Getting to the value of simple beyond the technical complexity. Getting there faster.

It is with expectations of deep simplification – in process and data - that companies look to move to S/4HANA from non-SAP systems, migrating from an existing SAP Business Suite installation, or consolidating multiple SAP instances to a single S/4HANA instance. They want to realize the value of a ‘digital core’ that provides great user experience, immediate insight, intelligence beyond automation, and integration not only between departments but by connecting to the world. The key thing to remember, however, is that it is not a technical upgrade path from SAP ECC to SAP S/4HANA. It is a truly transformational endeavor and businesses have a choice to either re-implement or perform system conversion. In fact, on-premise installation requires setting up application server software, the SAP HANA database, the S/4HANA application, and the SAP Fiori user experience. Not only must customers migrate data from existing systems, they must also rationalize customizations, configure business structures and optimize business processes, before their SAP S/4HANA investments begin to pay off.

Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA can help these enterprises determine their future direction, define the roadmap forward and accelerate time-to-value from their S/4HANA adoption.

The Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA Approach to Elevate and Expedite Outcomes

Automation
Leveraging pre-configured templates, automation frameworks, tools and accelerators we bring the people+software advantage to implementations. From automated business process testing, and quality management automation for enterprise applications, to code impact auto-assessments we amplify the team’s potential to crunch implementation cycle time by up to 40%.

Innovation
We bring a Design Thinking approach to process transformation and value assessment starting with a deep understanding of our client’s business and IT objectives to find the most critical problems to solve – and the biggest opportunities ahead.

Learning
In our study of the client’s IT landscape, we capture the knowledge and knowhow of tasks previously performed in ERPs, data warehouses and other legacy systems to improve and accelerate these. This learning then feeds into the design, creation and sustenance of new systems that can bring entirely new experiences – built on knowledge that already exists in the setup.
Idea to accelerate solution development and deployment

Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA is a suite of preconfigured industry solutions to streamline and accelerate S/4HANA enabled transformation programs for enterprises. These preconfigured solutions include industry process repositories with delivery accelerators, best practices, processes and scenario documentation, business value creation and realization artifacts, preconfigured settings, sample master data, configuration documentation, and an extensive array of predefined reports, interface, conversion, enhancements, forms and workflow (RICEFW) reusable objects. Infosys provided implementation and program leadership to translate business requirements into system solutions, following the Infosys IDEA (Insight-Design-Execute-Achieve) methodology.

Insight

This entails the diagnosis of complex ERP environments to bring innovative ideas and strategic thinking to the fore and scope out a strategic blueprint for process reengineering and the S/4HANA program mobilization.

Catalyst: Automation to deliver up to 25 percent reduction in efforts during the assessment phase

Design

Reimagining a desirable, feasible and viable future-state with S/4HANA at the digital core, and preparing a global template to define its setup, design and maintenance is the focus of this phase.

Catalyst: Rapid prototyping methodologies to deliver up to 20 percent acceleration of the design phase

Execute

The global template must be tailored for local implementation in compliance with the local business blueprint. This phase also details cut-over preparation, planning and execution. It entails the pilot and roll-out that can then be improved over later iterations.

Catalyst: Over 600 artifacts and accelerators containing methodology steps, deliverable templates, check lists, best practices and solution approaches to manage costs and time to value

Achieve

Through real-time data processing and better analytics, the S/4HANA journey underpins a digital business model transformation that can help companies innovate new products and services. We continuously improve, learn and look to uncover and realize these opportunities.

Catalyst: Infosys S/4HANA Center of Excellence to grow applied learning
Expertise and experience in driving success

6500+ Trained SAP HANA consultants
1600+ Certified S/4HANA consultants
160+ Successful S/4HANA projects
45+ Value assessments and POCs

300+ Pre-configured templates for business scenarios in CPG, utilities, automotive manufacture, healthcare and discrete manufacturing

40+ Tools and accelerators for the SAP S/4HANA journey
Crashing time-to-value successfully

Over the last year, we have built deep expertise in designing, managing and evolving the S/4HANA journey for clients. We have concentrated this expertise in Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA and can leverage its value-guidance and pre-configured solutions on demand to help enterprise-scale businesses, having a broad ERP footprint, to derive value related to ease of use, real-time business insight, and business transformation benefits.

Caselet: S/4HANA Assessment, Roadmap and Central Finance Implementation for North America’s Leading Chocolatier

The business had at its core an SAP implementation that was more than 15 years old, non-compliant with several processes that had evolved over time and struggling to connect with the non-SAP systems that had come with the entities the business they had acquired over this period. They wanted to quickly integrate these disparate systems first for reporting and then for processes.

- Leveraging Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA, we conducted a 6-week assessment and roadmap definition exercise for a centralized, non-disruptive greenfield implementation of S/4HANA Finance
- The roadmap extended to include an S/4HANA global template design and roll-out plan to improve enterprise connectivity, improve processes, bring real-time analytics into the business landscape, strengthen cyber security of their ERP and mitigate risk of business interruptions
- We built out a business case and value realization framework to help the business fund their transformation
- As the 12-month implementation progresses, the business is beginning to realize value from a simplified landscape, improved UI and new GL functionality like document splitting and parallel ledger
Getting started

Defining the roadmap and end state of the S/4HANA journey is as vitally important as accurately discovering and thoroughly mapping all the dependencies, opportunities and risks that are inherent in the client’s landscape. We have designed a simple initial assessment leveraging Infosys Catalyst for SAP S/4HANA, key learnings from past re-implementation and system conversions, powered by our trained and certified S/4HANA consultants.
Value Assessment and Proof of Concept

4-8 weeks of value assessment and delivery to discover the current ERP landscape, associated problem statements, opportunities for process reengineering and reimagine a target state by identifying the suitability of re-implementation or system conversion along with proof of value and a prototype for a specific problem statement or opportunity.

To get started, please send in your request to askus@infosys.com