

Senior Solution Architect



Purpose

The Senior Solutions Architect plays a critical role in designing and delivering enterprise level technology solutions that align with the strategic objectives of the bank. This role is responsible for supporting with the translation of complex business requirements into innovative, scalable and secure architectures, ensuring alignment with regulatory standards.

You will play a critical role in influencing the digital architectural roadmap and oversee the architectural governance across multiple projects or an entire value stream.

Role dimensions

- **Reports to:** Principal Solution Architect
- **Division:** Technology Services
- **Job family:** Architecture
- **Location:** Auckland, New Plymouth and Wellington
- **Direct Reports:** No
- **Financial Authority:** N/A

Person specifications

Education

- Bachelor's or Master's degree in Computer Science, Engineering, or a related field.

Experience

- 8+ years in solution architecture or enterprise architecture roles.
- Proven experience in modernising legacy applications.
- Strong background in cloud platforms (e.g., AWS, Azure, Microservices, APIs, and integration frameworks).
- Open Banking and BIAN experience will be beneficial.

Certifications

- TOGAF, AWS/Azure Architect, or other relevant industry certifications preferred.

Role specific areas of responsibility

- Define and maintain architectural standards, roadmaps, and frameworks and develop end-to-end solution architectures across complex technology ecosystems to translate business strategy into technology strategy and actionable architectural plans.
- Lead the design of scalable, high-performance, and secure solutions, collaborate with product, engineering, and operations teams to deliver robust solutions and ensure architecture supports business goals, system integration, and interoperability.
- Establish and enforce architectural governance processes and policies to ensure compliance with enterprise standards, security requirements, and industry best practices.
- Partner with senior stakeholders to understand business needs and provide architectural guidance.
- Communicate technical concepts clearly to non-technical audiences, including executive leadership.
- Provide expert-level guidance to solution architects and engineers across projects.
- Mentor junior architects and contribute to talent development within the architecture practice.
- Evaluate emerging technologies and recommend adoption strategies where appropriate.
- Lead technical proofs of concept (POCs) and contribute to innovation initiatives.

From time to time there may be additional activity not contained within this position description that the appointee is to complete in the interests of the appointment and their own personal development.

This position description provides a broad overview of responsibilities. The position description is a living document, and the Bank reserves the right to amend from time to time as required.