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Seminar Software Architecture

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inhouse seminar for
companies**



No one would build skyscrapers or bridges without architects and civil engineers. To ensure your software is durable and successful, you need trained software architects. Rely on the expertise of Fraunhofer IESE, so that your software doesn't start to crumble already during its construction or collapse under change requests.«

Dr. Jens Knodel

Head of Platform Engineering at Caruso

About the Seminar

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About the Seminar

Cornerstones

ACES – **A**rchitecture-**C**entric **E**ngineering **S**olutions

The Fraunhofer Approach for
Modeling Software and System Architectures

Compiled Best Practices from literature,
scaled and tailored for effective architecting in practice

More than 20 years of architecting experiences across domains:
Information Systems, Smart Ecosystems, Data Spaces and Embedded Systems



In this seminar, we show you...

... the “big picture” of architecture

... and how to:

- Elicit architecturally-significant requirements
- Design architectures
- Document architectures
- Evaluate architectures
- Communicate architectural decisions
- Benefit from architectures
- Successfully work as a software architect!

The Seminar

What it is

- + Real world questions and examples
- + For practitioners
- + Interactive seminar design
- + Paradigm-spanning
- + Using technologies
- + Integrated methodology in the big picture

What it is not

- Out-of-touch architecture
- Academic and formal
- One-way lecture
- OOD/OOP course
- Technology course
- Detailed discussions and fragmented focus

Architecture Competence Areas

People

Architect's Role

System Expertise (Challenges, Solutions, Technologies)

Quality Attributes

Styles / Tactics / Patterns

Architectural Paradigms

Frameworks &
Technologies

Reference Architectures

Methods & Tools

Architecture Driver
Elicitation

Documentation &
Modelling

Architecture Design

Architecture Evaluation

Implementing
Architecture

AEPs & Planning

Architecture
Management

Architecture
in SE

Reconstruction /
Modernization

Architecture Capability
Assessment

Foundations

Architecture Motivation

Architecture
Definitions

Architecture
Terminology

Architecture
Big Picture

Architecture Scope(s)

Architecture Views

Architecture Drivers

Architecture Decisions



Agenda

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Architecture Foundations

Architecture Views

Architecture Drivers

Architecture Engagement Purposes

Architecture Design

Architecture Documentation

Architecture Evaluation

Architecture Work

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	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4 (optional)
09:00-10:30	Welcome & Intro	Architecture Drivers (2/2)	Architecture Documentation	Deepening and Practices
Coffee				
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Network Lunch				
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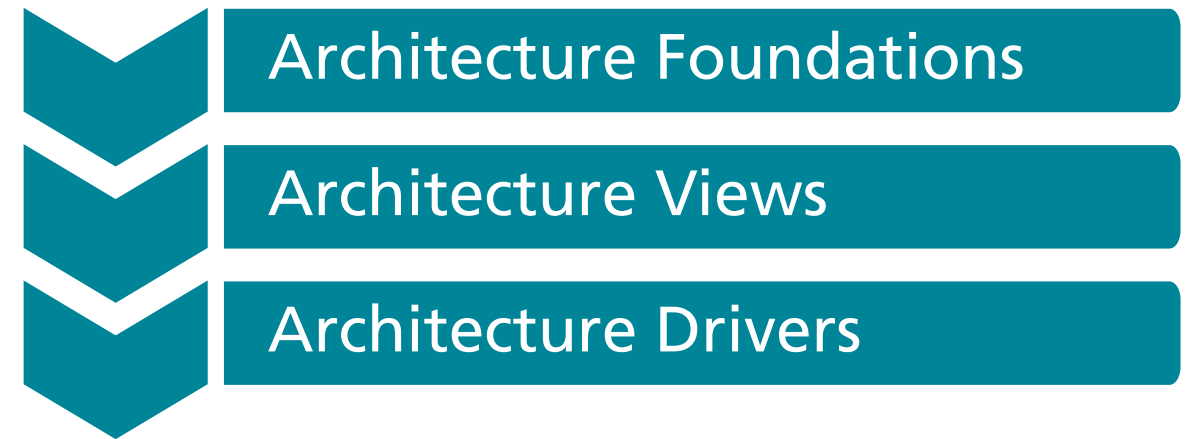
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- Motivation of software architecture
 - What is software architecture?
 - Why do we need it?
 - How can we make use of it?
 - The big picture of software architecture
- Project examples – success factor architecture
- Architecture decomposition framework (ADF)
 - Which aspects about architecture are there?
 - How to document them in architectural views?
 - Which views do I need for my purpose?
- Stakeholders of architecture
 - Which stakeholders are there and what do they want?
 - The role of the architect



- Stakeholder analysis and architecture drivers
 - What are architecture drivers?
 - How to capture and document architecture drivers?

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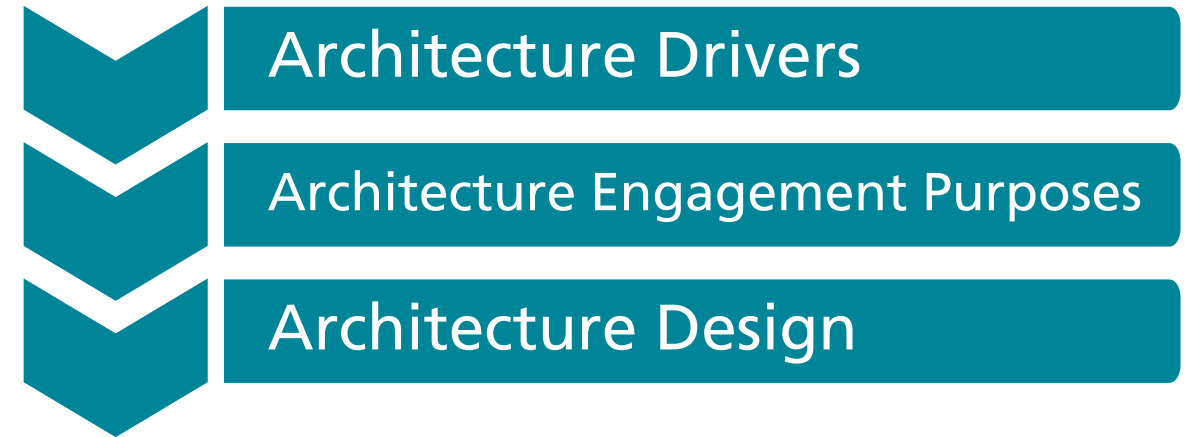
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Day 2 – Architecture Design

- Design process overview
- Scenario-driven design
 - Functionality-driven decomposition
 - Data-driven decomposition
 - Deployment-driven decomposition
 - Designing for quality attributes
 - Design with patterns
- Connecting architecture and implementation
 - Governance of implementation
- Context factors affecting architecture in real projects



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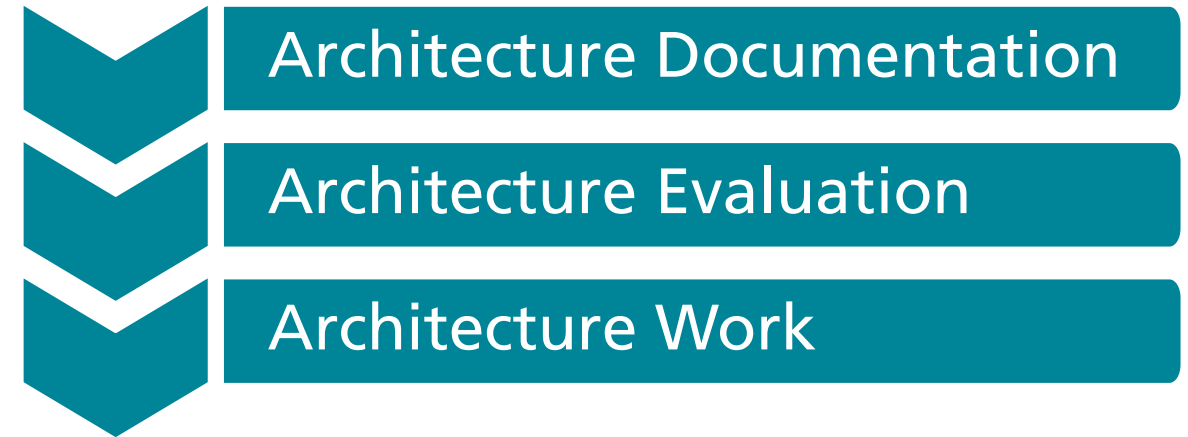
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Day 3 – Documentation and Evaluation

- Architecture documentation
 - Goals of architecture documentation
 - Best practices
 - Structuring architecture documentation with solution concepts
- Motivation of architecture evaluation
 - Practical example
 - Which decisions can we support with architecture evaluation?
- Overview on architecture evaluation
 - Concern elicitation check
 - Architecture adequacy assessment
 - Sound documentation assessment
 - Distance investigation (Compliance checking)
 - Code quality assessment
 - Sustainability check



- Techniques for architecture evaluation
- Audit experiences

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Day 4 (optional) – Deepening and Practices

- Further practice of learned content, where possible, to address participants' requests.
- Possible Topics:
 - Modularity
 - Modernization & Renovation
 - Domain-Driven Design & Microservices
 - Cloud Computing
 - Data-Driven Design
 - DevOps
 - Event-Driven Design
 - Comprehensive Examples



Feedback of Participants

How would you summarize the seminar in one sentence?

"At the seminar, a comprehensive proposal was made regarding how to design the role of the architect."

"Well organized, very helpful. Thank you!"

"Provided a sensible summary of the complex issue of software architecture to create a good basis on which to build further."

"Enriching"

"A comprehensive overview of this topic and with practical in-depth information/applications; good exchange with colleagues from other companies."



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