

ROLE PROFILE

ROLE TITLE	Solutions Architect
DEPARTMENT	Information Technology
DIRECTORATE	OCS
RESPONSIBLE TO	IT Product Manager
RESPONSIBLE FOR	n/a

ROLE PURPOSE	
<p>To own/support the technology strategy and roadmap for the Finance & Procurement application portfolio centralised around Microsoft Dynamics: Finance and Operations.</p> <p>Working within the wider Product and Architecture teams and as part of a matrixed delivery team across the IT and Transformation directorate the Corporate Solutions Architect will consider the relationships between business capability, applications, information and technology to ensure the solutions support the strategic objectives and current operational needs of the business.</p>	

ACCOUNTABILITIES / RESPONSIBILITIES	
<p>Act as the subject matter expert/Functional expert for the Finance/Procurement Domain within the Corporate IT Domain, specialising in Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations.</p> <p>Work within Orbits architecture framework to define functional and technical solutions in line with the business and IT strategies and the technology roadmap whilst ensuring architectural recommended practice and legal requirements are adhered to.</p> <p>Ensure project design deliverables conform to architectural principles as defined by the Architecture team. Participate in Design Authority for solution approval, review and quality assurance</p> <p>Ensure solutions are aligned to Orbits wider Business Continuity Plans and are both scalable and resilient to meet desired RPO and RTO and adaptable to changing business needs.</p> <p>Identifying risks and mitigating actions.</p> <p>Responsible for researching and recommending technologies, frameworks and approaches for use by teams on projects.</p>	

Work with stakeholders to document benefits and costs of solutions and support development of compelling business cases

Support solution procurement and ongoing relationships with 3rd party suppliers

KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS/EXPERIENCE/PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Essential

Experience of core Finance and Procurement concepts and processes for example: GL, AP, AR, ITC, P2P, FAM, TAX, PMA, SCM and their implementation in Microsoft Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations.

Experience in defining technology roadmaps to support business change activities for the Finance Domain

Knowledge of Solution development best practices for D365 and software development lifecycle including Agile methodologies

Experience in the use of LCS to manage Dynamics environments

Stakeholder management and interaction to 'C-Suite', excellent presentation skills

D365 Specific experience

- Microsoft Dynamics365: Core Finance and Operations Exam MB-300
- Microsoft Dynamics 365 Finance Exam MB-310/20
- Or equivalent work experience

Excellent communication skills, with an ability to convey complex technology concepts to the business and IT stakeholders

Experience of working in ambiguous situations to design solutions, working with a range of stakeholders to reach consensus

Experienced to lead the design and selection of solutions (systems, technologies and processes) using the knowledge of architects and the wider IT team to ensure holistic solutions

Desirable	Able to manage the solution design process, establishing plans and milestones, for self and others, delegating responsibilities TOGAF Foundation Qualification OR BCS Foundation in Solution and Enterprise Architecture
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