IBM Rapid Move for SAP S/4HANA

Accelerate Your Transformation, Minimize Risk, and Unlock S/4HANA's Full Potential

Highlights

Accelerate your migration with predictability

Enable selective data migration capabilities

Minimize risk and business disruption

Transform the best, leave the rest

Organizations today face a critical juncture in their digital transformation journey, particularly concerning their enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems. Many are grappling with the complexities and perceived risks associated with migrating their existing SAP ECC landscapes to SAP S/4HANA. Pain points often include the daunting prospect of a lengthy and costly migration process, the potential for significant business disruption, and the challenge of managing complex data transformations while maintaining data integrity. Furthermore, companies are under increasing pressure to leverage the advanced capabilities of SAP S/4HANA, such as real-time analytics, simplified data models, and intelligent automation, to gain a competitive edge, yet the path to adoption seems fraught with obstacles.

IBM Rapid Move for SAP S/4HANA offers a streamlined and accelerated path to unlock the full potential of S/4HANA. This comprehensive methodology and set of tools are designed to mitigate the inherent risks and complexities of large-scale ERP migrations, enabling businesses to transition to the intelligent enterprise swiftly and efficiently. Rapid Move leverages a combination of proprietary tools, predefined accelerators, and IBM's deep expertise in SAP transformations to minimize downtime, reduce project costs, and ensure a smooth and predictable journey to SAP S/4HANA. It addresses the need for a targeted, data-driven approach, allowing organizations to select and migrate only the relevant data, ultimately leading to a cleaner and more optimized SAP S/4HANA environment.

Accelerate your migration with predictability

IBM Rapid Move for SAP S/4HANA is built on a foundation of proven methodologies and automated tools that significantly accelerate the migration timeline. This is achieved through a combination of pre-built accelerators, standardized processes, and intelligent automation that minimizes manual effort and potential errors. By leveraging these capabilities, organizations can expect a more predictable migration journey with fewer surprises and a clearer understanding of project timelines and resource requirements. This acceleration is crucial for businesses looking to quickly realize the benefits of S/4HANA without prolonged disruption to their operations.

Enable selective data migration capabilities

One of the key differentiators of IBM Rapid Move is its ability to perform selective data migration. Unlike traditional "big bang" approaches that move all historical data, Rapid Move allows organizations to strategically choose which data to migrate to SAP S/4HANA, leaving behind irrelevant or outdated information in the legacy system. This selective approach allows you to leave behind configuration, customization, and data associated with inactive organization structures (think divested or reorganized company codes, plants...), as well as the ability to leave behind old data that would have otherwise been archived. This leads to a smaller and more optimized HANA database, which not only improves performance but also reduces the overall migration effort and storage costs. This ensures that the new SAP S/4HANA environment is clean, efficient, and tailored to the organization's current and future business needs.

Minimize risk and business disruption

Minimizing risk and business disruption is a paramount concern for any large-scale ERP migration. IBM Rapid Move addresses this by employing a phased approach that allows for thorough testing and validation at each stage of the migration. The methodology emphasizes minimizing downtime during the critical cutover period, ensuring that business operations can resume quickly after the transition. Furthermore, IBM's extensive experience in managing complex SAP transformations, coupled with the standardized tools and processes of Rapid Move, provides a robust framework for identifying and mitigating potential risks before they impact the project. This focus on risk reduction provides organizations with the confidence to undertake their S/4HANA journey with peace of mind.

Transform the best, leave the rest:

Your existing ECC system is an asset that has intrinsic value, yet the innovation potential available with S/4HANA capability and generative AI brings the opportunity modernize processes and improve business outcomes. Our methodology provides the ability to focus on new capabilities while leaving inactive or outdated configuration, customization, and data behind to be decommissioned. We bring the enabling technology to fix the sins of the past and design the operating model of the future.

Summary

Organizations frequently encounter substantial hurdles when contemplating the migration of their legacy SAP ECC systems to SAP S/4HANA, facing concerns around lengthy timelines, high costs, and potential business disruption. IBM Rapid Move for SAP S/4HANA offers a strategic solution to these challenges by providing an accelerated, predictable, and de-risked pathway to the intelligent enterprise. This solution leverages advanced automation and selective data migration capabilities to streamline the transition, reduce project complexities, and ensure a cleaner, more optimized S/4HANA environment.

Conclusion:

IBM Rapid Move for SAP S/4HANA empowers organizations to navigate the complexities of their digital transformation with greater confidence and efficiency. By addressing key pain points through accelerated migrations, selective data capabilities, and a strong focus on risk mitigation, it enables businesses to unlock the full potential of S/4HANA faster and with minimal disruption. This not only positions them to leverage real-time insights and advanced functionalities but also ensures a more agile and competitive future.

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