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Give Me a Lever, I Can Move the World - Using EA

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By leveraging Enterprise Architecture (EA) best practices when making business decisions, EA becomes a valuable tool to better achieve mission and business results.

Three main areas of successful EA are -

EA Value - An alignment of technologies with business processes does not realize the full value of the EA proposition. Through alignment from data sources all the way up to achievement of Performance metrics, EA can increase efficiencies at all levels and facilitate effective organizational decision-making. This can serve a greater goal, whether moving the world or reducing costs.

Governance - Too often, EA Governance develops and sustains the EA, without assessing the value and fit of investment proposals. There's no guidance for how systems are to be built so they're useful parts of the EA framework and fulfill strategic plan goals. An optimal set of EA Governance Processes to follow to achieve the greatest benefits for the least amount of effort will be covered.

Communication - While Governance helps align processes, communications between entities produce results. For DOE, standardized communication procedures between the various Program and Secretarial Offices, Labs, and other stakeholders are essential. To continuously improve and mature our EA program, pilot programs to facilitate fruitful discussions and active EA work at all levels will be introduced.

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