How to Achieve Success in Your SAP Central Finance Deployment

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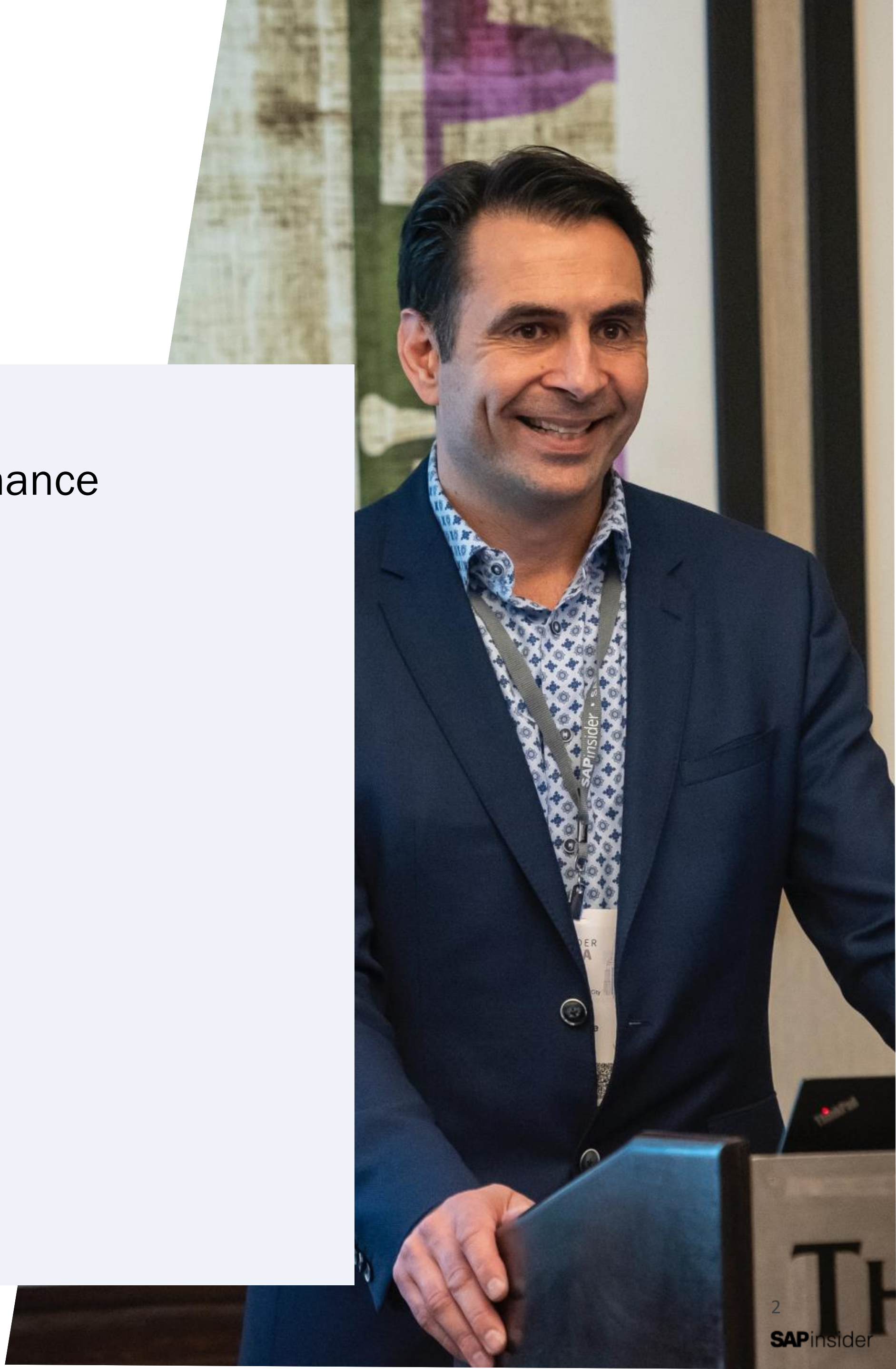
What We'll Cover

- Business benefits of SAP S/4HANA Central Finance
- Complexities with 3rd party source systems
- Enabling intelligent data integration
- Wrap-Up



Business Benefits of SAP S/4HANA Central Finance

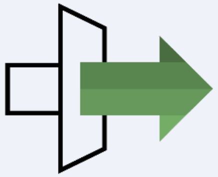
Value pillars of SAP S/4HANA Central Finance

Advanced reporting at segment, entity and group level

- Business model-agnostic roll-up reporting and growth (re-org/ M&A) extrapolations
- Embedded planning and real-time consolidation
- User front-end agnostic / self-service real-time reporting including MS Excel

Scalable execution of local and central processes

- Alternative / complement to process execution in source ERP systems
- Process centralization (cross-organization, shared service); economies of scale
- Cycle-time reducing Fiori-based and HANA-optimized process execution

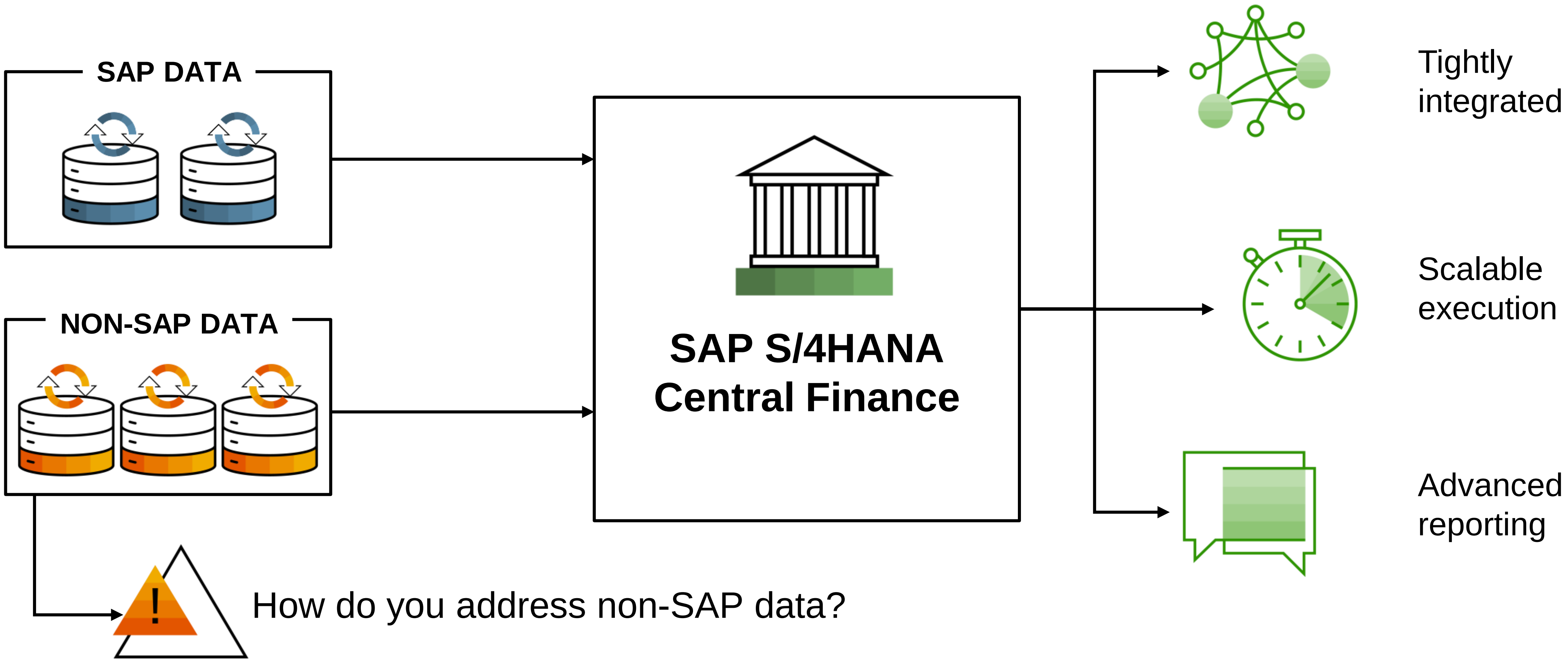


Transformation platform for the digital business

- Advanced digital finance data architecture (universal journal)
- Single source of truth for transactions and analytics
- Digital core cloud connectors (workforce, network, customer, IoT), HCP ready

Centralized visibility

SAP S/4HANA Central Finance collates financial information (at a detailed level) from any source to provide centralized visibility and operational control



Complexities with 3rd Party Source Systems

It’s just data integration – how hard can it be?

Source Systems

Multiple different ERP vendors is common

Upgrades of source ERPs will impact integration

Each transaction type is stored differently

Each database type uses different change-data-capture technology

Summary and detail postings must be considered

Tax lines are often stored apart from transactions

Data types for common fields (like dates) can be stored differently

Data Preparation

Maximum document length in SAP (max 999 lines, requires splitting)

2 significant figures in SAP can cause reconciliation errors and must be resolved

Entries must be validated prior to load or risk creating errors in SAP

Balances migration – initial balances must be migrated to set up SAP – non-standard and non-trivial integration task

Tax codes often have to be standardized (max 2 characters in SAP)

Performance & throughput – requires optimization for SAP Data Services to manage over 1 million journals/minute

Central Finance

Synchronize voided documents and reversals requires special treatment (due to duplicated document IDs)

Credit documents require special treatment

Withholding tax requires special treatment

Maximum document name length of 10 often requires special handling

Reconciling source postings with Central Finance requires a robust framework

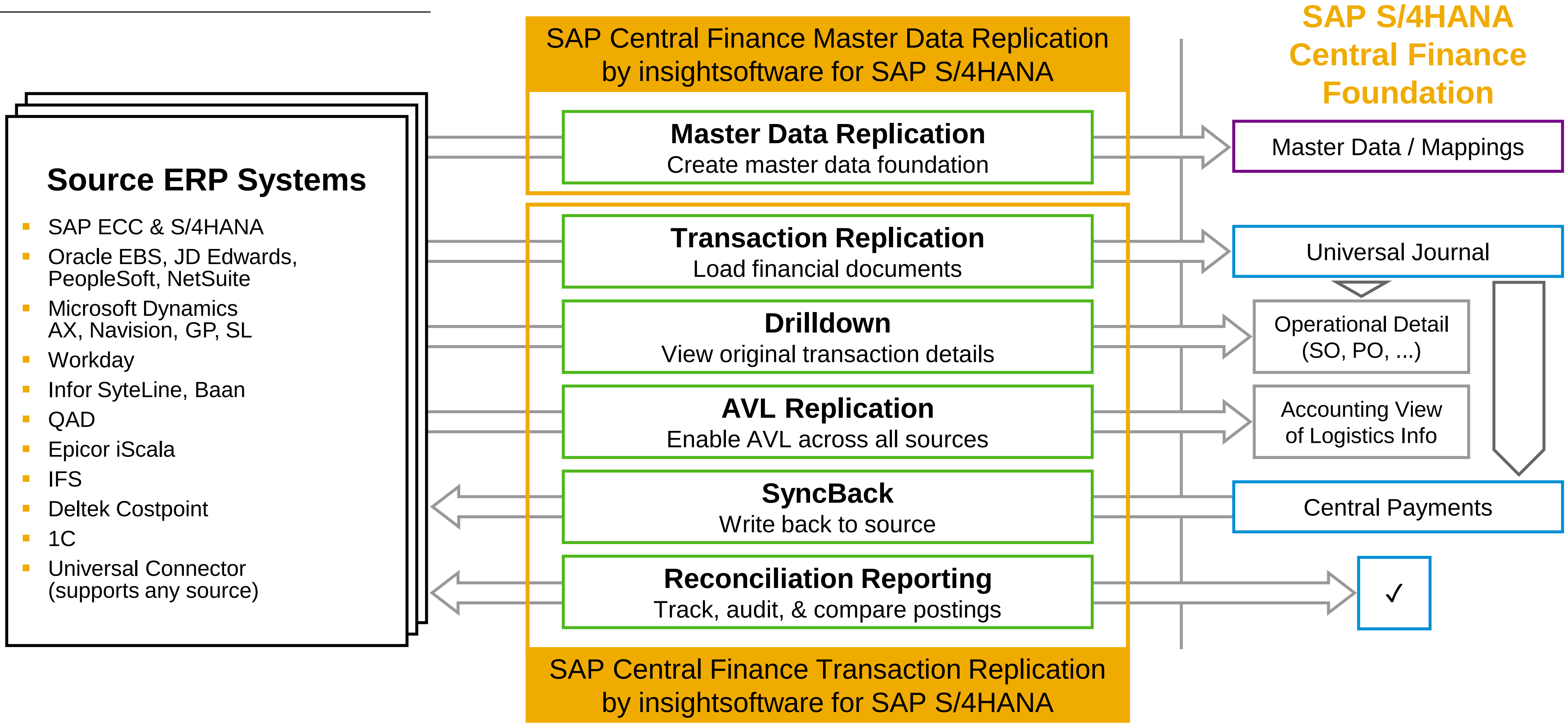
SAP SLT interface tables are updated with every SAP Central Finance release

Cloud deployment introduces architecture and access restrictions for source integration

Pre-defined templates from insightsoftware – benefits: time to value; and best-practice

Enabling Intelligent Data integration

SAP Central Finance Solution Extensions from insightsoftware



Higher business value

Faster time to value

Lower cost of ownership

Reduced risk

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insightsoftware drives highest value from Central Finance investment

insightsoftware is SAP's <u>only</u> recommended and certified solution for Central Finance data integration

	Central Finance Use Case	Enabled by insightsoftware
Business Capabilities Unlocked	Management Reporting and Analytics	✓
	Financial Planning and Consolidations	✓
	Intercompany Reconciliation	✓
	Central Collections Central Payment	✓
	Credit Analytics	✓
	Cash Management	✓
	Treasury	✓
	Predictive Accounting	✓
	Compliance Reporting	✓
	Mergers and Acquisitions	✓

	Project Dimension	With insightsoftware
Key insightsoftware Benefits	Time to Value	Fastest
	Total Cost of Ownership	Lowest
	Risk	Lowest

Wrap Up

Where to Find More Information

www.sap.com/products/central-finance-transaction-replication.html

- Main SAP site for SAP Central Finance Transaction Replication by insightsoftware for SAP S/4HANA

www.insightsoftware.com/sap/central-finance/

- Main insightsoftware.com page for SAP Central Finance solutions

www.insightsoftware.com/resources/products/sourceconnect/

- Resource page with videos and on-demand webinars

blogs.sap.com/2021/09/08/r2r-series-blog-6-build-vs-buy-3rd-party-data-integration-for-sap-central-finance/

- R2R Series Blog #6: Build vs Buy – 3rd Party Data Integration for SAP Central Finance

Key Points to Take Home

- **Central Finance has potential for high value**
  - Planning, reporting & compliance
  - Finance operations & shared services
  - Central close
- **Full data integration is required to achieve full business value of Central Finance**
- **Non-SAP data integration is challenging and very different than SAP integration**
  - Complexity exists across source systems, data preparation and Central Finance
  - Custom build approach can be time consuming, costly and risky
- **Accelerate the Central Finance deployment using pre-built solutions to integrate non-SAP source systems**
- **Engage your SI and insightsoftware together to maximize value and compress time in your project**

Thank you! Any Questions?

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