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## **Information Systems Architecture JumpStart™**

### ***Overview:***

This intensive, knowledge transfer program is intended to help Information Systems Architecture (ISA) teams develop a first-cut ISA for their organization. It employs Kerr Consulting Group's proprietary six step *ISA Methodology™* that leads the team in the creation of an ISA, comprised of:

- business models
- information models
- applications models
- technology models

Unlike other training vehicles, this program uses information provided by participants to create architectural models that represent their specific organization -- resulting in an actual ISA for the enterprise.

### ***Participants:***

This program is intended for ISA teams comprised of both business and Information Technology (IT) professionals. However, if an IT Planning organization already exists, staff members may be appropriate attendees.

### ***Goals of the Program:***

- To understand the elements of Information Systems Architecture work
- To learn a process for implementing Information Systems Architectures
- To provide an opportunity to "jump-start" the development of an Information Systems Architecture that will meet the organization's long-term strategic needs

### ***Organization of the Program:***

The program consists of three major elements:

1. Pre-Workshop Consulting (1 Day)
2. ISA Workshop (8 Days)
3. Post-Workshop Consulting (1 Day)

The one day of "Pre-Workshop Consulting" is scheduled 4 to 6 weeks in advance of the "ISA Workshop". The day is dedicated to helping program participants begin to prepare the preliminary work needed for the workshop.

The "ISA Workshop" is typically scheduled Monday through Thursday over two consecutive weeks. During these eight days, participants are led through KCG's *ISA Methodology™*. When completed, the firm has the makings of a 1<sup>st</sup>-Cut ISA.

The program concludes 4 to 6 weeks later with one day of "Post-Workshop Consulting" aimed at addressing any follow-up questions that participants may have regarding the ISA process.

### ***In Addition:***

Past clients of the program have found that coaching throughout its duration is extremely valuable in keeping ISA team's on track and focused. KCG will provide the needed coaching as part of an overall tailored consulting package to interested clients.

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### ***Workshop at a Glance:***

The agenda is as follows:

- Day 1: Welcome and Introduction  
Architectural Principles Discussion  
Architectural Principles Workshop  
Review of Architectural Principles  
Definition of Strategic Themes for the Organization
- Day 2: Baseline Definition Discussion  
Baseline Assessment Workshop I (Business Models)  
Baseline Assessment Workshop II (Information Models)  
Baseline Assessment Workshop III (Applications Models)  
Baseline Assessment Workshop IV (Technology Models)
- Day 3: Review of Baseline Model Assessment  
Target Architecture Discussion  
Target Work Model Workshop  
Review of Target Work Model  
Target Information Model Workshop
- Day 4: Review of Target Information Model  
Opportunities Identification Discussion  
Opportunities Identification Workshop  
Review of Opportunities
- Day 5: Target Application Model Discussion  
Target Applications Model Workshop  
Review of Target Applications Model
- Day 6: Target Technology Model Workshop I (Tiers)  
Review of Tiers  
Target Technology Model Workshop II (Placement)  
Review of Placement  
Review of Target Technology Model
- Day 7: Implementation Planning Discussion  
Implementation Planning Workshop I (Project Plans)  
Implementation Planning Workshop II (Plateaus)  
Review of Plateaus
- Day 8: ISA Administration Discussion  
ISA Administration Workshop  
ISA Administration Review  
Summary and Farewell

### ***To Sum:***

The ***Information Systems Architecture JumpStart Program™*** provides KCG clients with the training and consulting support they need to build and maintain an ISA. Kerr Consulting Group also offers on-site ISA consulting services, including ISA project management, team facilitation and ISA quality reviews.

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