SECTION 2

INTEGRATED SOA GOVERNANCE

Sample Web Service Topology



Why Governance?

- How do you develop Web Services in an organized and predictable way?
 - Is a Web Service being considered? How are you going about it?
 - Where is a Web Service in its life cycle?
 - Concept? Development? QA? Testing? Deployed?
- Questions if you have a complex *ecosystem* of services
 - How do you manage them operationally?
 - □ What services are up/down, for how long, etc.
 - □ Are the services load balanced?
 - What are policies for accessing the endpoints?
 - How about security?

Integrated SOA Governance

- Integrated SOA Governance ensures the applicability, integrity and usability of a wide range of assets through all their lifecycle stages
- Lifecycle stages range from asset identification through asset deprecation
- □ The full lifecycle is split into:
 - 1. Planning governance
 - 2. Development governance
 - 3. Operational governance
 - **4.** Policy Governance

Source: SOA Software, Inc., 2008.

Planning Governance

- Idea is to build the right things
- New area for SOA
- Allows organizations to identify potential services in a planned and managed community
 - Enterprise Architects
 - Business Analysts
 - Portfolio Managers
- Recognized by industry as critical
 - Booz Allen Hamilton/US Government
 - Kaiser (Revitalized Claim Systems)
 - Consulting companies such as Infosys

Source: SOA Software, Inc., 2008.

- □ Key Task: Identification & Analysis
 - Define Services
 - Define Policy
 - Define Profiles
 - Define Process
 - Define Test Cases
 - Information Architecture
 - Identify other assets

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- **Typical Questions During Planning:**
 - What capabilities should be exposed as Web Services?
 - What existing and planned applications would benefit from consuming shared services?
 - What services should be priority?
 - Who should access a specific service and how do we ensure appropriate access?
 - How about "Megaprogramming" [Boehm et al.] questions?

Source: SOA Software, Inc., 2008.

Think about Megaprogramming Key Success Factors (KSF) & Natural Market Analogs [Boehm et al.]

Megaprogramming KSF

- A. Architecture Determination
- B. Architecture/Component Description
- C. Component construction
- D. Component composition/assembly
- E. Component interchange

Natural Market Analog KSF

- A. Product Line (market) Structuring
- B. Product Line (market structure) description
- C. Producer
- D. Consumer
- E. Brokerage

- Solutions require integration with:
 - Wide range of existing enterprise repositories
 - Application portfolio management
 - Enterprise architecture planning solutions

Output from Planning Governance Process

- **Candidates** for a suitable architecture
- Set of candidate services that feed into the Development Governance process
- Set of candidate policies that feed into the Policy Governance process

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Development Governance

- Idea is to build things right
- Marshals an asset through the development process
- Development process typically spans:
 - Design
 - Development
 - Testing
 - Staging
- Development Governance includes:
 - Workflow mechanism to approve migration between phases
 - Policy compliance validation
 - Clear separation (logically, physically, or both) between lifecycle stages

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Development Governance Cont'd

- □ Solution *depends* on Policy Governance for:
 - Compliance policy definition
 - Management, and validation
- Policies are used to determine:
 - Relevance and suitability of services at each lifecycle stage
 - Determine if assets meet enterprise standards and guidelines
 - before they can promoted to the next stage of the lifecycle.
- Example--For a service to move from design to development, the enterprise may require:
 - There is a design document in the repository
 The service has a WSDI
 - The services are categorized appropriately
 - Registered consumers waiting for the service

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Operational Governance

- Idea is to ensure what's built behaves right
- Controls the runtime aspects of SOA
- Typically includes
 - Web Service monitoring
 - Security and management
 - Runtime policy system
- Relies heavily on Policy Governance solution
 - Need to discover policies for implementation & enforcement

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Operational Governance Cont'd

- Key goal of a well architected system is to fully abstract service consumers & providers from complexity
- Complexity includes:
 - Policy implementation
 - ✓ Enforcement
 - ✓ Service endpoint location
 - ✓ Transport
 - ✓ Standards
 - Message Exchange Pattern
 - ✓ Other impedances to operability
- Should provide:
 - Agents & delegates
 - Network resident intermediary for service virtualization

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Policy Governance

- Key goal is to have a uniform policy for all governance areas
- Policy Governance does the following:
 - Defines and manages policies
 - Associates polices with assets
 - Validates and reports on policy compliance
- Policy types include:
 - Metadata compliance policies applied in Planning and Development Governance
 - Security, reliability, and service-level policies applied through an Operational Governance solution

Source: SOA Software, Inc., 2008.

Summary of Integrated SOA Governance

