

## Automation Implementation Methodology

The Implementation Methodology Model

This handout lists the key people and tasks involved in each phase of the implementation model.



Stage	Role Involved	Key Task	Output
Kickoff	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Infrastructure Engineer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Set up the overall expectations of the project</li> <li>Early RPA readiness discussions about:         <ul> <li>Client's environment and infrastructure</li> <li>Test and dev environments</li> <li>Test data/test cases</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reviewing the SOW</li> <li>Setting up communication cadence</li> <li>Completing the customer readiness checklist</li> <li>Initiating the Issue Tracker</li> </ul>
Business Case and Technical Validation	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Business Analyst</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assess potential automations for their complexity and feasibility</li> <li>Validate the estimated timelines and efforts required for successful delivery</li> <li>Validate the Business Case for the selected use cases and the Cost Benefit part of it</li> <li>Identify the key complexity, technical dependencies, and access to key applications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Verifying the automation use case</li> <li>Confirming use case alignment with contract expectations</li> </ul>
Process Analysis	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Business Analyst</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Analyze the chosen process in its as-is state and start the PDD</li> <li>Identify the degree of automation</li> <li>Streamline the business flow to the 'to-be' process</li> <li>Fill the PDD with the as-is and to-be processes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Defining and finalizing the "to-be" process</li> <li>Completing and approving the PDD</li> <li>Creating and approving the UAT plan</li> </ul>



Solution Design	<ul> <li>Business Analyst</li> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Automation Developers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Design a future state flow and maps out modules for automation development</li> <li>Use Application Tracker to record access required by the developer to build and run automation UAT and Production</li> <li>Prepare the Technical Testing plan encompassing UAT scenarios, functional testing, and system integration testing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Completing the SDD document</li> <li>Completing the Application Tracker</li> <li>Completing the Technical Testing Plan</li> </ul>
Development and Testing	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Automation Developers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Create the modules outlined in the design whiteboard using the PDD and SDD</li> <li>Review and make necessary changes to the code</li> <li>Test and run the modules individually in controlled settings</li> <li>Execute the Technical Testing plan after Development and Unit Testing</li> <li>Create automated tests for functional testing to confirm large functions work independently</li> <li>Complete end-to-end test for system integration testing</li> <li>Run all UAT test scenarios</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Building automation</li> <li>Completing Unit and Integration Testing</li> <li>Completing code review</li> <li>Executing Technical Testing plan</li> </ul>



User Acceptance Testing (UAT)	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Business Analyst</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Automation Developers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conduct UAT in coordination with the implementation team</li> <li>Run all the potential happypath and business exception scenarios</li> <li>Ensure all agreed-upon scenarios are tested</li> <li>Log any deviations and fix that with the help of the Automation Team</li> <li>Create a Runbook document template with the following details:         <ul> <li>System architecture</li> <li>Production environments</li> <li>Operating instructions for automation</li> <li>Instructions to the operations, IT, and automation implementation team</li> </ul> </li> <li>Document the Runbook template for every automation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Executing UAT Test Cases</li> <li>Signing off client business team test execution</li> <li>Completing the Runbook document</li> </ul>
Deployment and Hypercare	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Automation Developers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Migrate the final process packages, libraries, and assets to the production Orchestrator</li> <li>Identify and address issues quickly using hypercare</li> <li>Run and review production cases using hypercare</li> <li>Fix issues promptly and repush to production</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revising the Runbook document</li> <li>Completing production bug fixes</li> </ul>



		Initiate knowledge transfer during hypercare	
Project Closure	<ul> <li>Solution Architect</li> <li>Project Manager</li> <li>Business Analyst</li> <li>Automation Developers</li> <li>Business Team</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confirm conformance of all services are made as per the contract</li> <li>Carry out the handover process for long-term support of the developed automations</li> <li>Check and close financial loops</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Checking and signing off contract completion by the client</li> <li>Initiating knowledge transfer and document handover</li> </ul>