



POWER TO THE FINANCE PEOPLE

Simplify the transformation of your business for the digital age

FAIL TO PREPARE.....PREPARE TO FAIL

Benjamin Franklin



A man with a beard and a blue jacket is working on a server rack. He is using a pair of red-handled pliers to work on a component. The server rack is filled with various components, including circuit boards, capacitors, and heat sinks. The lighting is dim, with a blue tint, and the background is dark. The text "SITUATION HANDLING" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font across the center of the image.

SITUATION HANDLING

Situation Handling in SAP S/4HANA Cloud

Proactive embedded **detection** of business situations that require attention, notifying the **correct expert** where action is needed, and guides the user through the **resolution process** freeing up time to focus on higher value tasks.

SAP Standard Situations

Rapid value based on common challenges

Extended Situations

A framework to support additional or customer specific challenges

Informs the right user

With responsibility management

SAP's Intelligent Technologies supporting the oCFO

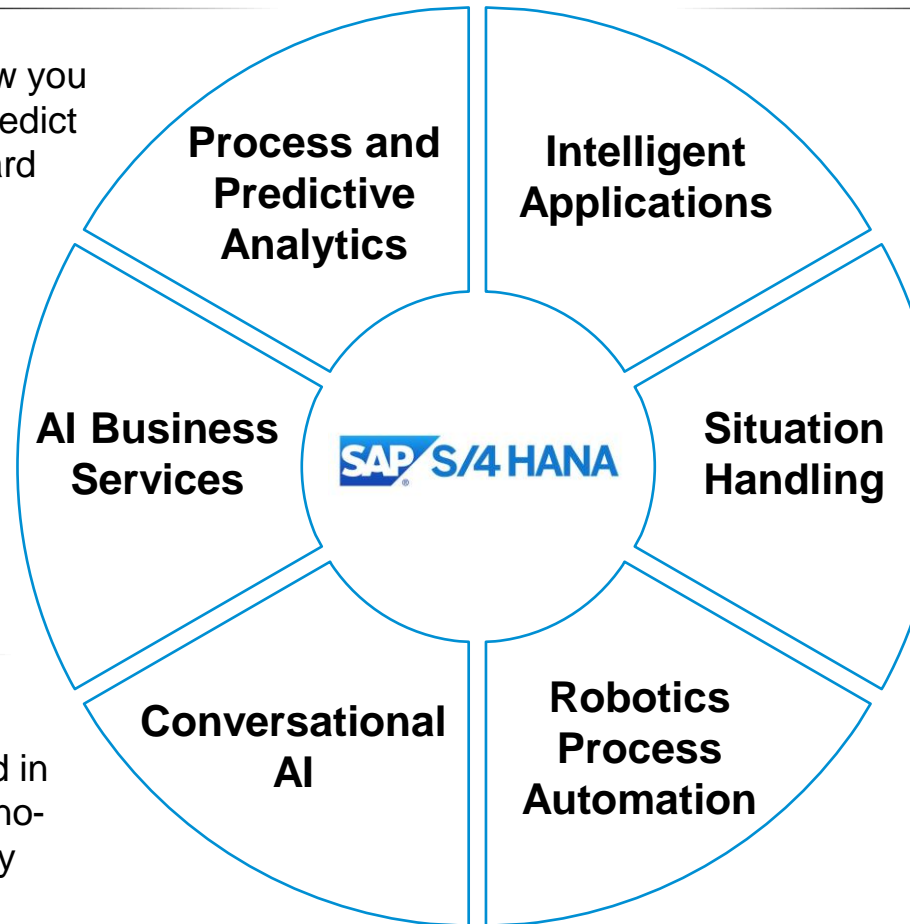
Holistic automation along the E2E processes



SAP Analytics Cloud and SAP Signavio allow you to identify sweet spots for automation and predict future results. All solutions come with standard extractors and out-of-the-box integration

SAP AI Business Services provide generic machine learning capabilities that can be easily consumed by various applications and allow you to build your own scenarios in SAP and non-SAP environments

Allows you to provide outstanding customer and employee experiences and take the lead in the conversation-driven economy. A simple no-code studio environment allows you to simply build and deploy your own scenarios



Ready-to-use intelligent applications that natively inject intelligence into core finance processes. They focus on automating a particular process or part of a process and are seamlessly integrated into the processes.

Situation Handling is a native feature of SAP S/4HANA Cloud which automatically detects and tracks issues requiring attention. Business users can easily configure their own situations, trigger alerts, or actions.

You can build and orchestrate your own bots which can accelerate the process automation. In addition, SAP delivers a large set of free, best-practices examples for rapid adoption.



A hand is shown placing a wooden block on top of the fourth bar of a bar chart. The chart has five bars of increasing height. The background is a solid blue color.

**DO YOU WANT TO RESOLVE ISSUES FASTER &
SMARTER?**

**DO YOU WANT TO:
AVOID EXCEEDING BUDGETS
PREVENT MISSING APPROVALS
BE INFORMED OF PENDING CONFIRMATIONS
UNDERSTAND NEARING DEADLINES
BE ALERTED TO EXPIRING CONTRACTS**

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**Invoices skipped in the payment advice.**

The payment advice may not cover one or more unpaid invoices for substantial amounts that were submitted during the same time period as the rest ...

Situation created 3 weeks ago

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The Future of Buying: Personalization, Predictive Recommendations, and Sustainability Awareness

The new buying 360 capability adds new services that help make purchas...

13 hours ago



**SAP Cash Application with
Payment Advice Extraction**
Processes and Flows



**Situations Handling in
Invoice Skipped on P
Advice**
Processes and Flows



Business catalogs and groups
Business Catalogs and Groups

By Date

By Type

By Priority

**Invoices skipped in the payment advice.**

One or more unpaid invoices for substantial amounts might have been skipped in payment advice 1223051609105549.

7 days ago

**Invoices skipped in the payment advice.**

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15 days ago

**Invoices skipped in the payment advice.**

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18 days ago

**Please review the bank accounts that are assigned to you in review request 000000000744.**

19 days ago

**Invoices skipped in the payment advice.**

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21 days ago

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Payment Advices (1) | Standard ▾

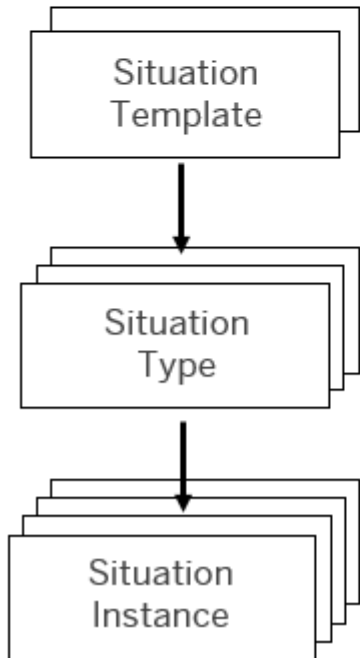
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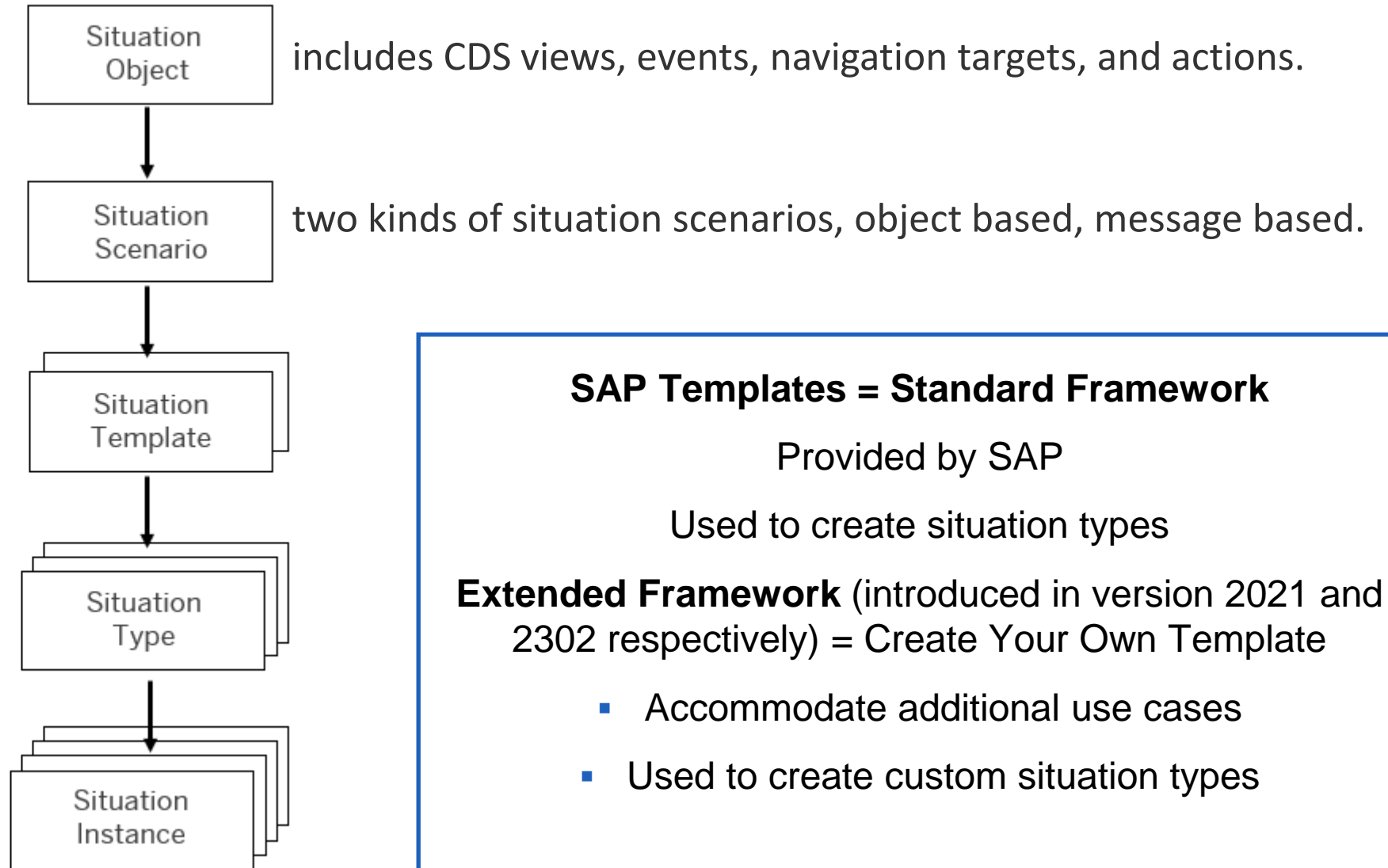
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Situation Templates & Types in SAP S/4HANA Cloud

Standard Framework



Extended Framework



SAP Templates = Standard Framework

Provided by SAP

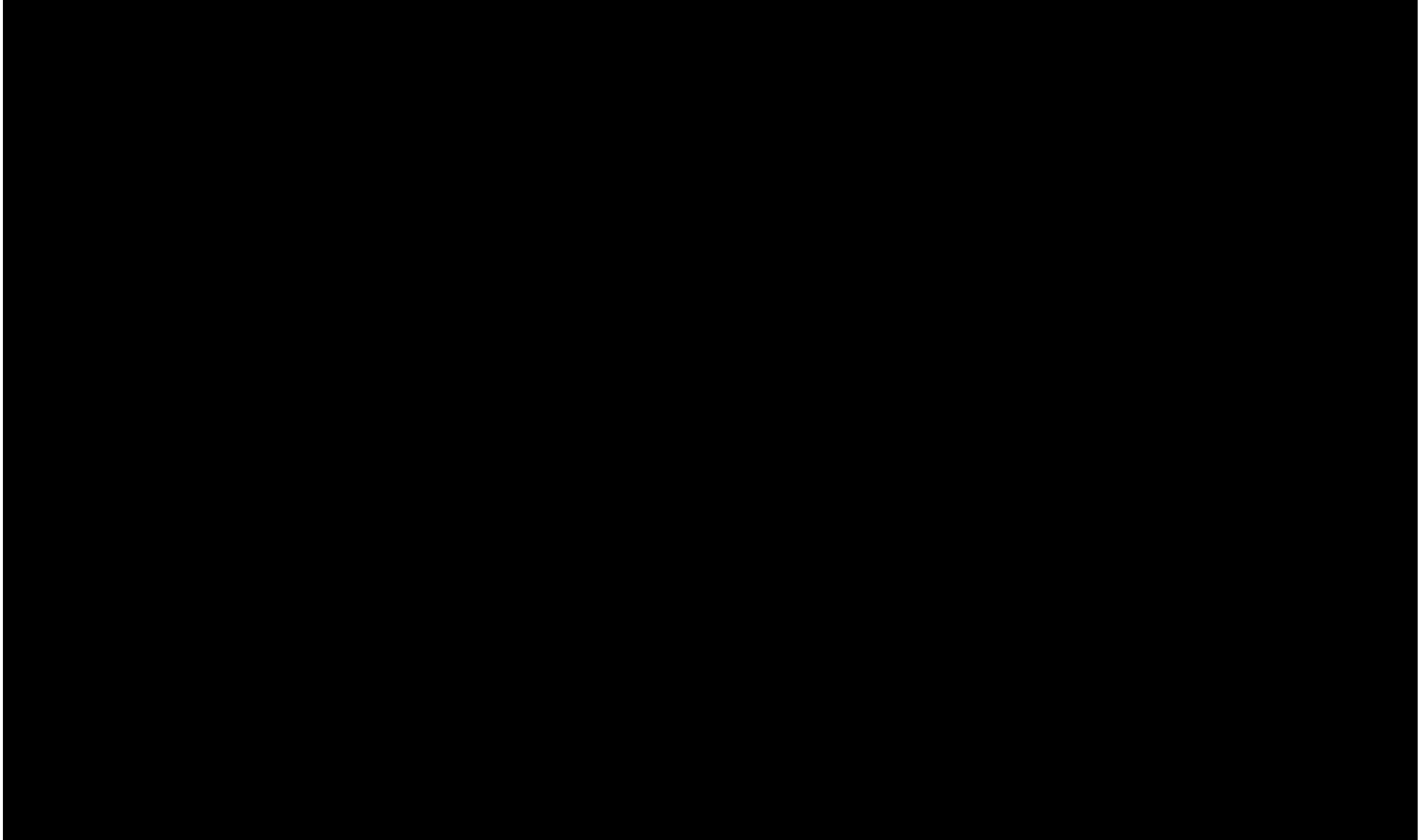
Used to create situation types

Extended Framework (introduced in version 2021 and 2302 respectively) = Create Your Own Template

- Accommodate additional use cases
- Used to create custom situation types



Standard Situation Template Example





Extended Framework Example

My Apps

BestRun grocer commits to HFC Free Stores
BestRun grocer commits to HFC Free Stores

Cash Flow Analyzer

Foreign Exchange Overview

Market Data Overview

Automatic Situation Resolution

Intelligent Situation Automation

Situation Handling also supports the automatic resolution of situations.

For this purpose there is a standard extension, the Intelligent Situation Automation service.

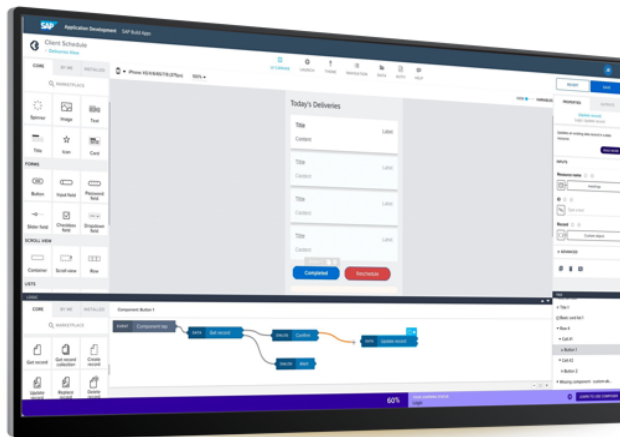
This service is available on SAP Business Technology Platform (BTP).

A business rules based service to resolve situations occurring in SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

SAP Build

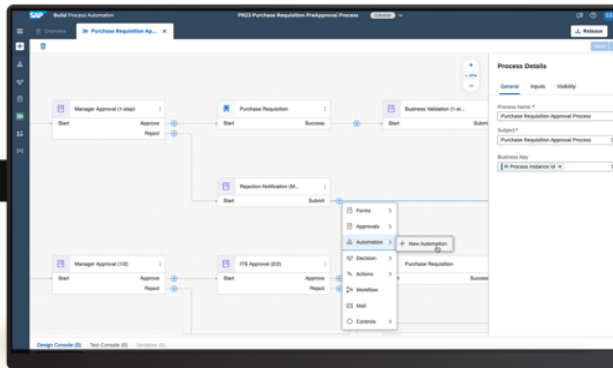
Create and augment enterprise apps, automate processes, and design business sites, all visually

Compose apps



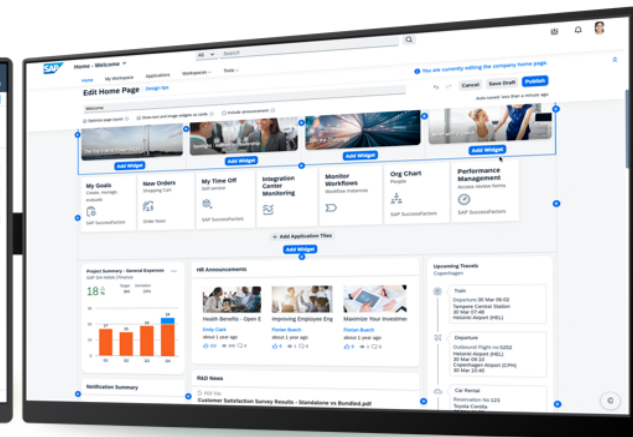
SAP Build Apps

Automate processes



SAP Build Process Automation

Design business sites



SAP Build Work Zone

Build Visually
Integrate Seamlessly
Collaborate Securely

SAP Business Technology Platform

The Value of BTP for Finance

Create interactive forms

Create form-based workflows using drag-and-drop functionality and connected data sources.

Digitize processes

Build or adapt end-to-end processes with an intuitive, connected graphical interface to maximize efficiency across your organization.

Build and run automations

Automate repetitive tasks within existing process flows using robotic process automation.

Manage decisions

Develop and manage the decision logic in tabular, spreadsheet-like decision tables.

Achieve end-to-end process visibility

Support real-time, event-driven transparency into comprehensive processes and process instances with process-visibility dashboards.



Capital Expenditure Approval Overview Page – Process

Capital Expenditure Approval Process

Manage Capital Expenditure across line of business units to get required approvals in a transparent way.

Add To WorkSpace

Mark As favourite

Overview

Artifacts

Documents

Process

Capital Expenditure

Capital Expenditure Approval Process

Version 2008 (3.0.0)

Visibility Scenario

Capital Expenditure Approval

Live Process dashboard to analyze the Capital Expenditure Process

Version 2008 (3.0.0)

Decision

Policies for capital expenditure approval

This project contains all the decisions and policies relevant for the capital expenditure approval process.

Version 2008 (3.0.0)

FEEDBACK

Capital Expenditure Approval Overview Page – Process

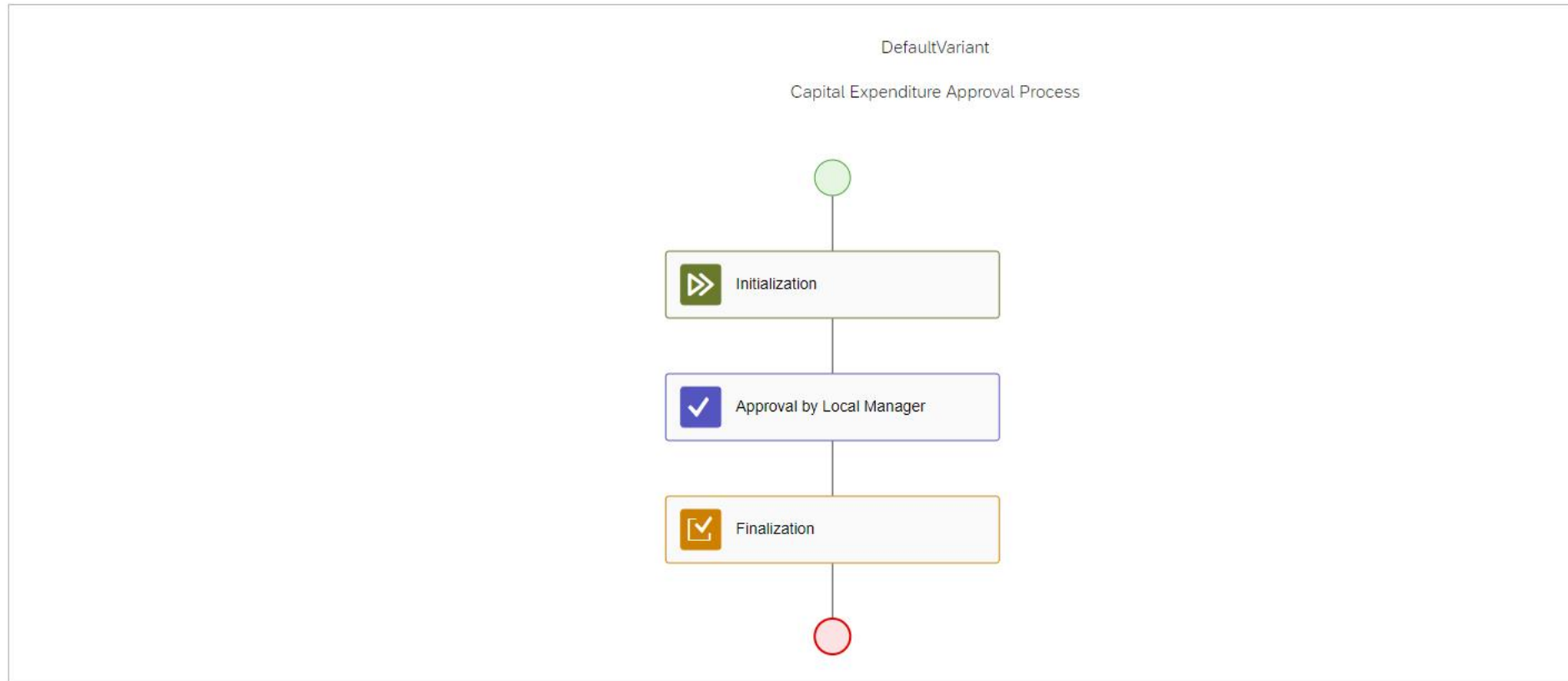
/ Capital Expenditure Approval Process

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Capital Expenditure Approval Process

Process Variants

Process variants are modeled based on the process steps as per the business requirement.



Capital Expenditure Approval Overview Page – Request Form

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Capex Request Form

Please provide the following details to start the process

Investment Requester

First Name * ?

Last Name * ?

Email Address * ?

User ID * ?

Comment From Requester

Investment Details

Request ID *

Capital Expenditure Approval Overview Page – Request Form Approval

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Please Approve the Request FormReq20220811_1
bbest Medium

PR 10045678 Created
bbest Medium

Please Approve the Request FormRequestID-001
sb-clone-0b9866cb-... Medium

Please Approve the Request FormX123410thAug
chinmaya.gorachan... Medium

Invoice Approved 174221
bbest Medium

Please approve the form for invoice 174221
bbest Medium

Please approve the form for

CAPEX request approval form - LM

Capex Request Approval Form

Capex Request Details

Investment Requester

First Name
Barry

Last Name
Best

Email Address
barry.best@demo.cloud.sap

User ID
P00123

Comment From Requester
Please approve this expense for a marketing campaign

Investment Details

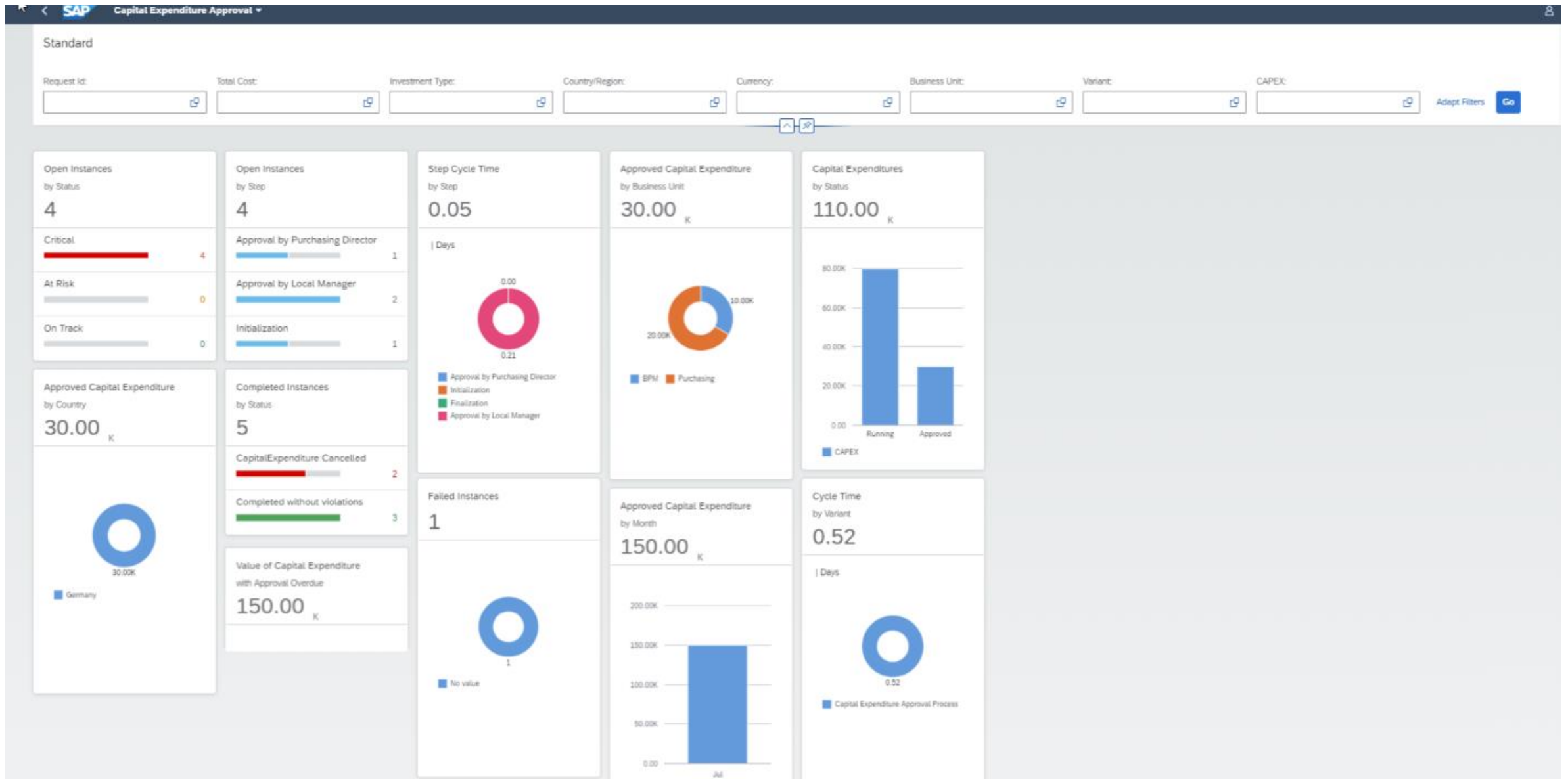
Request ID
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Title
Marketing Campaign

Type
Software

Country
Germany

Capital Expenditure Approval Overview Page – Monitoring Progress



BTP – Where to start?

The screenshot shows a web browser with the URL learning.sap.com/products/sap-build/process-automation in the address bar. The page features the SAP Learning header with navigation links: Learn, Get certified, My learning, and Explore SAP. The main heading is "Discover SAP Build Process Automation missions". Below this, there are three mission cards, each with a "SAP Discovery Center" link icon. The third card, "Optimize capital expenditure approvals for greater efficiency (cloud.sap)", is highlighted with a red border.

Discover SAP Build Process Automation missions

SAP Discovery Center

Automate Document Centric Approval Processes (cloud.sap)

Learn how to automate document centric approval processes and their extended functions such as attach documents and configure multiple approval steps.

SAP Discovery Center

Accelerate the automation of vendor onboarding processes (cloud.sap)

Discover, import, and manage vendor onboarding processes out of the box using live process packages shipped with SAP Workflow Management.

SAP Discovery Center

Optimize capital expenditure approvals for greater efficiency (cloud.sap)

Learn how to use the SAP Workflow Management capabilities to automate Capital Expenditure Approval requests by creating an approval workflow

BTP – Process Automation



What if your finance professionals could focus more on **higher-value activities** rather than wasting time on manual tasks and processes? What if you could increase efficiency with automated processes?

Preconfigured, ready-to-work processes

With **SAP S/4HANA**® Cloud, you can apply preconfigured, ready-to-work processes built on industry best practices. It embeds continuous innovation into your enterprise so you can help your finance department grow revenue, control cost, and minimize risk.

While SAP S/4HANA Cloud offers many beneficial tools for financial analytics and planning, some organizations still need:



Structured automation support for specific business processes that precede, accompany, and follow system transactions that would otherwise go unautomated



Adaptable automation that is tailored to meet their specific business needs



Increased efficiency, reliability, and transparency for complex processes

SAP Build - Automation

That is why the **SAP® Build Process Automation solution** enables the people closest to the business processes – the finance managers, supply chain gurus, and manufacturing experts – to extend and customize their processes with drag-and-drop simplicity.

Increasing the automation rate in your **finance** systems enables you to:



Speed up processing and reduce errors by automating manual tasks in sales order creation, processes for matching invoices, financial posting, accounts payable, and more



Optimize and simplify handling data from various sources, such as paper-based or electronic documents, by connecting disparate systems even if they do not have API-based integration



Improve compliance with automatic logging of posting activities and electronically auditable workflows

Enable your **finance professionals** to create the tailored automations they need so they have more time to focus on higher-value activities.

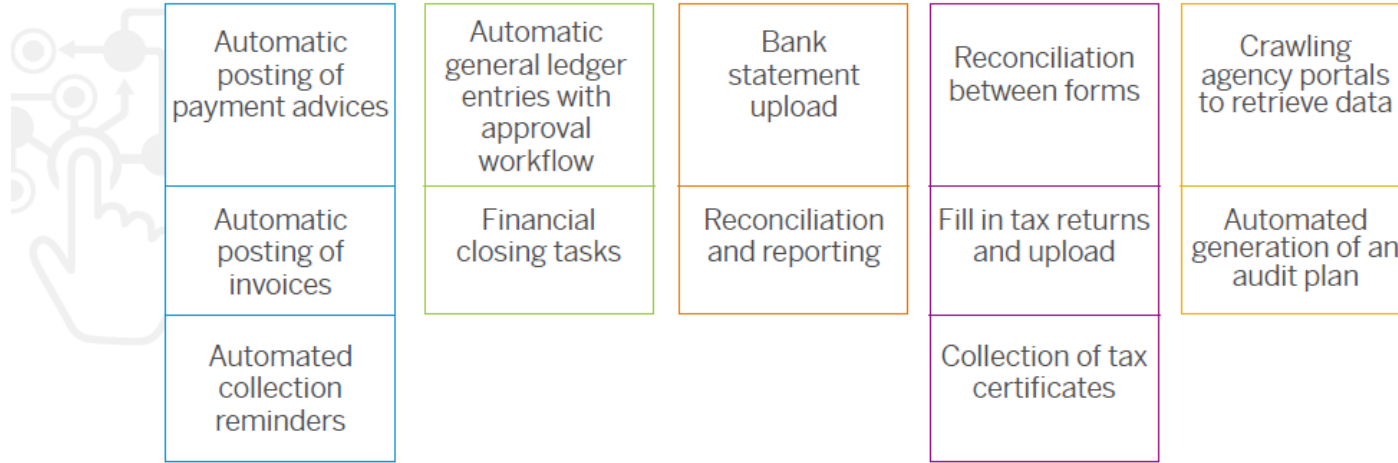
Key finance automation opportunities for SAP S/4HANA Cloud



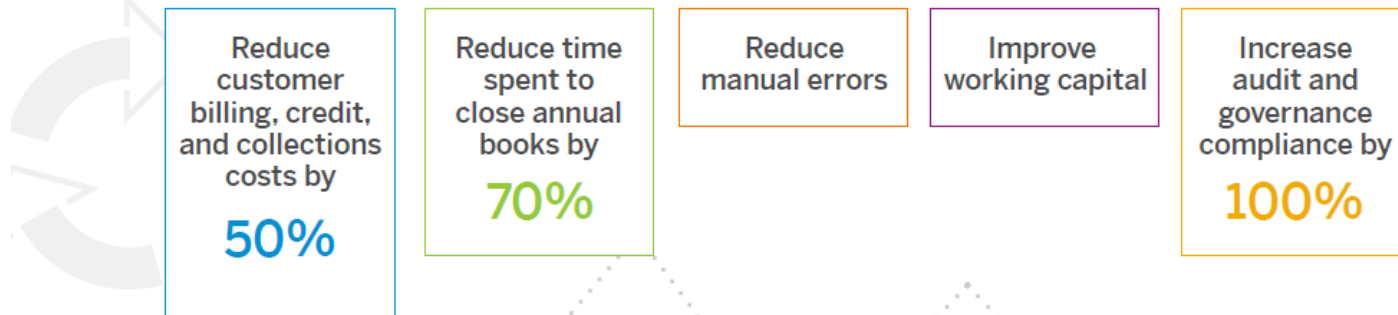
Key automation opportunity areas

Financial operations	Accounting and financial close	Treasury	Tax	Enterprise risk and compliance
Receivables management	Financial accounting	Payment	Tax filing	Identity and access governance
Payables management	Financial closing	Bank communication	Tax reconciliation	International trade management

Use case examples



Benefits of SAP Build Process Automation

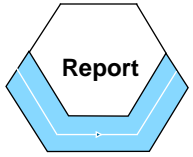


**Jump-start your projects
with prebuilt content for
financial processes in
SAP S/4HANA Cloud**



SAP Build with Intelligent Robotic Process Automation

Transform customer and employee experience and become new age enterprise



Intercompany Reconciliation

Automates creation, maintenance, and management of structured data



Invoice Automation

Recommendation of accounting objects to semi-automate FI invoice processing



GL Entry Upload

Locate and classify named entity mentions in un-structured text into pre-defined categories



Financial Close Summary

Classification of unstructured documents



Lock/Unlock Profit Center

Automatically extract information from unstructured documents



Profit Center Reorganization

Automatic ticket classification and solution recommendation



Accrual Collector

Recommendation of accounting objects to semi-automate FI invoice processing



FA depreciation run

Locate and classify named entity mentions in un-structured text into pre-defined categories



Bank Statement Reconciliation

Classification of unstructured documents

Benefits

- **Eliminate manual tasks** to mobilize resources for high-value tasks at lower costs
- **Increase service quality** to reduce cycle times for revenue generating transactions
- **Increase compliance** and analysis capabilities
- **Reduce human errors** and gain speed and efficiency
- Allow parallelization and **immediate scalability**
- Offer an alternative to APIs, web services and classical connection

Key Takeaways

- Finance automation is at your fingertips
- Embedded functionality in SAP S/4HANA Cloud – that you may not be using
- Rapid time to value – hours not days, weeks or months
- Situation handling and process automation are game changing for finance
- Finance can utilise the standard templates without IT support and users gain direct business insights
- Situations can be flexible, e.g. N days begins at 60 days, reduced to 30 days after use = iterative value
- More standard templates are released with each version
- IT can support finance with the extended framework to create your own use cases beyond standard templates
- Utilises Teams and Responsibilities to incorporate flexible workflows for approvals
- Efficiency and accuracy improvements
- Improved internal rate of return on your investment in SAP



The logo features the word "SAP" in white, bold, sans-serif font, followed by a blue diagonal bar. To the right of the bar is the word "NOW" in a larger, white, bold, sans-serif font.

SAP NOW

Future Proof Your Business

Save The Date

Date: August 8, 2023

Venue: The Hyatt Regency, Sydney

More details coming soon



Your Questions Please!

USE CASE IDEAS

Posting actuals to a cost object with no plan for that cost

Posting using an unusual document type to certain GL accounts

Unprocessed bank statement items N days old

Blocked invoice due for payment tomorrow to avoid late payment fees

Assets reaching end of useful life in N days

Cash flow is down 10% or greater this month compared with last year

Compare accrual or commitment amounts M:M or Y:Y over X%

Alerts to journals posted to sensitive accounts e.g. write-offs

Previous fiscal year in fixed assets not closed “n” number of days after end of FY

Differences between posting date and valuation date

THANK YOU!