IBM BPM for SAP

Improve SAP Value with IBM BPM Capabilities

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Agenda

- Challenges of an SAP only environment
- Introduction of IBM BPM
- IBM BPM for SAP Capabilities
  - Process Discovery and Monitoring
  - Process Blueprinting
  - Guided Workflow
  - Process Integration and Orchestration
  - Process and Decision Automation
- The Third Way – Combining SAP with IBM BPM
Integrated Business Applications Deliver Strong Value

…and SAP is the best

- Improve alignment of strategies and operations
- Improve productivity and insight
- Reduce costs
- Support changing industry requirements
- Reduce risk
- Improve financial management and corporate governance
- Optimize IT spending
- Gain higher ROI faster
- Retain top performers
- Provide immediate access to enterprise information
- Give employees new ways to access the enterprise information required for their daily activities.

SAP customers excel by taking advantage of SAP’s industry-specific knowledge, best practices and standardized processes – all codified into the world’s leading integrated application platform.
Business Process Management and (SAP-) Enterprise Applications

Source:

Unstructured

Documents, Spreadsheets, presentations

eMail

IM

~30%

Unstructured Collaboration

Most work in companies takes place through informal, unstructured communication using these simple mechanisms.

Loosely Structured

Processes automated and supported through BPM

BPM allows processes to be designed, managed, and automated in a flexible manner.

~45%

Highly Structured

Enterprise Applications

Enterprise applications automate transactions and structured processes that can be configured.

~25%
But SAP Implementations Often Have Process Management Issues

Most SAP implementation documentation is static and does not reflect the processes actually being used.

...much customization is often required.

Most SAP processes rely on human compliance with process documentation...

...making it difficult to migrate to future releases.

SOLUTION IMPLEMENTATION
SAP CONFIGURATION
With This Approach, How Can You?....

- Quickly know the status of key processes?
- Ensure that the process you designed is the process that is being executed?
- Get real-time visibility into where workload or other bottlenecks are causing business issues?
- Effectively reroute work to less experienced workers to reduce bottlenecks?
- Know which process changes are most likely to help improve business performance?
- Quickly rollout SAP process changes?
- Quickly integrate new process workers into your business?

Many SAP customers attempt to address these issues with customization.
IBM BPM Overview

*The Picture is Your Process*

- BPM provides innovative tooling to **capture, understand, document, collaborate, and optimize** ANY business process causing the most pain, or needing the most visibility.
- BPM projects **do not require disruptive multi-year investments**.
- IBM BPM allows you to create process models that **execute the process** while capturing process metrics and key business data for **improved visibility and control**.

The picture IS your SAP process…

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*Draw a picture, create a smarter process.*

“Within the first few hours of the first day, you can run a meaningful process - enabling direct process and decision management by business users.”

Schedule a live custom demo.
IBM BPM Brings Order to the Chaos

1. Automate workflow & decision making
2. Reduce errors and improve consistency
3. Standardize resolution across geographies
4. Leverage existing systems and data
5. Monitor for business events and initiate actions
6. Real-time visibility and process control

Customer Benefits:
- Huge Reduction in Manual Work, Errors
- Faster, More Consistent Issue Resolution
- Easier to Manage the Business
- Consistent Case Handling
IBM BPM V8 Integrates Seamlessly with SAP

Orchestrate SAP Services

Monitor SAP Business Events

Retrieve Enterprise Service Definitions

Download processes from Solution Manager

Upload processes to Solution Manager
IBM BPM for SAP Capabilities

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Process Documentation Is Usually Outdated – so what process is really executed?

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Without insight into the ‘real’ SAP processes being used in production, it is very difficult to initiate and build an effective process innovation program or to migrate to a newer SAP release.
Event-Based Business Monitoring Can Be Used to Uncover the ‘Real’ SAP Processes

A list of detailed business events, describing what was actually done by the user:

- Customer displayed (VD03)
- Customer changed (VD04)
- Sales order created (VA01)
- Sales order modified (VA02)
- Pricing Maintained (V0K0)
- Sales order modified (VA02)
- Notification previewed (IW22)
- Order BPM cost estimated created (CK51N)
- Sales order modified (VA02)
- Customer displayed (VD03)

SAP can create and publish the business events needed to discover the actual business processes in production

Which could be analyzed offline by a data analyst or process specialist to discovery real process structures.
IBM Business Monitor Provides Easy to Use SAP Process Discovery

- View SAP transactions as processes
  - Each transaction has a monitoring context and a set of metrics associated with it
  - Build a global monitoring context
  - If necessary link the monitoring contexts to create a chain of monitoring contexts
  - Create ‘shadow process’ views of SAP Business Events

- Completely non-intrusive to SAP – simply turn on the SAP Business Events needed

- Automatically create a process view of any SAP Business Event(s) to:
  - Understand the actual SAP processes being used in production
  - Prepare for process innovation
  - Detect business challenges as they happen

All without disrupting your SAP environment! (and no custom coding)
IBM Business Monitor - Powerful BAM and Real-Time Reporting for SAP

- Monitor metrics, business situations, and events in real-time
- User customizable dashboards to ensure targeted, relevant information
- Feed and correlate alerts with business event processing for enhanced pattern visibility
- Interact directly with processes in real-time
- Predict future values of KPIs based on historic and cyclic trends
- Trigger alerts when predicted values indicate a problem detection

- Identify trends, forecast events, make smart choices
- Understand up-to-minute business performance by monitoring KPIs
- Detect, respond rapidly to change
- Continuously improve key business processes
- Customize dashboards easily
- Rebalance human workload on the fly
- Leverage mobile devices
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Traditional SAP Implementation Approach

- Most SAP implementations follow a typical waterfall approach
  - Goal setting
  - Analysis
  - Design
  - Test
  - Deployment

- SAP maintains their process flows in Solution Manager, *(documentation only)*

- SAP Process Library
- Process Analysis
- SAP Process Blueprinting *(PowerPoint, Visio, Excel, Aris)*
- SAP Solution Manager
- Configure
- Customize

- Most SAP customers use *general purpose documentation tools* such as Office or Visio

- Some leverage Aris or another documentation-centric *modeling tool*

- These tools encourage:
  - Documentation-centric SAP implementations
  - A waterfall approach filled with risk and multiple delay points
  - Lengthy ‘analysis paralysis’
But With IBM BPM 8.0

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All in one tool – analysis through execution through improvement
So SAP Processes Can Be Played Back At Any Time
Regardless of their definition maturity

- Start by importing SAP or IBM best practice libraries
- Playback any process from the design environment – regardless of the level of detail and completion
- Include real screens, mockups or images
- Clarify roles, process steps, flow, KPIs, SLAs and reporting
- Even process skeletons can be executed
  - Process execution is logged
  - All process performance parameters are visible
  - KPIs are calculated and displayed in real time
Design SAP Processes Experientially

- Playbacks allow each **stakeholder to participate DIRECTLY** in the blueprinting process

- The **ability to see, feel and touch** the process as it’s executing:
  - Delivers a richer, superior design experience
  - Allows a broader range of participants
  - Allows stakeholders to participate as their schedule permits
  - Encourages an iterative approach
  - Decreases the time required to blueprint a process
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Workflow in the Traditional SAP Implementation

- Process designers create SAP documentation (paper, Word, HTML, etc.)
- Users are trained in how to use the SAP process documents
- Some users comply with the process as designed, others create their own
- Training time for new users is often lengthy
- Difficult to move users from task to task, even in the same department
- Little to no visibility of backlogs, bottlenecks, poor throughput and other process issues
IBM BPM Can Deliver Guided Workflow for SAP

Invoke the correct SAP transaction sequence for each process instance, while gaining real time insight into business performance issues and opportunities.
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Use IBM BPM V8 to Orchestrate SAP

- Guided Workflow Management for SAP
  - Express, Standard or Advanced (BPMN)
- Process Orchestration and/or Automation with BAPIs
  - Advanced (BPEL)
- Process Orchestration and/or Automation with SAP Enterprise Services
  - Advanced (BPEL)
Easily Encapsulate and Bind SAP Enterprise Services

IBM BPM simplifies usage of SAP Enterprise Services so that they can easily be used by process designers with knowing the complex technical details of the SAP service itself.

Create Sales Order
(synchronous inbound service operation (A2X))

Encapsulated with SCA
Bound per technical environment standards
Ready for drag and drop into the Process Designer
Drag and Drop SAP Enterprise Services Into the Process Model

- Allows process designers with no technical knowledge of SAP Enterprise Services to use them in process diagrams
- Simplifies all process interactions with the SAP environment
- Streamlines process design
- Eliminates complex coding for SAP interfaces
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Simplify Complex SAP Transaction Flows with Simpler User Interactions and Process Flexibility

- Replace complex flows of multiple SAP transactions with highly efficient single screens
- Simplify work content
- Reduce process cycle times and errors
- Improve business performance

.....With

**IBM Business Process Manager**

- **Select Customer**
  - IBM BPM SAP Integration Module
- **Retrieve Customer Master Data**
  - IBM BPM SAP Integration Module
- **Single Optimized Order Entry Screen**
- **Create Sales Order**
  - IBM BPM SAP Integration Module
- **Create Order BOM Cost Estimate**
  - IBM BPM SAP Integration Module
- **Create Notification**
  - IBM BPM SAP Integration Module
Completely Automate User Interactions

Supplement…

...With

Use the same or similar set of SAP Enterprise Service calls used for user interfaces to accomplish process automation.
Business Prozess Management – The Third Way

Process-improvement requirements are likely to be unique, which favors build rather than buy. And the timeframes and costs of both are often not compatible with process improvement, so a ‘third way’ is required.
Value Summary of IBM BPM for SAP

- **Quickly:**
  - Know the flow and status of key processes
  - Rollout SAP process changes
  - Integrate new process workers into your business
- Ensure that the process you designed is the process that is being executed
- Detect and resolve bottlenecks
  - Effectively reroute work to less experienced workers to reduce bottlenecks
  - Automatically escalate problem process instances
  - Modify queued and running processes on the fly to respond to changing business conditions
- Apply the correct amount of process integration and automation
- Know which process changes are most likely to help improve business performance

- **Business Performance**
- **Agility**
- **Flexibility**
- **Visibility**
- **Variability**
- **Manageability**
- **Audit ability**
- **Consistency**

*Improve the quality, visibility and agility of your SAP processes in order to deliver an exceptional customer experience, reduce costs and optimize business performance.*
Thank you!