

Azure AI Foundation Architecture

AI Foundation Architecture

The technical part of the offer that ensures your AI foundation is set up for success for an AI Transformation offer Factory and is essential before Component 3

Component 2

The Key Deliverables



2.1: Generative AI Building Blocks

- Outlines a 3-tier GenAI solution layers:
 - Core (constant tech elements like security & monitoring).
 - Variable (use case-specific components like app orchestrators).
 - Solution-Dependent (elements like AI models & applications).

2.2: Intro to Landing Zone Architecture

- Establish a foundational architecture for CoE/AI Factory.
- Key Areas: Governance, networking & security, data foundation, and subscription management.
- Includes educational workshop and assessment of the client's current estate.

2.3: Generative AI Landing Zone Implementation

- Delivered via architecture workshops, enabling hands-on setup of each desired landing zone component.

2.3 Add On: Apps & Infrastructure Landing Zone Implementation

- Additional landing zone implementation offered via the Apps and Infrastructure VBD.
- Delivered via architecture workshops, enabling hands-on setup of each desired landing zone component.

Timeline and delivery options

Component 2

Inspire and Design

Defining GenAI
Building Blocks

Delivered by
Technical Lead

~1–2 Hour Presentation +
Whiteboarding Discussion

Empower and Achieve

Defining Landing Zone
Architecture

Delivered by
AI + App Architect /
Developer

~2–3 Hour Presentation +
Whiteboarding Discussion

Realise Value

Implementation of
Landing Zone
Architecture Components

Delivered by
AI + App Architect /
Developer

1–2 Weeks Delivery
Engagement

Can be delivered in 1 Full Day or 2 Half Day Workshops

Dependent on Delivery Option Selected

Generative AI building blocks

Component 2.1

A flexible yet foundational approach for generative AI architectures

This framework outlines three essential levels of “building block” components that form the foundation of any core generative AI architecture.

- 1. Core Technology Components:** Unchanging elements essential across all use cases, including metadata storage, security features, and monitoring.
- 2. Adaptable Solution Elements:** Variable components that may differ based on use case requirements, such as app orchestrators, prompt handlers, and data sources.
- 3. Solution-Dependent Components:** Customisable elements integral to specific generative AI solutions, like the AI model and serving applications.

Delivery Options:

1–2 Hour Presentation & Whiteboarding Session

Client Team

- Technology Stakeholders
- AI + App Architects / Developers

Defining The Landing Zone Architecture

Component 2.2

Deploy Azure with confidence

Gain insight into what defines a robust landing zone architecture and its importance as a foundational element for any CoE or AI Factory within the enterprise. This includes an overview of essential components—such as governance, network and security, data foundation, and subscription management that form the baseline architecture.

We will also conduct an educational assessment of your current landing zone, helping you understand and enhance your enterprise's foundation for AI initiatives.

Delivery Options:

2–3 Hour Presentation & Whiteboarding Session

Client Team

- Technology Stakeholders
- AI + App Architects / Developers
- Infrastructure Architects
- Governance / Security Stakeholders

CGI AI Transformation Offer

A 3-part perspective orchestration offering AI CoE frameworks, solution envisioning strategies, landing zone implementations, and a robust Generative AI Factory with GenAIOps at the core

Delivered by CGI & Microsoft experts

The value proposition of AI Transformation Offer

AI Transformation Offer is a transformative offer designed to empower organisations to scale their AI capabilities effectively. By leveraging cutting-edge technology and strategic frameworks, AI Transformation Offer helps enterprises overcome common challenges in AI adoption and implementation.

Adoption Strategies for Enterprises



Delivers tailored **adoption strategies, workshops, and maturity assessments** to ensure **successful AI** implementation and long-term sustainability.

Scaling from POC to Production



Provides a structured approach to **transition AI projects** from Proof of Concept (POC) to **full-scale production**, ensuring seamless deployment and **tangible business outcomes**.

Lack of AI-Ready Infrastructure



Offers a **robust infrastructure framework**, including AI Foundry and Azure Machine Learning, to support **enterprise-scale** AI applications.

Unlock AI Potential



AI Transformation offer empowers enterprises to **leverage AI effectively**, driving **meaningful business transformation**.

Who needs this offer?

This offer is designed for organisations who are in various stages of their AI journey and are looking to strategically build, scale, and manage generative AI capabilities.



Mid stage

Clients who need to establish a foundational AI architecture, such as a landing zone and baseline governance, data, and security frameworks.



Use case identification and prioritisation

Organisations that have identified AI opportunities but need guidance on which use cases to prioritise and how to align these with business objectives.



Scaling and operationalising AI

Enterprises that are ready to transition from isolated AI projects to a scalable AI Factory model, enabling continuous development and deployment of AI solutions.



Mature AI operations

Clients who already have foundational AI structures but are looking to establish a GenAIOps framework to ensure efficient, reliable, and scalable generative AI operations within their enterprise.

87%

of organisations believe AI will
give them a competitive edge

Source: [MIT Sloan Management Review](#)

Yet all enterprises need help scaling AI

56%

Executives believe their organisation doesn't have the proper infrastructure to support their desired AI workloads

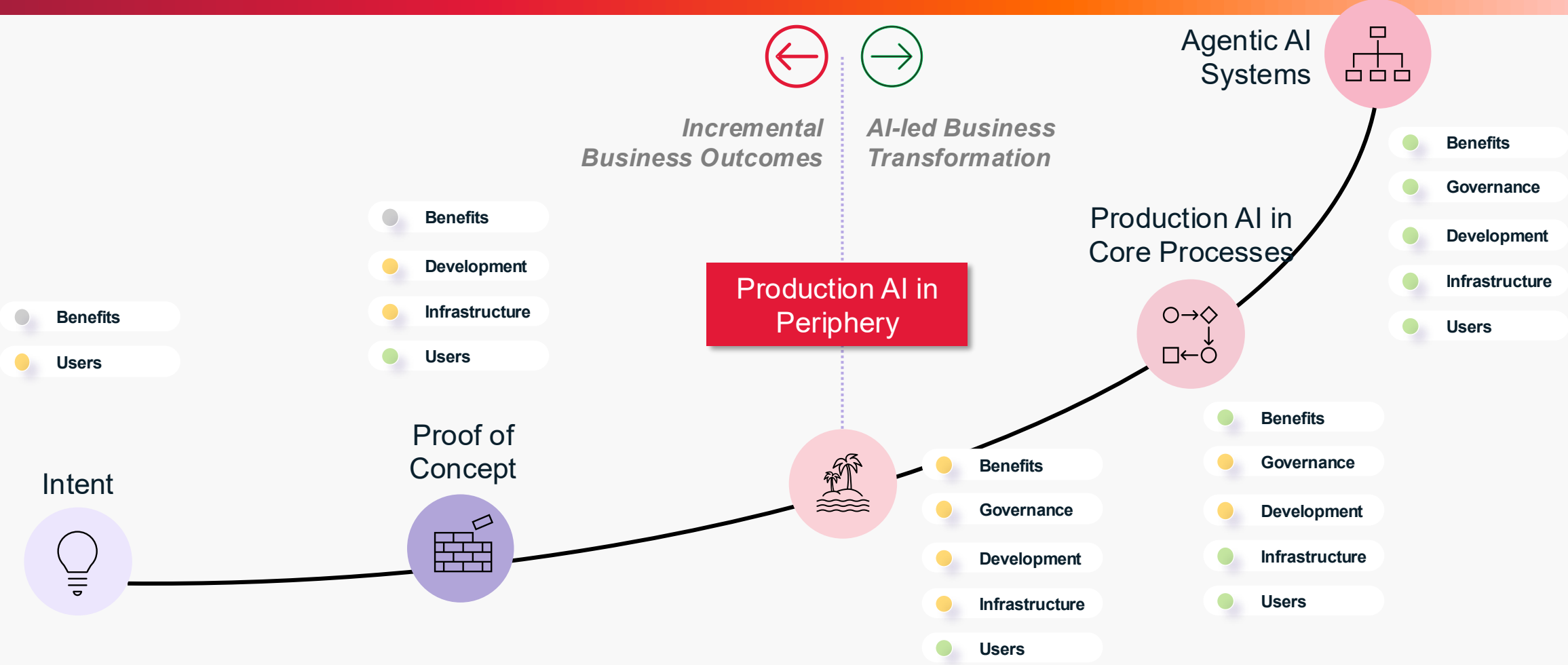
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Leaders believe they have sufficient AI skills and talent

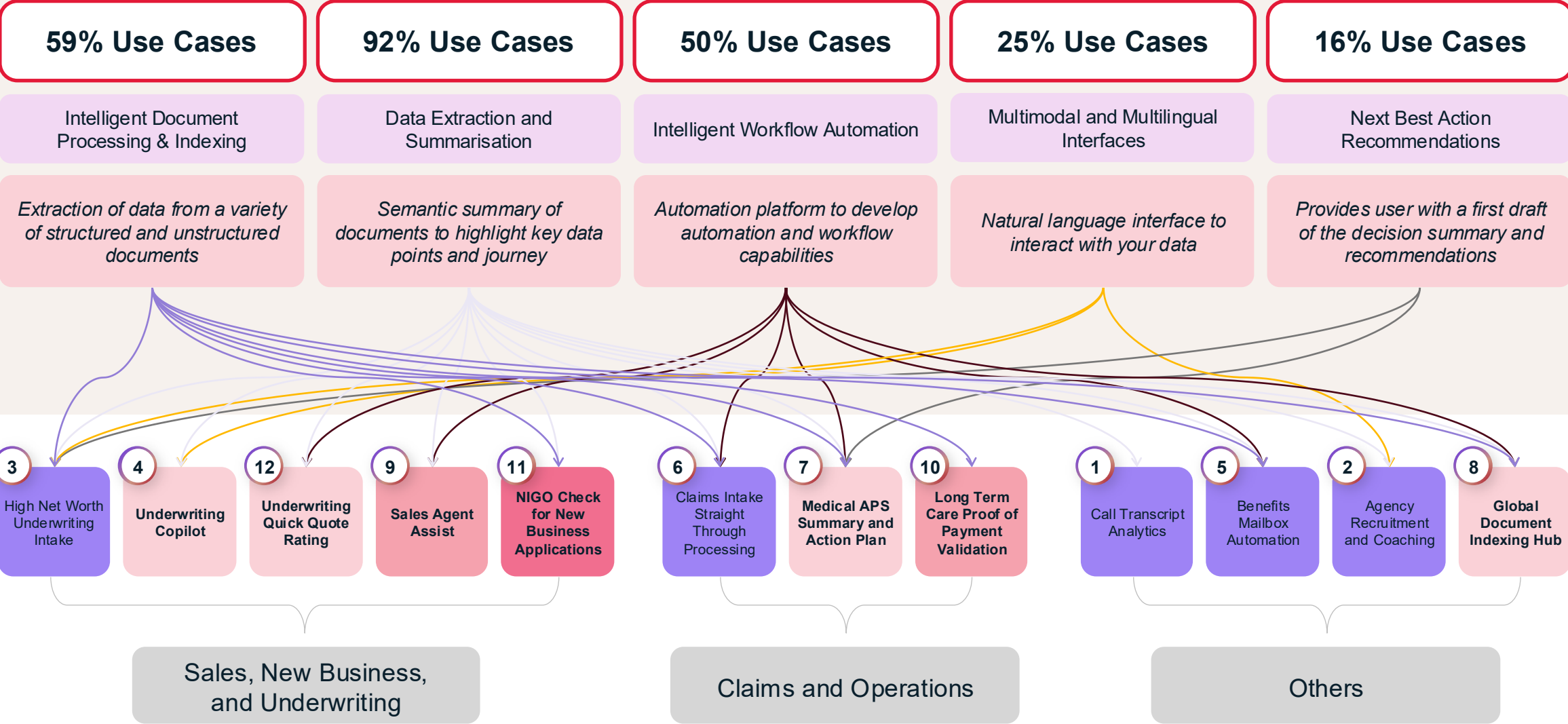
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Organisations have challenges in scaling and operationalising AI

Where do organisations get stuck?



Repeatable AI patterns across enterprises



The 3-Part offering

Component 1

AI CoE and Solution
Envisioning

AI Center of Excellence Intro

Business Envisioning + CoE
Transformation

AI Patterns Scorecard

Capability Envisioning

Rapid Prototyping

Component 2

AI Foundation
Architecture

Generative AI Building Blocks

Intro to Landing Zone
Architecture

Generative AI Landing Zone
Implementation

Apps & Infrastructure Landing
Zone Implementation

Component 3

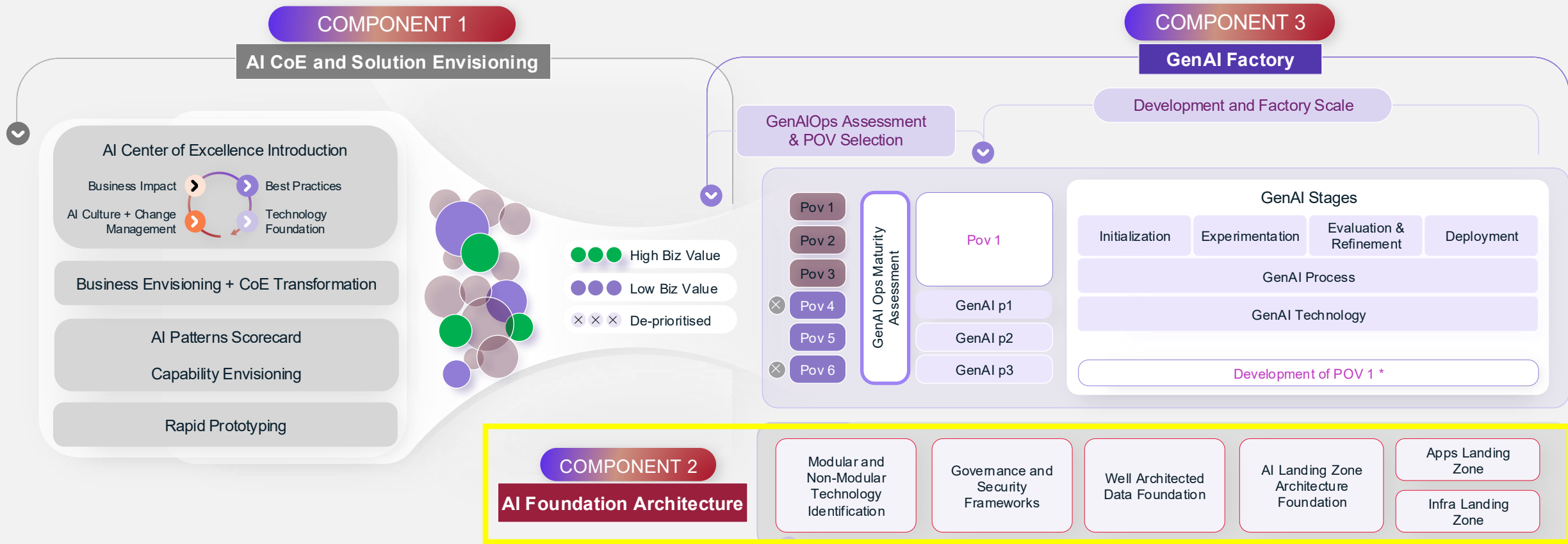
Generative AI Factory:
Scaling AI Patterns

GenAIOps Intro and Maturity
Assessment

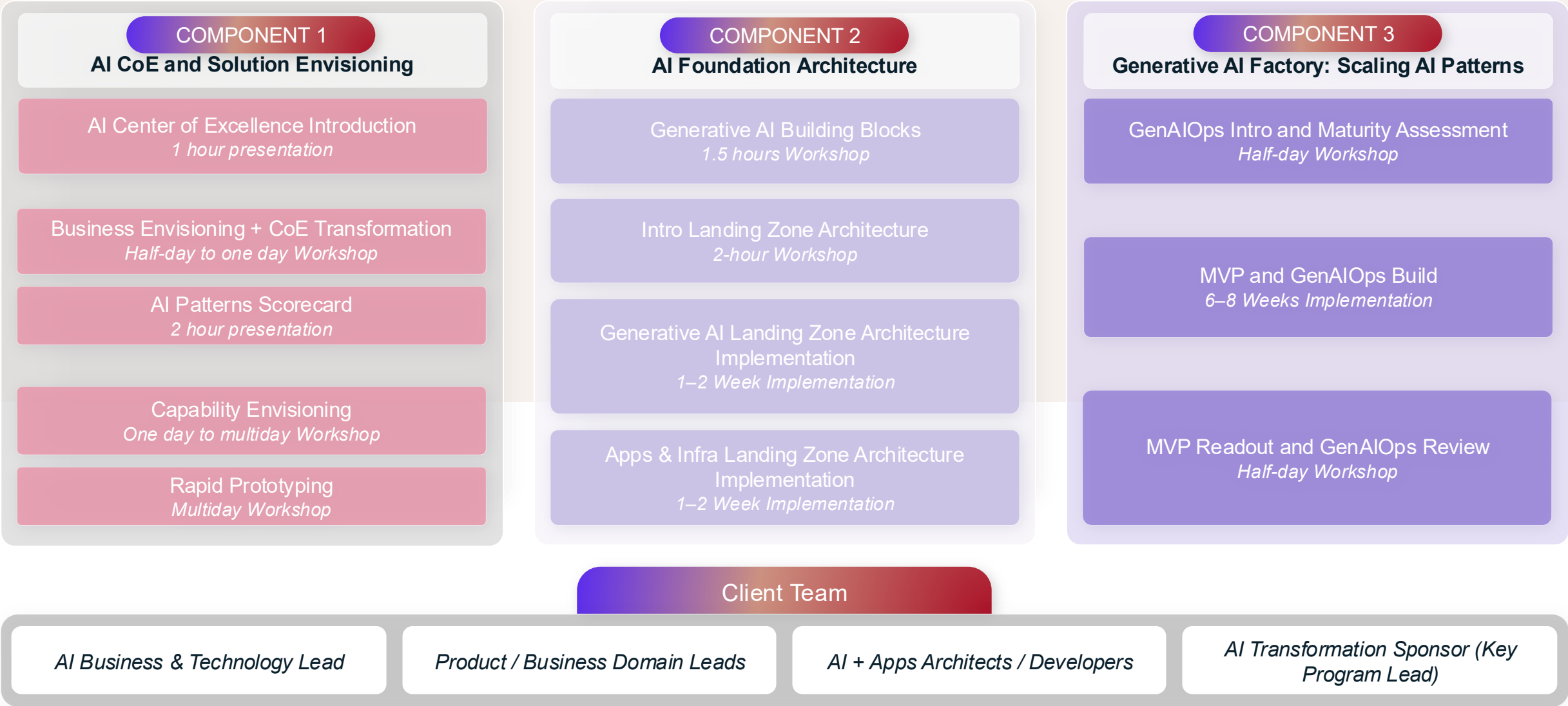
Proof of Value Selection and
Development Timeline

Full Cycle Development

AI Transformation Offer flow



The program at a glance



Offer governance: role clarity

Component	Delivery Team	Supporting Team	Hand Off Team
Component 1	ATU leads initial conversation handing off to STU: Azure SSP		
Component 1.1 AI Center of Excellence Introduction	Account Lead	Strategy / Workshop Lead	Account Lead to Strategy Lead
Component 1.1 Business Envisioning + CoE Transformation	Strategy / Workshop Lead	Account Lead	Account Lead to Technical Lead
Component 1.2 AI Patterns Scorecard <i>for Capability Envisioning</i>	Account Lead + Technical Lead	Strategy / Workshop Lead	Technical Lead to Strategy Lead
Component 1.2 Capability Envisioning	Strategy / Workshop Lead	Account Lead + Technical Lead	
Component 1.2 Rapid Prototyping	Strategy / Workshop Lead	Account Lead + Technical Lead + Developer Team	Strategy Lead to Technical Lead
Component 2	STU: Azure SSP leads coordination from Component 1 to 2		
Component 2.1 GenAI Building Blocks	Technical Lead	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead to Developer Team
Component 2.2 Intro to Landing Zones	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead	
Component 2.3 AI Landing Zone Implementation	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead	
Component 2.3 Apps & Infra Landing Zones Implementation	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead	Developer Team to Technical Lead + Account Lead
Component 3	STU: Azure SSP leads coordination from Component 2 to 3		
Component 3.1 GenAIOps Intro & Maturity Assessment	Technical Lead	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead to Developer Team
Component 3.2 MVP & GenAIOps Co-Build	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead	
Component 3.3 MVP Readout & GenAIOps Review	AI & Apps Architect / Developer	Technical Lead	Developer Team to Technical Lead + Account Lead

Building what's next

For 50 years, we've combined human ingenuity with the power of technology to help our clients achieve meaningful outcomes. To all those with whom we've had the privilege of collaborating: **thank you.**

The role of technology in shaping a better world has never been more powerful—or more human.
And, for us, this is only the beginning.

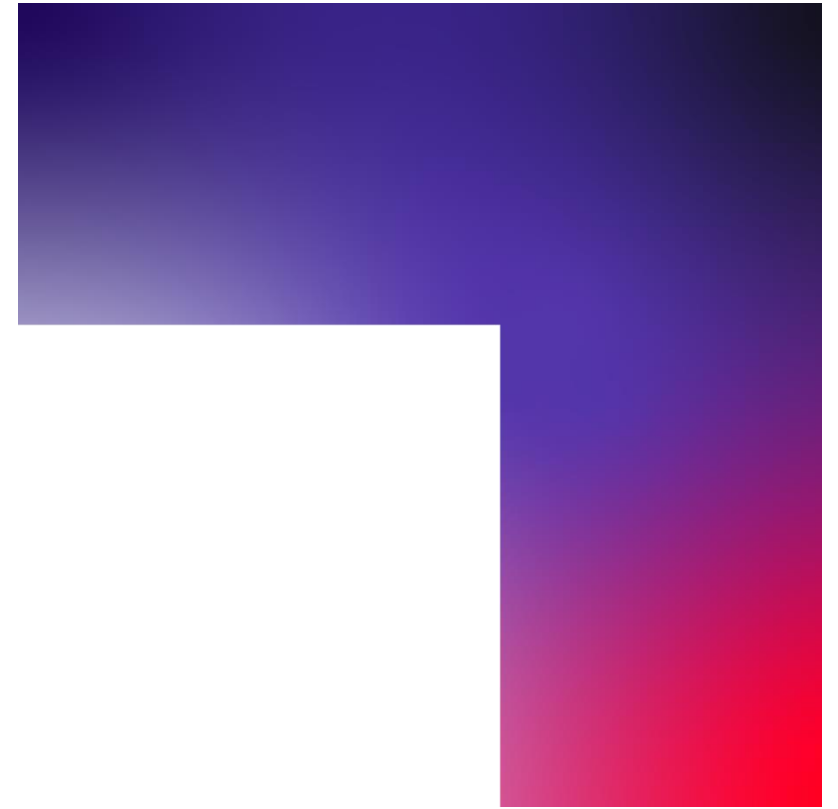
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