Senior Business Architect

The Organisation [Provide background to the organisation offering the position]				
Position Name	Senior Business Architect	Position ID		
Reports to	Group Chief Enterprise Architect			
Direct Reports	Process Architecture Lead, 2 x Business Analysts			
Division	[Division]	Department	Business Architecture	
Band				
Key Customers	• [List Business Units]			
Location	[Location]			

Purpose of the Position:

Is the owner of the [The Company] business architecture capability. The senior business architect is responsible for the design, development, delivery and ongoing maintenance of a [The Company] Group-wide business architecture blueprint, and related execution roadmap, assuring its continued alignment to the overarching objectives of the [The Company] business, IT and enterprise architecture requirements.

Key Performance Objectives	Tasks			
Strategy Execution & Capability Ownership	 Owner, custodian ,and champion of the [The Company] Business Architecture capability, ensuring cross-group alignment of business strategies & models with other functional areas and business functions, including alignment to the enterprise architecture Translates strategic requirements into a usable target Business architecture and roadmap, which may include appropriate business and market-related business design, associated business drivers, objectives & KPl's, as well as the targeted set of business capabilities and processes to achieve the group strategic objectives Ensure the Business architecture aligns to the enterprise architecture, and that all existing business models, processes & assets are identified, stewarded and leveraged across the business as appropriate Definition of appropriate [The Company] business models frameworks, reference designs, standards, policies and practices Setup, implementation and governance over tools and investment used to design and communicate the business architecture Ensure a focus on business solution design quality by developing and publishing standards including (but not limited to) business engagement standards, process standards, business model policies & operating standards Drives communication and use/alignment of the target business strategy and architecture (Blueprint) across [The Company] Group stakeholders 			

- Provides enterprise-wide assurance over the integrity and appropriateness of business architecture designs, using [The Company] approved standards
- Monitors emerging industry standards, positioning improvements to the business environment where appropriate
- Ongoing review of business design programme performance and value realisation objectives
- Business representative in architecture and design related forum(s) as a key decision-making stakeholder

Delivery Planning, Design & Implementation

- Coordinate new business architecture activities across [The Company] Group stakeholders, ensuring they are consistent and well integrated with the established group blueprint, using an appropriate repository (Metadata, registry or portal) to promote reuse and standards adoption
- Active member in pre-execution analysis and business case development of new projects impacting business designs and architectures. Provides an enterprise view of dependencies, impact and overlap against the existing portfolio and roadmap
- Identifies business risks, assesses the potential impact on other group business brand strategies, designs and existing projects
- Collaboration with all project stakeholders to review the objectives, requirements, designs and constraints of each solution, determining conformance with the approved EA Blueprint
- Recommends the most suitable business architecture, and defines the solution at a high level whilst updating the related business model & framework as appropriate
- Models designed and updated using the standardised modelling tool, stored in the enterprise architecture repository
- Lead in design of project Conceptual, Logical Architecture(s) and roadmap(s), recommending the most suitable approach in alignment with the target business architecture. The designs should consider the following:
 - The Company] Business (and Functional area) & IT strategy Across territories
 - Enterprise architecture strategy
 - [The Company] Business Model & Roadmap
 - Business trends and emerging technologies Existing Business Initiatives & Overlaps
 - Business & Technology Capabilities & Roadmap
 - Integrated Architecture Domains & Roadmaps: Channel, -Business Process, Integration, Data, Infrastructure, Security, Partner & 3rd Party Ecosystems
 - Business, Functional and Non-functional project requirements
 - Regulatory, legal and compliance implications i.e. consumer privacy laws, data retention policies, outsourced data and specific industry guidelines
- Participate in key project design reviews as part of the methodology process to ensure business designs adhere to business architecture guidelines
- Assist in post-implementation business improvement/optimisation efforts to enhance performance and provide increased functionality
- Track initiative progress and metrics as feedback into Architecture boards and forums

Governance & Risk Management	 Monitor regulatory and compliance guidelines (such as consumer privacy issues or cross-region cloud integration and audit requirements) to determine impact on the business architecture Validate audit objectives and assist with creation of audit plans to ensure continued integrity and transparency of business designs Review audit reports to ensure findings and recommendations are acted on Ensures Risk Management processes are in place to protect business and related IT assets through appropriate standards and security policies Provides input into the development of policies, standards and guidelines to direct selection, development, implementation and use/distribution of business & user platforms Provides assurance and governance at key milestones, ensuring appropriate application of [The Company] business architecture standards and practices Governs and manages change to the business architecture landscape, including target architecture change (project-based), as well as management of repository artefacts (i.e. knowledge
	management and appropriate application of tooling standards)
Architecture Management	 May lead a team of allocated specialist designers and analysts, assuming responsibility for solution designs impacting the business architecture Manages communication of business architecture change through the appropriate committees and architecture boards Responsible for the achievement of business architecture KPIs Manages the [The Company] business architecture working group Responsible to manage the knowledge & architecture repository for all business architecture artefacts
Research & Analysis	 Active in market trend research and benchmarking of competitive [Industry] institutions, and their approaches/business models & technologies used to drive business innovation Active in the positioning of feasible business concepts to [The Company] Group, contributing to business case development and architecture positioning Research new technologies and suites to evolve the existing [The Company] channel technology stack, providing recommendations as appropriate
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Qualifications

- B Comm Information Systems / Informatics, MBA with Information Systems or a similarly relevant Information Technology degree from a recognised university
- Architecture practice and modelling-related certifications e.g. TOGAF, Zachmann, BA Guild, Inspired
- · Knowledge of Industry frameworks and reference models e.g. eTOM, SID & other
- Architecture tooling certifications & experience e.g. Sparx, Casewise, ARIS, iServer, EVA & other.
- Supporting technology or business domain certifications

Experience

- 8+ years' experience as an architecture practitioner
- 5+ years' experience in business architecture and business/process design & analysis
- 3+ years' experience in leading/managing business architecture teams

- 5+ years' experience in implementing large, mid-size and small transformational projects
- Detailed experience and successful track record in establishing business architecture capabilities, defining and driving their adoption
- Knowledgeable in the design and construction of common business architectures that enable well-integrated transactional, collaborative and analytical systems internal, partner and 3rd party integration.
- Experience in driving strategic business initiatives and digital transformations.
- Experience in customer-centered channel design and advantage (e.g. UX & CX design and delivery, CVM, A/B Testing)
- Experience with different business model implementations & related systems e.g., Digital Commerce, USA & Europe and African exposure, Joint ventures, Agencies & franchises, Media & Telecommunications
- · Understanding of common business architecture frameworks and standards
- Experience creating business policies to support standardised design and use of implemented systems

Summary of Responsibilities

Primary Responsibilities

- Business model design & strategy alignment
- · Business capability mapping
- · Business Research & development
- · Business Industry trend watching & analysis
- Business case development
- Business scorecard management development
- Business drivers, goals, objectives alignment & measurement
- Business functions decomposition & alignment
- Business quality management & optimisation
- · Business & IT opportunities road mapping
- · Membership of the Architecture review board

Secondary Responsibilities

- · Process framework design
- Process mapping & modelling
- · Process improvement & re-engineering
- · Business requirements modelling
- User requirements modelling

Skills

- Business case development
- · Business scenario modelling
- · Organisation design
- · Business process design
- Strategic planning
- Budget management
- Visioning
- Business metric definition
- · Business culture & transformation development
- Business function management & design

Technical Competencies

- Strong leadership
- Strong Modelling
- · Customer focus and service orientation
- Assertiveness
- Planning and organising, Project Management
- Cultural diversity sensitivity
- Innovative
- Inquiring mind
- Diplomacy and Tact
- Conscientious

Behavioural Competencies

- · Relationship Building
- Conflict Resolution
- Decision Making
- Critical Appraisal
- Holistic Thinking
- Persuading & Influence
- Coaching