

# Enhance your data lake with comprehensive data governance to improve adoption and meet compliance needs

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## But, What Is Metadata?



- Fast Food
- Savory
- 750 calories
- \$5

- McDonald's
- Uber Eats

- Carrot sticks
- Chocolate Milkshake

# Agenda

- Why is metadata important?
- Conceptual analytics workflow
- Reference architecture for metadata management



# Types of Metadata

## **Technical** (Definitional)

- Schemas
- Data types
- Data models
- Configurations
- Functions

## **Operational** (Descriptive)

- Output from processes
- ETL or actions on data
- Data lineage
- Data provenance (reproducibility)
- Performance

## **Business** (Descriptive)

- Ontology — classify and tag data
- Metadata mapped to business relationships
- Multiple data sources to the LOB

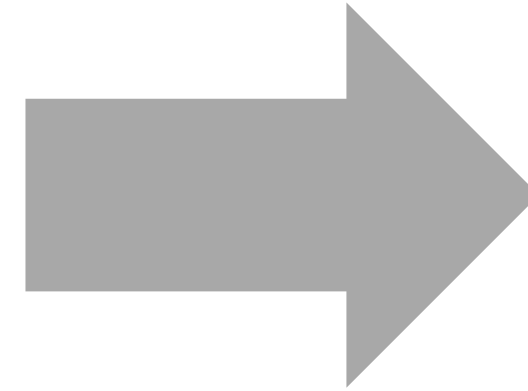
## **Social** (Descriptive)

- Metadata about party data relationships
- User-generated content
- Tribal knowledge

# It's a Regulated World ... We Just Live in It!

## Your customers may:

- Demand to "**clearly**" see information collected about them (in 30 days)
- Change their "**consent**"
- Ask to be "**forgotten**"
- Invoke data **portability** option



## Your architecture must:

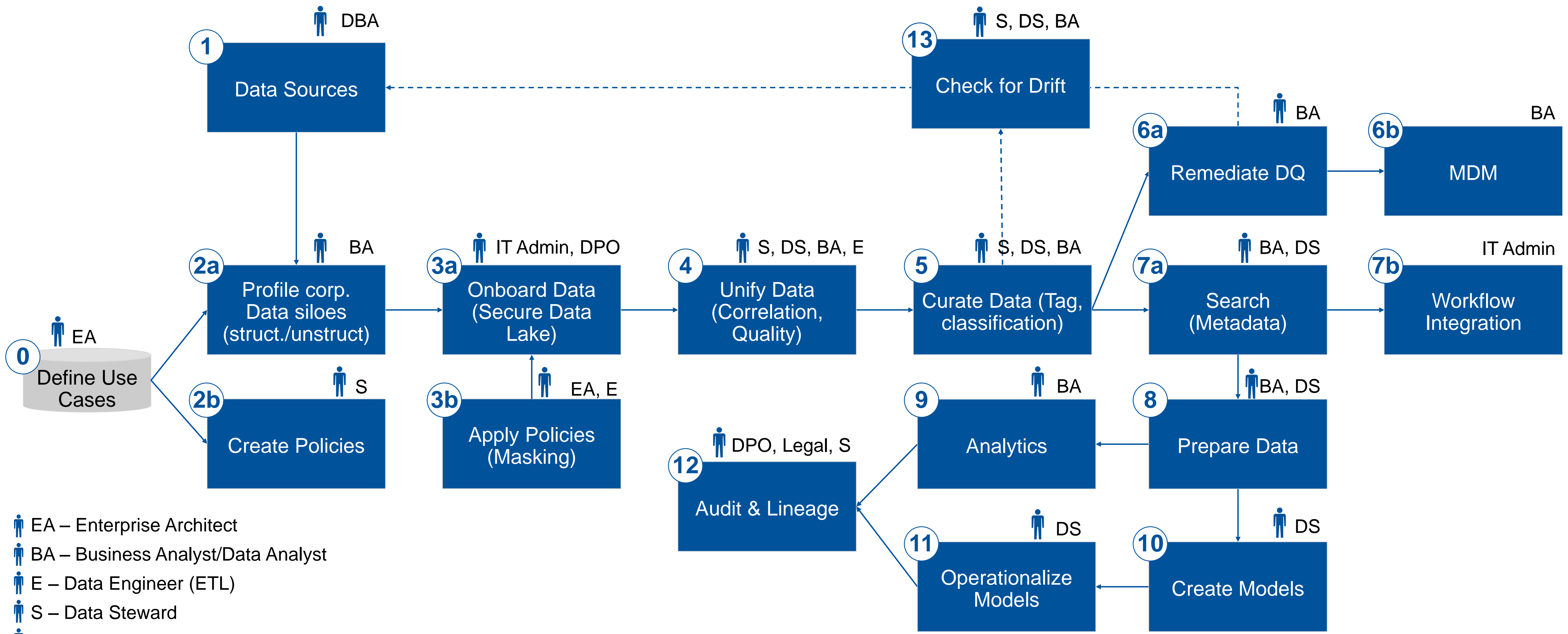
- Be **designed** with security
- **Match** and **merge** identities
- Display end-to-end **lineage** and establish provenance
- **Reproduce** pipeline processes

# Metadata Management Is a Business — IT Joint Effort

Good news: Business and IT are now completely aligned



# Metadata Glues Together Analytics Workflow



- EA – Enterprise Architect
- BA – Business Analyst/Data Analyst
- E – Data Engineer (ETL)
- S – Data Steward
- DS – Data Scientist
- DBA – Database Administrator
- DPO – Data Protection Officer



# Data Catalog — Index and Search Metadata

## Capabilities of a Data Catalog Solution



Curate inventory of information assets



Collaborate for accountability and governance



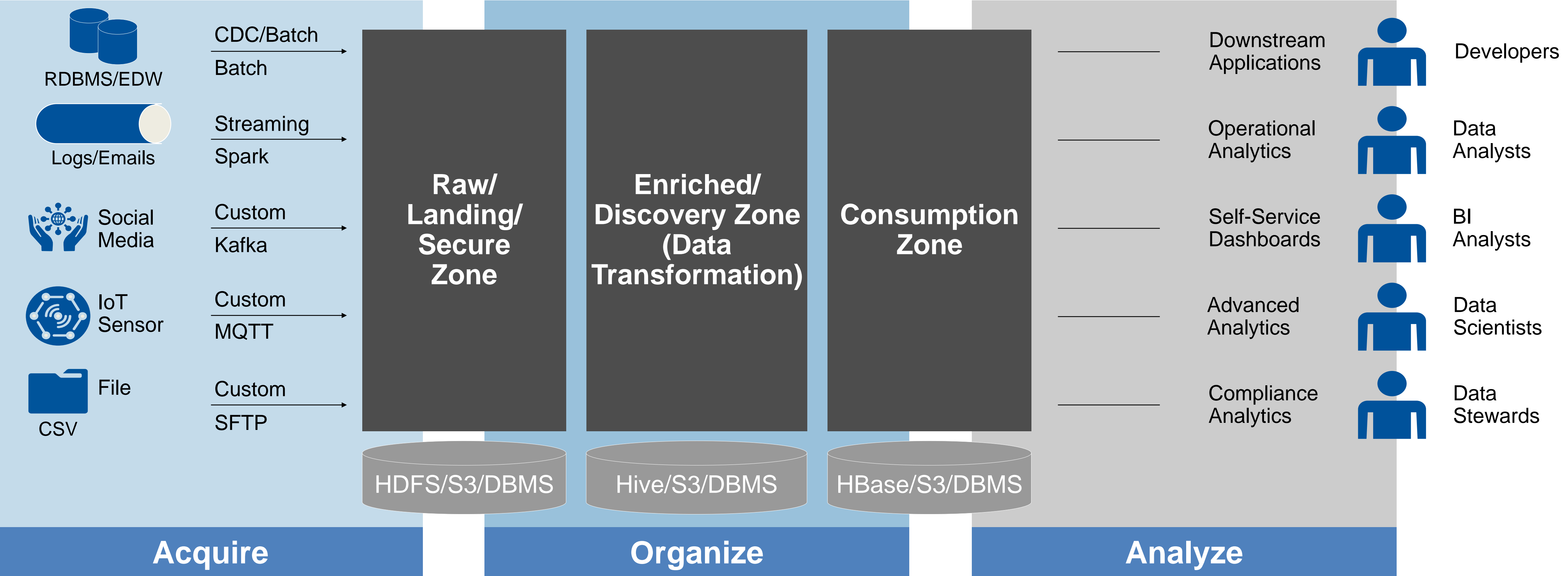
Communicate shared semantic meaning

**Facilitate, Broker, Enable, Share, Orchestrate**

Source: ["Data Catalogs Are the New Black in Data Management and Analytics."](#) (G00338777)

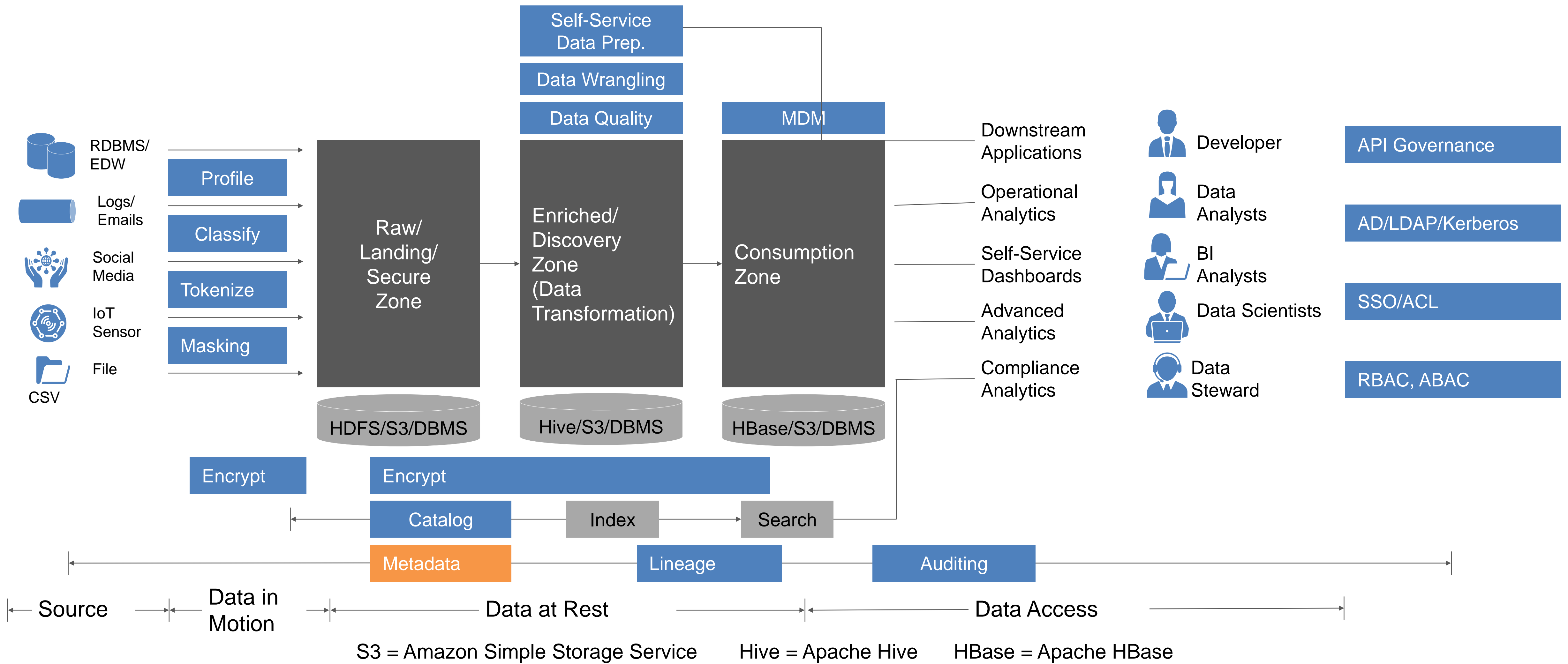
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Source: ["Applying Effective Data Governance to Secure Your Data Lake,"](#) (G00346975)

# Unified Data Governance Reference Architecture



# Recommendations

- ✓ Invest early in metadata management, preferably under the leadership of the CDO or similar
- ✓ Begin data governance journey at the POC stage. Don't make it an afterthought
- ✓ Maintain focus on improving data quality
- ✓ Start with the use case driving greatest business value and demand
- ✓ Add other use cases over time and across initiatives