

Waste no more time arguing what an Enterprise Architect should be. BE ONE.

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A brief personal history



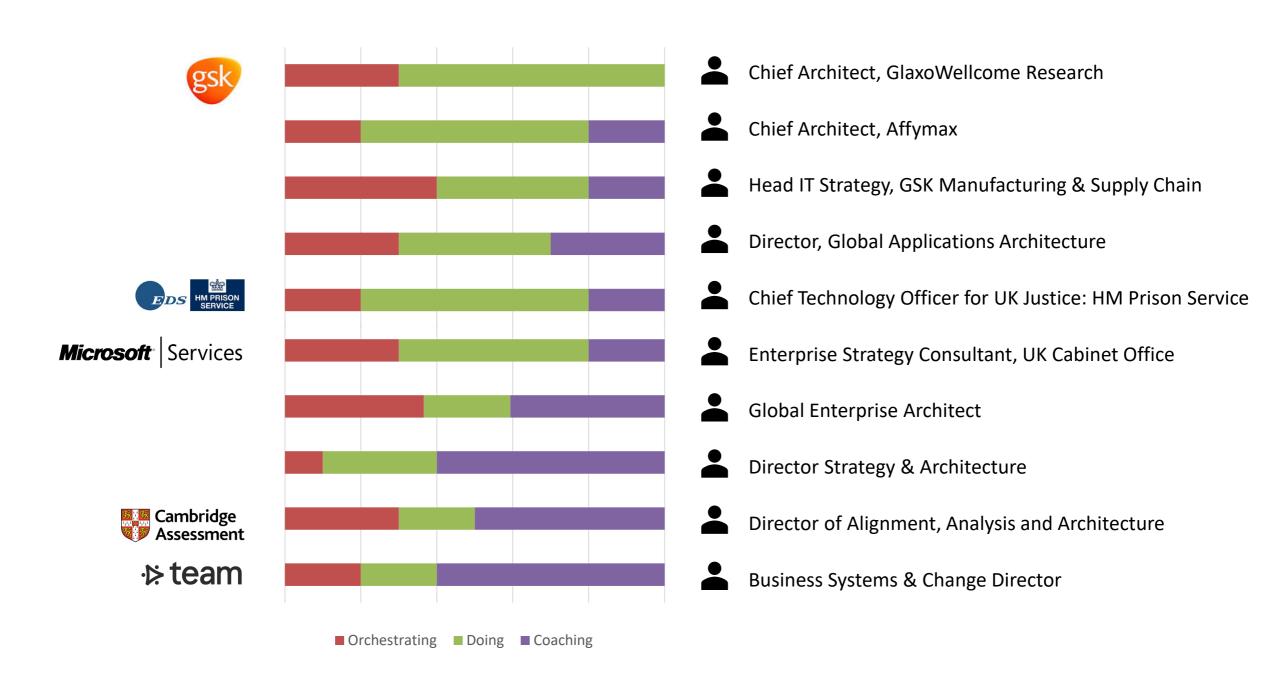


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- Head IT Strategy, GSK Manufacturing & Supply Chain
- Director, Global Applications Architecture
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- Enterprise Strategy Consultant, UK Cabinet Office
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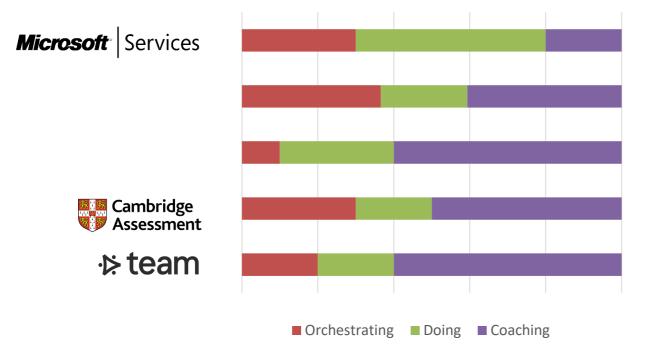






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Observing the best over 10 years



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My EA team is seen as an Enterprise wide IT Architecture team. How do I change that into a true EA position?



How can EA contribute to strategic decision making?

Opportunities







June 2007

Jan 2009

March 2009

"We always overestimate the change that will occur in the next two years and underestimate the change that will occur in the next ten. Don't let yourself be lulled into inaction."

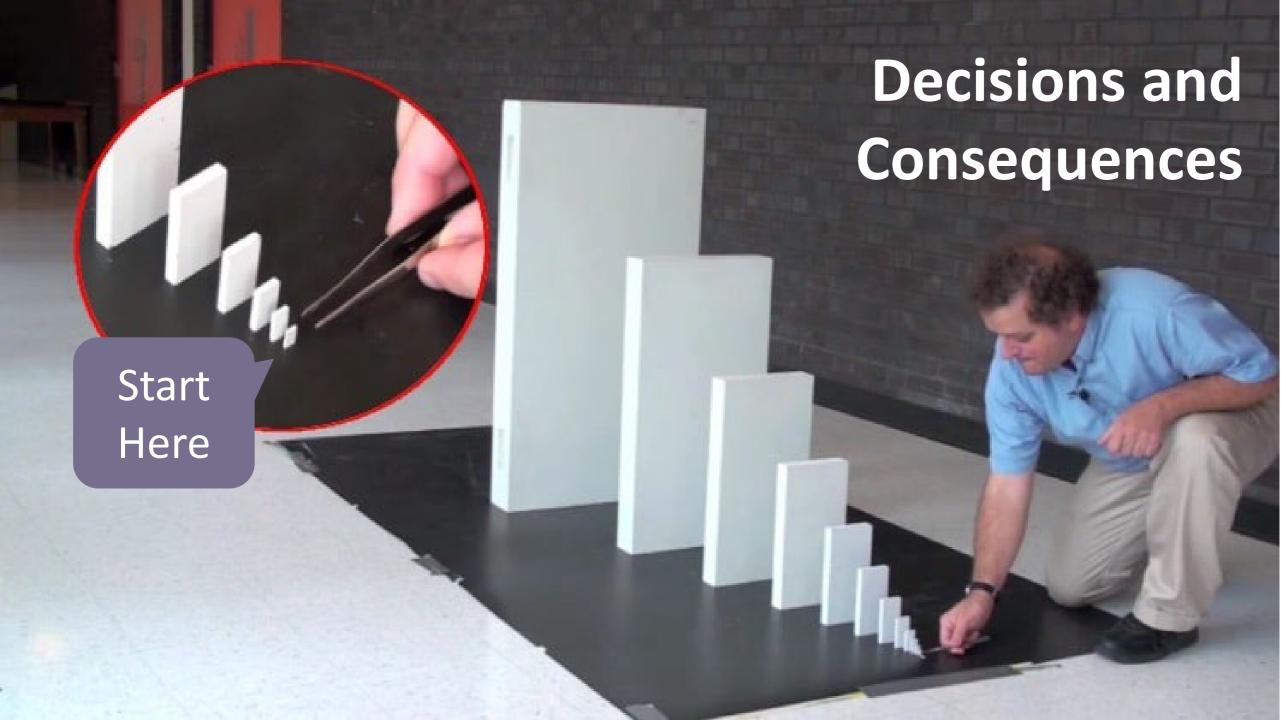
Risks



Premeditatio malorum

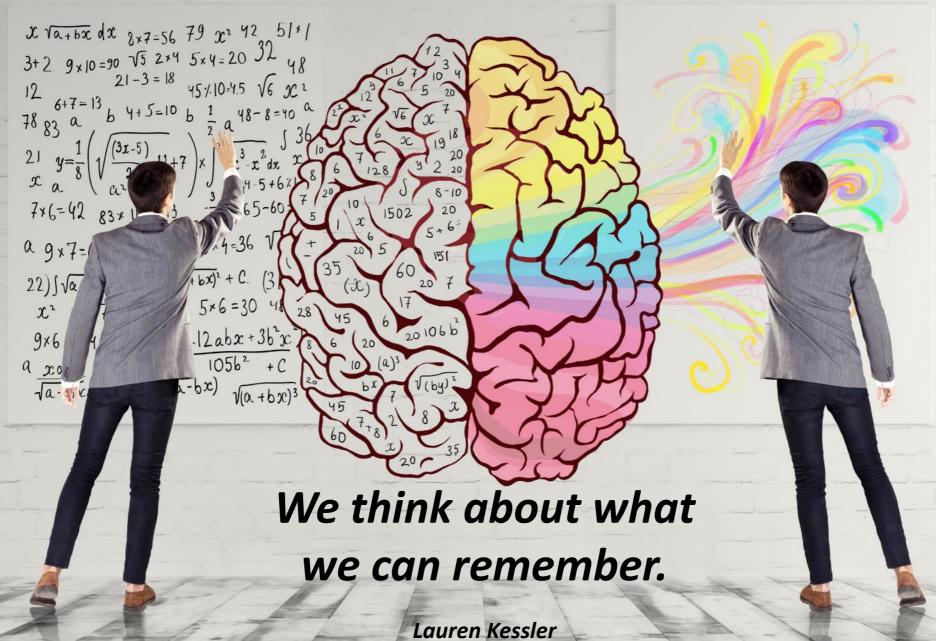
"Nothing happens to the wise man against his expectations."

What are the top 3 things I can do differently to have a better impact?





We remember what we can visualise.

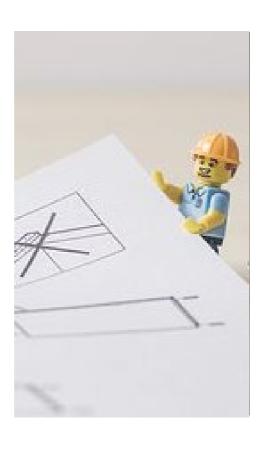


Architecture is seen as something to do in the project planning stage and for governance, then ignored when the project starts.

How can I change that?



Advice

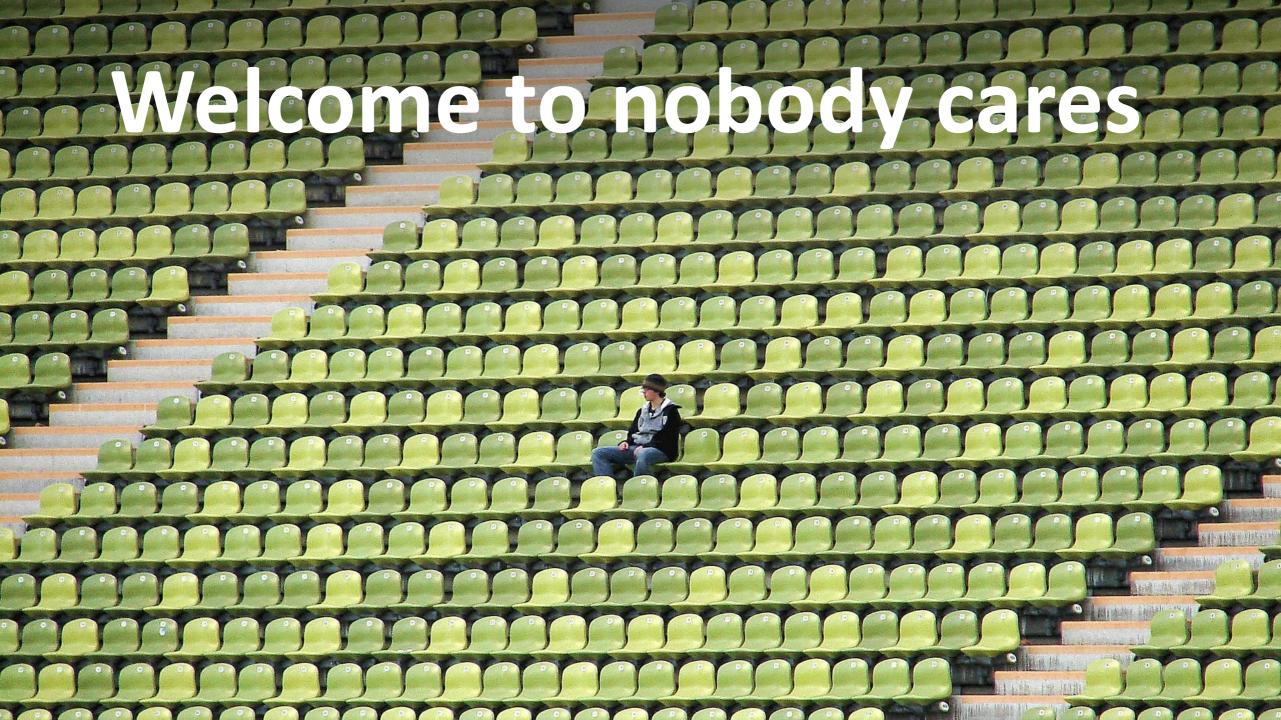


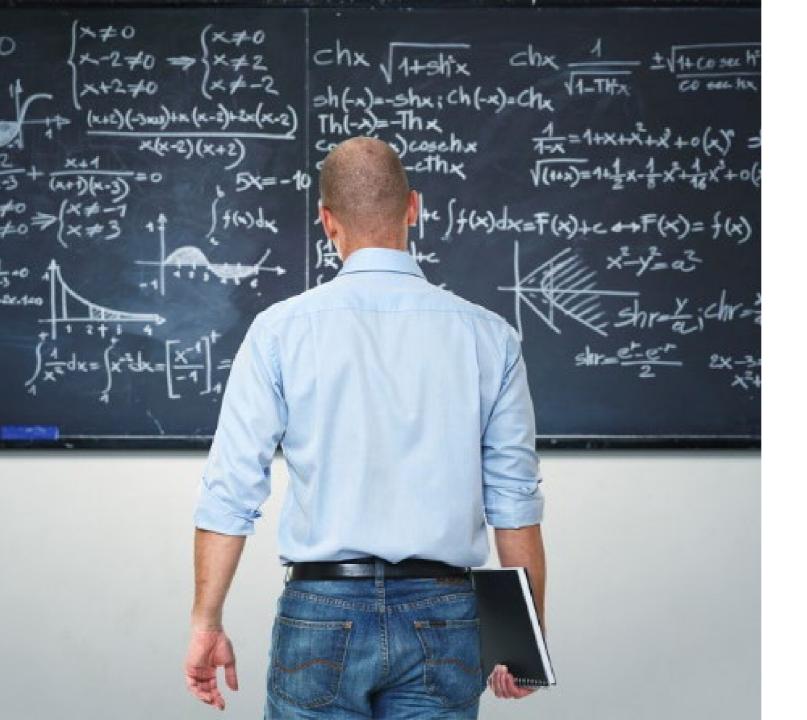
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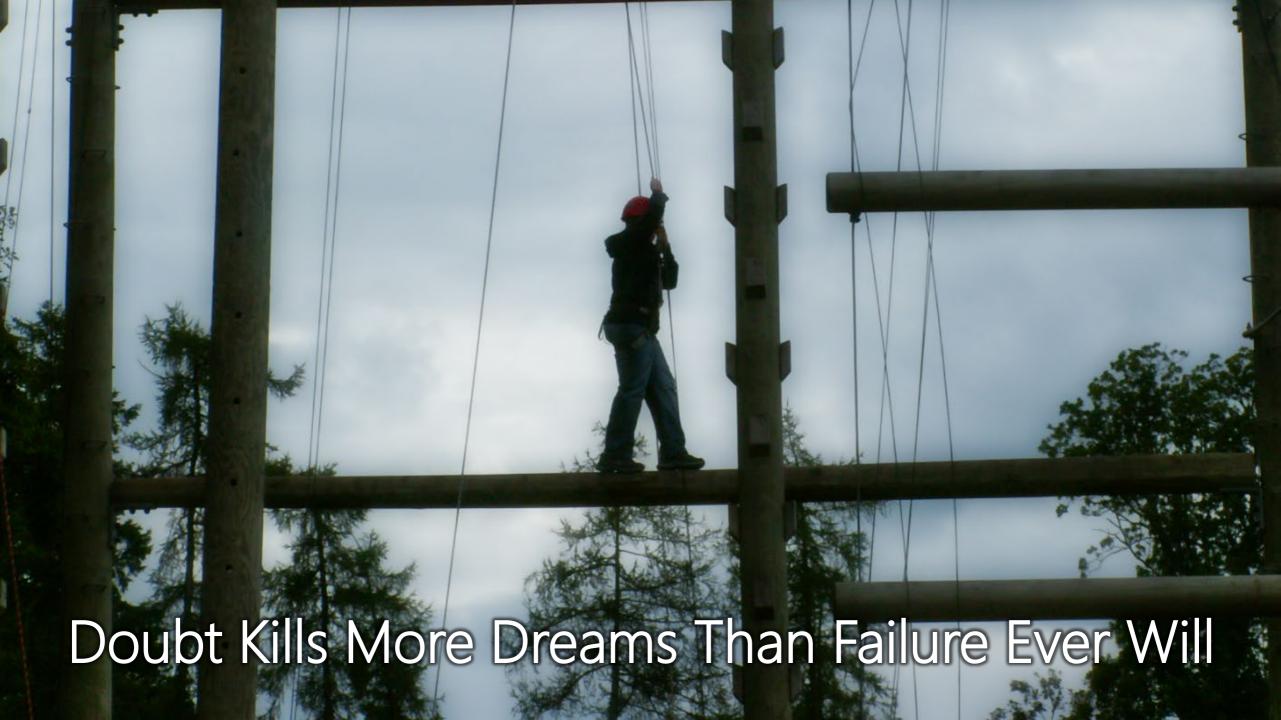
Participation

I have plenty of data on the enterprise and models from capabilities, to data flows, to systems, but I'm told I'm not making a difference to the organisation. What do I need to do? How can I measure the impact?





If you want better answers, get better questions



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