

How TraceLink Supply Network Orchestration Supports SAP ECC to S/4HANA Migration



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UNDERSTAND YOUR CURRENT LANDSCAPE

Have a comprehensive understanding of the current landscape and the impact the upgrade will have on the current capabilities and interfaces. Consider support from 3rd party systems and any upgrades that may be needed on their side.



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INVEST IN YOUR DATA QUALITY

This migration is the perfect opportunity to recalibrate the quality of your data. Ensure data quality by cleansing, de-duplicating, and validating your data before migration.

Inaccurate or incomplete data can lead to problems down the line. Consider data archiving if possible.



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ENSURE A COMPREHENSIVE PMO

Multiple initiatives may be competing for the same resources in your organization. It's necessary to have a PMO that oversees not just the upgrade project but the integration with other projects or programs in flight.



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CONSIDER CHANGE MANAGEMENT NEEDS

Involve all key stakeholders in the change initiative as early as possible. Identify change champions that disseminate the message top-down.



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IDENTIFY YOUR MIGRATION AND UPGRADE OBJECTIVES

Determine which parts of your SAP landscape should be migrated as-is, which should be re-implemented, and which should be replaced. This needs to include code remediation.



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ENGAGE YOUR SECURITY TEAM EARLY

Your security design will change in S/4HANA due to the additional layer of security invoked by Fiori. Your security specialist needs to be involved as soon as possible.



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KEY CONSIDERATIONS

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BUSINESS DRIVERS

- Draw the organization away from the mindset of “needing to migrate”

ORG. IMPACTS


- Consider the amount of change the organization is capable of digesting
- Address the biggest challenges within departments to ensure the business sees the value

VALUE REALIZATION

- Consider the pros and cons of different implementation approaches, sequencing of business units/geographies/functional areas
- Take into account items such as business urgency, sequencing, readiness, etc.
- Evaluate financial and operational metrics to align around the right approach
- Differentiate global and local requirements; be different where it makes a difference

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While driven by technology, this is a strategic upgrade above all else.

Align parallel solutions with your S/4 migration to maximize value and minimize interruptions to your business.

- * Lead with transformation enablement
- * Define key business challenges to resolve across the digital enterprise
- * Design global standardization of processes in parallel with other solutions

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Supply chain transparency is an enterprise effort with enterprise-wide returns.

