

# Phase A - Architecture Vision

Starts with receipt of a Request for Architecture Work.

Its objectives are:

- To develop a high-level vision of the capabilities and business value delivered by the proposed enterprise architecture
- To gain approval for a Statement of Architecture Work that defines the program of works to develop and deploy the proposed architecture.

## Inputs

The key input is the Request for Architecture Work, together with everything necessary to outline an effective vision and proposed future architectures.

**Reference Materials**

- Any useful architecture reference materials (often from external sources)

**Architectural Inputs**

- The Organizational model for EA, including which organizations are impacted by the changes, maturity analysis, roles and responsibilities, and governance and support strategy
- Tailored Architecture Framework, covering the tailored method, content, principles and tools
- Populated Architecture Repository, including any existing documentation

**Non-Architectural Inputs**

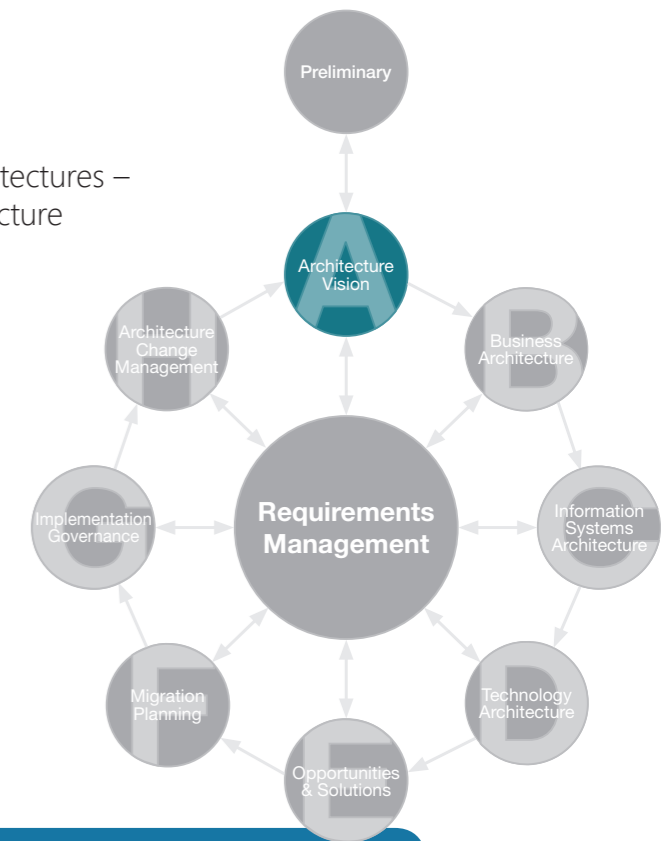
- The Request for Architecture Work, plus related business principles, goals and drivers

## Outputs

This is where we start to get a definition of the future architectures – as a Vision, as a Statement of Work, and as a draft Architecture Definition Document.

Later Phases expand these initial outputs to produce the detailed plan for delivering the proposed changes.

- Architecture Vision** including a problem description, key requirements, summary views and objectives
- Approved Statement of Architecture Work** including an overview of the Architecture Vision and a project description, scope, plan and schedule
- Draft Architecture Definition Document** including version 0.1 of baseline and target business, data, application and technology architectures



- A Capability Assessment**
- A Communication Plan**
- Updated principles, goals, drivers, and architecture framework**

## Steps

This Phase is vital for outlining a resolution to Stakeholder concerns in architectural terms – as an architecture vision and value propositions – and securing Stakeholder commitment and approval. All steps are important, but key steps are shown in purple!

