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Success by Design is a structured methodology created by Microsoft to enhance and expedite Dynamics 365 implementations. It's a key component of the Microsoft FastTrack program, aimed at delivering projects with higher usage, increased ROI, and faster deployment times.

The need for Change Microsoft recognized the necessity to evolve the approach towards solution and service development. It wasn't sufficient to merely design a platform with a set of features; understanding the delivery of a fully functional, end-to-end solution that operates the mission-critical processes of customers' businesses was crucial. This realization led to the inception of Success by Design.

A Framework for Success

Success by Design encapsulates the collective experiences of thousands of real-world Dynamics 365 implementation projects. It offers topic-specific reviews and prescriptive guidance, providing recommended practices and approaches that lead to project success. This methodology is intended for use by Dynamics 365 system integrators, independent software vendors (ISVs), and customers, serving as a valuable resource to better architect, build, test, and deploy Dynamics 365 solutions.

The Success by Design methodology for Dynamics 365 implementations consists of five key phases, each with specific reviews to ensure alignment with best practices and to identify potential risks early.

Here's a brief overview of each phase:



Strategize:

This foundational phase involves collaborating with stakeholders to understand business goals and challenges. The team conducts a comprehensive assessment of the current state and develops a high-level strategy and implementation roadmap, identifying potential risks and mitigation strategies.



Initiate

Focuses on discovery and planning, gathering business requirements, and defining the solution approach and workstreams. The Solution Blueprint Review is conducted to ensure the design aligns with business objectives.



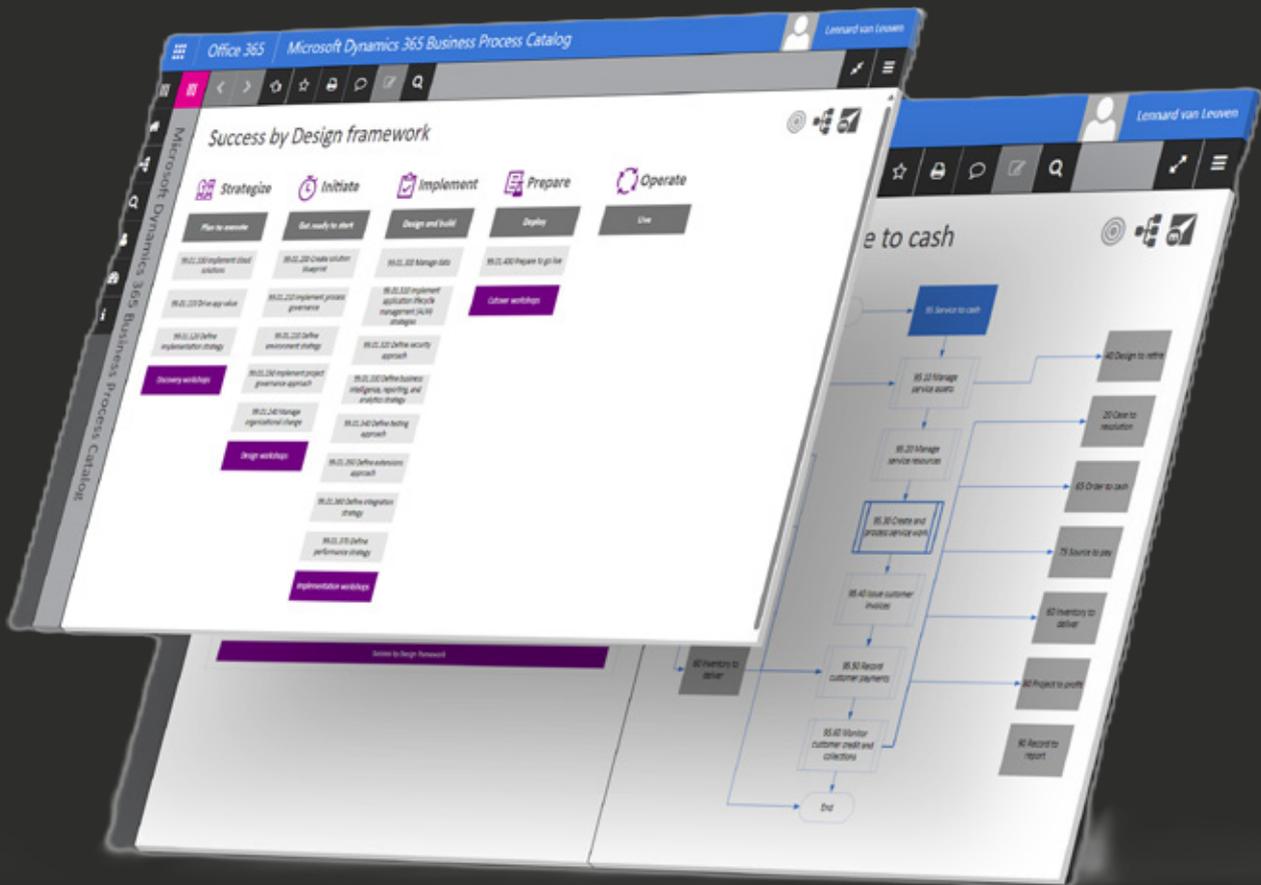
Implement

The solution is built according to the agreed-upon design and scope. Implementation Reviews are conducted to ensure the project is on track and follows recommended practices.



Prepare

The solution is validated through testing, and users are trained. The team ensures that the system is ready for deployment and that all stakeholders are prepared for the transition.



Operate

The solution is deployed, and the team provides ongoing support and monitoring to ensure the system operates smoothly and meets business needs.

These phases are designed to work seamlessly together, providing a structured approach to Dynamics 365 implementations that limits risks and costs. Success by Design reviews within each phase help project teams assess their progress and address any issues that may arise, ensuring a successful implementation.

What is Microsoft FastTrack?

Guidance for Every Organization Every organization faces unique challenges, opportunities, and priorities. Regardless of where you are in your digital transformation or implementation, Microsoft FastTrack provides the guidance, perspective, questions, and resources to help drive a successful Dynamics 365 implementation, harnessing data for insights that lead to the right actions and business outcomes across any business process.

To learn more about how Mavim and Microsoft FastTrack Business Process Catalog use Success by Design and the foundation for a D365 implementation [read out latest eBook](#).



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