

IBM Cognos BI Migration Rapid Assessment Service

Overview

Highlights:

- ***Combines thorough knowledge of the migration process with a targeted examination of your unique environment.***
- ***Defines the scope of migration and its costs, benefits and risks.***
- ***Identifies tasks, activities and deliverables for each phase of the migration.***
- ***Includes a high-level training strategy to enhance user skills in your organization.***

Advanced business intelligence (BI) solutions such as IBM Cognos 8 BI open up exciting new approaches to enterprise reporting and analysis. To take advantage of this, more and more customers who currently use IBM Cognos Series 7 are planning to migrate to IBM Cognos 8 BI.

To fully benefit from the new architecture and functionality of IBM Cognos 8 BI, the migration process requires a thorough understanding of the differences between the two platforms. With this understanding, IBM experts can support you in defining a strategy and developing plans for your migration.

The IBM Cognos BI Migration Rapid Assessment Service couples our knowledge of migration with a targeted examination of your environment. By applying proven practices and the IBM Cognos Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM) along with the BI Migration Roadmap, we can help you identify the right migration strategy and recommended approaches.

Initial Briefing Session

An initial briefing session will be conducted to identify resources,

understand migration objectives, set expectations, and scope and collect documentation. We will work with key stakeholders to:

- Understand your current reporting environment
- Determine and understand the migration objectives
- Obtain and prioritize a list of migration objects involved in the project
- Review pre-assessment questionnaire

Assessment of Your IBM Cognos Series 7 Environment

Following the briefing session, we will undertake an exercise to provide an inventory of your current IBM Cognos Series 7 environment. This will include an assessment of the existing infrastructure, architecture, performance and capacity, and data migration objects (e.g., metadata definition and structures, as well as report functionality, volumes). This assessment can provide:

- A technical readiness assessment of current environment
- A small prototype that identifies opportunities and issues which will need to be dealt with during the migration

- An inventory of migration objects
Recommendations and Go Forward Strategies

Based on the information gathered, we will identify options to achieve your business objectives. This is the key deliverable of this service and will include:

- Migration scope definition
- Suggested potential migration approaches
- Analysis of the benefits, costs, opportunities and risks of the approaches
- A high-level training strategy
- Capacity plan for the IBM Cognos 8 BI infrastructure

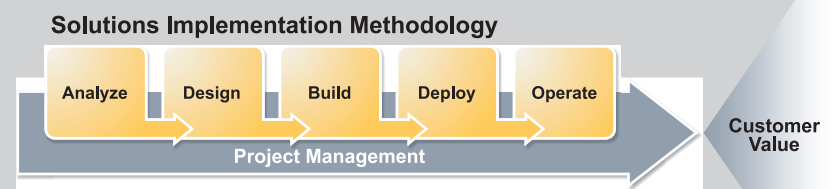
This service is typically completed in approximately 10 days, but is subject to your environment and requirements.

Proven Methodology Leads to Successful Implementations

Used by our customers, partners, and employees around the globe, the IBM Cognos Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM) is a step-by-step guide to the complete implementation lifecycle. The SIM is based on the five project phases—*Analyze, Design, Build, Deploy, Operate*—and includes a project management layer.

The scalable implementation methodology features proven tools, guidelines, templates, techniques, and role definitions for the activities, tasks, and deliverables in each phase. The project management function helps project managers complete all planning tasks and monitor and manage all activities, outcomes, risks, schedules, and budgets.

Because configuration and deployment procedures vary according to product line, particularly in the design and build phases, IBM has developed different implementation roadmaps. This includes a roadmap for BI migration which will be utilized during the IBM Cognos BI Migration Rapid Assessment Service.



About IBM Cognos BI and Performance Management:

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