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# **Business Processes and Their Context**



#### **Process Maps**



- Process maps give an overview of the business processes on a high level of abstraction
- Each element of a process maps represents a business process
- Process maps represent relationships between processes
  - grouping processes
  - logical ordering (e.g. procurement  $\rightarrow$  production  $\rightarrow$  sales)
- But: process maps do not represent control flow, i.e. a predecessor does not necessarily trigger ist successor

## **Hierarchical Process Maps**



- Process maps can be organized hierarchically.
   An element either represents
  - another set of processes (i.e. a process map)
  - a business process
    (e.g. in BPMN)

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## **Hierarchical Process Maps**

Another represention for process hierachies.



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## **Model Types for Process Map**

The process map can be modeled with a special modeol type or as a view in ArchiMate





#### **References in BPMN**

- Process models represent the flow of work.
- Processes are related to other aspects of business
- These are represented by references to other models.



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# **Relationships from and to Business Process Diagrams**

There are two kinds of relations from/to BPMN

- Relations to process models as a whole from
  - Process maps
  - Architecture model (ArchiMate)
- Relations from process elements to elements in other models
  - data objects in document models and data models
  - organisation units or roles in organisation models
  - products in product models
  - applications and application services in IT models
  - business rules

## **References in BPMN**

There are two important references from BPMN

- Data objects can represent different kinds of data
  - Structured data
  - Documents
  - Data store (applications)
- Lanes and pools represent active elements
  - Organisation units
  - Roles
  - People
  - Applications

Data, organisation and applications are modeled in their own models; their elements can be referenced from BPMN

data/document

organisation

application

model

model

model