The GC edit – trends and transformations in digital, data, Al and legal operations for in-house teams

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# Agenda

### Part 1:

What's new in the Digital & Al Landscape – navigating a cluttered market and setting yourself up for success

- The rise and rise of automation
- A real picture of where Al capabilities are at
- The importance of having "clean" data
- Some recent case studies

### Part 2:

**Optimising your legal team function –** people, process and technology

- People how to find your internal champions for innovation and change
- Process developing a continuous improvement mindset around your key processes
- Technology the challenges and opportunities of digital transformation



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What's new in the Digital & Al Landscape

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# So Much Hype | What's making headlines in Al

Worldwide revenues for AI skyrocket, set to reach \$550B

Worldwide revenues for the artificial intelligence (AI) market, including software, hardware, and services, are forecast to grow 16.4% year over by 2024 1 day ago

A.I. Here, There, Everywhere. Many of us already live with artificial A.I. Mere, There, Everywhere. Wany or us already live with the technology will intelligence now, but researchers say interactions with the technology. A.I. Is Everywhere and Evolving The New York Times

Why GPT-3 is the best and worst of AI right now

Open Al's language Al wowed the public with its apparent mastery of English – but is it all an illusion? GPT3 unicorns Sierra & Lenny. by. Will 16 hours ago

NS New Scientist

Al smashes video game high scores by remembering its

ntelligence that can remember its previous successes and ... ms use reinforcement learning, in which an algorithm is ...



iTnews

Britain's GCHQ cyber spies embrace the Al revolution Britain's cyber spies at the GCHQ eavesdropping agency say they have fully embraced artificial intelligence (AI) to uncover patterns in vast ...



IFEE Spectrum

AlphaFold Proves That Al Can Crack Fundamental Scientific ...

For instance, Brownell says, AlphaFold is using available information about protein structure that has been measured in other ways. However, ...



"Using a commercial AI cancer detector to triage mammograms into no radiologist assessment and enhanced assessment could potentially reduce radiologist workload by more than half, and pre-emptively detect a substantial proportion of cancers otherwise diagnosed later (up to 35%)."

# THE LANCET

Effect of artificial intelligence-based triaging of breast cancer screening mammograms on cancer detection and radiologist workload: a retrospective simulation study, The Lancet, September 2020.

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SQuAD 2.0\* | A Closed Domain Question Answer Comprehension Benchmark



<sup>\*</sup> Stanford Question Answer Dataset ('SQuAD 2.0') is a crowd sourced dataset of 150,000 question and answer pairs created from Wikipedia articles. A third of the dataset includes unanswerable questions, further testing the participants comprehension.



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"GPT-3 alone is estimated to have a memory requirement exceeding 350GB and training costs exceeding \$12 million USD." "And to be clear, training deep learning models is not a clean, one-shot process. There's a lot of trial and error and hyperparameter tuning that would probably increase the cost several-fold."



https://venturebeat.com/2020/06/11/openai-launches-an-api-to-commercialize-its-research/



https://bdtechtalks.com/2020/08/17/openai-gpt-3-commercial-ai/

### The Quality of Your Solution Is Also Defined By Your Data

Case studies into the pitfalls of IT Projects in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.





IBM's "Watson for Oncology" Cancelled After \$62 million and Unsafe Treatment Recommendations

Amazon scraps secret Al recruiting tool that showed bias against women

# Reasons Why Artificial Intelligence Investment Fails



Technology over Problem Centric Thinking



Data Quality Roadblocks



Failure to Balance
Cost with
Complexity

"In theory, theory and practice are the same. In practice, they are not."

**Albert Einstein** 



State of the Art results aren't always commercially viable



Data quality issues limit the effectiveness of AI / Machine Learning



Not all models are the same



Understanding your data will dictate your success



Define service standards / acceptance based on valid metrics



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When tested, the number of times the Al applies a label incorrectly

When tested, the number of times the AI does not apply a label, but it should have

# Your Solution is Defined By Your Problem and Data

Understanding the Al landscape in reference to the types of data you are dealing with and problems you wish to solve.

Problem	Data Type		Solutions	Legal Operations
How can I create insights from my internal databases to improve operations?	Structured Tabular Data	X	<b>Prediction (Regression/Classification)</b> (e.g. Data Robot, Google Cloud AutoML and H20.ai)	<ul> <li>Legal Analytics</li> <li>Contract Data Clean-up (Imputation, Outlier Detection)</li> <li>Financial Impact of Decisions</li> <li>Predicting Response to Potential Actions</li> </ul>
How can I automate data extraction from documents?	Images, PDF Documents etc	PDF	Computer Vision  (e.g. Google Cloud Vision, AWS Textract and Azure Computer Vision)	<ul><li>eDiscovery</li><li>Contract Review</li><li>eBilling</li></ul>
How can I automate text processing for simple tasks like basic comprehension or document / clause classification?	Text	W	Natural Language Processing (e.g. Google Cloud Natural Language, Azure Text Analytics, AWS Comprehend and HuggingFace)	<ul> <li>Contract Management</li> <li>Legal Analytics</li> <li>eDiscovery</li> <li>Legal Research</li> <li>Contract Due Diligence</li> </ul>
How can I learn what processes are actually being followed within my organisation, my suppliers, or my customers?	Event Data, Log Data (e.g. Email, Document Change History, ERP Change History)		Process Mining	<ul> <li>Process Mapping (Business and Legal)</li> <li>Process Optimisation</li> <li>Risk Identification</li> <li>Incident/Dispute Resolution</li> </ul>
How can I predict the likelihood and impact of a risk in response to ongoing dynamic change?	Mixed (All of the above)	$\infty$	Combination of the above	<ul><li>Proactive Risk Management</li><li>Third Party Risk Review</li><li>Quantification of Risk</li></ul>



### Case Study

# Case Study: Automatic Identification of Unfair Contract Terms

#### WHY

In anticipation of impending changes to Australian legislation, ME collaborated with a major Australian Insurance provider on a pilot to use AI technology to identify potential unfair terms in their PDS suite,

#### HOW

ME developed a technology assisted review process that utilises Luminance allowing the team to scale this review to a larger suite of documents.

#### **Impact**

1. Prediction of over 850 hours in time savings (around 37% time save required to perform end to end review)

#### **WHAT**

Once 'trained', Luminance can automatically tag potential issues across the remaining PDSs and junior reviewers can confirm Luminance's findings and escalate any potential issues,

#### **Outcome**

As a result of the successful pilot, the provider engaged ME to review their full PDS suite supported by AI technology.

#### **Success Factors**

- 1. Client collaboration
- 2. Pilot approach
- 3. Realistic expectations of tech solution
- 4. Cross-functional project team



Optimising your legal team function – people, process and technology

### Setting the scene

"After you've done a thing the same way for two years, look it over carefully. After five years, look at it with suspicion. And after ten years, throw it away and start all over."

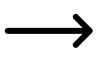
- Alfred E. Perlman

### **Optimising your legal team function**

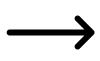
- The Times They Are (Keep) A Changin' dynamic industry & digital disruption continues to shake things up
- Traditional approaches to legal delivery are no longer effective on their own (some might say, at all!)
- Optimisation & CI once 'nice to haves', now core to a successful legal function (in-house or private practice)
- Multi-disciplinary agile teams rule the roost, silos are out
- Clients, internal and external, want demand improved transparency, legal workflow to be digitised and ongoing efficiencies built into every matter

# Optimisation - People, Process, Technology











Connecting the right people, best practice processes, and smart technology (in that order) so that your team can...

Deliver more consistently and transparently

Be empowered to work smarter not harder

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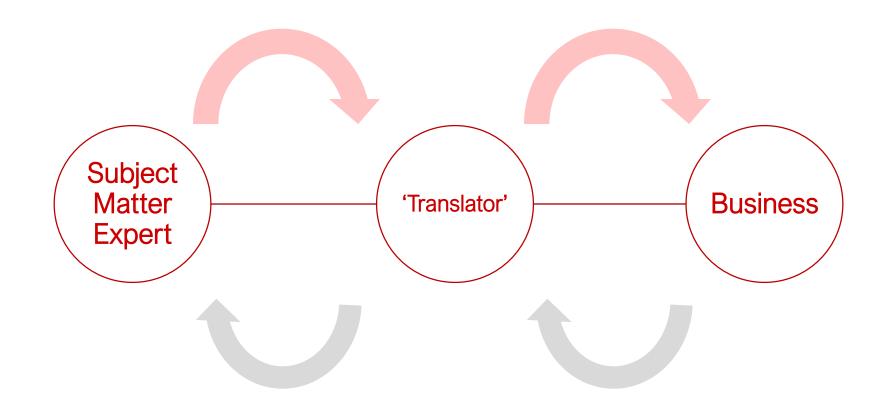
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People
How to find your internal champions for innovation and change

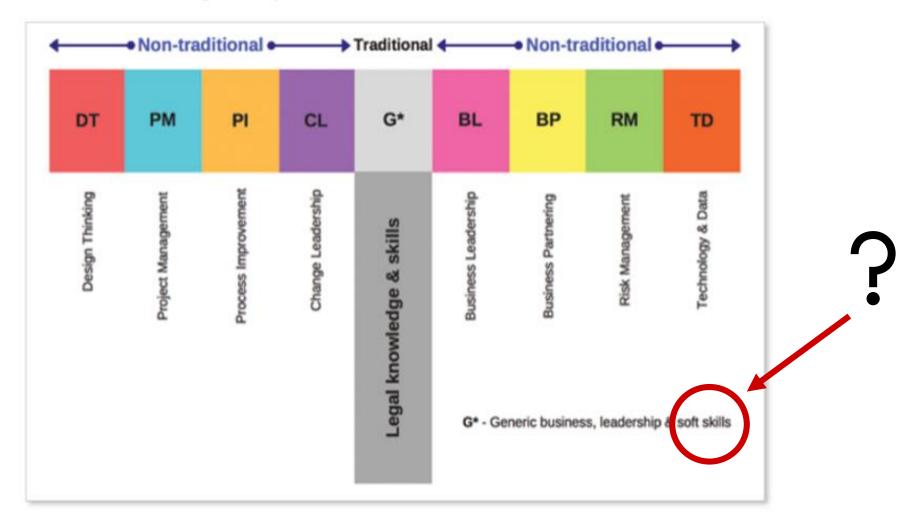
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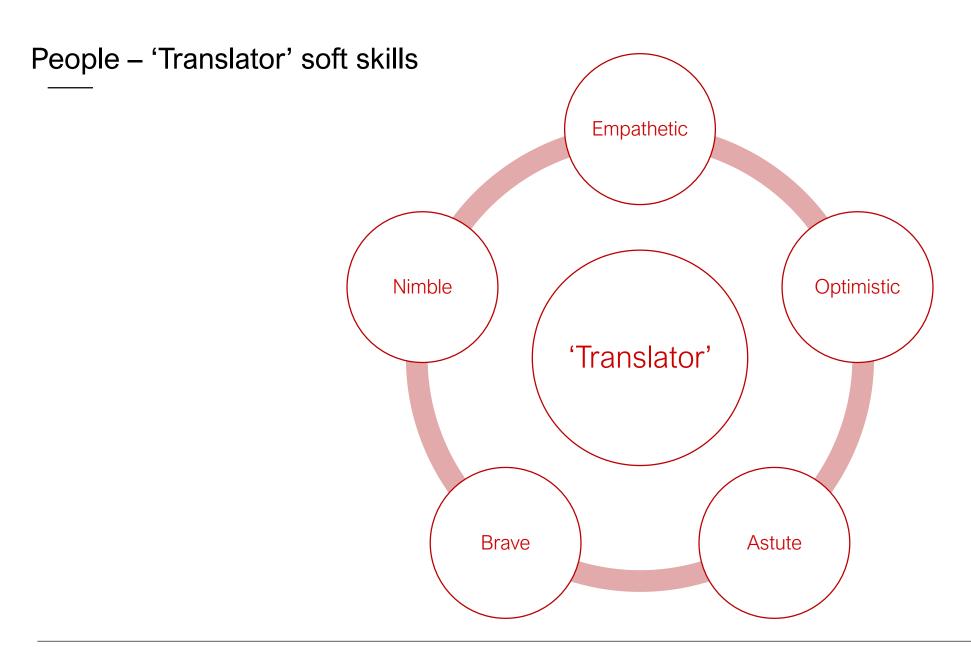
# People – the critical intermediary role



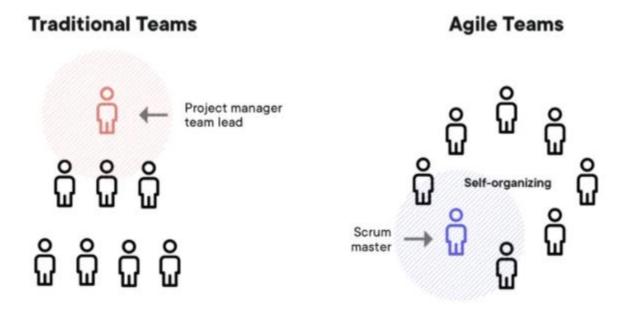
# People

The T-Shaped Lawyer Critical Skills For Innovation & Collaboration





# People – Agile principles





# **Process**

Developing a continuous improvement mindset around your key processes

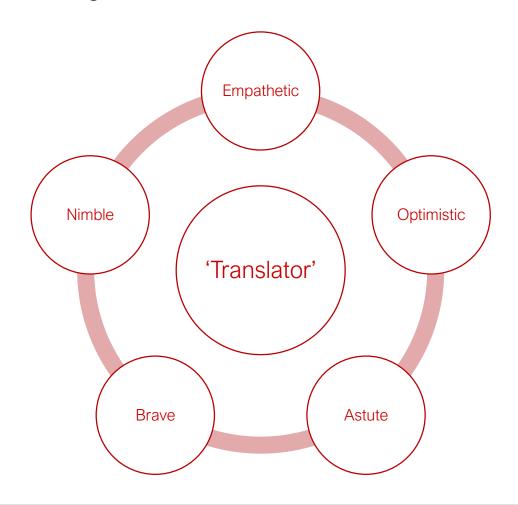
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### Process – Continuous Improvement

### What is CI

- Continuous Improvement is an ongoing effort to improve products, services or processes
- These efforts can seek incremental improvement over time or breakthrough improvement all at once.
- There are a broad range of benefits from focusing on CI initiatives including:
  - Consistency
  - Efficiency
  - Effectiveness
  - Transparency

### **Building a CI mindset & culture**



### **Process**

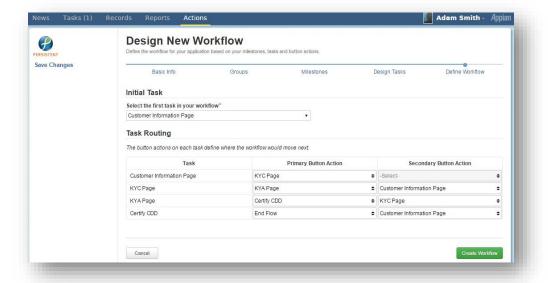
### **Optimising your processes**

- This must occur before bringing in new technology to support those processes
- At its simplest, this is about running an ongoing critical eye over your team's processes (i.e. a continuous improvement mindset)
- Looking for inconsistency, inefficiency, double handling, misunderstandings, process overlap
- Find the people who do this naturally and leverage them. OR bring in the experts (leverage your legal providers here)
- This is scalable you do not have to commit to a wholesale process review to see benefits and impacts

### **Process**

Identify Prioritise Capture Refine Digitise





### Process - basic example

"I don't know which document I should use as a base when drafting a new contract – there are many different versions that all look and sound different and that are all stored in different locations."

# Identify

Drafting contracts

# Prioritise

• Employment contracts

# Capture

- Collate 5 examples
- Review differences

# Refine

Agree house style from examples

# Digitise

Save in agreed accessible location

### Process - moderate complexity

"Managing ad hoc queries from the business is challenging for our team. Everyone seems to manage and respond to them in different ways which can cause double up and wasted time. It is also hard to track how many queries we receive and respond to each month."

# Identify

Ad hoc request process

# Prioritise

 Areas of the business most requests received from

# Capture

 Workshop to map different ways the team receive and respond to requests

# Refine

 Review processes, identify inefficiencies and develop best practice process

# Digitise

 Where possible, leverage existing technology to manage process

# Process - Lean Six Sigma



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### **Process - Complex Process**

# Case Study: Litigation Process Review

#### WHY

A busy litigation team sought assistance to further streamline their processes as they manage a high volume of complex litigation cases for a regulatory authority.

#### HOW

We used Lean Six Sigma methodologies run an Action Work Out. As depicted on the previous slide this involved brown paper on the walls, using post-it notes to map the process. Team members from all levels were included in the session.

#### **Impact**

- 1. Improving Processes
- 2. Reducing Risk
- 3. Managing Costs
- 4. Consistent Delivery
- 5. Team Empowerment

#### **WHAT**

We facilitated a full day 'Action Work Out' with the legal team, mapping out the legal processes These were reviewed for inefficiencies, double handling or redundancies. A broad range of improvement opportunities were identified.

#### **Feedback**

Today's efforts were really significant and have generated a great energy and enthusiasm in the team. They are all very keen to get this sprint underway and to see what we can produce.

#### **Success Factors**

- 1. Leadership Champions
- 2. Team Engagement
- 3. Quick Wins
- 4. Lightbulb moments
- 5. Trusted methodology

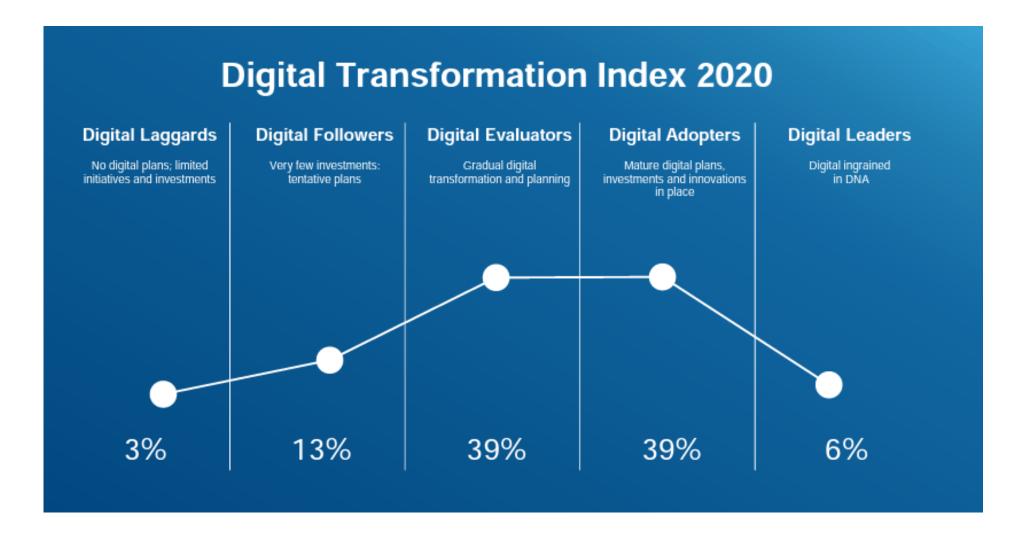


# Technology

The challenges and opportunities of digital transformation

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### Technology – Digital Transformation



# **Change Fatigue**

- Too much change too quickly
- Team burn out
- Impact of 2020
- Can result in resistance/blockers

# **Change Agility**

- Track record for major change
- Adaptability proven (e.g. 2020!)
- Collective ownership critical
- Highlight positive impact of change for teams

# 'Busy' legal tech market

- Overwhelming number of vendors & solutions
- Time consuming to identify best products
- Challenging to look behind 'sales pitch'
- Expertise needed for implementation processes

# Legal provider expertise

- Law firms should constantly be scanning market
- Leverage their insights and tools
- Can you get demos/ run short term experiments using their platforms first (testing the waters)
- Legal providers should also have implementation expertise

# Limited tech budget

- Legal teams can be overlooked
- Challenge to justify expense for 'cost centre'
- How to prioritise amongst 'burning platforms'?

# Leverage existing tech

- Consider alternative use cases for existing tech
- Are you squeezing the most of your platforms
- E.g. Office 365 suite (what more can Outlook/Teams do for you)
- Look for quick wins first

# Perception of 'lagging behind'

- Legal is seen as a laggard
- Basis in precedence & risk adversity
- Not often prioritised in digital transformation plans

# **Ability to leap frog**

- Let others learn the lessons, then take them and leap frog
- Change doesn't always have to be A
   → B → C → D

### Overloaded with 'BAU'

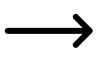
- Busy, lean legal teams can't 'stop' and focus on transformation projects
- Always competing against urgent requirements from the business

# Focus on incremental change

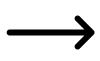
- Use agile teams and iterative development approach
- Make small changes, which can turn into big change
- Again, starts with PEOPLE and PROCESS – focus here first
- Outcome can be giving back more time for strategy

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