

# EnhancedAlliance

The business technology ecosystem

Factsheet

## Governance, Risk and Compliance

Think about it. Across your enterprise, do people see Governance, Risk and Compliance as a burden or a bonus? Do you welcome what the obligation adds to your organization – or do you regard it as a duty that just gets in the way of your real business?

**The reality for most organizations today, is that Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) remains massively fragmented – from function to function and often from location to location too. It takes time, it costs money, and all too often it fails to deliver a clear and comprehensive view of current enterprise risk. How can it, when tools, processes and control frameworks just don't join up?**

You can change the challenge of GRC from a burden to a bonus.

You will not only reduce cost and stress. You will ensure that clear, timely and actionable information is presented in a manner that helps you both anticipate and avert risk. You will also do so confident in the knowledge that your enterprise is able to track and follow complex and continuous external changes to the regulatory landscape.

You will reduce the number and gravity of incidents arising through fraud, systemic weakness or compliance failure.

And when incidents occur – as they inevitably do – you will receive the early warning and accurate information needed to ensure they are dealt with efficiently and that their impact is minimized.

### How? (Follow five fundamentals)

To achieve all this, you need to adopt a joined-up GRC platform.

When considering any move to an e-enabled GRC solution, make sure it delivers on five fundamentals.

<b>Visibility</b>	Will we gain a comprehensive view of risk exposure? GRC must integrate risk management with business process. We must be able to correlate risks and audit results with controls, objectives, processes, facilities and technologies.
<b>Collaboration</b>	Will the new solution allow us to actively boost collaboration between professionals in functions including finance and administration, operations, legal and IT? We need common access processes to consistent and validated data.
<b>Accountability</b>	Will we be able to assign accountability and authorization across the enterprise? We need to be able to manage and monitor access too.
<b>Efficiency</b>	Will we ease and accelerate compliance and reporting? We want to be able to drill through multiple information sources so that the answers to single queries can be efficiently applied to multiple regulations and frameworks.
<b>Automation</b>	Will we slash the need for manual manipulation and the associated risk of error? We want robust and automated workflows, data collection and scoring to minimize administrative overheads.

The Enhanced Alliance streamlines and optimizes your access to the combined technologies, services and expertise of its four founding members, and to RSA, the EMC security division.

Our Governance, Risk and Compliance proposition:

1. Allows you to create a seamless GRC practice without discarding viable heritage systems
2. Offers a 'design, build, operate' model for secure and sustainable adoption and trouble-free transition
3. Embeds the rules in the solution – ensuring that the right rules are in place, are maintained and followed – and that their effectiveness is measured
4. Ensures all communication, training and support needed to ensure enthusiasm and success with GRC stakeholders
5. Delivers maximum choice of management and commercial models, with delivery options ranging from point solution to fully managed business service.

# The Right Focus

Inside every organization there are four domains in which Governance, Risk and Compliance are a continuous and critical obligation. The Enhanced Alliance GRC solution comprehensively addresses them all – ensuring that each specific demand is met. It also ensures that you gain from a cross-functional view that, for most, has remained hidden until now.

Domain	GRC Management Focus	
	Domain-specific	Common
<b>Operations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Business continuity</li> <li>▶ Crisis management</li> <li>▶ Environmental health and safety</li> <li>▶ Quality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Policies</li> <li>▶ Risks</li> <li>▶ Incidents</li> <li>▶ Enterprise</li> <li>▶ Vendors</li> <li>▶ Compliance</li> <li>▶ Training and awareness</li> </ul>
<b>Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Audit</li> <li>▶ Loss event</li> </ul>	
<b>Legal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Privacy</li> <li>▶ Board and entity</li> <li>▶ CSR</li> </ul>	
<b>IT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Threat</li> <li>▶ Disaster recovery</li> </ul>	

## Exploit industry leadership

The Enhanced Alliance GRC solution is based on the industry-leading RSA Archer eGRC platform. This provides a comprehensive suite of modular tools, independently recognized by analysts for their immediate business readiness and visionary approach.

## Configure (don't code!)

The RSA Archer platform has been designed for code-free adoption. This doesn't just mean you can adopt without reliance on software engineers. It means faster and error-free adoption. Even more importantly, it allows the business and process experts within your company to shape the solution directly to your specific enterprise requirement.

# The Right Fit

The RSA Archer platform has been meticulously designed for use 'out-of-the-box'. Making sure that your organization gains maximum benefit, is about much more than acquiring a product – and this is where the Enhanced Alliance really adds value.

Atos is an experienced global systems integrator with real depth of knowledge of cyber security and of the practices and processes of the industries it serves. In helping you define your own adoption path to GRC best practice, this brings three key benefits:

1. **Continuity** – adopting a new approach to GRC must itself be risk-free. Atos business technologists are experts in ensuring continuity through periods of organizational and technology change
2. **Sector Understanding** – from manufacturing to insurance, from oil exploration to retail, Atos knows how its clients work and think. This perspective is especially pertinent in GRC
3. **Regulatory Experience** – the regulatory landscape is continually changing, from country to country, and from sector to sector. This is a world Atos knows and understands.

## Start small – think big

Big projects mean big budgets and big commitments. There are times in the history of every organization when big projects take center stage – but this does not need to be one of them.

Because the Enhanced Alliance GRC proposition is built around the RSA Archer platform, you can start with any individual module and build out as desired.

The catalyst may be a single event, which leads you to review practice in a specific area – a breach of intellectual property right leading to an examination of patent management in Legal, for example.

It could also be the need to take on board an imminent change in government or industry regulation.

Whatever the trigger, the Enhanced Alliance wants you to be able to prove the value of this approach – and then to share that demonstration of new best practice with your peers. Your success will be of particular interest to those with a professional focus on security, information management, risk, finance and audit, compliance and supply chain.

## Agility and choice

How you engage with the Enhanced Alliance team will depend very much on how your enterprise chooses to resource and fund GRC initiatives.

The Alliance can provide all skills and resources needed to conduct the initial analysis, design the adoption program, and conduct all requisite systems integration and awareness training. The customization of workflows to your organization will be key here.

At this point, we can sign over the solution to your own CIO or CTO team.

Alternatively, we can offer GRC as a fully managed business service. In this case, the commercial model will be utility-based.

Whichever choice suits you best, the Enhanced Alliance will remain close, ensuring that you benefit from continuing evolution and innovation in this critical business area.

## Next steps

We are eager to show how now is the time to transform GRC from burden to bonus. The pinpoint clarity of the Enhanced Alliance GRC digital dashboards appeals immediately to executives – expressing immediate value across all business domains.

You will be equally keen to explore ROI. This really is a case of a project or service that pays for itself by eliminating the waste incurred by supporting disparate systems. And that is before you take into account the productivity gained by eliminating time-consuming and stressful manual reporting practices.

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