Your company has finished the upgrade from SAP® R/3® software to the SAP ERP application, and now you must securely migrate a large amount of business and financial data to the new general ledger of SAP ERP. The SAP General Ledger Migration service was conceived to ease the work of your migration project.

The new general ledger in the SAP® ERP application encompasses some of the most important and exciting new functionality in the SAP ERP Financials solution in recent years. Where classic general ledger solutions have required the reconciliation of multiple applications, SAP ERP now provides a unified structure that includes the functions of a general ledger, a cost-of-sales ledger, profit center accounting of the special ledger, and the consolidation staging ledger. It also provides the flexibility to add industry- or customer-specific dimensions to standard accounting. As a result, it speeds reconciliation, helps ensure transparency and auditability, and enables you to meet both internal and external reporting requirements.

Support for Your Company in a Challenging Task

The implementation of the new general ledger is a project that should not be underestimated. A central part of such a project is the technical migration of data from the classic general ledger to the new general ledger. Implementation of additional functionality within the new general ledger may be performed at a later date. Depending on your individual situation, the migration of data could mean a significant change to your live database, and quality assurance procedures must be performed to make sure that historical data is kept intact. Many companies simply do not have the resources and expertise to perform this large-scale procedure.

SAP has the answer. Your company can perform a complete migration accurately and securely with the SAP General Ledger Migration service. The service provides step-by-step guidance to help you perform the migration. As your migration moves forward, our experts monitor the technical aspects of the project during two service sessions to keep you on track.

To reduce the complexity of such a project even more, SAP General Ledger Migration offers technical guidance to help you efficiently perform a step-by-step transition to the new general ledger. Guidance is also available to support you during subsequent implementation of additional functionality, allowing you to split your migration project into smaller projects. You might, for example, migrate from the classic to the new general ledger one year by replacing your financial and controlling ledgers, implement document splitting in the new general ledger the next year, then replace your classic account solution for parallel accounting with the ledger solution of the new general ledger the third year.

Standardized Procedures for a Low-Risk Migration

We leverage our standardized procedures for migrations and consistency checks and collect and consolidate the feedback and best practices from previous migration projects. For that reason, you can be confident that your data will be migrated reliably and efficiently and that the integrity of your data will be preserved. Specifically, here’s what you can expect from SAP:

- Step-by-step guidance through the migration process based on straightforward procedures provided in the migration cockpit.
Two service sessions that evaluate your project and make sure your migration process stays on track.

Technical development support for test migrations and 24-hour technical support on the weekend your production migration takes place.

The General Ledger Migration Cockpit
The general ledger migration cockpit is a tool specifically designed to help you manage your migration. It facilitates your project start, lets you monitor the migration programs, and provides step-by-step guidance throughout. From the migration monitor, you can access logs detailing the progress of the migration and include project-specific attachments or notes.

Service Sessions
The SAP General Ledger Migration service includes two service sessions.

SAP ERP now provides a unified structure that includes the functions of a general ledger, a cost-of-sales ledger, profit center accounting of the special ledger, and the consolidation staging ledger.

SAP experts log on to your system in order to conduct the sessions securely, which reduces both risk and cost.

The first service session – which occurs during the beginning of the migration project – validates that your company is following the appropriate procedure for the migration. During this session, SAP experts conduct checks of the general data and the financial accounting data in your enterprise resource planning (ERP) production system.

The second service session takes place after a test migration has been performed to validate that the results of the migration are accurate and consistent from a technical point of view. Technical plausibility checks are run along with some application-specific checks with regard to the migration procedure.

The General Ledger Migration Back Office
With the general ledger migration back office, SAP provides expertise that assists you from the beginning of your data migration project through to its completion. In addition to the two service sessions described above, we provide technical development support throughout the migration project as well as 24-hour technical support on the weekend you migrate your production system.

Migration Options
The SAP General Ledger Migration service is available in several standardized, fixed-price options that range from merging financial ledgers to more complex migration projects involving document splitting and parallel accounting. SAP Consulting is also available to address more complex migration projects on an individual basis.

Option 1: Merging Financial Ledgers
This is the basic offering. This option merges the classic general ledger, the consolidation preparation ledger, and the cost-of-sales ledger. Some of your benefits are reduced data redundancy, more efficient period-end closings, and harmonized reporting.
Option 2: Merging Profit Center Accounting and Special Ledger
This option merges the ledgers included in option 1 and merges the profit center accounting and the special ledger as well. It can replace special ledger accounting by the new general ledger. Your benefits include enhanced auditability and improved integrated reporting.

Option 3: Option 2 Plus Document Splitting
This option delivers everything in option 2 as well as document splitting for profit center, segment, and business area reporting. The result is you can show additional balance sheet dimensions, such as profit center and business area, enabling you to report flexibly on entities other than company code.

Option 4: Option 2 Plus Switch from Account to Ledger Solution
This option implements a change from parallel accounting by parallel accounts to parallel ledgers. Your benefit is a more transparent chart of accounts, more transparent reporting, and enhanced auditability.

Option 5: Option 1 Through Option 4
This option combines the content and the benefits of everything provided in options 1 through 4.

Option 6: Subsequent Implementation of Document Splitting
If you have chosen to implement the new general ledger without document splitting or to activate document splitting only in selected company codes, you can select this option to implement document splitting for the remaining company codes at a later date.

Option 7: Subsequent Implementation of an Additional Ledger
After the new general ledger has been activated, a nonleading ledger can be implemented later to extend an existing ledger solution or to introduce parallel accounting.

Option 8: Subsequent Change from Account to Ledger Solution
You may choose to activate the new general ledger while continuing with the account solution for parallel accounting. If you do, you can select this option at a later date to replace the account solution for parallel accounting with the ledger solution of the new general ledger.

Accurate, Cost-Effective Data Migration
The SAP General Ledger Migration service enables any company to migrate its vital financial and business data to utilize the state-of-the-art general ledger functionality of SAP ERP. The comprehensive service manages your entire migration project and delivers these business benefits:

- Reduced complexity - The clearly targeted options and expert guidance of the SAP General Ledger Migration service support secure, efficient data migration.
- Reduced risk - Service sessions lower the overall risk of migration projects, increase project accuracy, and protect sensitive business data.
- Lower cost - A standardized, high-quality migration procedure reduces overall costs by enabling you to perform data migration quickly and accurately.

Find Out More
For more information on how this service will support your migration to the new general ledger, visit the SAP Service Marketplace extranet at www.service.sap.com/glmig.
Summary
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Business Challenges
- Implement the new general ledger in SAP ERP
- Reduce the complexity of migrating business and financial data from the classic to the new general ledger
- Keep historical data intact throughout the migration

Key Features
- Managed complexity – Take advantage of standardized, fixed-price migration options
- General ledger migration cockpit – Manage your migration project with step-by-step guidance developed by SAP experts
- Extensible services – Perform migration procedures that go beyond the standard options on a project-by-project basis

Business Benefits
- Reduced complexity of migration due to the efficient, targeted options and guidance of the SAP General Ledger Migration service
- Reduced risk through service sessions that lower the overall risk of migration projects, increase project accuracy, and protect sensitive business data
- Lower cost through a standardized, high-quality migration procedure that enables you to perform data migration quickly and accurately

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