



Move from SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM: Tips and Tricks

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In This Session

- Find out about SAP's ALM Strategy
- Understand the different aspects of transitioning to SAP Cloud ALM
- Identify your transition path with the readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM
- Discover additional opportunities to learn more

What We'll Cover

- Application Lifecycle Management Strategy
- Transition Overview
- Transition Recommendations
- Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM
- Wrap Up



Application Lifecycle Management Strategy



SAP's Application Lifecycle Management (ALM) Strategy

SAP Cloud ALM

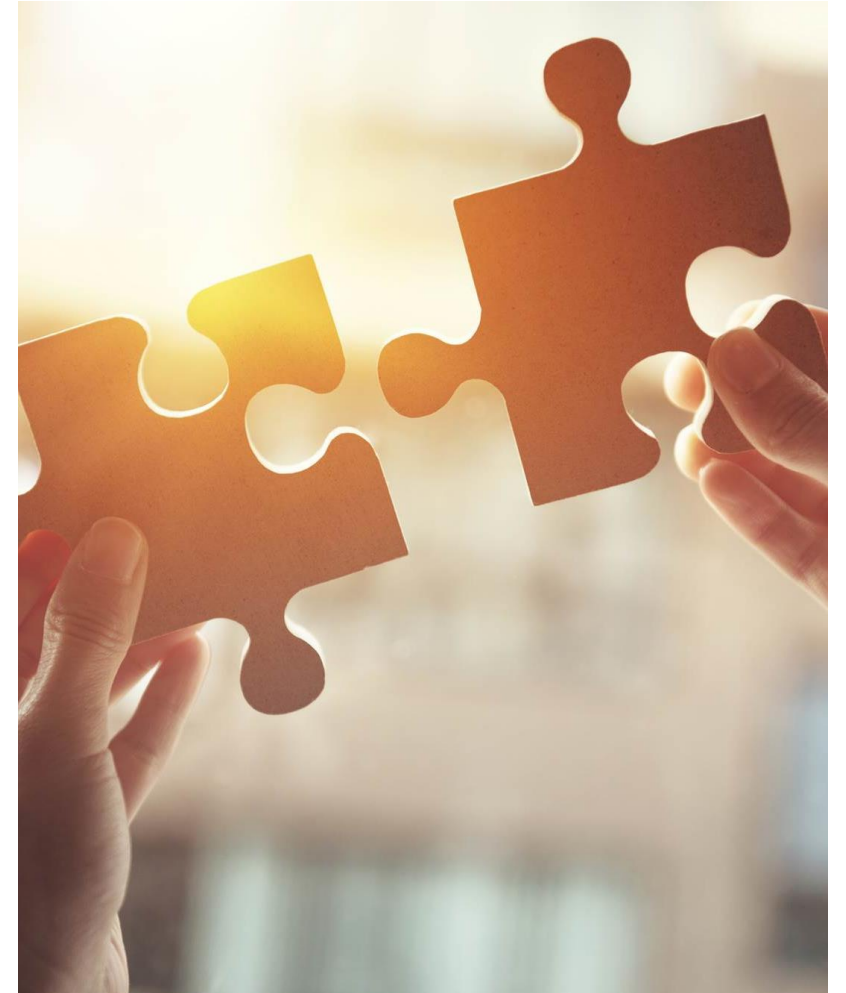
- Enables customers to **adopt innovation** at scale.
- Helps to keep the business running by protecting **business continuity**.
- Serves as anchor point and accelerator for customer **transformations**.
- Is included in **maintenance** and **subscription**.

SAP Focused Run

- Empowers SAP-centric service providers to streamline operations across customers.
- Enables large customers with extensive on-premise landscapes to run at their best.
- Requires an own license.

SAP Cloud ALM integrates seamlessly with **SAP Focused Run**.

SAP Solution Manager 7.2 **mainstream maintenance** ends Dec. 31, 2027.

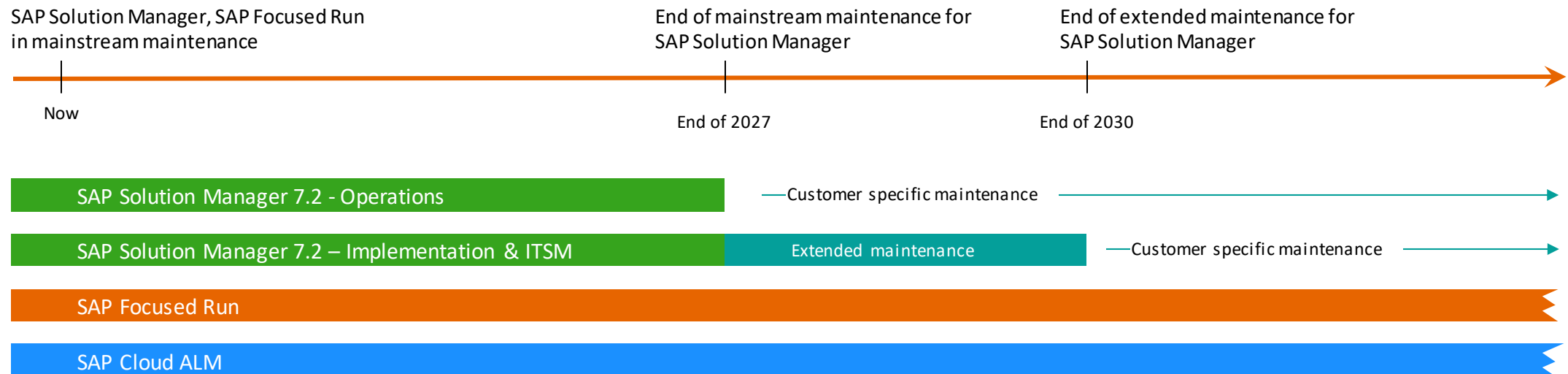


SAP ALM Platforms – Planned Product Availability Strategy

SAP Solution Manager follows the maintenance strategy of the SAP Business Suite

- Extended maintenance for process management, test suite, change & release management and ITSM in SAP Solution Manager 7.2 is automatically included in the optional extended maintenance for the SAP Business Suite 7.
- SAP Solution Manager 7.2 is supported beyond 2030 – in customer specific maintenance.*
- There are **no plans for further releases** after SAP Solution Manager 7.2.

SAP Cloud ALM and SAP Focused Run are not dependent on the SAP Business Suite, allowing mainstream maintenance beyond 2030. SAP plans no new on-premise products in the ALM portfolio.

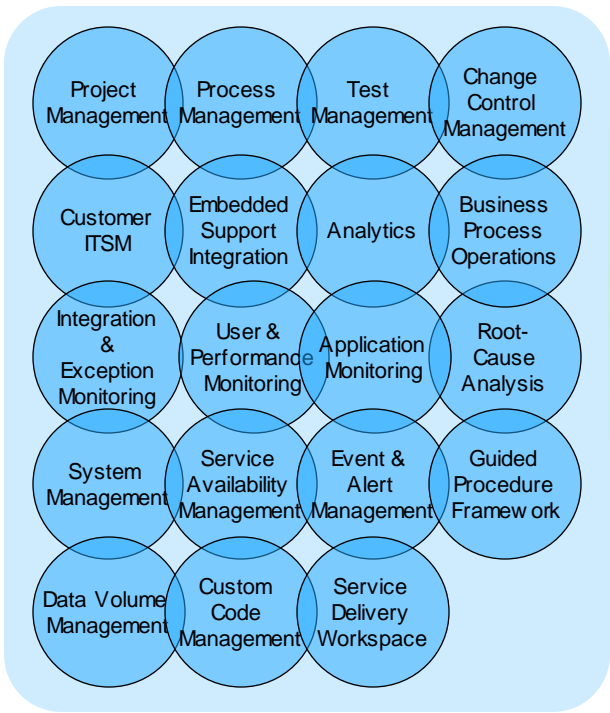


Transition Overview



Functionality

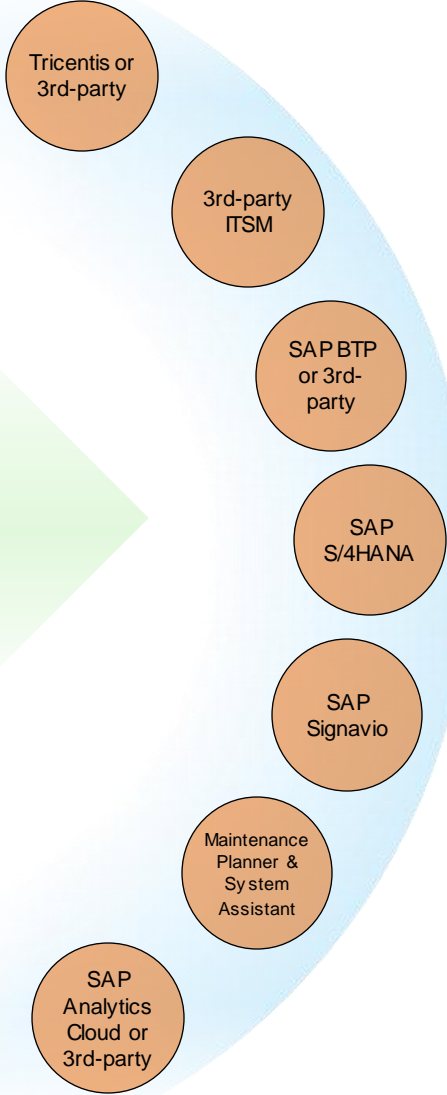
SAP Solution Manager



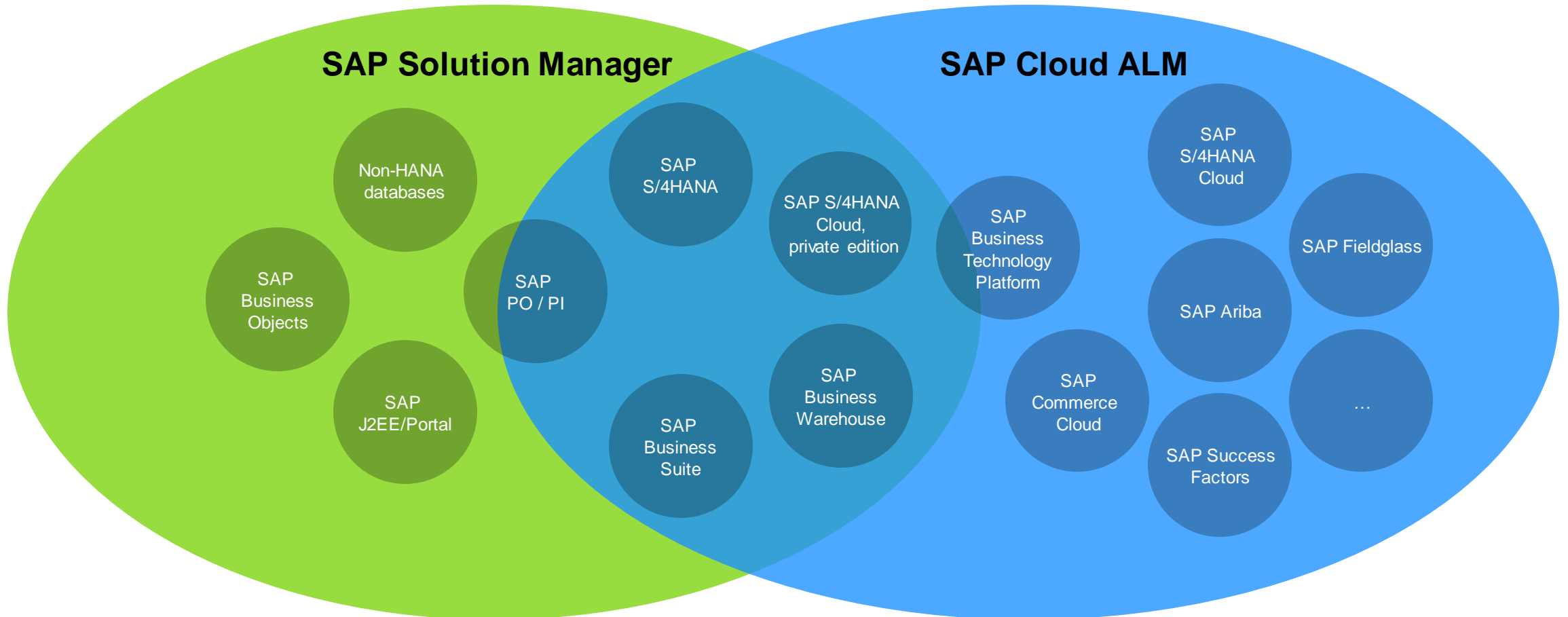
SAP Cloud ALM



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Recommended ALM solution



From SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM

All SAP Solution Manager customers should plan to move to SAP Cloud ALM.



Adopt SAP Cloud ALM for service and operations **NOW**

- Less customer effort for updates.
- Ease of use and consumption.
- Simplified monitoring without agents.
- Additional monitoring use cases.
- SAP service delivery integrated.

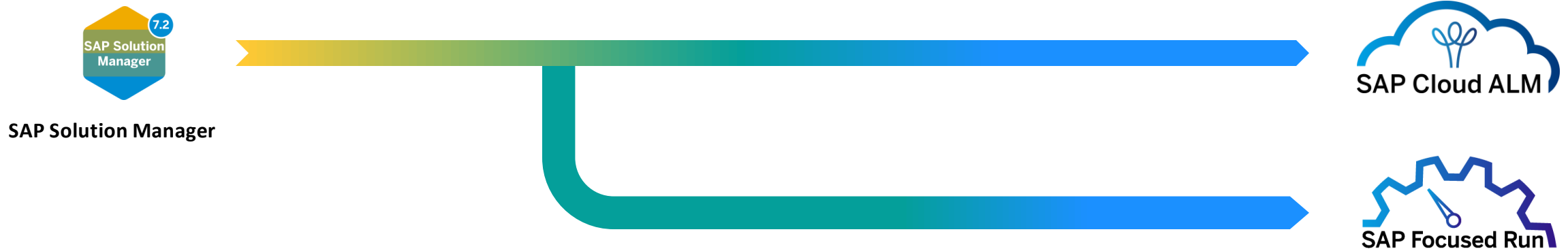
Use SAP Cloud ALM for cloud projects **NOW**

Adopt SAP Cloud ALM for implementation **at your own pace**

- Complete your move to SAP S/4HANA.
- More functionality for Testing, Deployment Management and Solution Documentation is planned for 2024.
- Advanced functionality for Deployment Management and Solution Documentation planned for later.

Enhance your operations needs with SAP Focused Run

SAP Focused Run complements SAP Cloud ALM for advanced operations use cases.



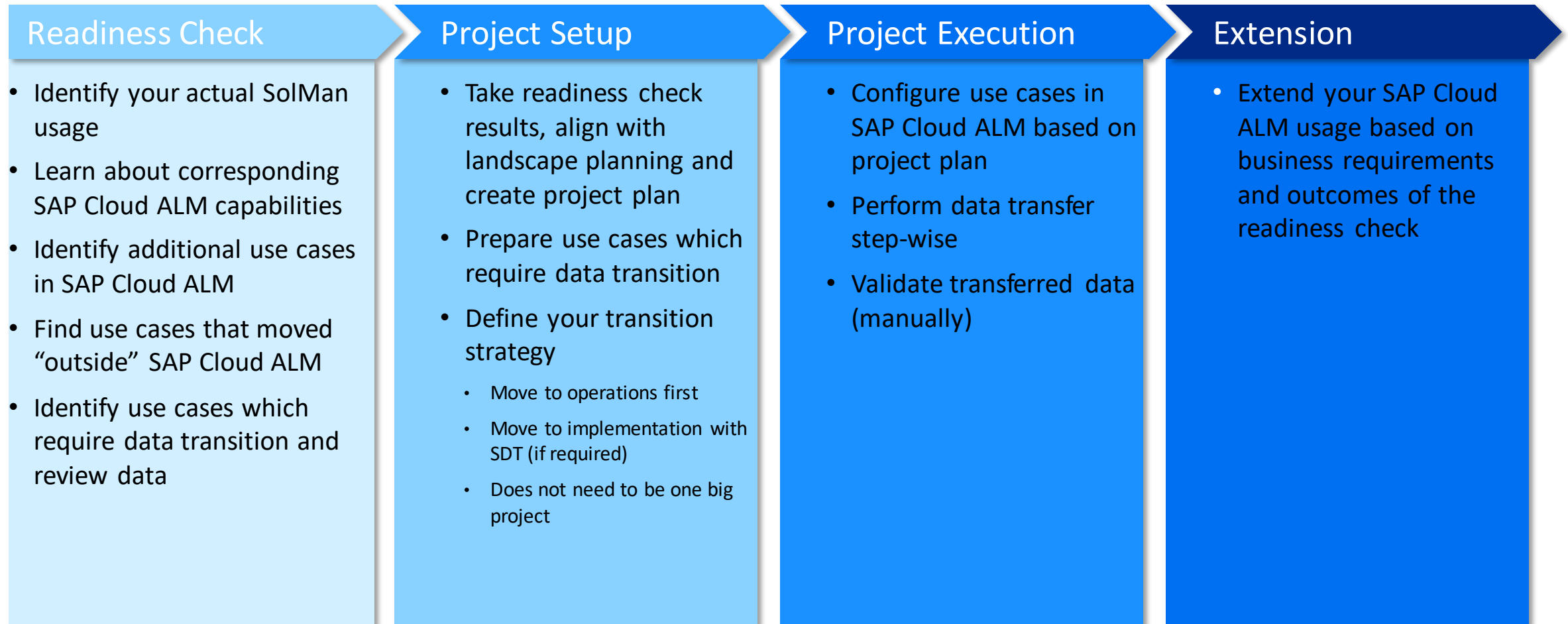
Reasons to add SAP Focused Run:

- Dedicated system management required.
- Large on-premise landscapes and high-volume application monitoring.
- Multiple customer enablement.
- Embedded operation automation & cross use-case analytics.

Transition Recommendations



Transition to SAP Cloud ALM – high-level overview



What can you do NOW, when...

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... you only use SAP Solution Manager for Monitoring & Operations, but not for Solution Documentation or Testing, or Change Control?

... your company is starting a cloud implementation project (i.e. SAP S/4HANA Cloud, SAP SuccessFactors)?

... you have invested in Solution Documentation and/or Test Suite in SAP Solution Manager 7.2?

... you are using Change Request Management (ChARM) and/or are in a regulated environment?

Next steps (“NOW”)

Understand the different operations use cases in SAP Cloud ALM, Request your own tenant, and start using SAP Cloud ALM for Operations

Set up SAP Cloud ALM and use it for the implementation project

Continue to use SAP Solution Manager, follow the SAP Cloud ALM roadmap for migration tools & best practices, and evaluate SAP Cloud ALM for Operations

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Transition of SAP Operations Platforms



Move to **SAP Cloud ALM**, if there is no intense system management necessary

- Cloud services
- Small set of ABAP based on-prem systems
- Outsourced system management



Add **SAP Focused Run**, if system management plays a major role

- Customers with advanced needs to operate hybrid landscapes
- Significant set and variety of on-prem systems
- Hosting and/or AMS business

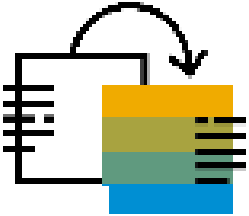


Monitoring/operations capabilities do not require data migration!

Transition of implementation capabilities

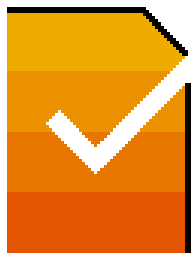
SAP Solution Manager Capability	SAP Cloud ALM Capability	Data Transfer Aspects
Process Management	Process Management / Documentation / Authoring	Selective data transfer planned for * <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Business process hierarchy■ Documents■ Diagrams■ Libraries■ Custom processes
Test Suite	Test Management	Selective data transfer planned for test cases, test steps*

Selective Data Transfer



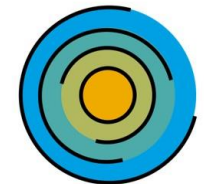
The *Selective Data Transfer* covers the migration of relevant data from SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM.

It allows to define a tailored scope with the flexibility to modify the data in one step. The approach allows to combine redesign of ALM processes with retaining important data aligned to secure your investments.



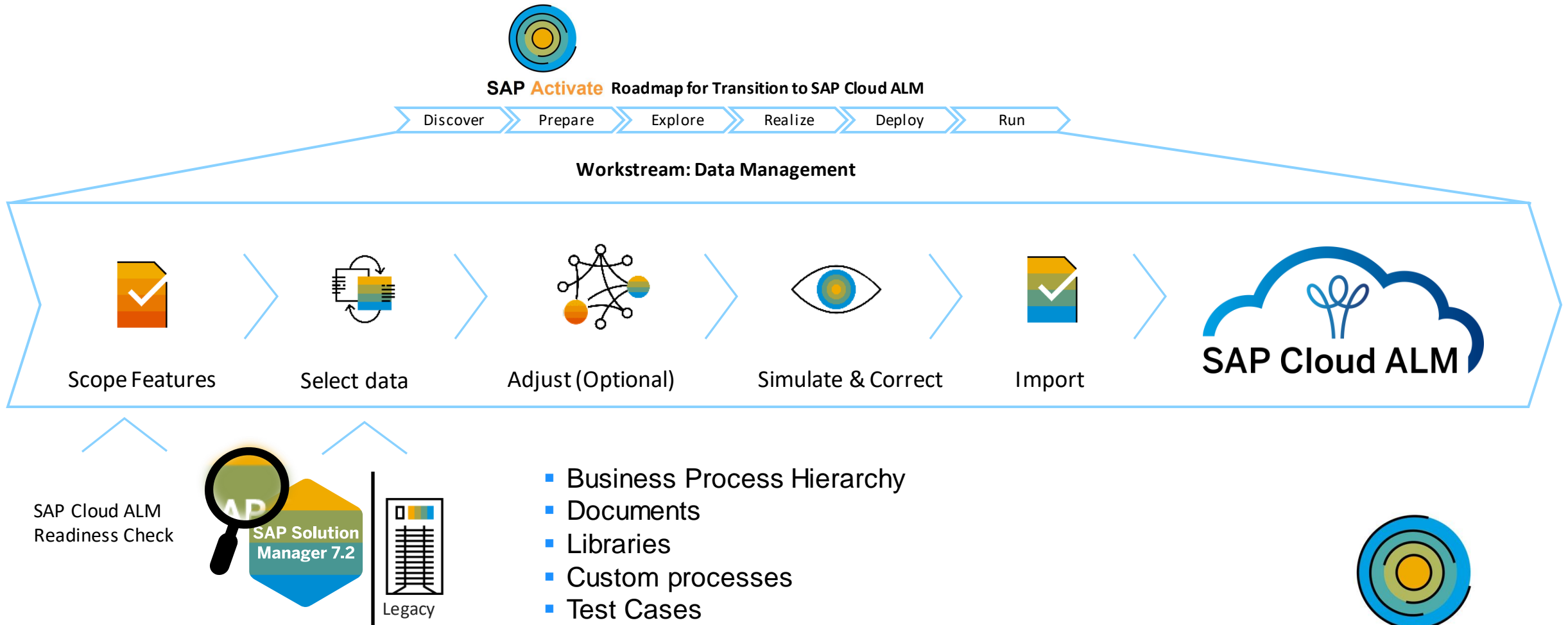
Customers should use the SAP Cloud ALM Readiness Check to identify their functional requirements and define priorities while aligning these to their core project planning (scope, time and budget).

To give customer guidance, a SAP Cloud ALM transition roadmap is provided based on SAP Activate Methodology.



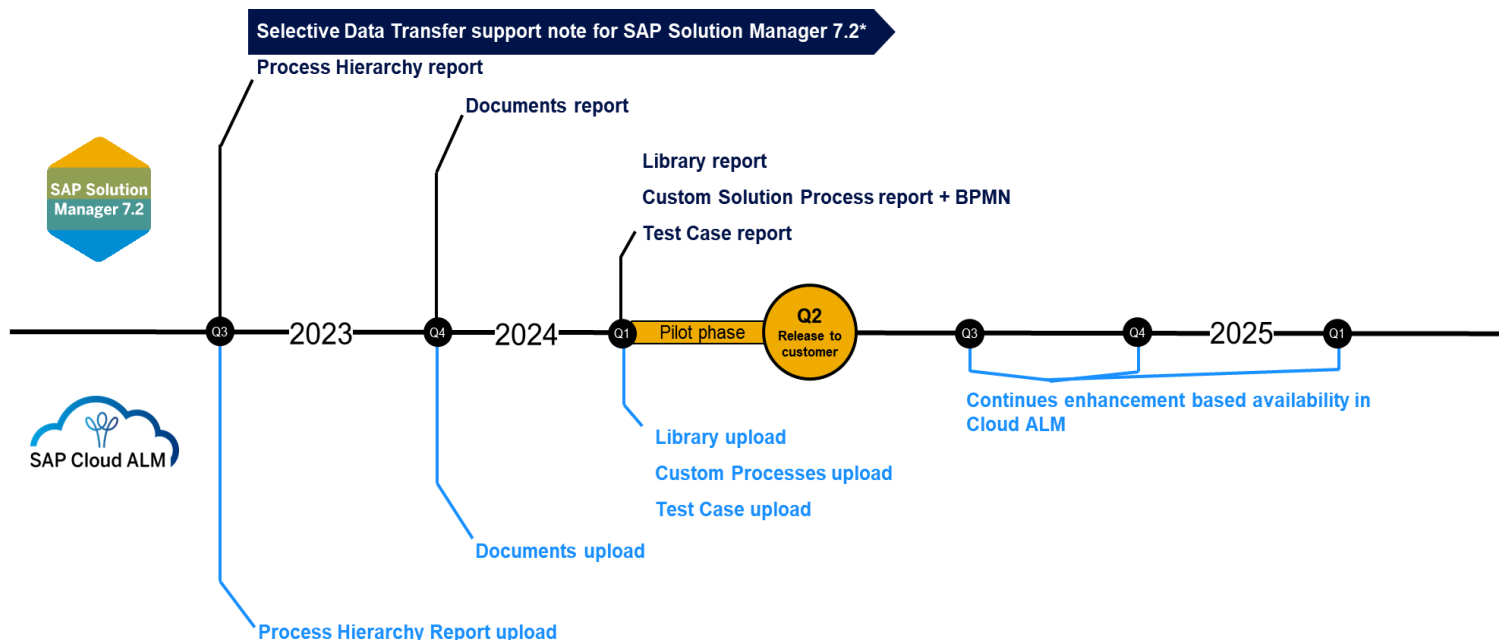
SAP Activate

Selective Data Transfer for SAP Cloud ALM



Transition Approach

- Run SAP Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM now.
- Study transition methodology to SAP Cloud ALM.*
- Perform initial transfer for selective data (i.e. by solution, branch, scope).*
- Manual test cases that are part of the scope are transitioned as part of solution documentation.*
- For Tricentis Test Automation with SAP Solution Manager: Migration option planned for 2025.*



Change Control Management Transition

In Change Control Management, data migration is not provided.

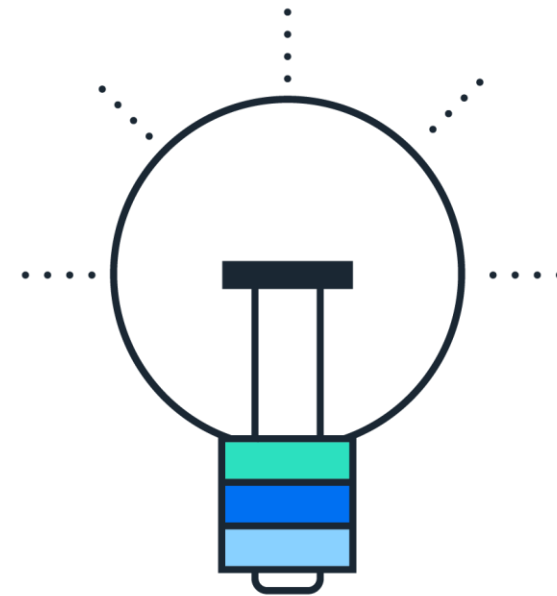
Your transition in this capability depends on your footprint/actual usage of Change Request Management (“ChaRM”) in SAP Solution Manager.

- **You are not using ChaRM** → Deployment Management in SAP Cloud ALM might improve your software logistics and help stabilizing your environment. As setup and onboarding efforts are fairly low, this might be a quick win!
- **You are using ChaRM** → Familiarize with deployment management in SAP Cloud ALM, follow the SAP Cloud ALM roadmap, and move when all you need is there!
- **You are using ChaRM in regulated environments/complex landscapes** → Follow the SAP Cloud ALM roadmap and wait until functionality and best practices are available.

Guidance and Support for the Transition to SAP Cloud ALM

SAP supports you with

- SAP Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM.
- Transition methodology to SAP Cloud ALM.*
- Roadmap and Implementation Services.
- Tools for selected data transfer of solution documentation and test cases.*
- APIs for data transfer and 3rd-party integration.
- Guidance for typical customer situations.
- All you need to know in the SAP Support Portal.



Use your transition to SAP Cloud ALM to rethink and simplify your ALM processes

SAP Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM

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Process Steps



Explore Results

- Select an analysis from the SAP Readiness Check launch page
- (Optional) Adjust the automated collected usage result
- Review the high-level results
- (Optional) Generate a downloadable document as an offline record



Execute Collectors

- Schedule the analysis collector jobs
- Monitor the progress of the analysis jobs



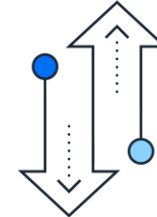
Prepare SAP Solution Manager System

- Implement analysis collectors (via SAP note or ST-PI Support Package)
- Transport the collectors to system being analyzed (i.e. production or a recent copy of production)



Transfer Analysis Data

- Download analysis data once collectors are
- Review and (if required) modify the collected analysis data
- Visit the SAP Readiness Check launch page
- Create a new analysis and upload data



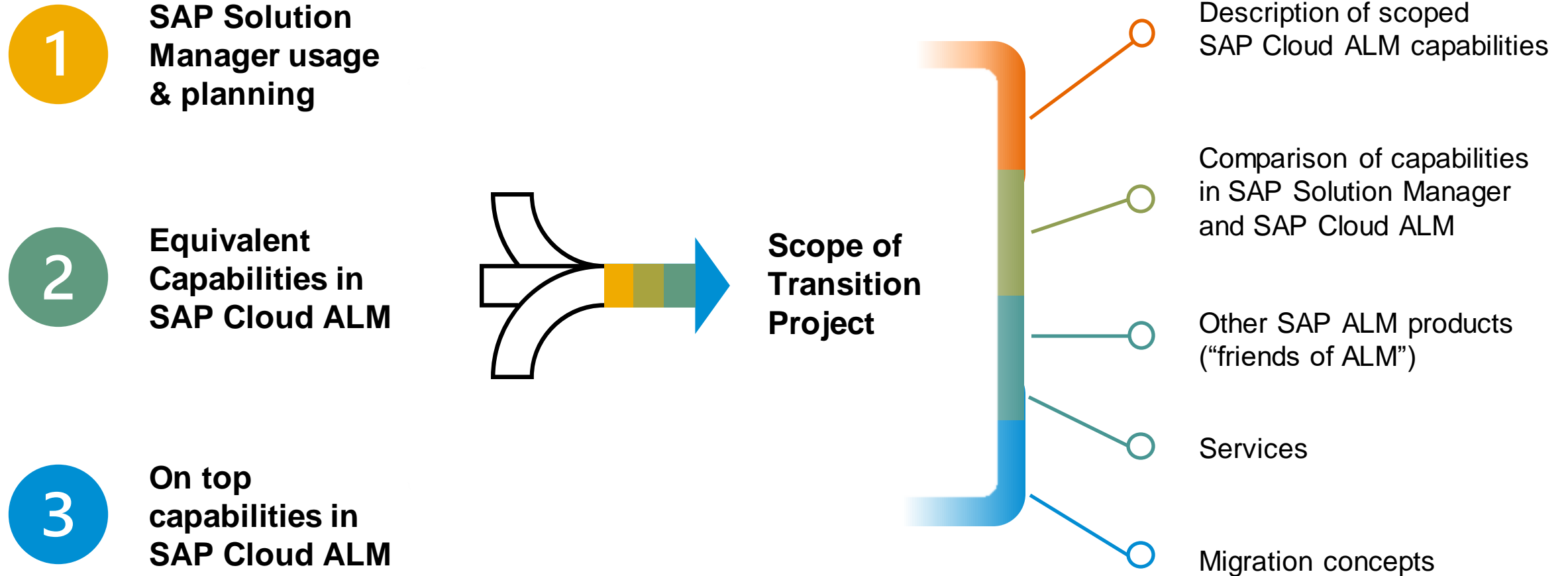
Prepare the Transition

- Use the SAP Readiness Check results to learn more about the possible transition scenarios to SAP Cloud ALM



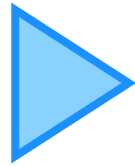
Planning a Transition Project

SAP Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM



Demonstration

Live Demo



<https://me.sap.com/readinesscheck>

Transition Center in SAP Support Portal

Your one-stop spot for all the information around the transition to SAP Cloud ALM!

- General information
- Functional comparison and transition guidance
- Transition recommendations and strategy
- Additional resources, videos and documents

Transition Center

The screenshot shows the SAP Support Portal interface. The top navigation bar includes 'SAP Support' and links for 'My Support', 'Products', 'Tools', 'Maintenance', 'Offerings & Programs', 'ALM', and 'Explore SAP'. The breadcrumb trail indicates the path: 'Application Lifecycle Management / SAP Cloud ALM'. The main heading is 'Transition to SAP Cloud ALM', with sub-links for 'Strategy Overview', 'Examples', 'Transition Support', and 'Resources'. The 'Strategy Overview' link is active. The main content area is titled 'Transition from SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM'. It contains three paragraphs of text: the first states that SAP Solution Manager is in mainstream maintenance until the end of 2027 and that SAP Cloud ALM is the Go-to ALM platform; the second states that SAP supports the transition and that this page is a one-stop-shop; the third states that customers can already move to SAP Cloud ALM for operations and service. To the right of the text is an image of hands putting together puzzle pieces. Below the text is a video player with the title 'Understand the Strategy: Plan Your Transition to SAP Cloud ALM' and a play button. To the right of the video player is an 'Overview' section with four bullet points: 1. SAP Cloud ALM delivers ALM for the Intelligent, Sustainable Enterprise, while offering foundational support for today's customer landscapes. 2. SAP Cloud ALM comes with lower cost of operation and maintenance, is easy to adopt and use, while providing innovative functionality. 3. SAP Solution Manager is in mainstream maintenance until the end of 2027. SAP recommends to complete the transition to SAP Cloud ALM before this date. 4. You can add SAP Focused Run to address advanced operations needs and to manage a significant on-premise footprint. At the bottom, a summary statement reads: 'In a nutshell: SAP Cloud ALM is the Go-to ALM platform for all SAP customers.'

SAP Support

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Application Lifecycle Management / SAP Cloud ALM

Transition to SAP Cloud ALM Strategy Overview Examples Transition Support Resources


Transition from SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM

SAP Solution Manager is in mainstream maintenance until the end of 2027. SAP Cloud ALM is the Go-to ALM platform for all SAP customers. SAP recommends to complete the transition to SAP Cloud ALM before this date.


SAP supports our customers with this transition! This page serves as a one-stop-shop for information about and resources for the transition from SAP Solution Manager to SAP Cloud ALM.

You can already move to SAP Cloud ALM for operations and service. Move to SAP Cloud ALM for implementation at your own pace, once the required functionality is ready for you.

There is enough time to prepare and execute this transition. Start now!



Overview



- ✓ SAP Cloud ALM delivers ALM for the Intelligent, Sustainable Enterprise, while offering foundational support for today's customer landscapes.
- ✓ SAP Cloud ALM comes with lower cost of operation and maintenance, is easy to adopt and use, while providing innovative functionality.
- ✓ SAP Solution Manager is in mainstream maintenance until the end of 2027. SAP recommends to complete the transition to SAP Cloud ALM before this date.
- ✓ You can add SAP Focused Run to address advanced operations needs and to manage a significant on-premise footprint.

In a nutshell: SAP Cloud ALM is the Go-to ALM platform for all SAP customers.

Wrap Up

- Prepare and learn about SAP Cloud ALM.
- Use the SAP Readiness Check for SAP Cloud ALM as a starting point.
- Assess your as-is ALM footprint, estimate your to-be ALM processes.
- Get familiar with SAP Cloud ALM.
- Evaluate service offerings from SAP or partners to support your transition.
- Plan your move - not as one big project, but as a step-by-step based approach!

Where to Find More Information

Product information

- [SAP Cloud ALM overview](#)
- [SAP Cloud ALM for Implementation](#)
- [SAP Cloud ALM for Operations](#)
- [SAP Cloud ALM for Service](#)

Onboarding

- [How to request SAP Cloud ALM?](#)
- [How to set up SAP Cloud ALM?](#)

Stay current

- [Events](#)
- [Newsletter](#)
- [Community](#)

Additional information

- [Documentation](#)
- [Supported Solutions](#)
- [SAP Cloud ALM usage rights](#)
- [Product Road Map](#)

Training

- Learning Journey: [SAP Cloud ALM for Implementation](#)
- Learning Journey: [SAP Cloud ALM for Operations](#)
- Expert Guided Implementation service ([register](#))
- Mission “Onboarding and first steps” ([start](#))

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Focus topic: ALM

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SAP Community Call for ALM



Host:
Ben Schneider

SAP Community Call for ALM APJ edition



Host:
Mohammed Suhaib

4th Wednesday of every month

Focus topic: ALM

Target group: ALM practitioners in APJ

1st Wednesday of every month

Focus topic: SAP Cloud ALM

Target group: ALM practitioners

SAP Community Call for SAP Cloud ALM Experts



Host:
Tonja Kehrner

SAP Community Call for ALM Partners



Host:
David Birkenbach

Once per quarter

Focus topics around ALM

Target group: ALM partners

Key Points to Take Home

- Learn more about SAP Cloud ALM
- Plan your move to SAP Cloud ALM
- Start with the readiness check
- Adopt operations and service
- Identify your transition sequence for implementation functions
- Cutover to SAP Cloud ALM
- Join the ALM community and learn from your peers

Thank you! Any Questions?

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