How to Use the BusinessObjects Import Wizard

Applies to:

BusinessObjects, Business Intelligence. For more information, visit the Business Objects homepage.

Summary

This article provides a step-by-step procedure for moving BusinessObjects development to QA or Production environment using BusinessObjects Import Wizard.

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Introduction

This article provides a step by step procedure for moving business objects development to QA or Production environment using Business Objects Import Wizard.

BusinessObjects Import Wizard

Import Wizard is used to import content from BusinessObjects, Crystal Enterprise, or BusinessObjects Enterprise (BOE) into the current BOE deployment. It is also used to export content from a BOE XI 3.x deployment to a BIAR (Business Intelligence Archive Resource) file, or import content from a BIAR file to your BOE XI3.x deployment.

Import Wizard provides a series of screens for importing and exporting Business Intelligence content such as user accounts, groups, folders, reports, universes, security, servers and other objects.

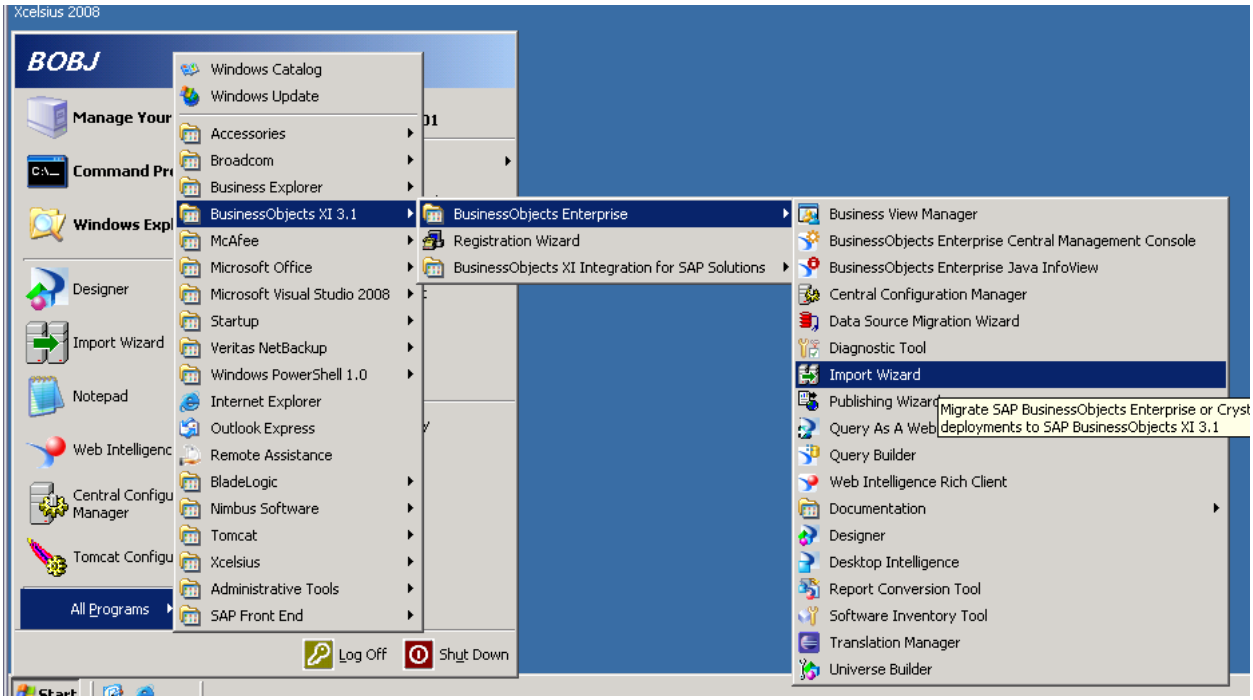
The BusinessObjects version discussed in this article is **BOBJ XI 3.1 SP3**.

Step-by-step procedure

Here are the steps for migrating BusinessObjects development using the Import Wizard.

Step 1:

Open the Import Wizard from the BusinessObjects menu.
Click **All programs** > **BusinessObjects XI 3.1** > **BusinessObjects Enterprise** > **Import Wizard**.



The Import Wizard appears.

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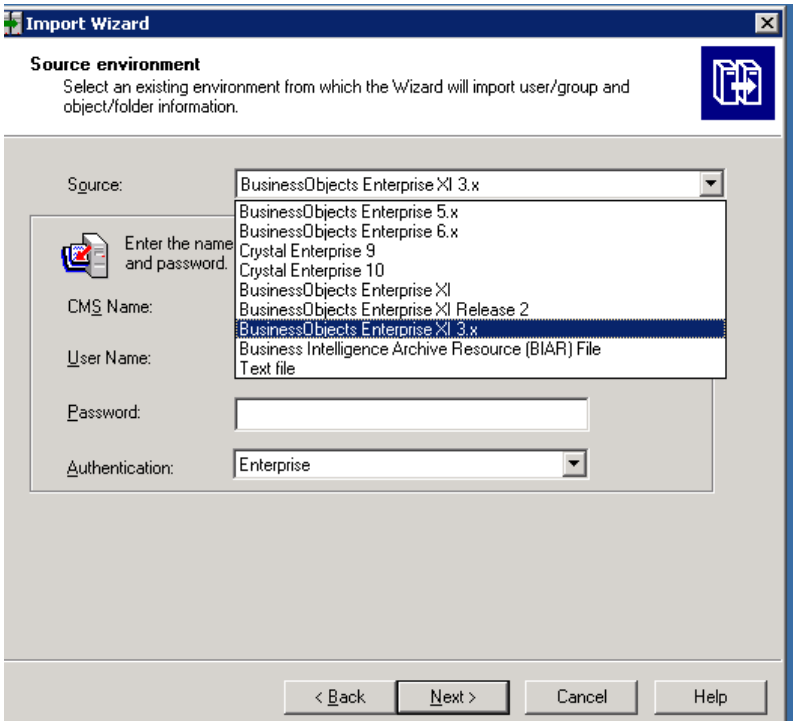
Step 2:

Select **English**. Click **Next**.

Step 3:

Select the source as BOE XI 3.x.
There are two scenarios to move objects from development to production.

Scenario 1: Create BIAR Files for all the development objects and physically import them into production system. This will be cleaner approach.
Scenario 2: Directly move development objects from development to production by selecting source as the development and target as the production system.



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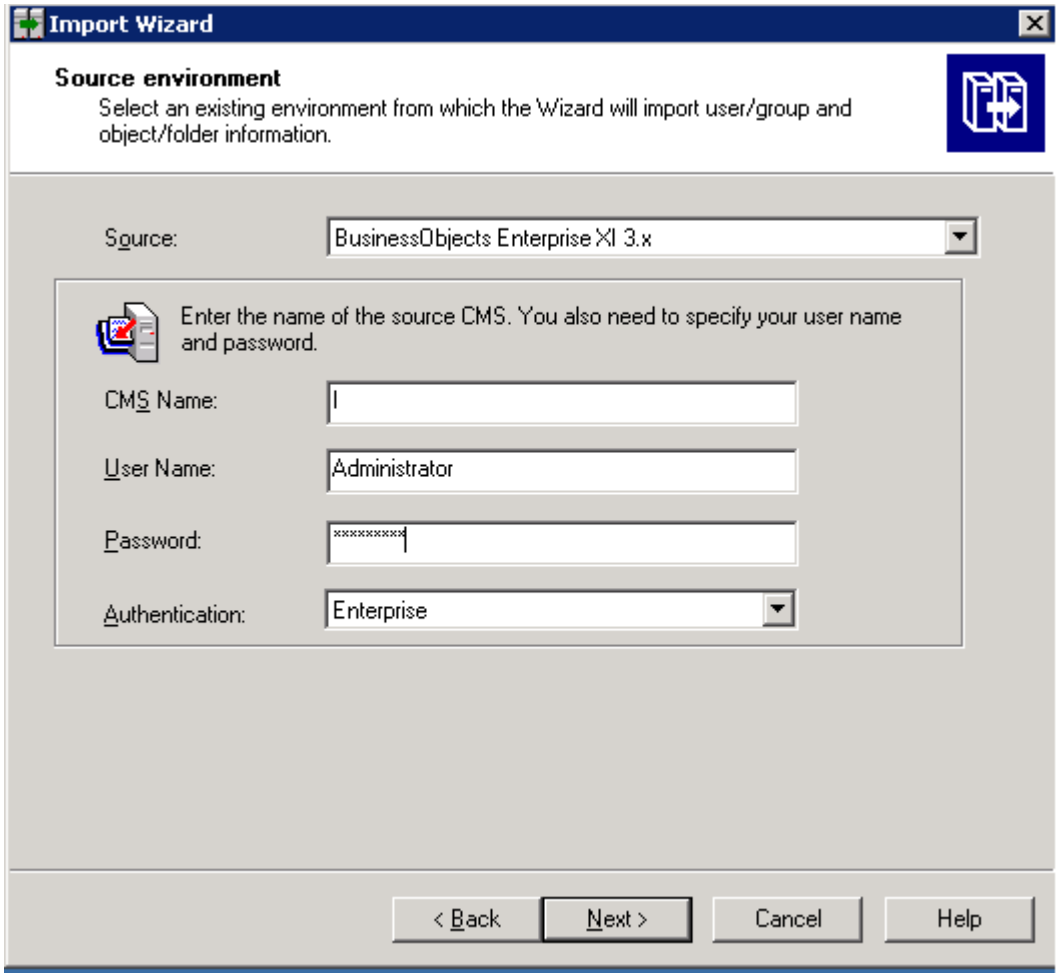
CMS Name: Select the BOBJ development server host name.

User Name: Select administrator.

Password: Enter password.

Authentication: Select Authentication as “Enterprise”.



Step 4:

Click **Next**. In the below screenshot, select the destination environment.
According to the first scenario in Step 3, the destination environment will be BIAR files.
According to the second scenario in Step 3, the destination environment will be production system.

The first screenshot shows you the settings for BIAR file as the destination environment. The second screenshot shows the settings for Production system as the destination environment.

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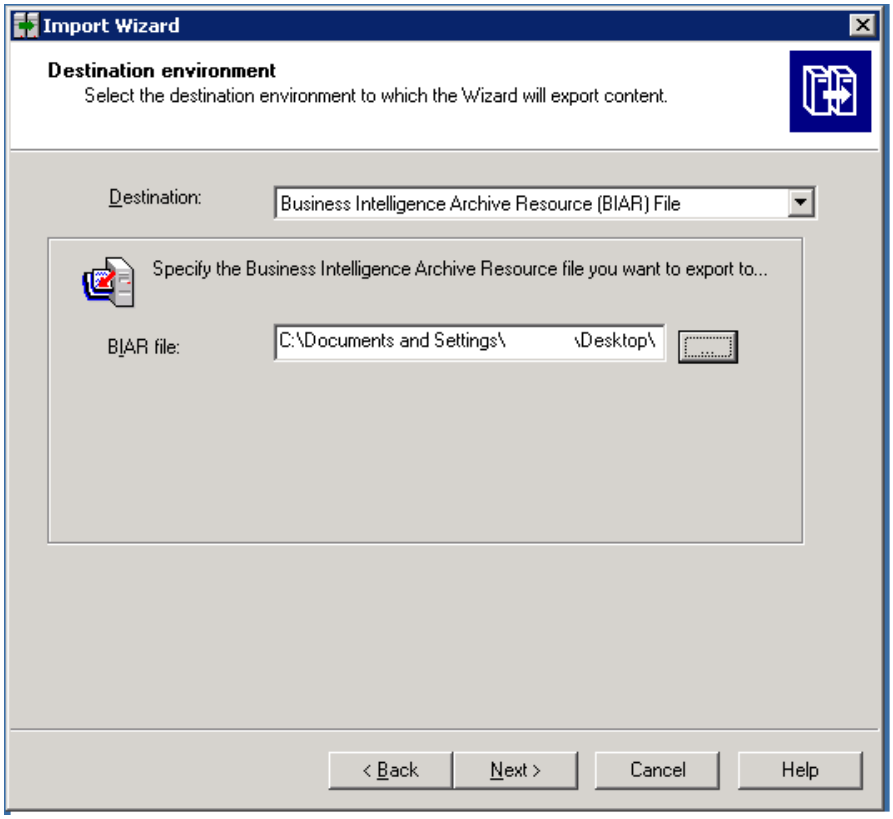
Import Wizard
Destination environment
Select the destination environment to which the Wizard will export content.
Destination:
Business Intelligence Archive Resource (BIAR) File
Specify the Business Intelligence Archive Resource file you want to export to...
BIAR file:
C:\Documents and Settings\ \Desktop\
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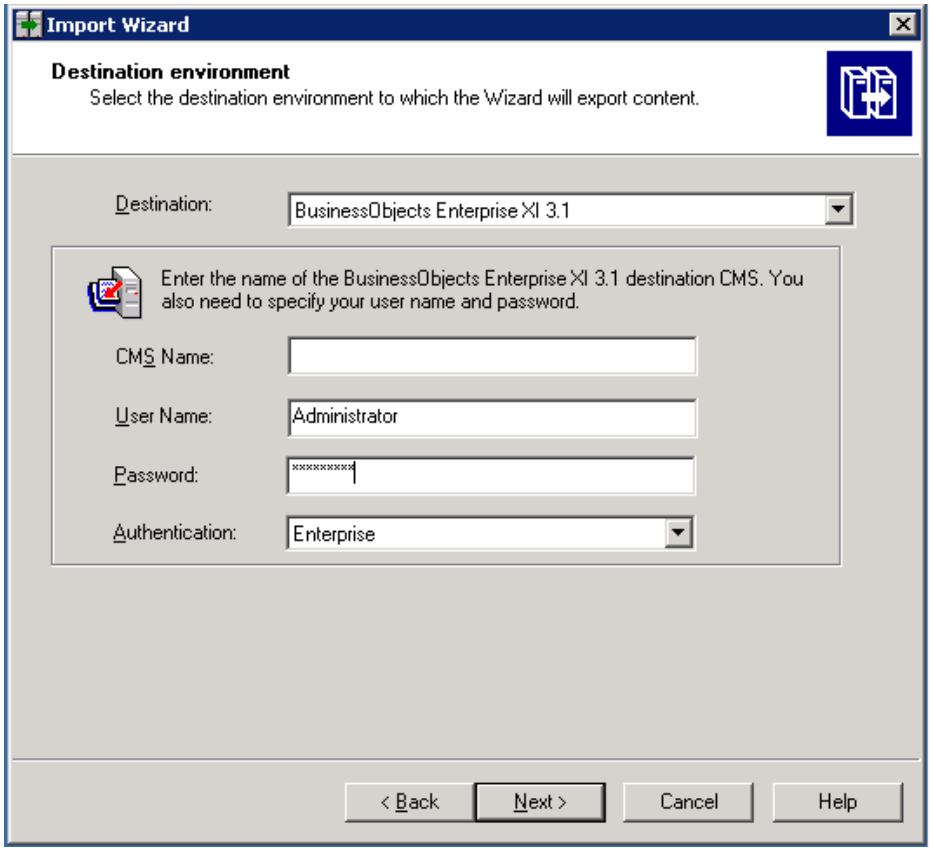
Next >
Cancel
Help


Import Wizard
Destination environment
Select the destination environment to which the Wizard will export content.
Destination:
BusinessObjects Enterprise XI 3.1
Enter the name of the BusinessObjects Enterprise XI 3.1 destination CMS. You also need to specify your user name and password.
CMS Name:
User Name:
Administrator
Password:
Authentication:
Enterprise
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Next >
Cancel
Help

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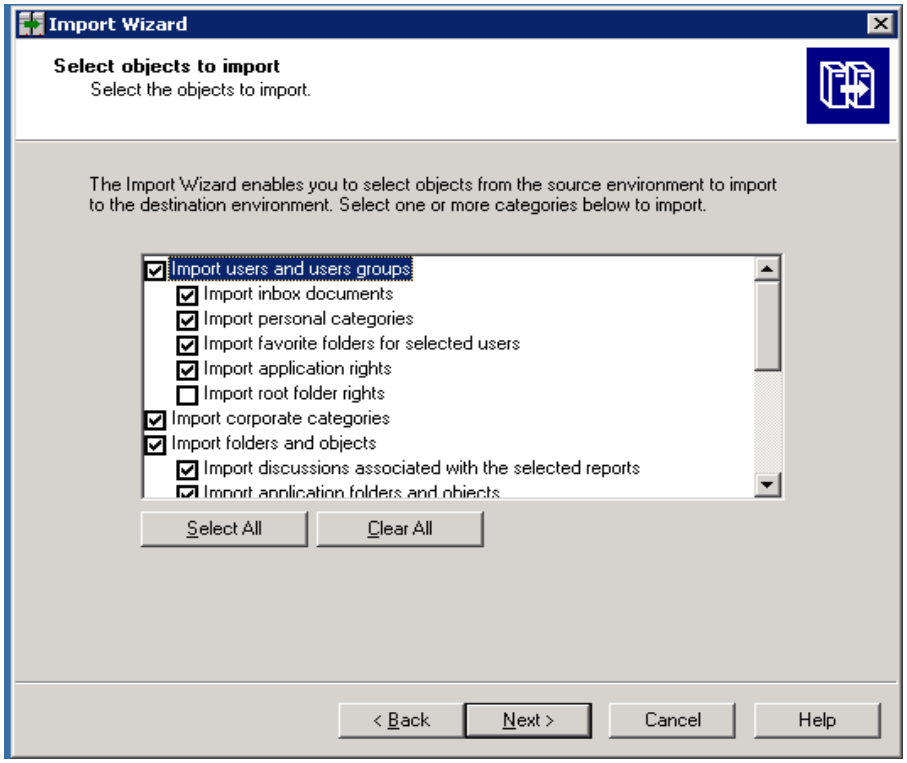
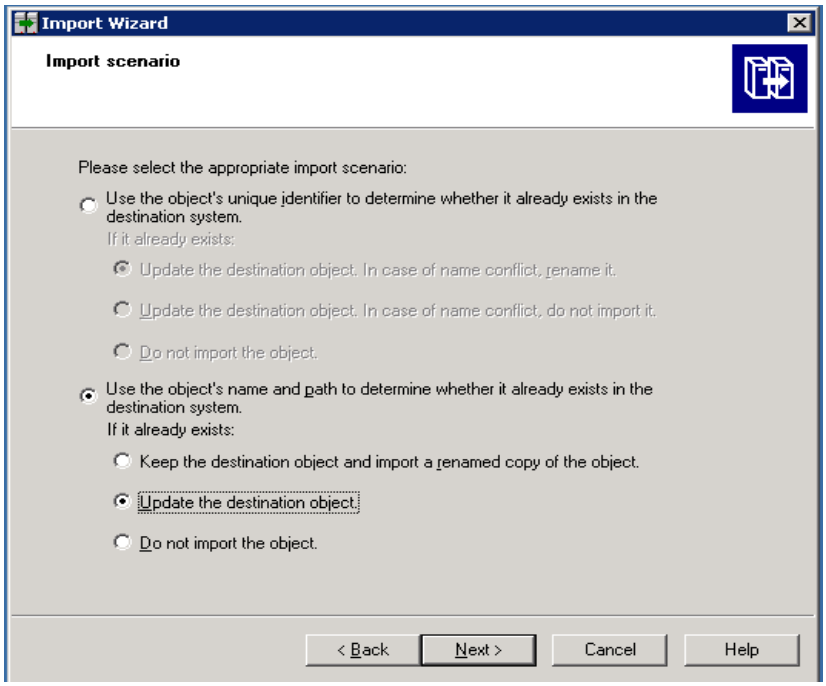
Step 5:

Select the objects to import. If moving reports, select only **Import folders and objects**. If moving a universe, select only **Import universes**. Click **Next**.



Step 6:

Select the appropriate radio button to update the destination object or to create a new entry in the production environment. The screenshot below shows a selection to update the existing report. Select **Update the destination object**.



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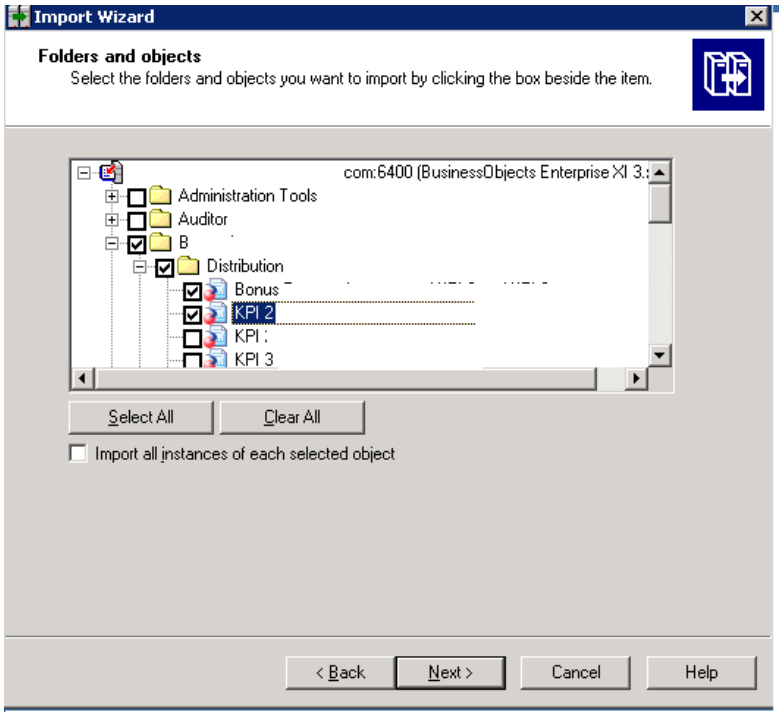
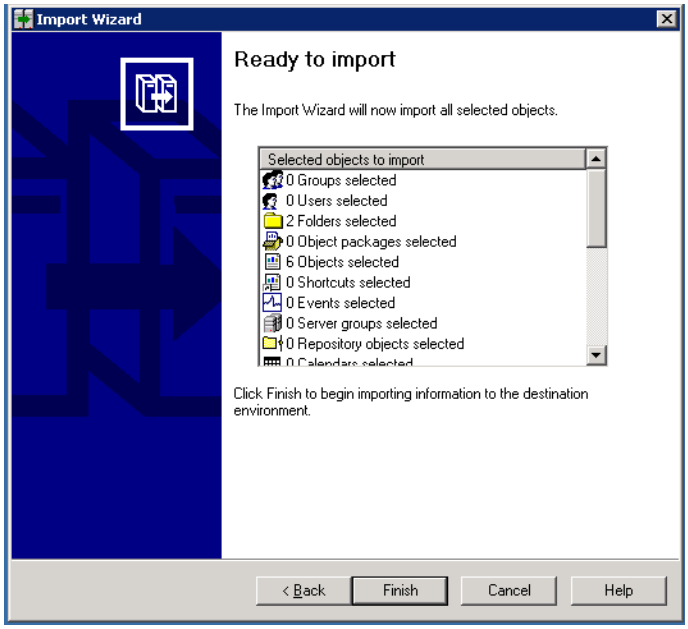
Step 7:

Click **Next** until arriving at the screen below. Select the required reports to be moved to production system. The example below shows two reports selected in the folder.



Step 8:

Click **Next**. The final screen of the wizard appears. Click **Finish**. The development objects are moved to Production.



Once the migration is done, the screen below appears displaying the objects moved.

Note: In the screenshot below, zero objects are shown as no objects have been moved to production in this example. However, this screen will show the number of objects moved.

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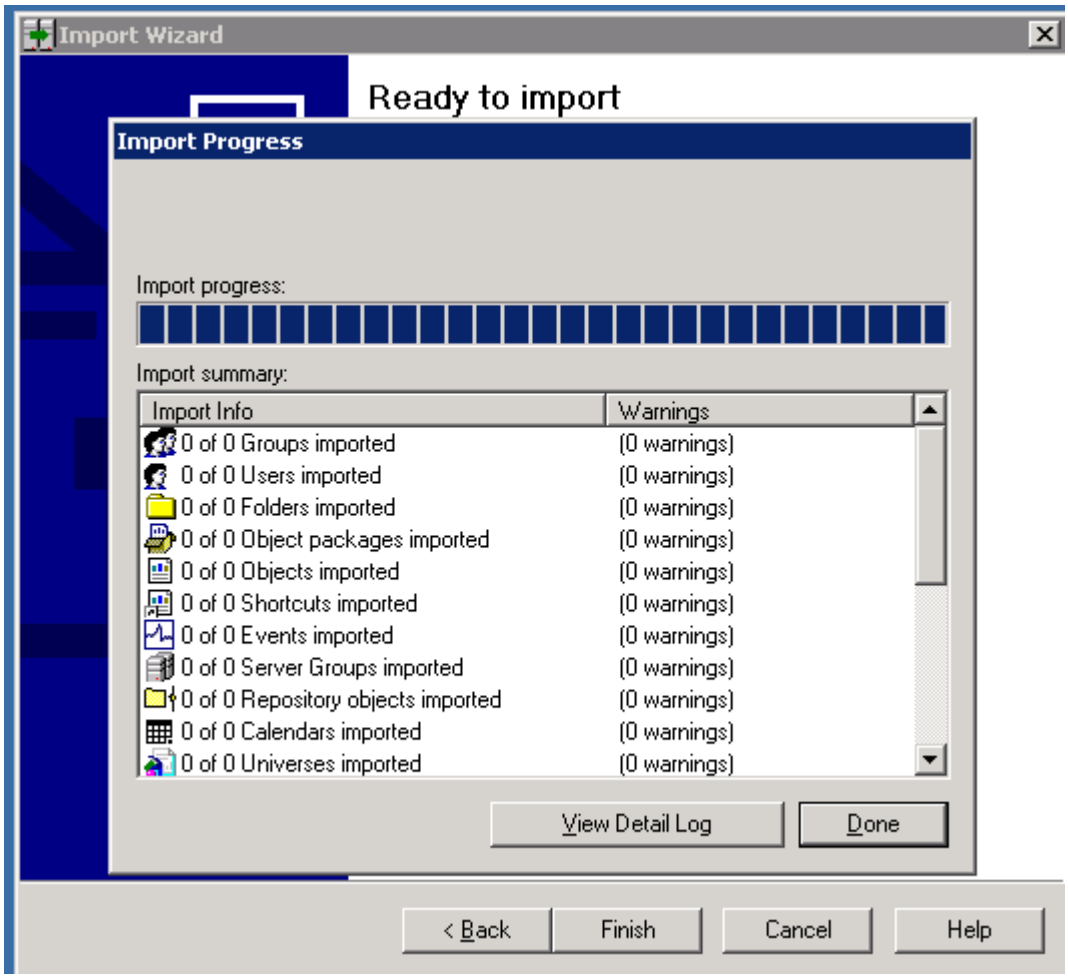
Highlight one line and click **View Detail Log**. It will show whether they are properly moved or if there are issues in moving the objects.



Step 9:

Click **Done** to complete it.

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