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Welcome!

The Open Group India brings to you a bi-annual newsletter with relevant information and updates that could prove valuable to you, and your organization. It is curated with handpicked artifacts, excerpts that will keep you informed of the current and upcoming programs, events, and initiatives where you can contribute and participate with prime focus on India, South-East Asia, Middle-East and African regions. Just another step towards our endeavour of [Boundaryless Information Flow™](#).

Regional Insights: Smart Africa and The Open Group Join Forces to Formulate a Government Enterprise Architecture Guide for Africa

In a significant stride toward advancing its digital economy initiatives, the Smart Africa alliance and The Open Group have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop a unified Enterprise Architecture guide for the African continent...[Read more](#)

The Open Group has established a workstream for this initiative under the [Government EA Work Group](#). Members of The Open Group are invited to engage actively in this effort, and work together to realize the stated objectives. For additional information and active involvement in the workstream, write to [Diana Rapose](#).

Reserve Bank of India's Master Direction on Information Technology Governance, Risk, Controls, and Assurance Practices

The notification dated November 7, 2023 provides the direction on comprehensive guidelines related to Information Technology (IT) governance and controls for banks and NBFCs to embrace a standardized Enterprise Architecture (EA) framework or methodology. While adopting new or emerging technologies, tools, or revamping existing ones in the technology stack, regulated entities are required to follow a standard enterprise architecture planning methodology or framework. Read the complete RBI notification [here](#).

National E-Governance Division (NeGD) Seeks to Empanel Consultancies for Identifying and Implementing New Digital India Initiatives

To meet the growing demand for design, development, implementation, and large scale roll out of Digital India Initiatives in line with the [India Enterprise Architecture](#) (IndEA) framework, NeGD seeks to empanel consultancies. The scope includes project management, technology adoption, and adherence to [IndEA](#) and Digital Service Standards. TOGAF certification is recommended for Enterprise/Solution & Business Architect roles. National e-Governance Division (NeGD) is an autonomous business division within Digital India Corporation, under the [Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology](#) (MeitY), Government of India. Details of the Request for Empanelment can be found [here](#).

India Academic Initiative In Architecture (INITIATE)

The [INITIATE](#) program is bringing academia to the forefront by actively hosting and organizing academic events, serving as the official knowledge partner. It consistently delivers insightful knowledge sessions presented by experts, and provides a valuable academic perspective on Enterprise Architecture, through collaborations with universities. In recent developments, the Work Group

published two essential resources [A Guide for Industry-Based Mentors in Academic Settings](#), a comprehensive guide for mentoring in the context of the structure of a course on Enterprise Architecture and a [Model Course Curriculum on Business Architecture for MBA Programs](#) tailored for Postgraduate Management Programs.

The [INITIATE Work Group](#) is comprised of senior and accomplished Enterprise Architects, faculty members, and thought leaders from industry, government, and academia. To get involved, visit our website [here](#).

The INITIATE program is conducting the Enterprise Architecture Competition for Students. To know more and to participate visit - [Enterprise Architecture Competition for Students](#).

Upcoming Events:

The Open Group Conference, New Delhi, and India Awards | July 29 - 31, 2024



The Open Group India is gearing up for the sixth edition of the awards to acknowledge and celebrate organizations and teams in India, South Asia,

Middle-East, and the African regions that have demonstrated excellence in applying open standards, open-source software, and best practices. Last date to submit your nomination form is **April 30, 2024**. For award categories, nomination guidelines, and nomination form, [click here](#).

Recent Events

Enterprise Architecture Practitioners Conference | Security in the Digital Age | January 29, 2024 - Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Event Proceedings can be found [here](#).



Recent Publications: Standards, White Papers, Guides, and Case Studies

[Ecosystems Architecture — New Thinking for Practitioners in the Age of AI](#): The book will introduce you to the challenges of designing hyper-enterprise IT systems, and the tools you will need as the era of Ecosystems Architecture dawns.

[TOGAF® Series Guide: Information Architecture: Business Intelligence & Analytics](#): The best practices presented in this document are based on project experiences, and have been generalized to support wide usage in any organization. The reference models in this document are described using the ArchiMate® modeling notation.

[ArchiMate® Standard Training Materials V3.2 Edition](#): Training Materials for Trainers

[Semantic Interoperability to Support Data Integration](#): A Venn diagram within this document illustrates the relationships between interoperability, semantic interoperability, and data integration as fundamental elements of The Open Group vision: Boundaryless Information Flow™.

[Open Trusted Technology Provider™ Standard \(O-TTPS\) – Mitigating Maliciously Tainted and Counterfeit Products: Part 1: Requirements and Recommendations, Version 1.1.1 \(technically equivalent to ISO/IEC 20243-1:2018\)](#) A set of guidelines, requirements, and recommendations that help assure against maliciously tainted and counterfeit products throughout the commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) information and communication technology (ICT) product life cycle encompassing the following phases: design, sourcing, build, fulfillment, distribution, sustainment, and disposal.

[Reference for Decision-Makers: Leading Digital and Agile Transformations with the O-AA™ Standard](#): Defines seven guidelines in putting the O-AA Standard into practice, elaborating the collaborative and synergistic relationship between the O-AA approach, and other Agile frameworks such as SAFe and LeSS, while describing the unique values to be explored by enterprises using the O-AA Standard.

[Digital Product-Centric Reference Operating Model](#): Describes how the Digital Product-Centric Reference Operating Model (D-PROM) can be used to support organizations in continuously and holistically managing the value of Digital Products while displacing older, siloed, technology-centric management models and practices.

Association of Enterprise Architects (AEA), India Chapter

AEA Co-Hosted EA Master Class with The Open Group INITIATE Program:

The session catered to students from AICTE-affiliated universities, offering valuable insights into the world of Enterprise Architecture. Participants were

recognized with certificates, marking the success of this educational initiative.

Mentoring Saudi Architects:

AEA has been actively involved in mentoring architects from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to establish the AEA Saudi chapter. This collaborative effort aims to strengthen the architecture community in the region, fostering knowledge exchange, and professional development.

Monthly Knowledge Sharing and Social Connect:

AEA conducts monthly knowledge-sharing sessions and social connect events facilitated by local chapters. These gatherings provide an excellent opportunity for networking, staying updated on industry trends, and fostering a sense of community among its members.

For more insight on AEA India activities, various publications, and newsletters, visit the AEA India website [here](#).

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