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Preface

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This Document

This document is the Study Guide for the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification. This document is aligned with the TOGAF Standard, 10th Edition, and reflects the update from the previous TOGAF Business Architecture Part 1 certification credential to a Foundation qualification.

It gives an overview of every learning objective included in the syllabus and in-depth coverage on preparing and taking the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation examination. It is specifically designed to help individuals prepare for the examination.

The audience for this Study Guide is:

- Individuals, such as those responsible for business planning, who wish to apply the TOGAF Business Architecture approach in their working environment
- Individuals needing to gain competencies in TOGAF Business Architecture techniques
- Individuals who wish to become qualified as part of their own professional development

A prior knowledge of Enterprise Architecture is advantageous but not required. While reading this Study Guide, the reader should also refer to the TOGAF Standard.

The structure of the document is as follows:

- **Chapter 1, *Introduction*** introduces TOGAF certification and the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification, including the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation examination
- **Chapter 2, *Concepts*** introduces the concepts of Enterprise Architecture and the TOGAF Standard; this includes the TOGAF Architecture Development Method, the contents of the TOGAF framework, and the TOGAF Library
- **Chapter 3, *Terminology*** defines the key terminology required for the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification
- **Chapter 4, *Introduction to the ADM*** will help you understand the TOGAF ADM, including the objectives of the ADM phases, and how to adapt and scope the ADM for use
- **Chapter 5, *Business Modeling*** describes the topic of business modeling, how it relates to the TOGAF Standard, the impact and benefits of business models, and example representations of business models
- **Chapter 6, *The Business Model Canvas*** describes the typical contents of a business model, using the Business Model Canvas™ as an example
- **Chapter 7, *Business Capabilities*** describes business capabilities and how they can be modeled
- **Chapter 8, *Value Streams*** describes value streams and value stream mapping; the benefits, the different approaches to value stream analysis, and the relationship to other Business Architecture concepts
- **Chapter 9, *Applying Value Streams*** provides guidance on applying value streams, including three examples
- **Chapter 10, *Information Mapping*** describes what an Information Map is, and how to apply Information Mapping when developing a Business Architecture

- Chapter 11, *Organization Mapping* describes what an Organization Map is, and how to apply Organization Mapping when developing a Business Architecture
- Chapter 12, *Business Scenarios* describes the TOGAF Business Scenario method, and how to apply it within the TOGAF ADM
- Chapter 13, *Developing a Business Architecture* describes how a Business Architecture can be developed with the TOGAF ADM
- Appendix A, *Answers to Questions and Exercises* provides the answers to the Test Yourself sections provided at the end of each chapter
- Appendix B, *Test Yourself Examination Paper* provides an examination to allow you to assess your knowledge of the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation Syllabus and your readiness to take the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation Examination
- Appendix C, *Test Yourself Examination Paper Answers* provides the answers to the Test Yourself examination
- Appendix D, *Business Model Canvas Template* provides a template for the Business Model Canvas
- Appendix E, *TOGAF Business Scenario Template* provides a sample template for the table of contents for a TOGAF business scenario
- Appendix F, *TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation Syllabus* provides the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation Syllabus

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The chapters in this document are arranged to cover the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation syllabus and should be read in order. Where a topic requires further information from a later part in the syllabus, a cross-reference is provided.

Within each chapter are “Key Learning Points” and “Summary” sections that help you to easily identify what you need to know for each topic.

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The following conventions are used throughout this document in order to help identify important information and avoid confusion over the intended meaning:

- (*Syllabus reference Unit X, Learning Outcome X.Y: Statement*)

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Chapter 1. Introduction

This chapter provides an introduction to this document.

1.1. Key Learning Points

This document is a Study Guide for students studying for the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification. This edition is aligned to the TOGAF Standard, 10th Edition [C220]. It will familiarize you with all the topics that you need to know in order to pass the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation examination.

It gives an overview of every learning objective included in the syllabus and in-depth coverage on preparing and taking the examination. It is specifically designed to help individuals prepare for the examination.

(Syllabus Reference: Unit 11, Learning Outcome 11.1: You should be able to explain the TOGAF Certification Program and distinguish between the levels for certification)

This first chapter will provide you with important information on the TOGAF Certification Program, the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification and the structure of the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation examination.

1.2. The Open Group Certification for People Program

Certification is available to individuals who wish to demonstrate they have attained the required knowledge and understanding of a particular topic. It leads to the award of a certificate and Open Badge.

This Study Guide covers the TOGAF Business Architecture Foundation qualification. It can be studied in its own right independent of other learning paths.

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