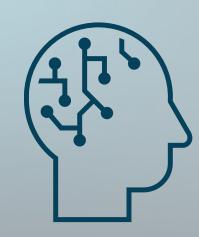


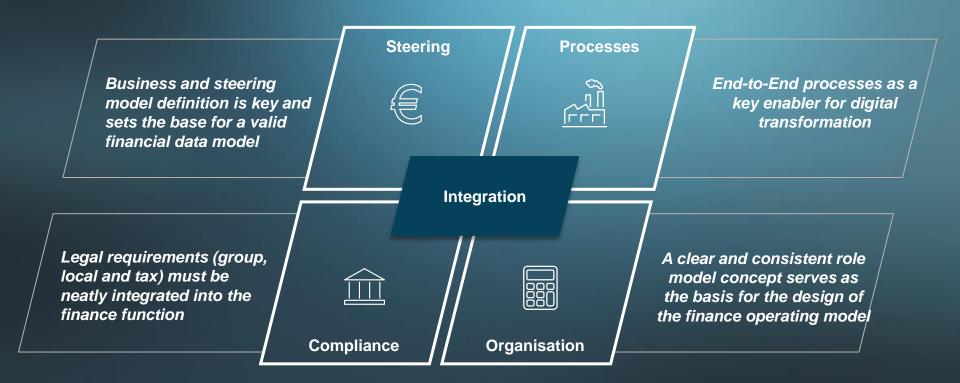
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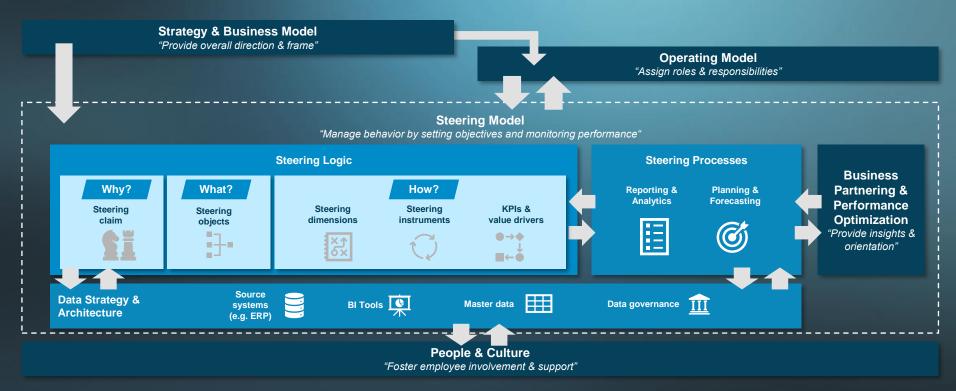


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...however, the Future of Accounting is more than just leveraging digital technologies, it is about integration

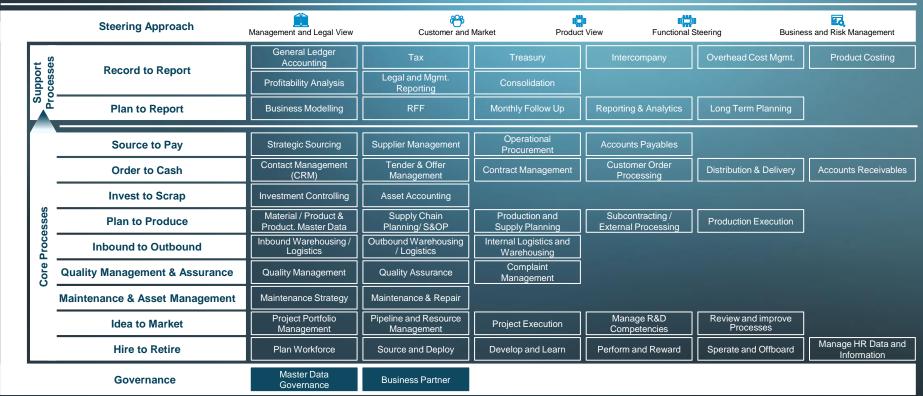


Thesis 1 - Business and steering model definition is key and sets the base for a valid financial data model



Thesis 2 - End-to-End processes as a key enabler for digital transformation

End to End Process Model (Level 1)



Thesis 3 - A clear and consistent role model concept serves as the basis for the design of the finance operating model

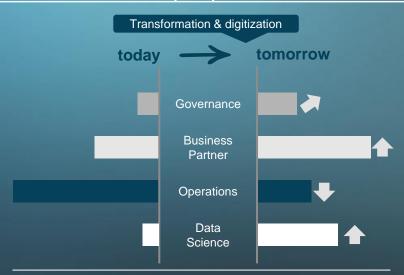
Design new Finance organization

Finance organization role model

Policies and **Business Partnering Procedures** Governance (ÆQ Data **Business** Science Partner Operations **Execution of** transactional processes Digital, data-driven **Expertise**

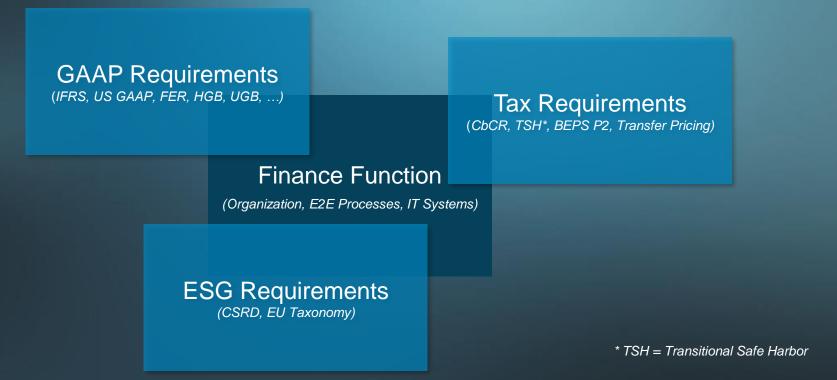
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Resource allocation and role perception

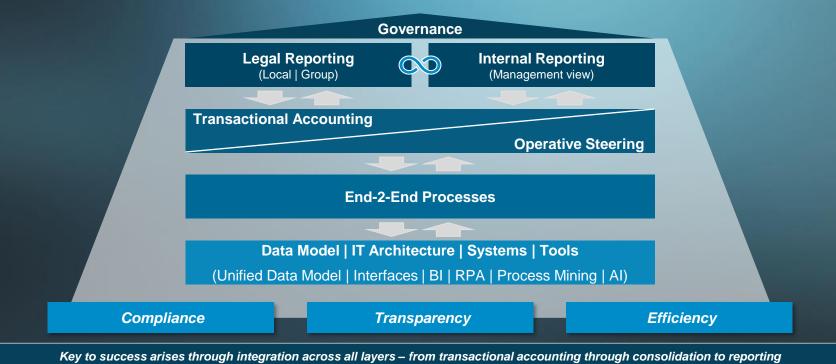


Strengthening the governance role contributes to increased process compliance and quality. The expansion of the business partner role leads to better decision support of management.

Thesis 4 - Legal requirements (group, local and tax) must be neatly integrated into the financial functions



Conclusion - An integrated finance function forms the basis - Technology thereby acting as an enabler



Example: Inventory Accounting

Governance IAS 2 Valuation and Disclosure Management Reporting **Legal Reporting Internal Reporting** German GAAP (HGB) Profitability Analysis (Local | Group) (Management view) Financial & Functional Steering Purchase & Production Cost **Transactional Accounting** Value Flows, COGS & Deviations Inventory Posting Logic (COGS) Plant Performance **Operative Steering** vs. Change in Inventories) Record2Report Standard & Actual Costing **End-2-End Processes** Purchase2Pay Quantity & Price Risk **Data Model | IT Architecture | Systems | Tools** (Unified Data Model | Interfaces | BI | RPA | Process Mining | AI) Compliance Transparency **Efficiency** Key to success arises through Integration across all layers - from transactional accounting through consolidation to reporting

The Future of Accounting in our view...

"...is the integration of the key elements Steering Model, E2E Process Design, Organization and Compliance, supported by digital technologies and innovative practices"



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