

Azure Architect - UK – JOB DESCRIPTION

Key Responsibilities

- Define and implement architecture standards, guidelines, and best practices for Azure-based integration and data solutions.
- Establish a framework for building data interfaces in Azure (covering Data Factory, Logic Apps, Functions, Event Grid, Service Bus, API Management, and Azure SQL).
- Review existing data integration solutions and optimise for performance, scalability, and maintainability.
- Work closely with permanent staff and offshore teams to ensure everyone follows standardised practices.
- Develop reusable templates and design patterns for data integration and transformation pipelines.
- Provide technical leadership and mentorship, ensuring knowledge transfer and best practice adoption.
- Collaborate with stakeholders to understand business needs and ensure solutions align with enterprise architecture.
- Implement security and compliance controls within the Azure data environment.
- Ensure documentation of architectural decisions, guidelines, and technical designs.

Required Skills & Experience

Technical Skills

- Extensive experience in Azure architecture, particularly in data integration, application integration, and cloud-based solutions.
- Strong expertise in Azure Integration Services:
 - o Azure Data Factory (ETL & data pipelines)
 - o Azure Logic Apps (workflow automation)
 - o Azure Functions
 - o Azure API Management
 - o Azure Event Grid & Service Bus
 - o Azure SQL Database (data storage & processing)
- Experience with Azure DevOps, CI/CD pipelines, and Infrastructure as Code (ARM).

- Strong understanding of security best practices, including Azure AD, Managed Identities, RBAC, and encryption.
- Experience in designing scalable, high-availability, and cost-optimized solutions.
- Knowledge of API design principles and RESTful APIs.

Soft Skills & Leadership

- Proven ability to set up governance, standards, and best practices for a multi-team Azure environment.
- Experience in guiding and mentoring teams with different levels of Azure expertise.
- Strong communication skills, able to engage with both technical teams and senior stakeholders.
- Ability to balance hands-on technical work with strategic architectural decisions.
- Experience working in agile environments, preferably SAFe Agile.

Regards

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