The Business Analyst As Strategist Translating Business Strategies Into Valuable Solutions Business Analysis Essential Library

Get up to speed quickly on the latest in user experiencestrategy and design UX For Dummies is a hands-on guide to developing andimplementing user experience strategy. Written byglobally-recognized UX consultants, this essential resourceprovides expert insight and guidance on using the tools andtechniques that create a great user experience, along withpractical advice on implementing a UX strategy that aligns withyour organisation's business goals and philosophy. You'll learn howto integrate web design, user research, business planning and dataanalysis to focus your company's web presence on the needs of yourcustomers, gaining the skills you need to be effective in the fieldof user experience design. Whether it's the interface, graphics, industrial design,physical interaction or a user manual, being anything less than onpoint can negatively affect customer satisfaction and retention.User experience design fully encompasses traditional human-computerinteraction design, and extends it to address all aspects of aproduct or service as perceived by users. UX For Dummiesprovides comprehensive guidance to professionals looking tounderstand and apply effective UX strategies. Defines UX and offers assistance with determining users andmodelling the user experience Provides details on creating a content strategy and buildinginformation architectures Explores visual design and designing for specific channels Delves into UX testing and methods for keeping your siterelevant The UX field is growing rapidly as companies realise thatmeeting your business goals requires a web presence aligned withcustomer needs. This alignment demands smart strategy and evensmarter design. Consultants, designers and practitioners must allbe on board if the result is to be cohesive and effective. UXFor Dummies provides the information and expert advice you needto get up to speed quickly.

Business Analysts: Chart Your Path to Success with Creative Solutions to Complex Business Problems! Business in the 21st century is rife with complexity. To leverage that complexity and guide an organization through these turbulent times, today's business analyst must transition from a tactical, project-focused role to a creative, innovative role. The path to this transition—and the tools to accomplish it—are presented in this new book by acclaimed author Kathleen "Kitty" Hass. Winner of PMI's David I. Cleland Project Management Literature Award for her book Managing Complex Projects: A New Model, Hass has again written a book that will refocus a discipline. Hass believes that only by confronting and capitalizing on change and complexity—the new "constants" in today's world—can organizations forge ahead. The enterprise business analyst is perfectly positioned to understand the needs of an organization, help it remain competitive, identify creative solutions to complex business problems, bring about innovation, and constantly add value for the customer and revenue to the bottom line. The Enterprise Business Analyst: Developing Creative Solutions to Complex Business Problems offers: • An overview of the current and emerging role of the business analyst • New leadership models for the 21st century • Methods for fostering team creativity • Practices to spark innovation • Strategies for communicating in a complex environment

With the continually changing business environment, the business analyst is becoming a critical project leader and business/technology consultant - helping organizations ensure they are investing in the most valuable projects, and then managing the project benefits. Professionalizing Business Analysis: Breaking the Cycle of Challenged Projects focuses on the emerging business analysis profession, and describes both the strategic and tactical roles of the business analyst.

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Social media has already transformed society. Now it is poised to revolutionize communications and collaborative business processes. This book provides you with an actionable framework for developing and executing successful enterprise social networking strategies. Using straightforward language, accompanied by exhibits and fleshed out with real-world stories and revealing anecdotes, you will learn how to develop your own internal corporate social media strategy. Through the use of in-depth interviews with leading companies using these strategies, you will also discover best practices that will propel your business to new heights.

A breakthrough game plan illustrating the need for better collaboration between Project Managers and Business Analysts In The Business Analyst/Project Manager, author Robert Wysocki draws on his forty-five years of professional experience as a PM/BA to shed light on the similarities and differences of the roles and responsibilities of these two positions, the need for greater collaboration, and how to staff a project with one or both of these professionals. Examines the boundaries and interactions between the BA and the PM Looks at how to identify the skill sets needed to make the project a success The typical relationship of the BA and PM across the project management life cycle Making the best configuration of leadership assignments based on project characteristics Where the responsibilities of the BA leave off and the PM's begins and where the two have collaborative responsibilities How to use a PM/BA to enhance project performance How to foster a "dual career path" for PM/BAs development The in-depth discussion of the synergies between the two roles and the advantages of a combined PM/BA makes The Business Analyst/Project Manager a valuable contribution in your ability to be successful on the complex projects of the 21st century. Project management is at a crossroads: There is a pressing need to rethink the approaches used in initiating, managing and governing projects, programmes and change initiatives. The aim of this book is to progress the dialogue around project practice by shifting the focus from

instrumental methods and prescriptive techniques towards a context-sensitive consideration of people, strategy and change. Projects are initiated to deliver agreed outputs that can be translated into meaningful outcomes capable of satisfying the wishes and expectations for improvement and development. Yet, people, strategy and change, which are largely ignored by the conventional bodies of knowledge, are clearly central to the sustainable and enduring success of projects, efforts and initiatives. The volume brings together some of the best writing by leading authorities on key topics including trust, ethics, people, psychology, requirements, project performance, audits, uncertainty, anti-fragility, strategic initiatives, governance, change management and commercial management. The collection offers an invaluable new resource for informed managers looking to engage with the latest thinking and research. DescriptionDigital Marketing is designed as a textbook for management students specialising in marketing. The book discusses various digital media and analyses how the field of marketing can benefit from them. This book is divided into 15 chapters. The Chapters includes, marketing in the Digital Era, starts with an overview of e-marketing followed by the online marketing mix in the digital framework. It then discusses the role of the online consumer followed by CRM strategies that organizations can use with the help of the digital medium to retain and grow customer relationship. Business Drivers in the Virtual World, deals with the realm of social media followed by online branding, building traffic, Web business models, and e-commerce.Online Tools for Marketing, deals with various Web tools for building consumer engagement, content management, campaign management, consumer segmentation, and building market influence. The Contemporary Digital Revolution deals with the world of online co-creation communities and offers in-depth discussion on Social Media marketing, Email Marketing, Online advertising. Apart from that it also includes how to generate the lead for you business, how to perform the mobile web marketing, how to affiliate marketing. What is Ad Sense and how it is worked how to get approved form ad sense. Introductory part of The Web Analytical Tools. As a Manager any one must aware with the creation of the strategy. So, for that I also add the how to create the digital marketing strategy. Finally, The Freelancer work, how to earn money with digital marketing by doing work as a freelancer. Numerous examples, exhibits, and illustrations have been included to help students assimilate the concepts better.Key Features1. Digital Marketing : An Overview2. Website Planning & Creation3. Search Engine Optimization(SEO)4. PPC Advertising With Google & Optimization5. Google Analytics6. Social Media Marketing7. E - Mail Marketing8. Online Advertising9. Lead Generation For Business10. Mobile Web Marketing11. Affiliate Marketing12. Google Adsense & Blogging13. Digital Marketing - The Web Analytics14. Creating Digital Marketing Strategy15. Marketing Money As Freelancer

A Volume of the Business Analysis Essential Library Series The heart of the business analyst's role is to drive various constituencies through processes to achieve consensus on the needs of the business. Successfully facilitating meetings — whether a one-on-one interview or a larger presentation — is essential to business analysis. The Art and Power of Facilitation: Running Powerful Meetings provides powerful tools that the business analyst can use to negotiate through the myriad of meetings, informal work sessions, and formal workshops that are necessary to develop business requirements.

The Art of Agile Practice: A Composite Approach for Projects and Organizations presents a consistent, integrated, and strategic approach to achieving "Agility" in your business. Transcending beyond Agile as a software development method, it covers the gamut of methods in an organization—including business processes, governance standards, project management, quality management, and business analysis—to show you how to use this composite approach to enhance your ability to adapt and respond to evolving business requirements. The book is divided into three parts: Introduces Agility and identifies the challenges facing organizations in terms of development and maintenance approaches

Presents Composite Agile Method and Strategy (CAMS) as a carefully constructed combination of process elements and illustrates its application to development, business management, business analysis, project management, and quality Includes two Agile case studies, a comprehensive index, definitions of key acronyms, and appendices with a current list of Agile methods and interview summaries The book describes relevant metrics for the entire CAMS lifecycle and explains how to embed Agile practices within formal process-maps in projects. Filled with figures, case studies, and tables that illustrate key concepts, the text is ideal for a two- or three-day training course or workshop. It is also suitable for a 13-week education course for higher degree students that includes process discussions and consideration of Agile values at both software and business levels. The chapters are organized to correspond roughly to such lectures with an option to choose from the case study chapters. Digital forensics has recently gained a notable development and become the most demanding area in today's information security requirement. This book investigates the areas of digital forensics, digital investigation and data analysis procedures as they apply to computer fraud and cybercrime, with the main objective of describing a variety of digital crimes and retrieving potential digital evidence. Big Data Analytics and Computing for Digital Forensic Investigations gives a contemporary view on the problems of information security. It presents the idea that protective mechanisms and software must be integrated along with forensic capabilities into existing forensic software using big data computing tools and techniques. Features Describes trends of digital forensics served for big data and the challenges of evidence acquisition Enables digital forensic investigators and law enforcement agencies to enhance their digital investigation capabilities with the application of data science analytics, algorithms and fusion technique This book is focused on helping professionals as well as researchers to get ready with next-generation security systems to mount the rising challenges of computer fraud and cybercrimes as well as with digital forensic investigations. Dr Suneeta Satpathy has more than ten years of teaching experience in different subjects of the Computer Science and Engineering discipline. She is currently working as an associate professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Bhubaneswar, affiliated with Biju Patnaik University and Technology, Odisha. Her research interests include computer forensics, cybersecurity, data fusion, data mining, big data analysis and decision mining. Dr Sachi Nandan Mohanty is an associate professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at ICFAI Tech, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad, India. His research interests include data mining, big data analysis, cognitive science, fuzzy decision-making, brain–computer interface, cognition and computational intelligence.

To learn more about Rowman & Littlefield titles please visit us at www.rowmanlittlefield.com. This book represents the cutting-edge of the theory and practice of business strategy -- written in Jacques Magliolo's trademark exciting and accessible style. As the author says, many companies fail in South Africa for lack of a strategy, and in this text Magliolo -- himself an experienced business analyst and strategist presents entrepreneurs, corporate owners and managers with the tools for creating a plan that will enable them to survive and grow a profitable enterprise in a rapidly changing and hostile global corporate environment. Using a blend of theory and practical exercises, the author lays the foundation for creating a business plan, the keys to which are detailed research, due diligence and proper valuation. "The Corporate Mechanic" includes the author's unique model for devising, implementing and monitoring strategy, called The Chairman's Office. Techniques for carrying out research, assessing corporate problems, identifying new trends and conducting thorough due diligence are highlighted throughout the book with practical examples. Topics covered include: the importance of strategy; strategic techniques; troubleshooting; corporate deals; due diligence; valuation. The book also contains a glossary of important terms and a detailed case study of a valuation of a company.

Entrepreneurs play a vital role in economic development as key contributors to technological innovation and new job growth. We discovered that many people, just like you, have the urge to create an enterprise; to help themselves and to make a difference in this world. While successful entrepreneurs like Steve Jobs and Bill Gates are well publicized, the harsh reality is that most new businesses are prone to failure because they don't have access to accurate information about the entrepreneurial process. This book is a "word map" for guiding you through that process, from refining your business idea and securing capital to a successful launch into the marketplace. There are many types of business ideas to pursue and you are probably better educated than many historic entrepreneurs - both Thomas Edison and Ray Kroc being high school dropouts and both Steve Jobs and Bill Gates being college dropouts. If you hunger to be your own boss and to make a contribution to society with your ideas, then Business Alchemy: Turning Ideas into Gold has the information for which you have been searching.

Become equipped with the principles, knowledge, practices, and tools need to assume a leadership role in an organization. From Analyst to Leader: Elevating the Role of the Business Analyst uncovers the unique challenges for the business analyst to transition from a support role to a central leader serving as change agent, visionary, and credible leader.

Uncover the role of the business analyst as the business and technology strategist who provides the executive leadership team with the information, process, tools, and capability to make the best decisions. The Business Analyst as Strategist: Translating Business Strategies into Valuable Solutions outlines the first two phases of the business solution life - strategic planning and enterprise analysis -- that the future vision of the enterprise is established, strategic goals and measures are set, and the most viable programs and supporting projects are initiated to achieve the strategy. Learn how to set the stage for change, and how to translate your strategy into operational terms through a portfolio of programs and supporting projects. Understand the five-step process to set well-formed strategies and how to execute them. Through this book you will master business analysis competencies, learn how to react effectively, anticipate changes in the marketplace, and flow value through the enterprise to the customer, thus achieving competitive advantage.

The definitive guide on the roles and responsibilities of the business analyst Business Analysis offers a complete description of the process of business analysis in solving business problems. Filled with tips, tricks, techniques, and guerilla tactics to help execute the process in the face of sometimes overwhelming political or social obstacles, this guide is also filled with real world stories from the author's more than thirty years of experience working as a business analyst. Provides techniques and tips to execute the at-times tricky job of business analyst Written by an industry expert with over thirty years of experience Straightforward and insightful, Business Analysis is a valuable contribution to your ability to be successful in this role in today's business environment.

It is an attempt to show how independent-thinking managers, using basic economic tools, can track the three elements that together drive the world's complex and somewhat unstable economic system—minds, markets, and money. Written in an anecdotal style, the book is packed with case studies covering major episodes of risk and crisis and extended globally-managed Indian companies. The book is accompanied by a DVD that further illustrates all concepts through video lectures and PowerPoint

slides.

This book explores answers to the fundamental questions driving the research, innovation and practices of the latest revolution in scientific, technological and economic development: how does data science transform existing science, technology, industry, economy, profession and education? How does one remain competitive in the data science field? What is responsible for shaping the mindset and skillset of data scientists? Data Science Thinking paints a comprehensive picture of data science as a new scientific paradigm from the scientific evolution perspective, as data science thinking from the scientific-thinking perspective, as a trans-disciplinary science from the disciplinary perspective, and as a new profession and economy from the business perspective.

This book frames business analysis in the context of digital technologies. It introduces modern business analysis techniques, including a selection of those in the Business Analysis Body of Knowledge (BABOK) by the International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA), and exemplifies them by means of digital technologies applied to solve problems or exploit new business opportunities. It also includes in-depth case studies in which business problems and opportunities, drawn from real-world scenarios, are mapped to digital solutions. The work is summarized in seven guiding principles that should be followed by every business analyst. This book is intended mainly for students in business informatics and related areas, and for professionals who want to acquire a solid background for their daily work. It is suitable both for courses and for self-study. Additional teaching materials such as lecture videos, slides, question bank, exams, and seminar materials are accessible on the companion web-page.

Kevin P. Nichols' Enterprise Content Strategy: A Project Guide outlines best practices for conducting and executing content strategy projects. His book is a step-by-step guide to building an enterprise content strategy for your organization. Enterprise Content Strategy draws on Kevin Nichols' experience managing one of the largest and most successful global content strategy teams to provide an insider's look at how to build an enterprise content strategy. Full of definitions, questions you need to ask, checklists, and guidelines, this book focuses not on the what or why, but on the how.

User experience (UX) strategy requires a careful blend of business strategy and UX design, but until now, there hasn't been an easy-to-apply framework for executing it. This hands-on guide introduces lightweight strategy tools and techniques to help you and your team craft innovative multi-device products that people want to use. Whether you're an entrepreneur, UX/UI designer, product manager, or part of an intrapreneurial team, this book teaches simple-to-advanced strategies that you can use in your work right away. Along with business cases, historical context, and real-world examples throughout, you'll also gain different perspectives on the subject through interviews with top strategists. Define and validate your target users through provisional personas and customer discovery techniques Conduct competitive research and analysis to explore a crowded marketplace or an opportunity to create unique value Focus your team on the primary utility and business model of your product by running structured experiments using prototypes Devise UX funnels that increase customer engagement by mapping desired user actions to meaningful metrics

Jobs using mathematics, statistics, and operations research are projected to grow by almost 30% over the next decade. BIG Jobs Guide helps job seekers at every stage of their careers in these fields explore opportunities in business, industry, and government (BIG). Written in a conversational and practical tone, BIG Jobs Guide offers insight on topics such as: - What

skills can I offer employers? - How do I write a high-impact résumé? - Where can I find a rewarding internship? - What kinds of jobs are out there for me? The Guide also offers insights to advisors and mentors on topics such as how departments can help students get BIG jobs and how faculty members and internship mentors can build institutional relationships. Whether you're an undergraduate or graduate student or a job seeker in mathematics, statistics, or operations research, this hands-on book will help you reach your goal—landing an internship, getting your first job or transitioning to a new one.

Strategic Management and Business Policy are changing fast and it generates new ideas, innovative strategies, practically managing the core resources and the establishment of the key platform for the development of business and brand. This book exceptionally fills the gap between theory such as generic, grand, diversification, functional, turnaround, value chain and tailoring strategy and application of various Models to facilitate the practical use of strategies as a strategic tactic to a weapon to deliver world-class performance in Business. This book helps the common man who identifies the key competitor, core products, services and able to decide and determine appropriate policy and choices for formulating, implementing and control. And become key strategy consultant for business. This book is specially designed for those who are the students of Business, MBA, PGDM & Executives. IT management, businessmen, entrepreneurs, operating managers, middle-level managers across the management consultant, business executives and business professionals such as director of forecasting and planning, forecast manager, director of strategic planning, director of marketing, sales manager, advertising manager, CFO, financial officer, controller, treasurer, financial analyst, production manager, brand/product manager, new product manager, supply chain manager, logistics manager, material management manager, purchasing agent, scheduling manager, and director of information systems.

A Volume of the Business Analysis Essential Library Series Learn how the business analyst works collaboratively with the project manager and other core team members to create plans that customize elicitation activities to the unique needs of the project. The author presents techniques used by successful business analysts and defines key business analysis terms. Examine the principles and practices for pragmatic, effective requirements elicitation and learn how to work collaboratively with project members and other core team members. Discover the steps necessary to create customized elicitation activities for the unique needs of each project. For organizations to thrive, indeed to survive, in today's global economy, we must find ways to dramatically improve the performance of large-scale projects. Applying the concepts of complexity theory can complement conventional project management approaches and enable us to adapt to the unrelenting change that we ignore at our own peril. Managing Complex Projects: A New Model offers an innovative way of looking at projects and treating them as complex adaptive systems. Applying the principles of complexity thinking will enable project managers and leadership teams to manage large-scale initiatives successfully. • Explore how complexity thinking can be used to find new, creative ways to think about and manage projects • Diagnose complexity on a wide range of projects — from small, independent, short projects to highly complex, longer projects • Understand and manage the complexity of the business problem, opportunity, solution, and other dimensions that come into play when managing large-scale efforts Use the Project Complexity Model to determine the most effective approach to managing all aspects of a project based on the level of complexity involved.

Expert guidance for building an information communication and technology infrastructure that provides best in business intelligence Enterprise performance management (EPM) technology has been rapidly advancing, especially in the areas of predictive analysis and cloud-based solutions. Business intelligence caught on as a concept in the business world as the business strategy application of data warehousing in the early 2000s. With the recent surge in interest in data analytics and big data, it has seen a renewed level of interest as the ability of a business

to find the valuable data in a timely—and competitive—fashion. Business Intelligence Applied reveals essential information for building an optimal and effective information and communication technology (ICT) infrastructure. Defines ICT infrastructure Examines best practices for documenting business change and for documenting technology recommendations Includes examples and cases from Europe and Asia Written for business intelligence staff, CIOs, CTOs, and technology managers With examples and cases from Europe and Asia, Business Intelligence Applied expertly covers business intelligence, a hot topic in business today as a key element to business and data analytics.

This book constitutes revised selected papers from the 19th Workshop on e-Business, WeB 2020, which took place virtually on December 12, 2020. The purpose of WeB is to provide a forum for researchers and practitioners to discuss findings, novel ideas, and lessons learned to address major challenges and map out the future directions for e-Business. The WeB 2020 theme was "The Role of e-Business during the Time of Grand Challenges." The 12 papers included in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from a total of 24 submissions. The contributions are organized in topical sections as follows: Cybersecurity and COVID-19 challenges; digital platforms; and managing human factors in e-business.

Volume of the Business Analysis Essential Library Series Getting It Right: Business Requirement Analysis Tools and Techniques, presents principles and practices for effective requirements analysis and specification, and a broad overview of the requirements analysis and specification processes. This critical reference is designed to help the business analyst decide which requirement artifacts should be produced to adequately analyze requirements. Examine the complete spectrum of business requirement analysis from preparation through documentation. Learn the steps in the analysis and specification process, as well as, how to choose the right requirements analysis techniques for your project.

"Business analysis involves understanding how organizations function to accomplish their purposes and defining the capabilities an organization requires to provide products and services to external stakeholders. ... [This guide contains] a framework that describes the business analysis tasks that must be performed in order to understand how a solution will deliver value to the sponsoring organization." - page 3.

Effectively Define and Gather Your Business Requirements Today! Many programming systems today are designed and constructed before business requirements are completed and finalized. Without a proper foundation, these systems will eventually crumble. Streamlining Business Requirements: The XCellR8™ Approach provides project managers and business analysts with the foundation, principles, and steps needed to document business requirements in an accurate and efficient manner. Author Gerrie Caudle introduces the XCellR8™ approach, an analysis method used to gather business requirements in a structured, well-defined set of steps. This book offers comprehensive framework needed to: • Effectively analyze business requirements • Properly identify business events • Prepare for a requirements session • Better understand the "big picture"

This textbook offers an essential introduction to design orientation in business, which impacts the way management is undertaken world-wide. Design orientation, as it applies to business, is the process through which a designer analyses business as a system, identifies motivation for changing the system, and designs improvement for the organisation, as well as ways of implementing this improvement. It involves strategic and innovative thinking, communication with key stakeholders, and change

management. This book provides coverage of critical tools for design which enable business professionals to analyse existing ways of organizing and to design new ways of organizing. The reader will learn how to develop a digital business model to organize private, public or voluntary work. In doing so, the reader will learn to critically evaluate the notion of digital innovation and understand the proper place of ICT within organization. The reader will learn how to: critically evaluate the relevance of digital innovation to domains of organisation develop digital business models to organize private, public or voluntary work construct business strategy and relate it to business models, motivation models, innovation management and change management Written by an expert in the field, this book is designed for both students and professionals. Each chapter contains an introduction, a section of key reading, and a summary, while a number of cases based on real-life examples are worked through as examples in the text, demonstrating the real-life application of the design theory discussed.

With a huge proportion of any organization's expenditure invested in human resources and economic pressures demanding that companies become leaner than ever, it has never been more important for HR professionals to think and act strategically to turn their people planning into profit. Focusing on HR as a key driver of competitive advantage and sustainable success, HR Strategy, second edition, demonstrates how to create a winning human resource strategy by predicting the results you expect to see and developing a workable, measurable plan for managing human capital. All of this requires an ability to tap into the needs of individual employees to unleash their maximum value. This concise, easy-to-read text takes a practical, how-to approach, covering both the wide-angle theory and the day-to-day practice. This new edition includes: Updated case studies to demonstrate how strategies work in different organizational contexts Thorough revision throughout to incorporate the latest theories, developments, tools and measures Increased focus on the questions you need to ask about how your organization is configured, its values and principles, and what changes can be made from the ground up

21st century organizations, across all sectors and of all types, have to cope with an international marketplace where change is frequent and customer expectations continue to rise. The work of business analysis professionals is crucial if organizations are to succeed and grow. If change programmes are to be successful, stakeholder engagement and situation analysis are vital, and to achieve this, senior business people need to display competence in a range of areas, not least of which include the ability to challenge, lead and influence. Business Analysis and Leadership is for anyone involved in business analysis working in any organization worldwide, from financial services to charities, government to manufacturing. It takes the reader beyond standard textbooks full of techniques and tools, advising on how to lead and gain credibility throughout the organization. It will help you with the tricky role of working with people from the shop floor to board directors and give readers the confidence to challenge the easy way forward and point out what will really work in practice. This inspirational book consists of contributions from leading thinkers and practitioners in business analysis from around the world. Their case studies and practical advice will help the reader to develop leadership skills and become an outstanding catalyst for change.

An organization's ability to achieve strategic goals through programs and supporting projects depends on its ability to establish a future vision, set strategic goals, select the

most valuable projects, and then execute flawlessly. Organizational strategic alignment is achieved by converting strategic plans and goals into a valuable portfolio of programs and supporting projects. Strategic project leaders and project teams execute the project plans to meet objectives and deliver project outcomes, adding value to the organization. As the role of the business analyst evolves and matures, senior business analysts will emerge as the key individuals in the organization who have the depth of business acumen and technological proficiency to serve as both business and technology experts. In this capacity, business analysts will become involved in an array of activities designed to devise a strategy to reach the organization's future business vision by achieving strategic goals. As the business analyst elevates into a leadership role as the business and technology strategist, he or she serves the executive team by facilitating, informing, and enabling the most favorable business decisions during the strategic planning and enterprise analysis phases of the business solution life cycle (BSLC). This book examines the emerging critical role of the business analyst during these first two phases of the BSLC.

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