Delivering SAP® Solutions Directly into Your Cloud

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The Best-Run Businesses Run SAP™

Consuming new functionality from SAP – within minutes

With solutions for virtualization and cloud computing from SAP, you can begin using new or updated functionality within minutes – instead of weeks. Lower the costs typical in physical implementations, protect innovation as you come online, and move projects into production faster – thus reducing overall total cost of ownership. Cloud-enable your business with SAP® solutions.

Earlier in this decade, enterprises were spending exorbitant amounts of time and money on hardware setup, software customization, and configuration management. Business users often had to wait weeks for access to updated functionality. But cloud computing breaks the deadlock. SAP has contributed the SAP Cloud Appliance Library, an on-demand tool for delivering software content directly into your cloud account. This approach uses virtual appliances as templates for new instances, helping you provision software systems cost-effectively from a rich repository of standard, preconfigured solutions. A user-friendly management console offers visibility into the repository and helps you manage the newly provisioned instances. The library now supports functionality from the SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA® and several rapid-deployment and industry-specific solutions. It also currently supports Amazon Web Services as cloud provider, with support for other industry leaders expected soon.

Combining the power of SAP software with cloud computing

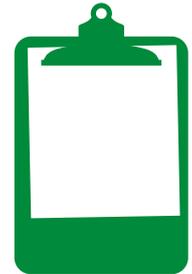**Combining the power of SAP software with cloud computing**

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Saving money while enriching content

What if you could test-drive new releases and product functionalities in depth before you buy? Or set up and tweak demos, sandboxes, and training scenarios at will? The SAP Cloud Appliance Library is designed to help. By provisioning new instances in your existing public or private cloud account, you gain the freedom to experiment without disrupting daily business, plus you will maintain firm control over costs. At any time, you can choose from a wide array of SAP services to move data smoothly from the cloud into your on-premise, production-level operations.

Every new instance that you provision from an appliance in the library starts quickly and lets you iterate rapidly, so your time to value stays short. And every solution leverages best practices supported by SAP, based on decades of experience, so your risk stays minimal. Your whole enterprise can focus on business innovation rather than infrastructure implementation.

The SAP Cloud Appliance Library helps you provision new systems to test-drive a support pack or evaluate new functionality in an enhancement pack.

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Provisioning a mission-critical software environment is a time-consuming and costly task. Moving some hard-working applications and their related functionality into the cloud has already brought you some relief. Now you can use convenient templates for 50 key functionalities from the SAP ERP application and SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA to provision new instances into your cloud account as well. The repository for the SAP Cloud Appliance Library now supports the SAP Supply Chain Management application and the SAP Treasury and Risk Management application. The library also offers rapid-deployment solutions for finance and controlling, trading, and manufacturing functions in SAP ERP and sales, marketing, and service functions in the SAP Customer Relationship Management application. Expected soon is coverage for master-data governance and additional functionality for customer relationship management. Future plans include support for deposits management, various mobile apps, and the latest technology platforms. Planned rapid-deployment solutions will support functionality for supplier relationship management and product lifecycle management.

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Using the SAP Cloud Appliance Library, you can forecast and report software provisioning costs more reliably than ever before. You merely base your predictions on the rates listed by public cloud providers or follow a few quick steps to reconfigure costing to take into account any rebates or discounts specific to your site. And because overall provisioning costs drop, your bottom line improves.

At the same time, you can be sure of protecting any customizations you've made or plan to make to your applications. You can adapt content from your business partners and value-added resellers with minimal effort, and you can move data right from your operational environment to the cloud. Cloud service providers often offer various hybrid cloud support plans to enable connectivity between on-premise applications and applications running in an off-premise cloud account. You can rest assured that the library solution works hand in hand with the cloud service environment to help keep your valuable information safe and secure.

The SAP Cloud Appliance Library helps reduce both capital and operational costs associated with provisioning your vital software infrastructure.

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Using the SAP Cloud Appliance Library, you can get your business users up and running immediately while giving them better tools for decision making and more time to concentrate on problem solving. You can bring your strategic projects to fulfillment sooner by dramatically cutting the tactical effort associated with system provisioning. And total costs of ownership across your enterprise software landscape are significantly reduced.

Because you always have access to the newest functionality in the cloud, you simplify upgrades of large software components and reduce the costs of testing and training. Complementary services help you iterate rapidly and migrate data back into your local data center anytime you wish. For any path you choose, the workload for IT staff members decreases appreciably, so they have more time to devote to technical innovation.

Summary

Provisioning new software is fast becoming trivial with the advent of cloud computing and the SAP® Cloud Appliance Library. Now you can protect and stretch your enterprise software landscape through an on-demand tool that delivers content directly into your cloud account. Specific offerings include a wide array of preconfigured functionality from the SAP ERP application and the SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA®.

Objectives

- Reduce the risk of disruption inherent in traditional on-premise implementations
- Provide business users with solutions they need, in minutes rather than weeks
- Slash total cost of ownership for mission-critical applications

Solution

- Trying out updates and new functionalities before buying and implementing
- Forecasting provisioning costs more accurately
- Reducing IT administrative load

Benefits

- Support informed decision making on forthcoming innovations and accelerate them by weeks or months
- Slash the cost of system provisioning
- Increase the speed of your response to business requests
- Bring strategic projects online sooner by reducing operational efforts

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