

# Linking Data Strategy to Business Strategy

Prioritizing Data Projects for Impact and Value

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## Why Data Strategy Matters

- Data is a strategic asset for revenue, efficiency, and compliance.
- 80% of business strategies fail without a data plan.
- Alignment ensures measurable outcomes and sustainable ROI

# The Business-Data Alignment Model

Corporate Goals →

Business Strategy →

Data & Analytics Strategy →

**Execution & Measurement** 

# **Linking Data Projects to Business Objectives**

**Business Objective** 

**Revenue Growth** 

**Risk Reduction** 

**Operational Efficiency** 

**Innovation** 

**Data Initiative** 

Customer 360 Platform

Data Quality & Governance

Program

Automated Regulatory &

Financial Reporting

AI/ML Segmentation &

Personalization

Outcome / KPI

Cross-sell ↑10%

Audit findings ↓40%

Cycle time ↓60%

New product uptake ↑20%

### **Prioritization Framework**

Evaluate projects via Impact × Effort or Value × Risk.

#### Consider:

- Strategic Alignment
- Data Quality
- ROI & Time to Value
- Regulatory Drivers

## **Generating Revenue from Data**

Data Products & APIs

Curated, governed datasets exposed securely via APIs for reuse or monetization

**Insights as a Service** 

Deliver analytics-driven insights, dashboards, and benchmarking

**Data-Driven Innovation** 

Use analytics to develop new services and improve offerings

**Embedded Analytics Platforms** 

Integrate intelligence directly into client platforms and experiences

## **Building a Modern Data Infrastructure**

- Cloud Lake / Warehouse Centralized, scalable storage for structured and unstructured da
- S Governance & Lineage Framework ensuring data trust, quality, and compliance
- APIs & Microservices Modular services enabling flexibility, integration, and reuse
- ML Ops Operationalization of machine learning for intelligent automation
- Real-Time Streaming Continuous data ingestion and event-driven analytics

# **Enabling Technologies**

- Data Catalog
- Data Quality
- ML Platform
- **Wisualization**
- Privacy Tech
- **Automation**

## **Fostering a Data-Driven Culture**

#### People – Upskill & Empower

Invest in data literacy and analytical confidence across all levels.

Empower employees to use insights in decision-making, not just technical teams.

Recognize and celebrate data-driven behaviors.

Message: "Everyone is a data professional in a modern organization."

#### Process – Embed Data-Driven Decisions

Integrate data into daily workflows, planning cycles, and performance reviews.

Replace instinct-based actions with measurable, evidence-based decisions.

Use dashboards, scorecards, and analytics to create accountability.

**Message:** "Decisions are only as good as the data behind them."

#### **■ Platform – Enable Self-Service Analytics**

Provide governed, easy-to-use tools that allow business users to **explore and visualize da** Balance **accessibility with governance** — ensuring trusted data across all business lines.

Accelerate innovation by reducing reliance on IT bottlenecks.

**Message:** "Empower the business to move at the speed of insight."

## **Governance and Trust**

- m Governance Council aligns priorities.
- Risk & compliance embedded.
- P Ethical data = trusted brand

#### **Metrics and Outcomes**

- of Initiatives Using Insights Measures how deeply data informs business decisions.
- 6 Data ROI Quantifies the financial return from data investments.
- **Data Quality Improvement** Tracks trust, accuracy, and completeness over time.
- Automation Gains Assesses efficiency and capacity freed through automation.

#### **Call to Action**

- Pilot Monetization Projects Test and scale data products or insight services that crear revenue streams.
- Build Literacy & Leadership Support Invest in upskilling teams and securing visible exsponsorship.

#### **Quote:**

"Data strategy is about business value, trust, and outcomes."