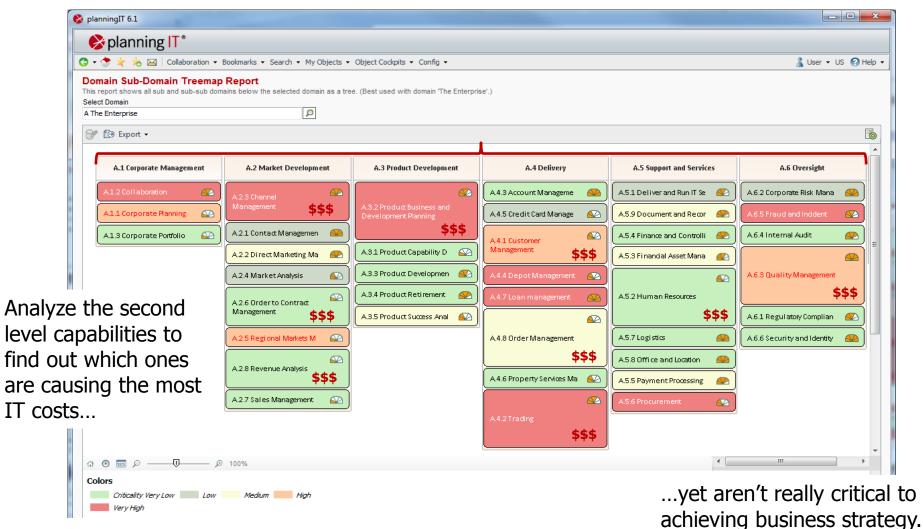
## Relating Operational IT Cost to Business Value

#### IT Planning activities:

- Capture IT costs at object level
- Relate IT costs to business capabilities
- Reconcile SLA's with actual business needs
- Reduce IT OPEX (without risk to the business)
- Identify capability outsourcing candidates

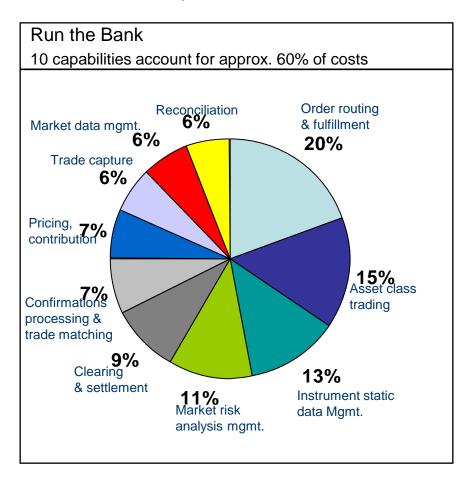
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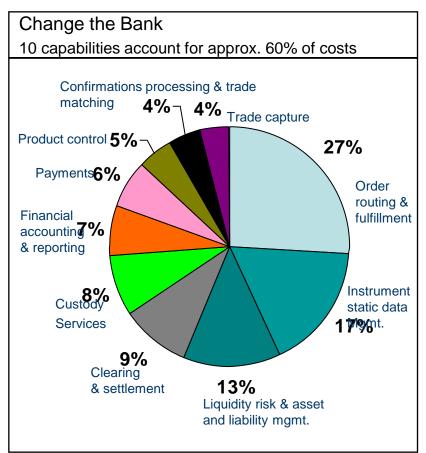
# First level business capabilities are defined in domains



## Relating Operational IT Costs to Business Value

What are the operational costs and where should these be controlled more thoroughly?





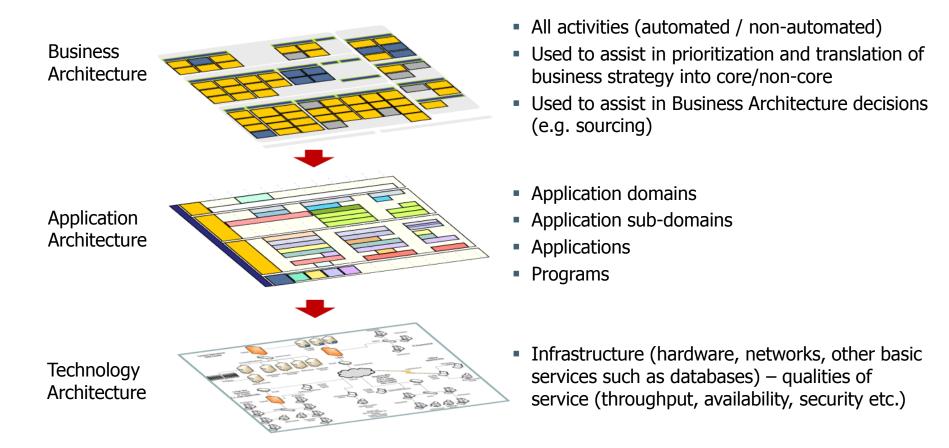


## **Application and Process Rationalization**

#### IT Planning activities:

- Map IT solutions to Business Capabilities
- Find synergies and duplications
- Identify the business capabilities the organization should invest in
- Analyze the impact of changes
- Analyze strengths and weaknesses of IT supports to critical Business Capabilities
- Appropriate project scope

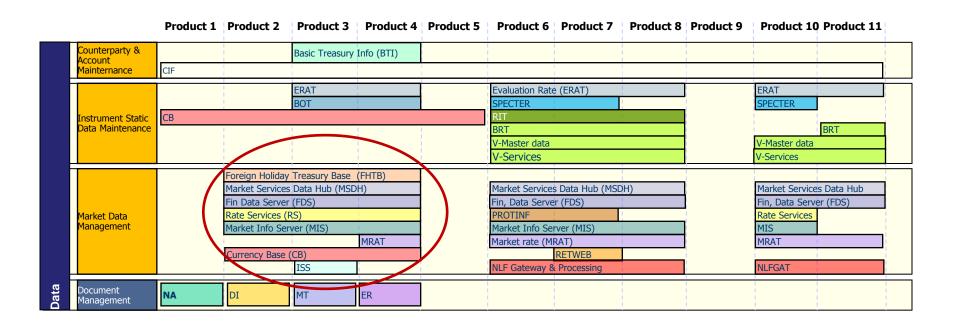
## Use the Application Architecture to Map Capabilities to Technology





## High Heterogeneity Shows Rationalization Potential

Where do I want to reduce business process and business support variation?





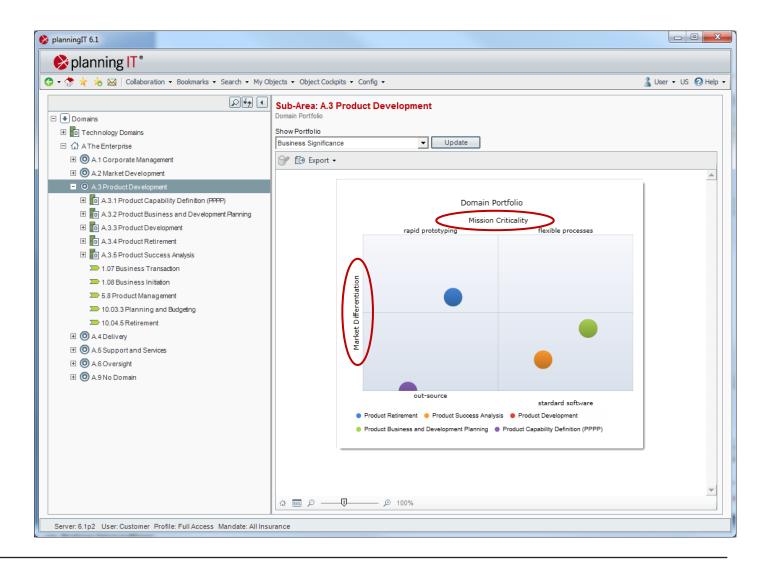
## Design and Delivery of Agile Technology Solutions

### IT Planning activities:

- Define and prioritize Capabilities
- Map Services to Capabilities
- Identify redundancies and relationships
- Identify SOA services to build

## Identify the Capabilities the Firm Needs to Invest in

Base services' potential business value on capability outcomes.



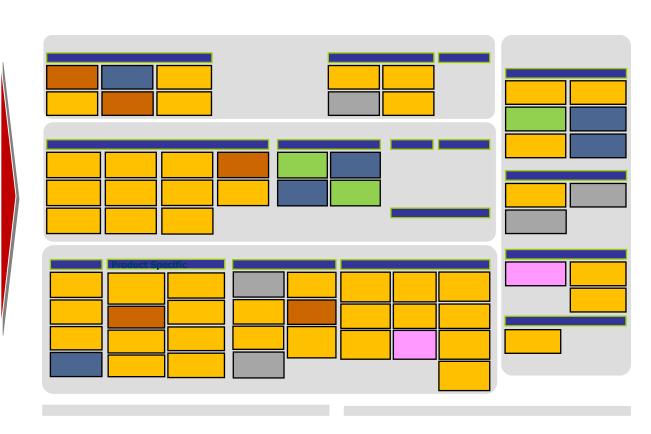


## Design and Delivery of Agile Technology Solutions

Where do I want to think about adopting SOA and where should COTS be used?

#### Strategy in a nutshell

- Cross-selling across Divisions
- Centralization of activities in Centers of Excellence (incl. offshoring where appropriate)
- Standardization and re-use of applications globally
- Aggressive international growth in private banking
- Continually enhance PB value proposition
- IB: refocus and build further capabilities in certain areas
- Expand capabilities in Structured Products

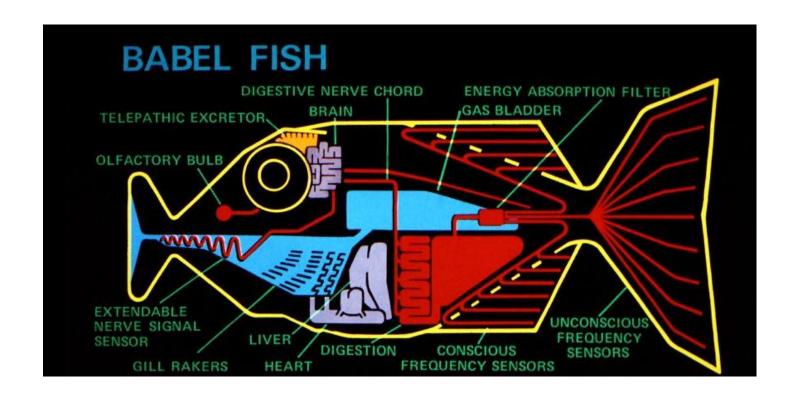




## So when the Board asks...



## They'll understand with ...







Thank you

