SAP BW-IP, an alternative that makes the transition easier.

Use SAP BW-IP for efficient planning

What is SAP BW-IP?

SAP Business Warehouse – integrated planning is a fully integrated component of the SAP Business Warehouse. With the application, you can easily link your company's actual and planned figures to create planning models. The harmonized data from the business warehouse is always used. This means that the data does not have to be exported from the business warehouse to an external tool and then imported again later.

What role does SAP BW-IP play in the SAP environment?

SAP offers companies various planning applications. In addition to SAP BW-IP and SAP BPC (SAP Business Planning and Consolidation), it is possible to create and visualize planning models directly in the SAP Analytics Cloud (for Planning). SAP BW-IP is the technical basis for modeling in SAP BPC Embedded, however, it can be used as an independent planning solution in

BW on HANA. From the transition to BW/4HANA, all IP functionalities will be made available via the BPC 11.1 (strategic on-premise solution).

Areas of application for SAP BW-IP

Since SAP BW-IP is an integrated component of SAP BW, companies don't need additional licenses to create individual partial plans, a rolling forecast or budget planning, for example, and link these to actual reporting. This simplifies the planning process for you as a user and can improve the accuracy and quality of your planning.

If you would also like to benefit from the speed advantages of SAP HANA or install additional connectors for SAP BW-IP, the SAP Planning Application Kit (PAK) is a mandatory extension. SAP PAK assumes the purchase of an SAP BPC license.

Success factors for efficient planning



Benefits of SAP BW-IP

Due to the tight integration with SAP BW, the harmonized data from the data warehouse can be used directly to link actual and planned figures. This prevents redundancies that can otherwise be caused by repeated import and export with other planning applications. The complexity and project runtime with the introduction of BW-IP are reduced by predefined planning functions and a modular planning approach. In addition, you benefit from the automation of manual activities thanks to planning functions and sequences.



Planning means the ability of humans to mentally anticipate steps that are necessary to achieve a goal.

This means you can respond more quickly to changes in the forecast and, if necessary, do another round of planning. In the case of very special requirements, individual planning functions can be created via the integrated script language FOX or with ABAP routines. Predefined characteristics ensure uniform

plans and correct values, since these can only be selected from a quantity of valid value combinations. To ensure that your planning models are tamper-proof, data slices are introduced that allow parts of the data to be released for modification and others to be locked.

BW-IP has optimized its long-term development to become an established, stable, and reliable tool. The planning models you create with it can be easily migrated when migrating to BW/4HANA and BPC.

Conclusion

SAP BW-IP is your entry into efficient planning and is especially interesting for companies that are already using SAP BW.

Many planning scenarios are still mapped in BW-IP at companies today. Nevertheless, the strategic products SAP Analytics Cloud and SAP BPC 11.1 should be considered as well.

What we can offer you

We have been working for many years on developing complex planning models and implementing challenging planning scenarios. We coach, optimize the process, carry out planning projects, and support you from installation to operation of your individual planning solution.

We will be glad to answer all of your questions and advise you on your start with futureoriented planning!

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