Contracts are the lifeblood of a corporation and should be an essential part of any corporate data management program.

Yet many corporations do not know how many contracts they have, where they are located, what rights and obligations they create or how to track and manage them. With regulatory pressures growing, data privacy and security pressures mounting and change of control events ever-present, today’s corporations need a contract universe that is organized, accessible, properly preserved and able to be analyzed quickly in response to data requests.

**THE CONTRACT LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT**

To help corporations take the first step toward organizing their contracts, FTI Technology offers a Contract Lifecycle Management (CLM) assessment, which is designed to evaluate the company’s contract management process across eight crucial areas including:

- Governance
- Policies and Standards
- Process Execution
- Drafting and Negotiation
- Third Party Management
- Storage and Retention
- Compliance and Response
- Optimization

In performing CLM Assessments FTI utilizes Information Governance best practices from leading organizations such as the Compliance, Governance & Oversight Council (CGOC) and the Information Governance Reference Model (IGRM) along with relevant expertise from its Contract Intelligence practice to assess the maturity level of the corporation’s people, process and systems/technology involved with contract management. The assessment’s goal is to help clients reduce risk and recognize the value inherent in these crucial contract documents.

The assessment deliverable is a highly customized report regarding the organization’s unique contract processes including:

- Current State and Findings
- Gap Analysis and Maturity
- Recommendations and Roadmap

**COMMON CORPORATE CONTRACT LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

- Have centralized contract storage, but it is not being used consistently
- Different business units use different systems and/or protocols for contract management
- Multiple acquisitions have resulted in disparate and non-unified contract populations
- Contract universe is not searchable and analysis across contracts is either not possible or not enabled by data practices
- Poor contract retention practices fail to capture amendments and result in broken document families
- Contracting standards and principles exist, but they are not enforced
POST ASSESSMENT SERVICES

After the assessment, should the organization want to implement recommended solutions, FTI Technology can help. Using tested methodologies, the team can support clients to enact and enforce CLM policy, develop CLM processes, select and implement CLM technology and systems, perform contract analysis and review and train essential personnel.

Post-CLM Assessment services and deliverables may include:

- Third Party Contracts Risk Report
- Current Contracts and Custodians Map
- Contracting Process Assessment and Scoring
- Contract Data Assessment and Implementation
- Contracts Inventory Report
- Contracts Risk Report
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- Contracts Inventory Report
- Contracts Risk Report

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