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## **Justify Your Data Integration Competency Center**

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Over the last several years, the term "competency center" has been described many ways for different purposes. For example, we've heard of business intelligence competency centers, service-oriented architecture competency centers and many others.

Competencies are characteristics that drive outstanding performance in a given job, role or function. A data integration competency center (ICC) is specific to the governance, skills, roles and platforms/tools necessary for the ways data is managed, fashioned, collected, transformed, integrated, stored and reacquired. Setting up an ICC formalizes the importance of data integration to the enterprise and naturally links to BI, process management, SOA or other enterprise initiatives. An ICC is similar in complexity to other organizational structures and deserves significant attention.

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