

DATA GOVERNANCE MASTERY: NAVIGATING THE COMPLEX WORLD OF BUSINESS DATA MANAGEMENT

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ABSTRACT

In the digital era, where data is hailed as the new currency, mastering data governance is paramount for organizations seeking to harness the full potential of their data assets. This article serves as a comprehensive guide to data governance, exploring its fundamental principles, best practices, and the pivotal role it plays in navigating the intricate landscape of business data management.

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INTRODUCTION

The explosion of data in modern business environments has heightened the importance of data governance. This introduction sets the stage for understanding the critical role data governance plays in effective business data management (Al-Ruithe et al., 2019).

Unraveling the complexities, this section provides a clear definition of data governance, emphasizing its role in ensuring that data is accurate, reliable, and aligned with organizational goals (Bowler et al., 2017).

Exploring the foundational principles that underpin effective data governance, including accountability, transparency, integrity, and compliance, laying the groundwork for a robust data governance framework (Grolinger et al., 2013).

Data governance and data quality are intertwined. This segment delves into how organizations can ensure the integrity of their data, from its collection to storage and utilization. Security breaches can have severe consequences. Here, we discuss the pivotal role of data governance in establishing and maintaining robust security measures to protect sensitive information (Gudivada et al., 2017).

In an era of stringent data protection regulations, compliance is not optional. This part of the guide explores how data governance helps organizations adhere to regulatory standards, fostering trust with customers and avoiding legal pitfalls (Gupta & Soni, 2020).

Data governance is the backbone of a successful data strategy. This section outlines how organizations can align their data governance initiatives with broader business objectives to derive maximum value from their data (McAfee, 2006).

Effective data governance requires individuals who take ownership of data. We delve into the concept of information stewardship and its importance in ensuring data accountability within an organization (Mukhtarov, 2023).

Understanding the journey of data is vital for effective governance. This segment discusses how organizations can manage the entire data lifecycle, from its creation and utilization to archiving and disposal (Pansara, 2024).

Metadata provides context to data. We explore the significance of metadata management in the context of data governance, enabling organizations to better understand and utilize their data assets (Shukla et al., 2023).

With privacy concerns at the forefront, this section examines how data governance contributes to safeguarding individual privacy, ensuring that organizations handle personal information responsibly and ethically (Wang et al., 2018).

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, mastering data governance is not merely a choice but a necessity in the complex world of business data management. Organizations that embrace and excel in data governance find themselves well-positioned to navigate the challenges and capitalize on the opportunities presented by the data-driven landscape of the digital age.

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