

Senior Expert Business Architecture (m/f)

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We are looking for a 'Senior Expert Business Architecture (m/f)' at one of customer's locations in North Rhine Westphalia / Germany.



Position Description:

This is a key role in the Accounting and Finance Controlling (A&FC) Digitalisation Finance team, reporting to the Vice President Digitalisation Finance. Assisting in the delivery of Company's Digital Vision for 2025, this role will be responsible for designing and delivering the Technology Strategy and Roadmap to support the key digitalisation initiatives for A&FC.

This includes:

- Design and deliver an innovative Technology Strategy and Roadmap for the Accounting and Financial Controlling function. In collaboration with IT teams, ensure it reflects the current and future business needs based on agreed Use Cases, aligned with industry best practice and the overall Digitalisation Vision.
- Align Technology Strategy and Solutions to the outcomes of A&FC business process reviews, offering guidance and advice on the technical approach and recommended technology to use to support business process improvements.

- Conduct Solution Architecture Analysis, including non-functional qualities (eg: performance, security, maintainability, TCO) to gauge architecture and technology fit to Digitalisation Strategy and identify gaps and critical process/data flows.
- Lead Solution Workshops with IT, Digital Transformation leads, and strategic partners to deliver technology-enabled competitive advantage to Company's ERP landscape, in line with the overall Digitalisation vision.
- Prioritise tactical and strategic improvements required to enhance, optimise and develop the existing ERP environment, ensuring resources are assigned to deliver.
- Lead the development and co-ordination of selected technology proof of concepts in close collaboration with the business areas and cross functional teams.
- Participate in Use Case and Business Case development, providing input into business benefits for A&FC, aligning technical and functional understanding with business process knowledge eg in the case of ERP system migrations.
- Act as a thought leader on emerging digital technologies, articulating the digital future and alignment with Company's 2025 vision, providing the strategic A&FC technical interface to IT.
- Keep abreast of leading trends in digital, cloud, artificial intelligence, machine learning, blockchain, virtual reality, augmented reality and combinations of technology that matter in Digital Transformation.

Qualifications:

- Degree Education in Business, Accounting, Finance or similar.
- Substantial experience as Business Architect, with a proven record of driving business strategy, adoption of new processes and solutions into production, across multiple environments including Cloud and Digital Platforms.
- Excellent knowledge of operational accounting and finance controlling and the latest technology to support core functions and processes.
- Highly competent in using business architecture methodologies, standards and tools including Roadmap development.
- A broad, enterprise-wide view of the business and high degree of appreciation for strategy, processes and capabilities, enabling technologies and governance
- Process re-engineering and process improvement including quality business process analysis, operating model designs and design output.
- Several years of business architecture experience with ERP systems including Oracle / Microsoft / SAP technologies. Familiarity with SAP ECC, BW, BI, S/4 Hana and SAP Cloud Platform would be beneficial.
- Any exposure to SAP ECC to S/4 Hana migrations would be a distinct advantage.
- Keen interest in Digitalisation topics and any exposure to AI or Machine learning tools in the Accounting and Finance environment would be an advantage.
- Ability to work independently across multiple initiatives simultaneously.
- Ability to work with multiple design and third-party delivery partners.
- Strong understanding of project management methodologies and tools including experience with agile delivery.
- Willingness to challenge status quo and drive changes.
- Team player, high level of integrity and reliability – willing to go the “extra mile”.
- Strong communication and presentation skills with the ability to build trust with internal customers and translate complex requirements into concrete recommendations and actions.
- Fluent English language skills, with German fluency an advantage.
- Ability to work in an international team environment.

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