



# Introduction in the Dragon1 open EA Method

Dragon1 starts the third wave in Enterprise Architecture: Entering the era of Visual EA

Management Overview

Revision date: 28 November 2013

# Management Overview of the Dragon1 open EA Method

- 1. Dragon1 Architecture Foundation
- 2. Dragon1 open EA Framework
- 3. Dragon1 open EA Method
- 4. Core Definitions
- 5. Dragon1 Open Standards
- 6. Visual EA Language with Symbols
- 7. Dragon1 Meta Meta Model
- 8. Architecture View Layout
- 9. Architecture Processes and Products
- 10. Architecture Visualizations
- 11. Architecture Services
- 12. Dragon1 Compared with other Frameworks and Languages
- 13. Training and Certification
- 14. Why Dragon1?











www.dragon1.com

## 1. Dragon1 Architecture Foundation



The Dragon1 Architecture Foundation markets, manages and develops the body of Body Knowledge of the Dragon1 open EA Method to keep it up-todate and to keep it legally open.

The foundation facilitates user groups meetings, conferences for members and non-members and facilitates working groups.

The Foundation supports end-user organizations in starting up working with Dragon1. It also supports training and consultancy organizations to accredit themselves as organizations and to certify persons in Dragon1.



www.dragon1.org

- ✓ User Groups
- ✓ Working Groups
- ✓ Knowledge Events
- ✓ Conferences
- ✓ Textbooks
- ✓ Dragon1 Wiki



### 2. Dragon1 is an open Enterprise Architecture Framework for Decision Supporting Visual EA

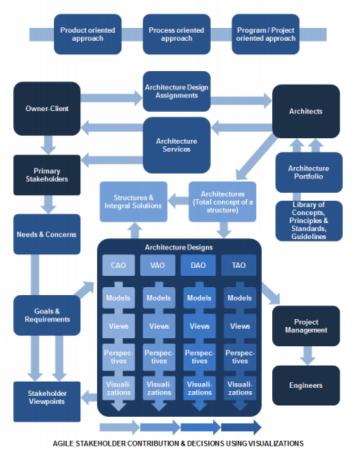


With the Dragon1 EA Framework you have all you need to collaborate and create architecture products, such as architecture visualizations.

The Dragon1 architecture visualizations have their primary use as supporting materials for strategic decision making.

In Dragon1 you make your integral enterprise solution design tangible. You visualize views or perspectives of models and meta models aligned to the interests and needs of viewers.





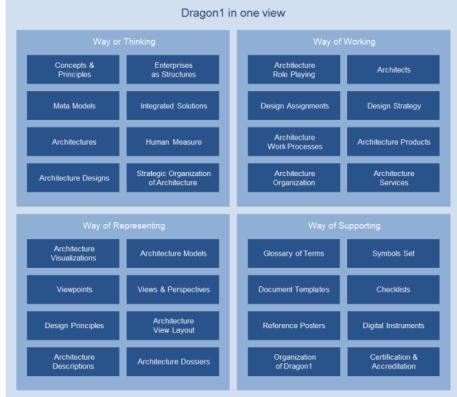


# 3. Dragon1 is an open Enterprise Architecture Method for Decision Supporting Visual EA

With the Dragon1 EA method you are supported in every step you take when creating architecture products with the Dragon1 method.

As Dragon1 enterprise architect you are a designer of total concepts and therefore have to follow the rules that comes with design, communication and realization of solutions.

Every Dragon1 concept in this diagram holds a checklist, template and examples on the Dragon1 Wiki.



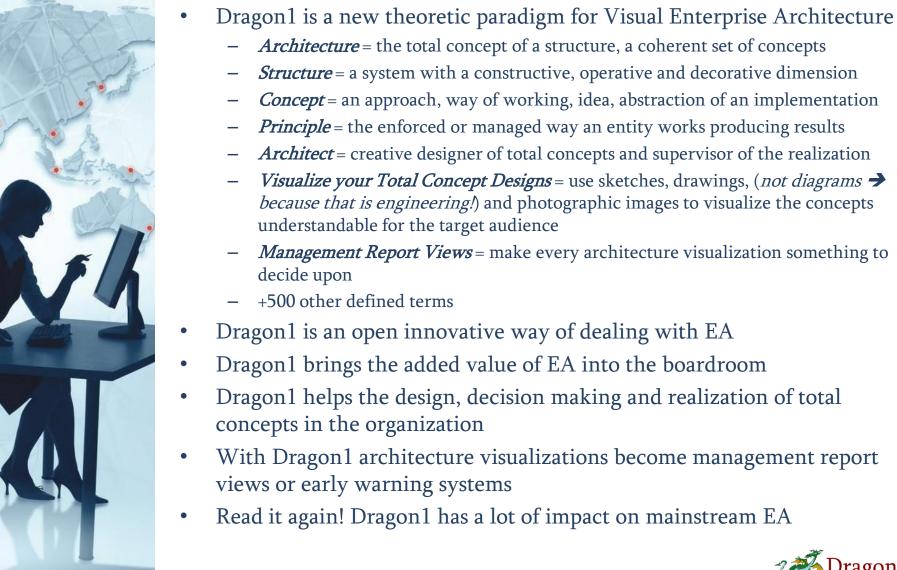
Source: http//:wiki.dragon1.org

Dragon1 has four 'Ways' that give you a balanced and well thought overview of the method.



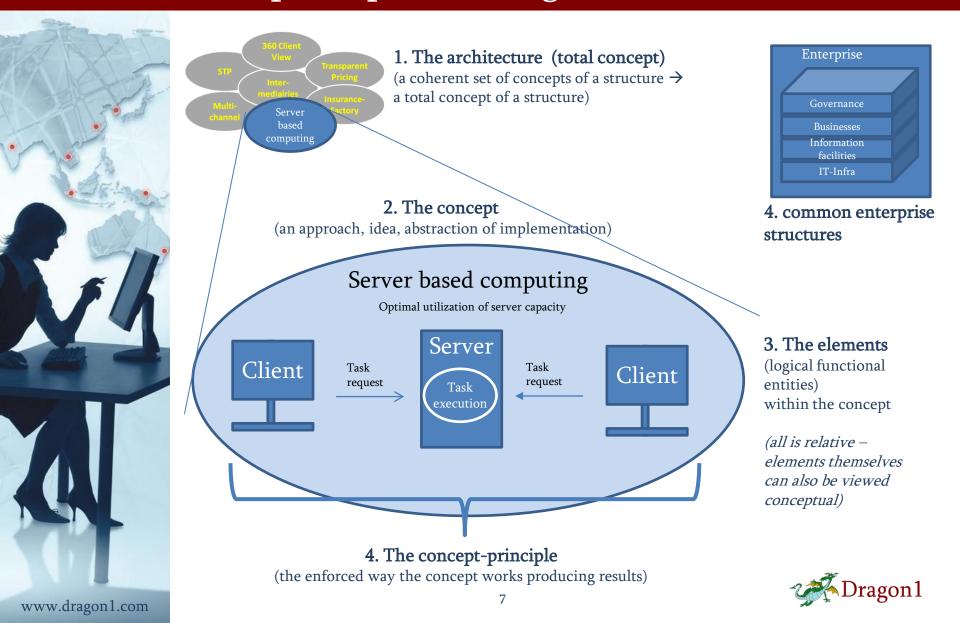
www.dragon1.com

# 4a. Dragon1 Core Concepts





# 4b. Relationship structure, architecture, concepts, elements and principles in Dragon1



### 5. Dragon1 is divided into 21 Dragon1 Open Standards to make it easier to adopt



- 1. Architecture Principles
- 2. Visual Language ( & Symbols)
- 3. Architecture Visualization
- 4. Enterprise Architecture Design
- 5. Architecture Quality Management ( & Control)
- 6. Architecture Stakeholder Management
- 7. Architecture Communication
- 8. Architecture Implementation
- 9. Architecture Service Management
- 10. Architecture Start-Up & Initiation
- 11. Architecture Application

Every Dragon1 open standard deals with a compact set of related concepts.

Read the specification on the Dragon1 Wiki <u>http://wiki.dragon1.org</u>

Purchase a printed specification document in the Dragon1 Store <u>http://store.dragon1.org</u>

- 12. Architecture Framework
- 13. Architecture Documentation
- 14. Architecture Maturity
- 15. Architecture Enterprise Innovation
- 16. Architecture Requirements Management
- 17. Architecture Rules for Architects
- 18. Solution Architecture Design
- 19. Architecture in Projects
- 20. Agile Architecture
- 21. Architecture Governance & Management





# 6. Dragon1 Visual EA Language Symbols

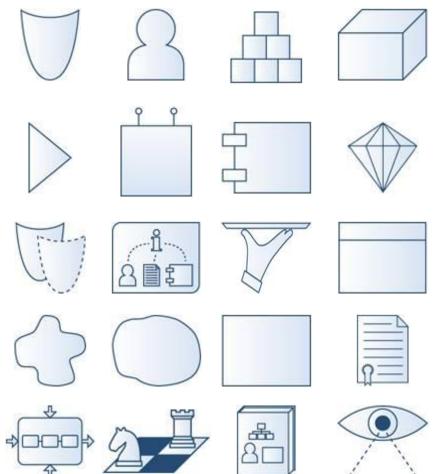


Dragon1 provides you with a defined glossary of 500 terms.

250 terms and growing are featured with a vector shape.

All the terms are related with each other in a meta meta model.

This together with a defined usage of the terms and shapes creates an extensive Visual EA modeling language.

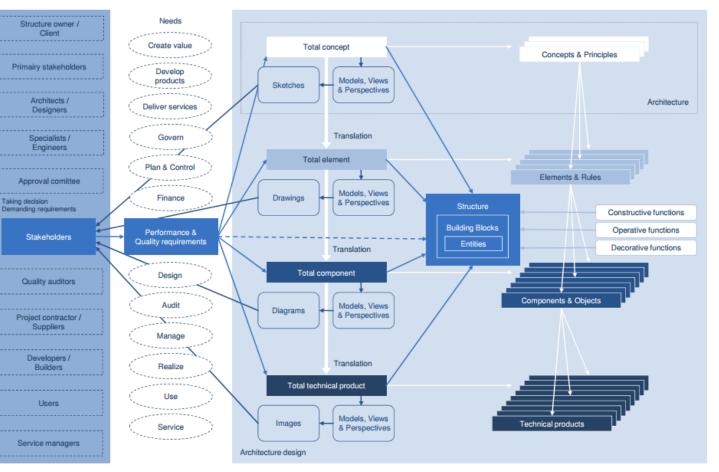




### 7. Part of the Dragon1 Meta Meta Model



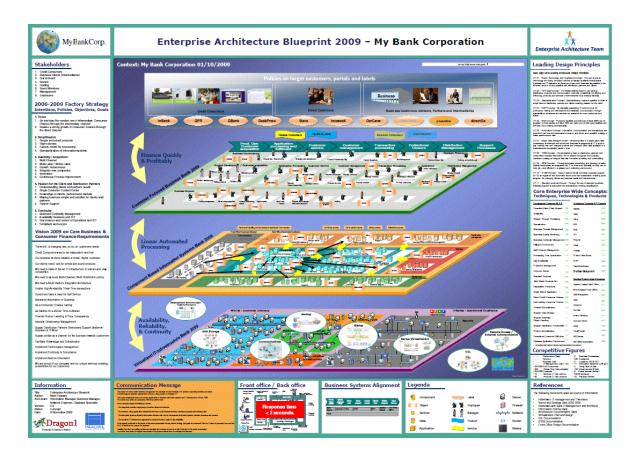
### Dragon1 Visual EA Meta Meta Model Core





### 8. Dragon1 Architecture View Layout





Every dragon1 architecture visualization can be structured and visualized optimally for decision support using the unique Dragon1 Architecture View Layout. Available as download via the Dragon1 Wiki.



### 9. Dragon1 Architecture Processes and Products – things you can create with Dragon1



Dragon1 provides for eight working processes that help to improve the organizations maturity for working with architecture.

Architects that have learned Dragon1 are able to create the following architecture products and use them effectively.

The products are grouped per defined architecture working process of the method.

#### Government and management of architecture

#### Yearplan

- · Architecture services
- Education
- Coaching
- · Portfolio

#### Start-up and initiation of architecture

- Architecture note · Awareness session
- · Vision & Strategy notes
- · Architecture Glossary of Terms
- · VEA Business Case

#### Communication of architecture

#### Yearplan

- Readers & Presentations
- · Workshops
- Information sessions
- Intranet

#### Development of architecture

#### · Yearplan

- Architecture
- Reference architecture
- Architecture style
- Architecture Design
  - CAO, VAO, DAO, TAO
- Technical Specifications
- Metamodels
- Models
- Referencemodels
- Concept & Principle diagrams
- Visualization
- View
- Perspectives
- · Way of looking
- Stakeholder analyses
- Scenarioanalyses
- · Feasability study
- Impactanalysis
- · Program of requirements
- · Requirements specification
- Roadmap
- Technology map
- Masterplan
- Proof of concept
- Structure Glossary of Terms

#### Architecture quality control

- Architectuurtoetsen
- Audits & Reviews
- Normenkaders
- Assessments

#### Implementing working under architecture

- · Implementation manual
- · Procesdescription &
- Procedures
- · Maturity analyses
- · Process implementationmodel

#### Service Management of architecture

- · Yearplan
- · Architecture Dossiers
- · Tools
- Templates
- · Knowledge sharing

#### Architecture application

- Yearplan
- · Project Start Architecture
- Impactanalysis
- · Notes for business cases
- · Changes & Projects



- · Design Book
- · Sketch Book
- · Information map

## 10. Dragon1 Architecture Visualizations



### Sketch



Example Dragon1 Design Sketch of a total business concept

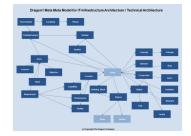
visualizations.

### Drawing



Example Dragon1 Roadmap for implementing new services

### Diagram



Example Dragon1 Formal Metamodel Diagram for IT-Infrastructure

### Photographic Image



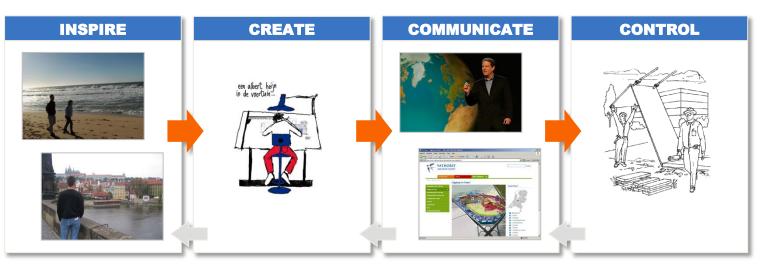
Example Artist Impression of the TO-BE eGovernment services

Source: http//:wiki.dragon1.org

Dragon1 defines four main types of visualizations to communicate the different aspects of your total concepts design (architecture) with. You can create over 20+ defined standard type views for various stakeholders and visualize them with four types of



### 11. Dragon1 Architecture Services



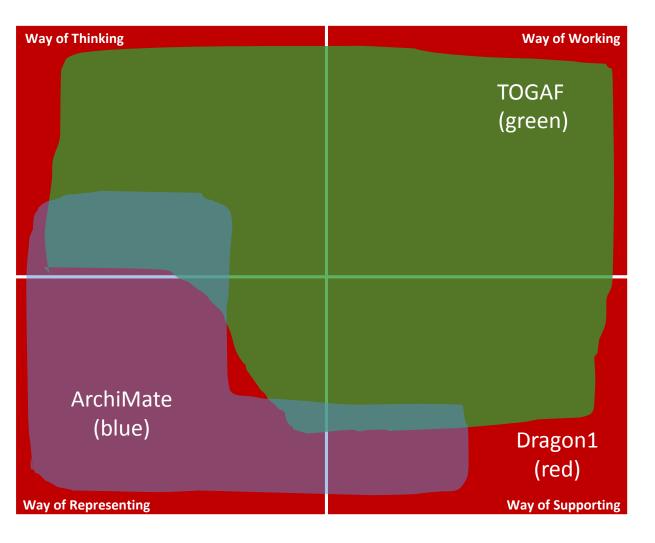
Source: http//:wiki.dragon1.org

Architects that know how to apply Dragon1 are able to provide the following services in the organization with visual Dragon1 architecture products.



## 12a. Dragon1 Compared – methods mapped







# 12b. Dragon1 Compared



Dragon1 is used complementary to the following international methods, languages and techniques:

- ✓ TOGAF
- ✓ DODAF
- ✓ MODAF
- ✓ BPMN
- ✓ UML
- ✓ ArchiMate

The Dragon1 Wiki holds information about how the integration of Dragon1 with these languages is done. F.i. with meta metamodel extensions.



## 13. Training and Certification



Dragon1 is at best and most effective practiced after training and certification via Accredited Training Organizations.

Although Dragon1 is the method with a very short learning curve, you still have to study it to get results.

There are two tracks for certification:

- Dragon1 Certified Architecture Professionals
- Dragon1 Certified Architects

For more information check the website of the Dragon1 Architecture Foundation <u>www.dragon1.org</u>



# 14. Why Dragon1? – To take visual control over your organization by ambitious people



An enterprise architecture method or enterprise architecture framework is a consistent set of products services, processes, models and views to support architects and stakeholders in creating and using architecture for enterprise innovation, change and governance.

Dragon1 is a complementary enterprise architecture method and framework to be used in your organization by management, architects and stakeholders of enterprise change because of:

### ✓ Way of Thinking

- Dragon1 enables Visual Enterprise Architecture as effective strategic management instrument
- What is done in every change or project is made visible and tangible integrally
- Issues, Impact and Solutions are made more decidable and manageable through visualizations
- Patterns of solutions and the way they work is made for more comprehensible with correct architecture visualizations

### ✓ Way of Working

- Architecture is made more understandable for stakeholders such as board members, directors and management because of linking ambitions and strategic starting points, objectives, goals, policies and requirements visually with total concepts and pragmatic solutions
- Re-use everything and enforce it. Every architecture products needs to get status and become part of a change procedure.

### ✓ Way of Representing

- Architecture is made more communicable by means of visualizations such as design sketches, artist impressions, blueprints and info graphics.
- ✓ Way of Supporting
  - Software tools, Checklists, Templates, Editable Examples, Textbooks, Dragon1 Wiki, User Community, etc...



# About the added value of Dragon1 EA Method for Visual Enterprise Architecture

It is always of added value to visually communicate impact, results and risks of changes and decisions to CxOs with Dragon1. And knowing these CxOs take decisions with the Dragon1 architecture visualizations.



### **Contact Information**



- The open EA Method for Visual Enterprise Architecture helps solving EA-issues in less time, people, budget and at a higher quality than most other methods do
- Maybe your are inspired to start an evaluation or pilot project with Dragon1 and create decision supporting architecture visualizations with Dragon1
  - If you want to start with Dragon1 & Visual Enterprise Architecture, Start your journey by mailing your request to info@dragon1.org

http://www.dragon1.org http://wiki.dragon1.org

