

The Architecture Integration and Management Division (AIMD), Army Capabilities Integration Center (ARCIC), Training and Doctrine Command, introduction of The Capability Architecture Development and Integration Environment (CADIE) into the Army is fundamentally changing the Army's architecture business process model. In an era where cylinders of excellence flourish, CADIE is both the unifying strategy and the change agent that is successfully merging the operating and generating force architecture communities. AIMD's goal is to ensure architecture development is both relevant and affordable. In full partnership with the Army's Chief Information Officer and the DOD Global Information Grid (GIG) Architecture Federation Strategy. Architecture data derived from CADIE is used extensively by the Army's senior leadership to determine Program Objective Memorandum requirements, DOTMLPF solutions and capability portfolio development. CADIE is enabling DoD's net-centric vision within the Army by ensuring architecture data is visible, accessible, understandable, trusted, interoperable, and responsive, and institutionalized across the Army, DoD, Joint and Interagency partners.

The Architecture Integration and Management Division continues to explore and exploit advanced tools and methodologies to further enable this concept and represents a model to emulate. It is absolutely unprecedented in the Army for architecture to assume such a visible and contributing role. Assess to Iraq and Afghanistan by architects is becoming the norm versus the exception because of the ability to rapidly access data and answer the questions being posed by the war fighters on the ground. Architecture is now being used to inform trades and isolate capability gaps, thereby insuring resource informed, integration focused and outcome based solutions. Most important, the Soldier is the centerpiece of AIMD's architecture efforts.