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Flashes of Insight: Managing Change in your SAP BI System



# **Today's Session** *Key Topics*

- Modules of APOS Insight
- SAP BI System Change
- Report Structure Change
- Operating Environment Change
- System Security Change
- **Q&A** see webinar console



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#### Today's Presenters





Chief Operating Officer APOS



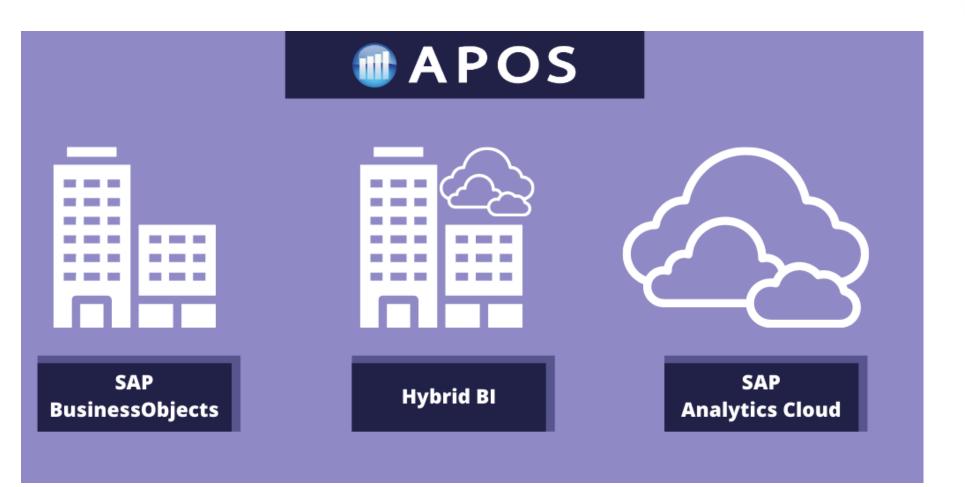
#### **ALAN GOLDING**

**Solution Consulting Manager APOS** 

#### Who is APOS?

- Formed in 1992
- Enabling BI platform management, administration, migration, governance and compliance
- Simplifying, automating, extending SAP BusinessObjects and SAP Analytics Cloud
- Strategic SDK development and consulting
- Hundreds of customers globally









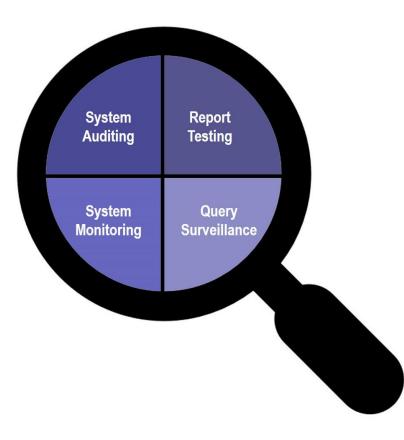


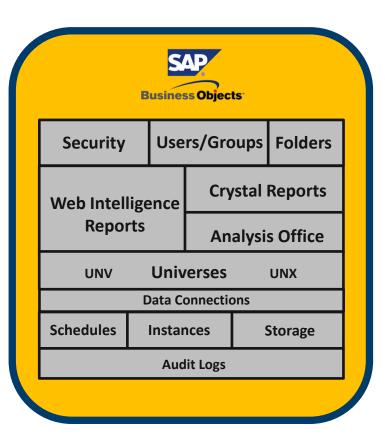
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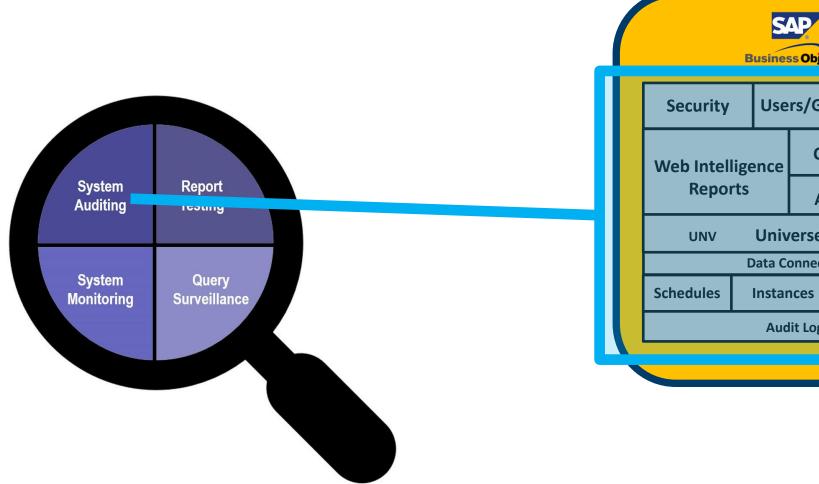
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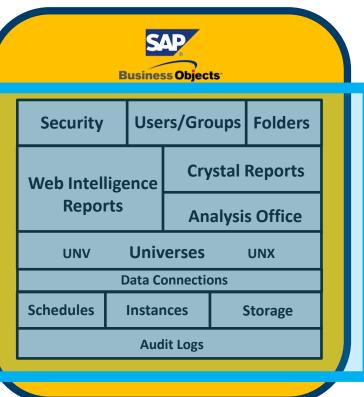




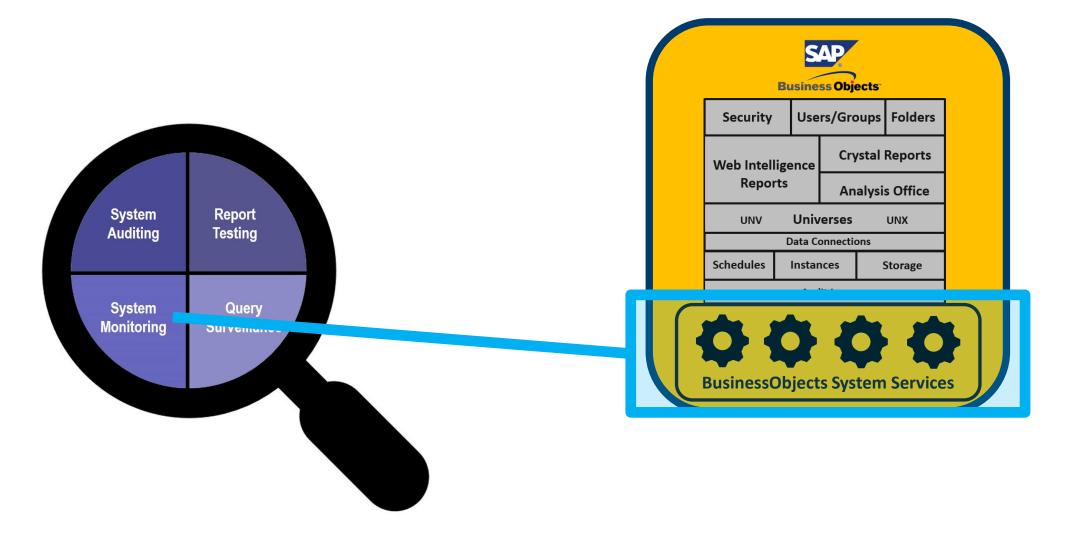




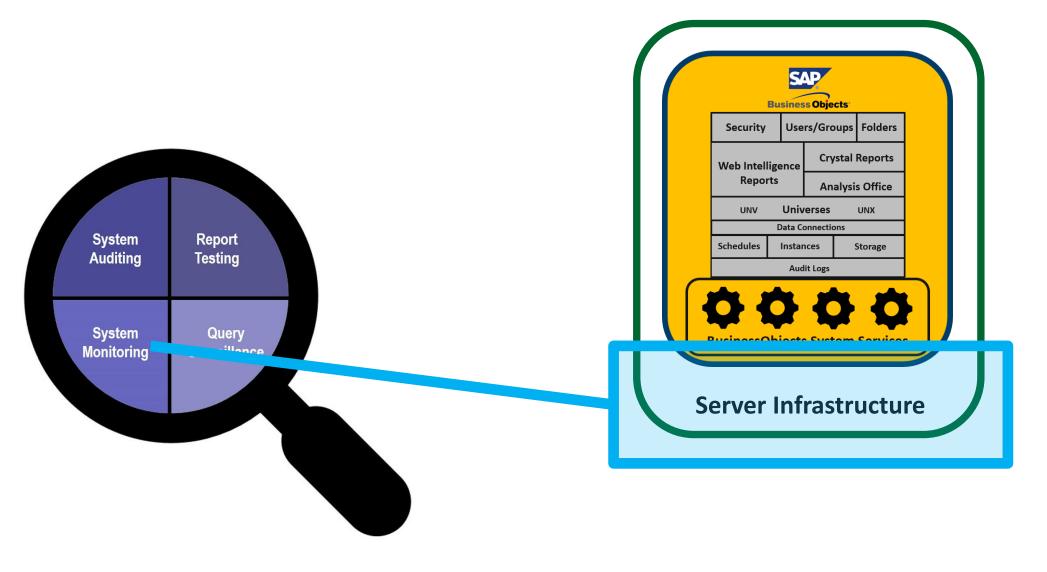




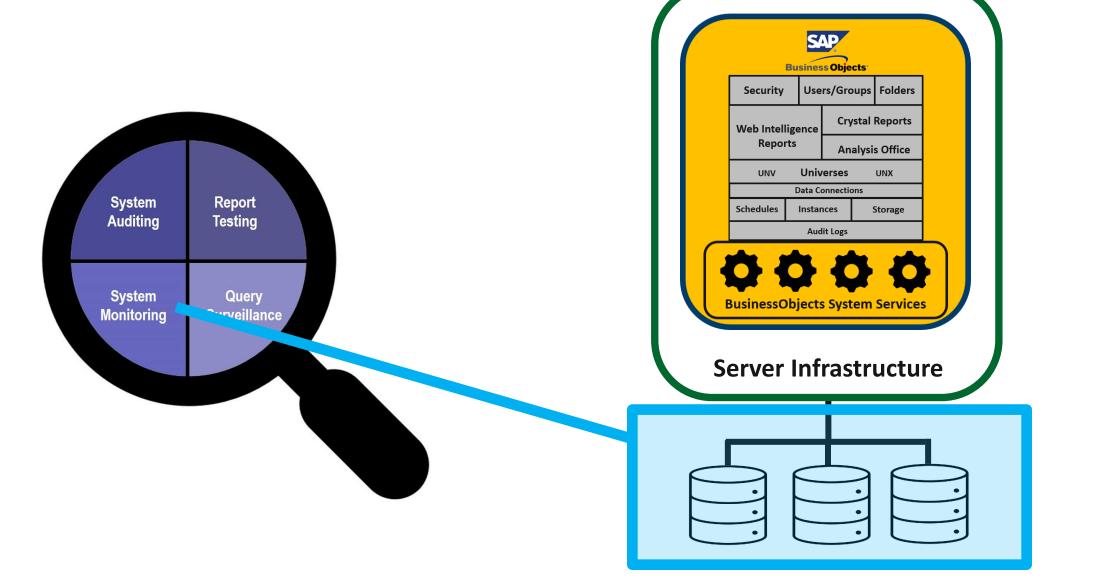


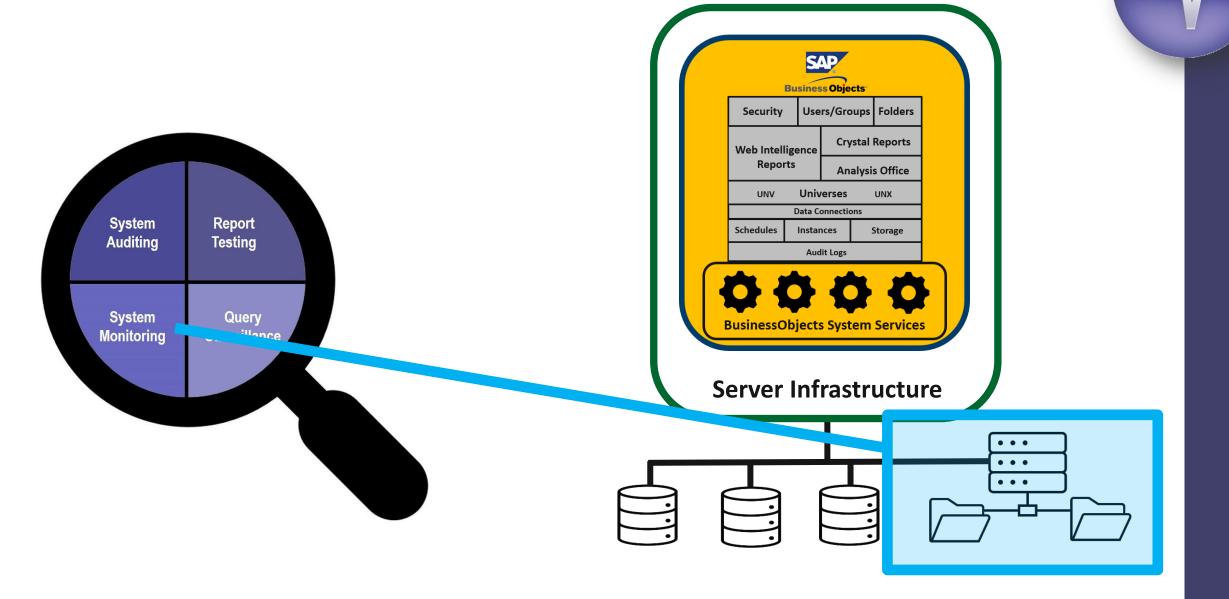


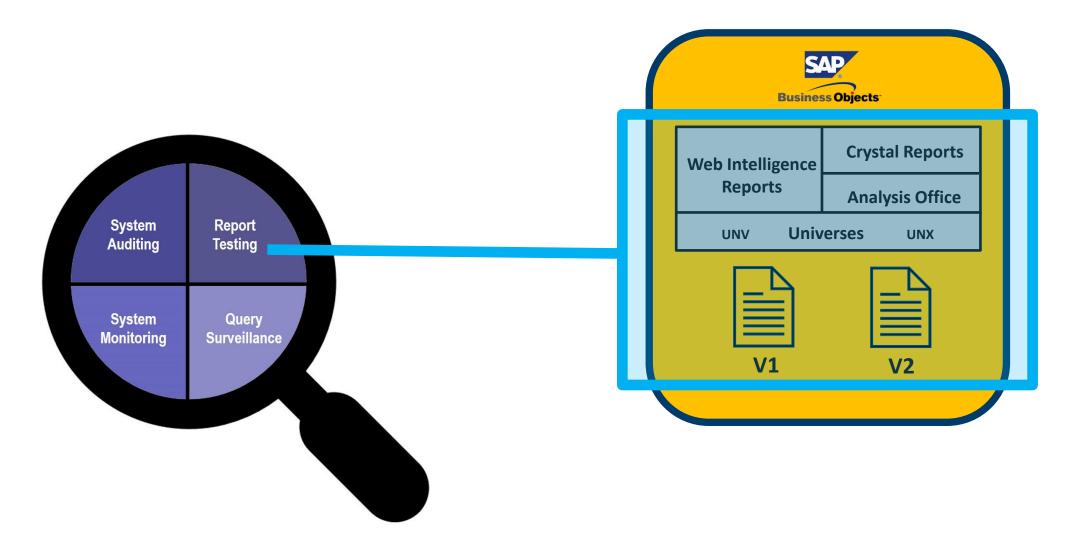


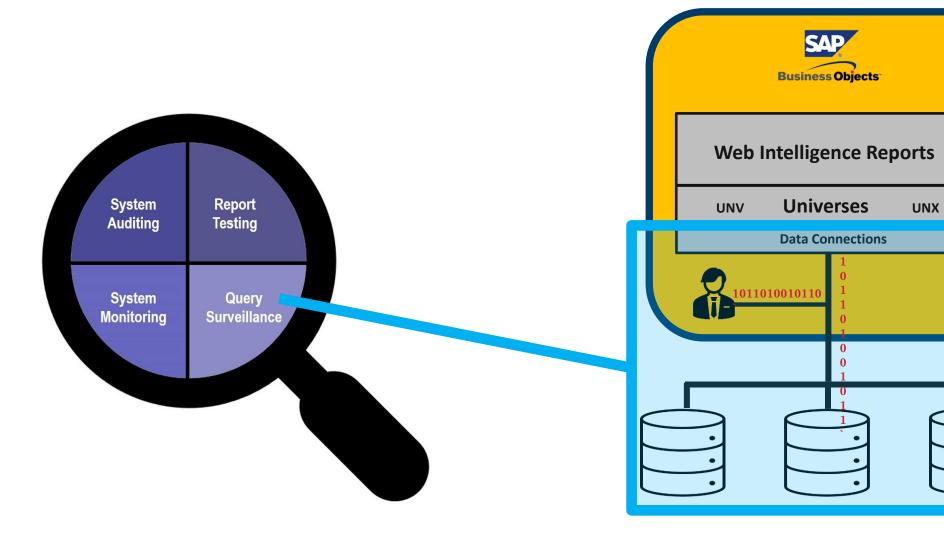












### Flashes of Insight – Managing Change in SAP BI



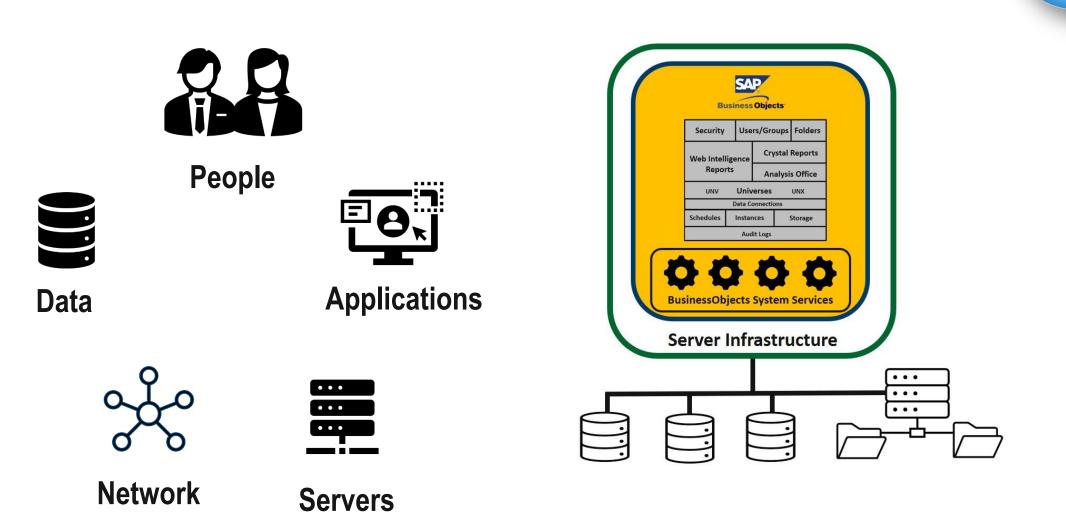






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#### Sources of Change in SAP BI



- Detect Change
- Inspect Change
- Respond
- Document & Advise Change



- Detect Change recognize that a change has happened
- Inspect Change gather information about the details of the change
- Respond take action to address any challenges that result from the change
- Document & Advise Change effectively inform others



Report Structure Changes

**Operating Environment Changes** 

#### System Security Changes

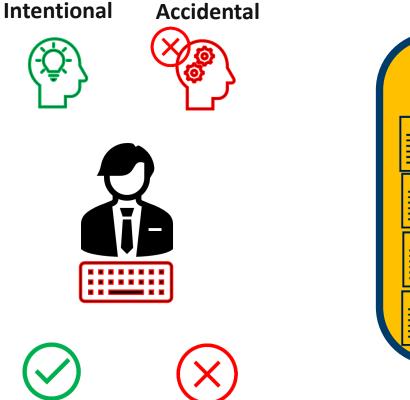
#### Report Structure Changes

- Report files in SAP BusinessObjects (.wid, .rpt)
- · defines report structure details
- · defines report function details
- · Changes to report files prompts questions
- · impact on structure
- impact on function









Accurate

Incorrect







Applications





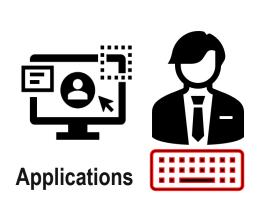
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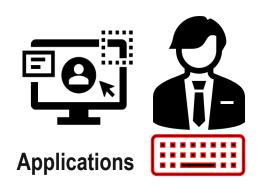




Incorrect Reports = Incorrect Decisions = **Risk** & \$





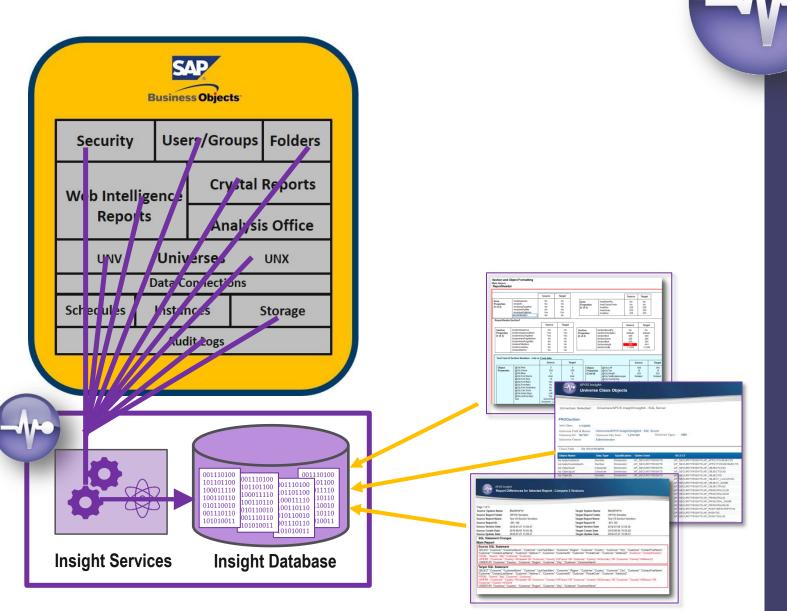




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- Can you prove / document all of this?

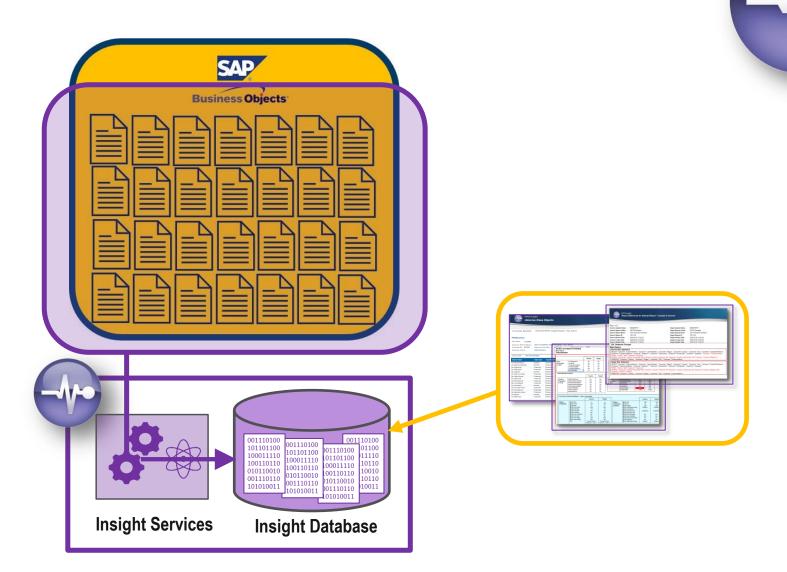
# **APOS Insight – System Auditing**

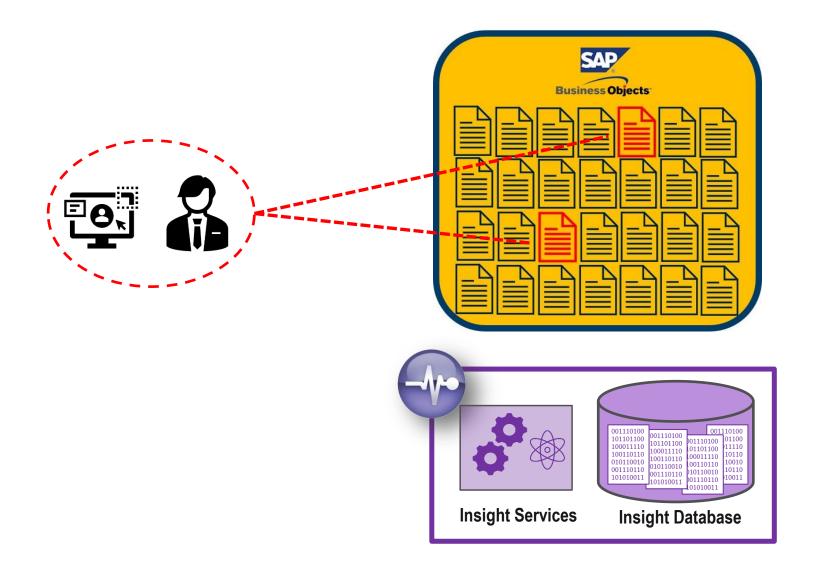
- Insight Services run deep scans of the SAP BusinessObjects environment
- Insight transforms system data and writes thorough and effective metadata to Insight Database
- Metadata within Insight Database available for granular analysis



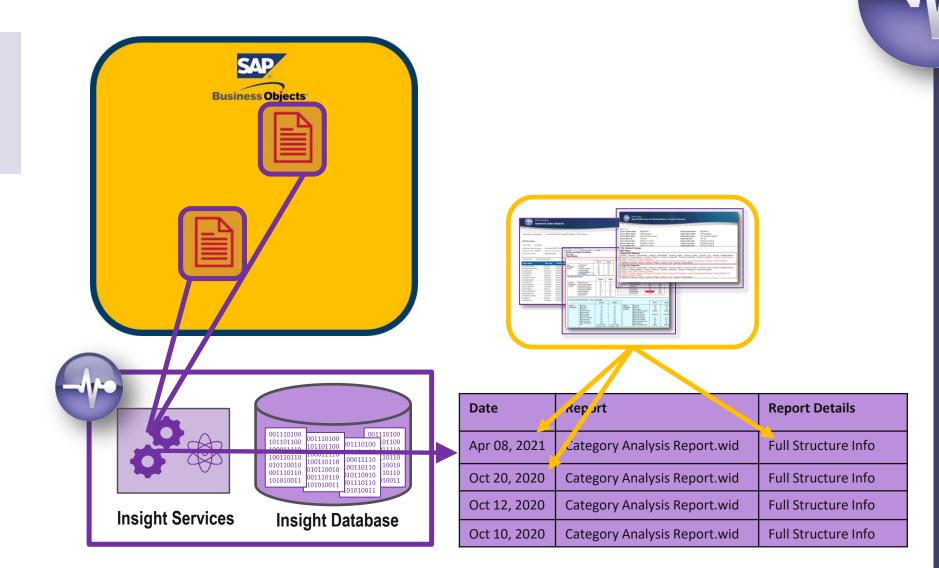
## **APOS Insight – Report Structure Analysis**

- Data Connections
- Data Tables / Fields
- Report Layout
- Charts
- Formulas
- Tables
- Calculated Fields
- SQL Statement
- Sub reports / Tabs
- Command File Details
- Extended SQL Information
- Sub-queries
- Universe/Semantic Layer
  - Tables/Fields
  - Class Objects
  - LOV Details
  - Joins / Join Strategies
  - Conditions
  - Contexts
  - Qualifiers
  - Designers/Owners
  - Control Options
  - Hierarchy Information









Document historical report structure changes over time

APOS Insight Web Intelligence Structure

#### **Universe Based Reports**

Universe Name: Universes/APOS Insight/Insight4 - Oracle Universe Type: UNV

Folder: /APOS Insight Reports/Oracle

Report Name: Audit - All Report Activity

Object					
Name	Qualification	Data Type	Formula	Definition	Description
Activity Count	Measure	Numeric	N/A		N/A
Ap ObjectName	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Ap ObjectType	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Ap ParentName	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Ap StartTime	Dimension	DateTime	N/A		From the AP_StartTime field from AP_Common Events - corrected to local time - as timestamp field
Ap UserName	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
FolderPath	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Object Type	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Si Owner	Dimension	String	N/A		N/A
Total Object Count: 9					

Has there been changes made to the Universe structure?



Has there been changes to the Variables in your Universes? APOS Insight Web Intelligence Structure

#### **Universe Based Reports**

Universe Name: Universes/APOS Insight/Insight4 - Oracle Universe Type: UNV

Folder: /APOS Insight Reports/Oracle

Report Name: Audit - Objects Scheduled by User

#### Variable

variable				
Name	Qualification	Data Type	Formula	Definition
FormatObjectName	Dimension	String	[FormatObjectName]	=If( UserResponse("Object Name:") = "") Then "All Objects" Else UserResponse("Object Name:")
FormatServiceType	Dimension	String	[FormatServiceType]	=If( UserResponse("Service Type:") = "") Then "All Services" Else UserResponse("Service Type:")
ObjectCount	Measure	String	[ObjectCount]	="Total Objects Scheduled: " + Count([AP_EventID])
UserDateRange	Dimension	String	[UserDateRange]	=UserResponse("Audit Start Date") + " to " + UserResponse ("Audit End Date")
Total Variable Count: 6				

APOS Insight Universe Class Objects

Have there been changes to the tables/fields the Universe is using?

Universes Selected: Universes	ses/APOS Insight/Insight4 - SQL Server
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#### PRODuction

#### Info Date: 1/1/2000

Universe Path & Name:	Universes/APOS Insi	Universes/APOS Insight/Insight4 - SQL Server					
Universe ID: 967697	Universe File Size:	1,270 KB	Universe Type:	UNV			
Universe Owner	Administrator						

#### Class Path: /Ap Securityrights

Object Name	Data Type	Qualification	Tables Used	SELECT
Ap Applytoobjects	Number	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_APPLYTOOBJECTS
Ap Applytosubobjects	Number	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_APPLYTOSUBOBJECTS
Ap Objectcuid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECTCUID
Ap Objectguid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECTGUID
Ap Objectid	Number	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECTID
Ap Object Location	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECT_LOCATION
Ap Object Name	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECT_NAME
Ap Objectruid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_OBJECTRUID
Ap Principalcuid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_PRINCIPALCUID
Ap Principalguid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_PRINCIPALGUID
Ap Principalid	Number	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_PRINCIPALID
Ap Principal Name	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_PRINCIPAL_NAME
Ap Principalruid	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_PRINCIPALRUID
Ap Rightdescription	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_RIGHTDESCRIPTION
Ap Rightid	Number	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_RIGHTID
Ap Rightvalue	Character	Dimension	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS	AP_SECURITYRIGHTS.AP_RIGHTVALUE

APOS Insight

**Report Differences for Selected Report - Compare 2 Versions** 

#### Has the SQL Query behind the report changed?

Page 1 of 3			
Source System Name	BI42SP4FW	Target System Name	BI42SP4FW
Source Report Folder	/APOS Samples	Target Report Folder	/APOS Samples
Source Report Name	Test Of Section Numbers	Target Report Name	Test Of Section Numbers
Source Report ID	891,140	Target Report ID	891,140
Source Version Date	2018-07-27 13:09:57	Target Version Date	2018-07-26 15:50:36
Source Create Date	2018-06-04 10:05:58	Target Create Date	2018-06-04 10:05:58
Source Update Date	2018-07-27 13:09:57	Target Update Date	2018-07-27 13:09:57
	ent ustomerName", "Customer"."LastYearSales",		', "Customer"."City", "Customer"."ContactFirstNa
Main Report Source SQL Statemer SELECT "Customer"."Cu "Customer"."ContactLast FROM "Xtreme"."dbo"." WHERE ("Customer"."C	ent ustomerName", "Customer"."LastYearSales", Name", "Customer"."Address1", "Customer" "Customer" "Customer" Country"=N'Canada' OR "Customer"."Country	"CustomerID", "Customer"."PostalCode", "C '=N'France' OR "Customer"."Country"=N'Ge	', "Customer"."City", "Customer"."ContactFirstNa ustomer"."Address2", "Customer"."ContactPosit many' OR "Customer"."Country"=N'Mexico')
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Section and Object Formatting

Main Report ReportHeader

		Source	Target			Source	Target
Area	AreaSuppress	No	No	Area	AreaResetPg	No	No
Properties (1 of 2)	AreaDrill	No	No	Properties	AreaClampFooter	No	No
	AreaKeepTogether	No	No	(2 of 2)	AreaRed	255	255
	AreaNewPgAfter	No	No	(2 0. 2)	AreaGreen	255	255
	AreaNewPgBefore	Yes	Yes		AreaBlue	255	255
	AreaPrtBottom	No	No				
ReportHeade	rSection1			7			
		Source	Target			Source	Target
Section	SectionSuppress	No	No	Section	SectionResetPg	No	No
Properties	SectionSuppressBlank	Yes	Yes	Properties	SectionOrientation	Default	Default
(1 of 2)	SectionKeepTogether	Yes	Yes	(2 of 2)	SectionRed	255	255
	SectionNewPageBefore	No	No		SectionGreen	255	255
	SectionNewPageAfter	No	No		SectionBlue	255	255
	SectionPrtBottom	No	No		SectionHeight	309	414
	SectionUnderlay	No	No		SectionWidth	11,520	11,520
	SectionRelPos	No	No				

Text-Test of Section Numbers - Lots or Cross-tabs

		Source	Target			Source	Target
Object	@Obj Red	0	0	Object	@Obj Left	368	368
Properties	@Obj Green	255	255	Properties	@Obj Top	16	16
	@Obj Blue	0	0	(Cont'd)	@Obj Height	293	293
	@Obj Font Name	Arial	Arial		@Obj TextRotationAngle	Rotate0	Rotate0
	@Obj Font Size	14	14		@Obj ToolTipText		
	@Obj Font Bold	Yes	Yes		@Obj Hyperlink Type	Undefined	Undefined
	@Obj Font Italic	No	No		@Obj Hyperlink Text		
	@Obj Font Underline	No	No		@Obj Keep Together	Yes	Yes
	@Obj Can Grow	No	No		@Obj Keep Together	Yes	Yes
	@Obj Horiz Aliign	Left	Left		@Obj Repeat Horizontal	No	No
	@Obj Vertical Align	Тор	Тор		@Obj Suppress	No	No
	Text	Test of Section	Test of Section		@Obj TextRotationAngle	Rotate0	Rotate0
		Numbers - Lots or	Numbers - Lots or				

Has the Formatting on the report changed?

### **Managing Change – Report Structure Changes**



Source Report Path: /APOS Samples Source Report ID and Name: 1011774 - Country Region City

Current Version as of 2018-10-16 14:51:46

Source System: BI42SP4FW

Target Report Path: /APOS Samples Target Report ID and Name: 1011774 - Country Region City

Historical Version as of 2018-09-26 09:36:18

#### Target System: BI42SP4FW

Source or Target Source Target Created By Administrator Administrator Last Author Administrator Administrator 45.312 File Size 30,405 **Refresh on Open?** No No # of Report Tabs 1 1 **Report Tab Name** Report 1 Report 1 Report Tab ID 18 18

Has the report template or properties changed?

mptQueries 📑 Basic Report Data 📄 Data Providers 📑 Webi Objects

### **Managing Change – Report Structure Changes**



#### Data Provider ID: DP0

ChangeType	Source	Target
Query Name	Query 1	Query 1
Row Count	3	6
Sample Size	0	0
Partial Results?	0	0
Duration	1	1
Data Source ID	600,653	600,653
	SELECT Customer.CustomerName, Customer.ContactFirstName, Customer.PostalCode, Customer.City, Customer.Region, Customer.Country FROM Customer WHERE	SELECT Customer.CustomerName, Customer.PostalCode, Customer.City, Customer.Region, Customer.Country, Customer."TestÜÄüÃ∞" FROM
otQueries 📑 Bi	asic Report Data 📑 Data Providers 🖉	

Has the data provider changed?

### **Use Case Scenario**

#### Large US Energy/Utilities provider

- During internal and external audits, auditors require clarification about whether a library of control reports had changed or not changed during the latest fiscal cycle. This requirement included the need for documentation to validate the report change details. This was being addressed with a manual and very time intensive process.
- APOS Insight provided a way to prove to their auditors that reports had, or had not, changed within the past fiscal cycle in a quick and automated way. This gives them trustworthy data which greatly simplifies that auditing process.





# Managing Change – Report Structure Changes



- Have any reports changed?
- What are the details of the report changes?
- Is the report producing the same results?
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# Managing Change in SAP BI

### Operating Environment Changes

- SAP BusinessObjects deployment relies on many different supporting technologies and systems
- Changes to related technologies and systems can directly impact the results of the SAP BusinessObjects system



# Sources of Change in SAP BI

### Server / Infrastructure

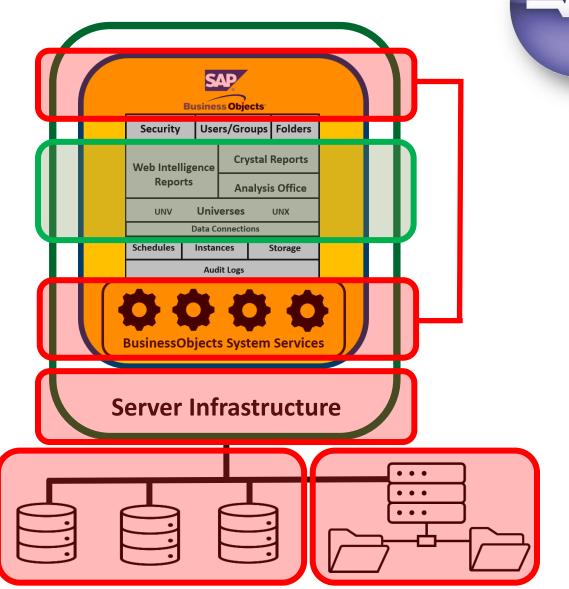
- Server Software Versions
- Server Hardware
- Network Infrastructure

#### Databases

- Data Structure
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- Vendor Applications

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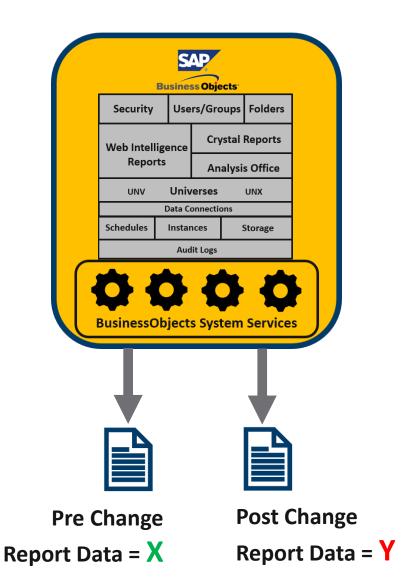
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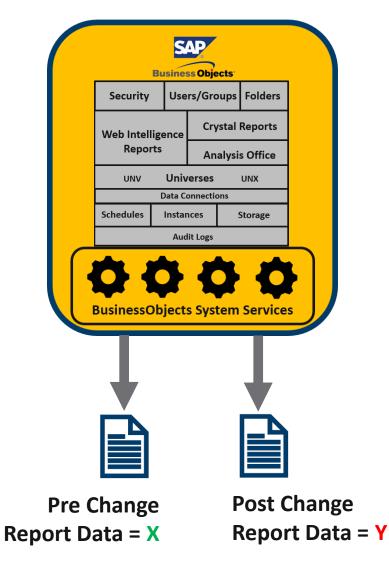


### Incorrect Reports = Incorrect Decisions = **Risk** & \$

# **Detecting & Inspecting Change - Manual**

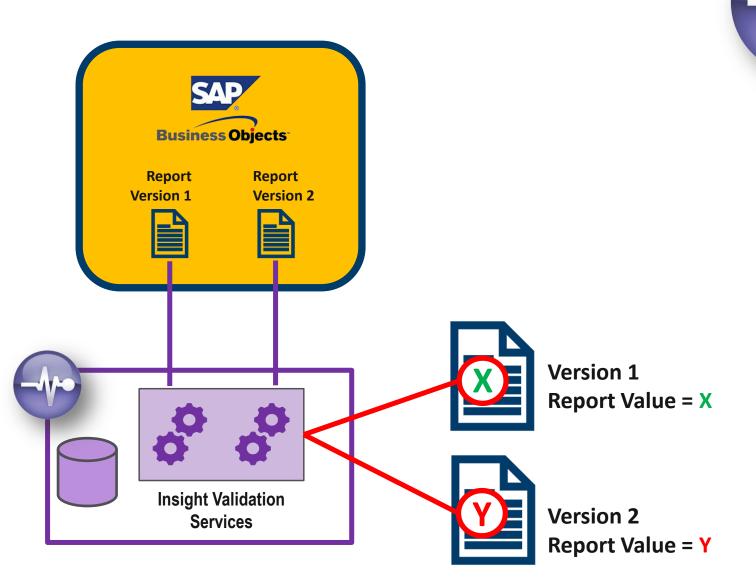
#### Manual Testing Challenges:

- Limited percentage of reports can be tested
- Depth of testing is limited
- Human error
- Length of testing process delay
- Availability of testing resources delay
- Meeting governance standards
- Being audit-ready (Sarbanes-Oxley, HIPAA)
- Sensitive data exposure during testing

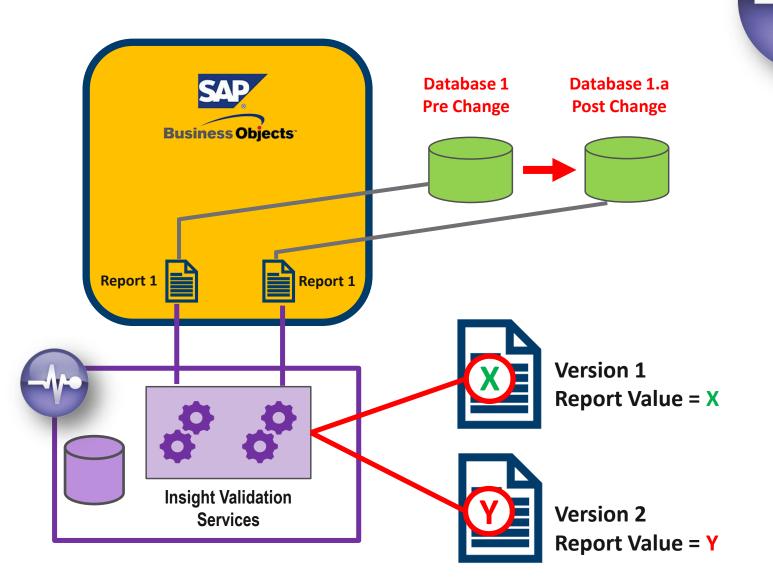




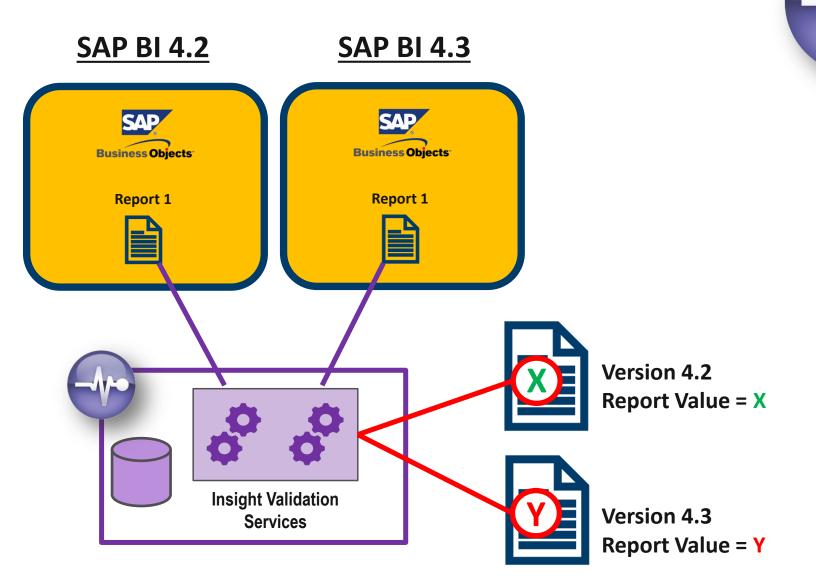
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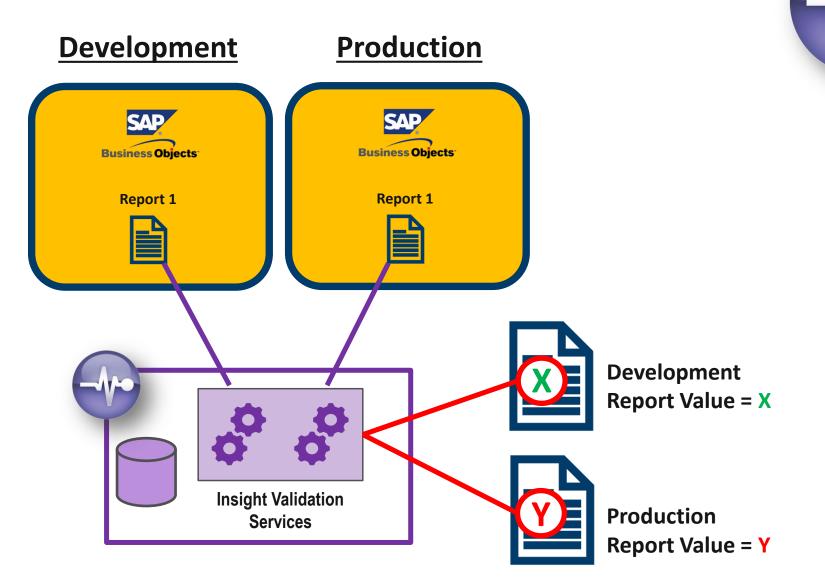
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Automated Report Testing

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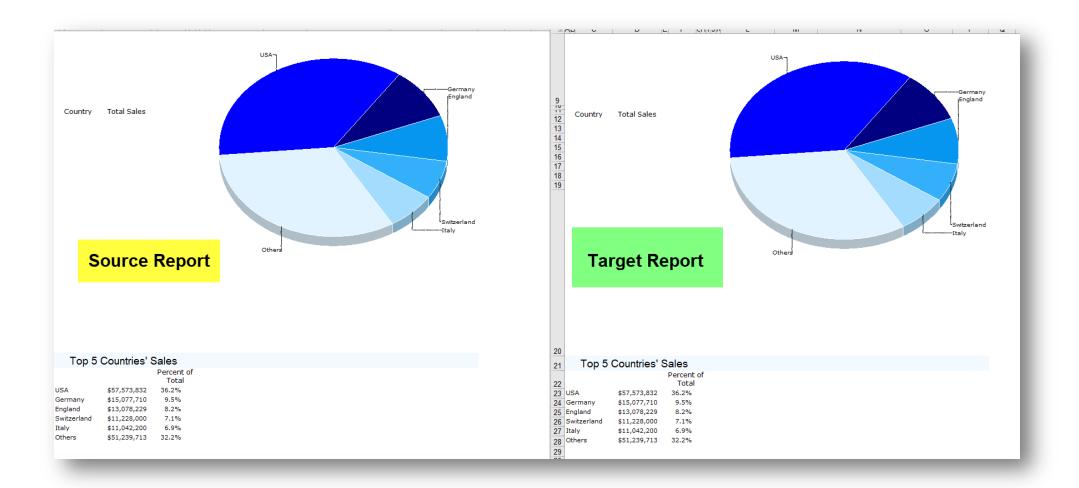
Live interactive view into the Report Testing process

Legend Pending Paused Running Successful Failed Not Found Regression Export F	Refresh Cancel
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Validation Progress 0 of 6 validations completed (0 Successful; 0 Successful with Warning; 0 Failed); 0 Validations Skipped	d

ed Instances	Scheduling Details	
Grouping and Sorting Norld Sales Report nteractive Sort Group & Chart nteractive Sort Detail Orilldown Calculated Member Crosstab Char	Instance Created:	1464665       CUID:       ASE.21ARFixHh61CdOOxUYk       Status:       Successful         Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10:51:25         /Validation Manager/Interactive Sort Detail/Interactive Sort Detail
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	Validation Details	
	Last Validated:	Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10:52:15 Status: Warning
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Easily review summary of Report Testing results

Render the tested reports side by side for visual inspection



### Re-use validation projects for continuous or repeated testing processes

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# Managing Change – Operating Environment Changes

Get summary reports of how the Report Testing project went directly to management

	Summary of validations	
!	Overall Summary	
1	Validation process ran for:	45 seconds
ł	Total number of objects in project:	6
i.	Number of objects not included in current validation process:	0
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### **Use Case Scenario**

#### **Multinational Insurance Company**

- Report Testing was an extremely time consuming manual process, which was needed for every environment as part of their report development processes and upgrades. They had thousands of reports, so only a small subset of reports were being tested, meaning that the true level of testing was quite limited.
- APOS automation for Report Testing has enabled them to complete high volume report testing, which has dramatically expanded the amount of reports being tested, and minimized the amount of time and resources involved.





# Managing Change in SAP BI

### System Security Changes

- · Understanding the source and impact of changes to security settings
  - Access (Users, Groups, Folders, Objects)
  - Rights (Group, Individual)
  - Roles
  - Custom Access Levels



### **Security Changes**

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Intentional

Accurate Incorrect



### **Security Changes**



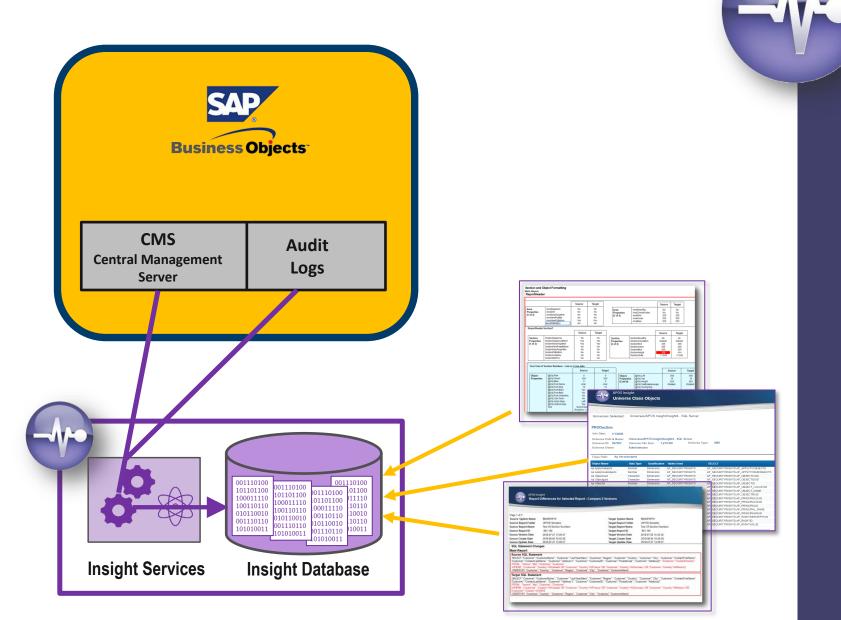




# **Security Changes**

### Establish clear picture of:

- Access
  - View
- Rights
  - Schedule
  - Refresh
  - Modify
  - Delete



How can I inspect Security changes within my BI Environment?

#### APOS Insight Security by Type

#### Folder

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Location: /Storage Center Settings/ArcObjects

Scan Date Oct 2, 2015

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Cryptographic Officers	No Access	D	D	D	D
Data Federation Administrator	No Access	D	D	D	D
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Helen	View	D	D	G	D
Henry	View	D	D	G	D
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IDAC	No Access	D	D	D	D
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#### Be easily able to know who has done what when and where

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Be able to get notified when critical reports/folders get deleted

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Get these notifications sent to management and be alerted when security policies to business critical folders/reports are being changed

Security Monitoring Alert - Full Control given to Business Critical Folder

To Alan Golding

HI,

The SAP Business Objects Security Role of **"Full Access"** was given to the "Management Reporting" Folder in the Production Business Objects Environment.

Please use the APOS Insight Security Report to inspect further.

Thanks BOE Security Team



### **Use Case Scenario**

#### Large multi-state US Law firm

- Suspicion of internal data breaches led them to more detailed research which found that someone had access to reports that they should not have. That person also had the ability to export the reports contents locally to their computer and use that data in prohibited ways.
- The firm needed to establish a way to easily audit, detect and inspect who has access to what content, find any security policy discrepancies and fix them accordingly. The also needed to understand if someone had deleted, modified, scheduled content they shouldn't have, and be clear about who, what, when, and where it happened.

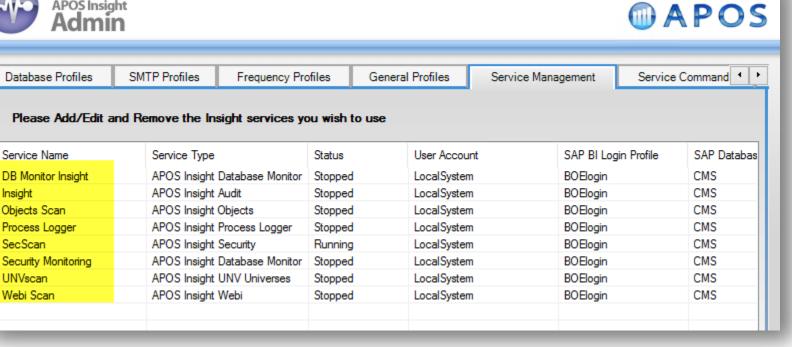






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### **APOS Administrator**

#### **Object Management**

- Bulk Security Management
- Bulk Settings Management
- System Objects Promotion
- Connections Maintenance

#### **Instance Management**

- Manage entire instance inventory
- Granular instance search
- Stop, pause, release, reschedule
- Rapid recovery to failed schedules

#### Schedule Management

- High-volume schedule management
- Multiple schedule properties editing
- Grid scheduling interface
- Repeatable scheduling templates

#### Web Intelligence Migration

- Bulk conversion of Universes from UNV to UNX
- High-Volume Repoint Web Intelligence reports
- Success validation
- Controlled, project-based workflow

Manage and make changes to your Security Policies in bulk

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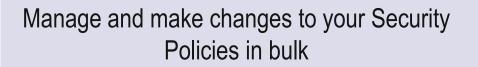


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#### Security Maintenance

File Edit Action

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#### Security Maintenance

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#### Object Manager 4.0 for BusinessObjects Enterprise v. 14.0.0.117

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File Edit Action View Help

BI Search Insight Based Search

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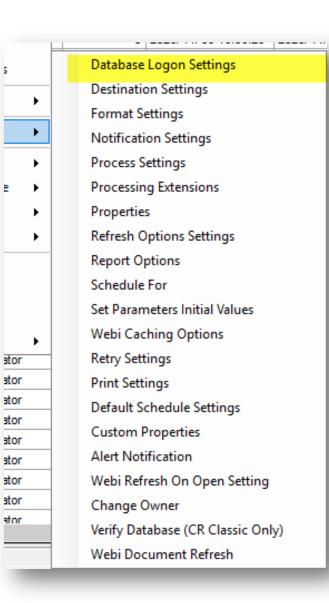
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### **APOS Solutions for SAP BusinessObjects**



### **APOS Insight**

#### **BI System Auditing**

- System Inventory
- Security Analysis
- System Usage Analysis
- Report Impact Analysis

#### **BI System Monitoring**

- Advanced System Monitoring
- Operating Environment Monitoring
- Database Monitoring
- Process Monitoring

### BI Report Testing

- Automated Report Testing
- Regression Testing
- Validation of Report Data
- Report Performance Testing

#### **BI Query Surveillance**

- Real-time BI Query Monitoring
- Query Performance Alerting & Auditing
- Query Intervention; Remote Cancelling
- Sensitive Data Audit

### **APOS Administrator**

#### **Object Management**

- Bulk Security Management
- Bulk Settings Management
- System Objects Promotion
- Connections Maintenance

#### **Instance Management**

- · Manage entire instance inventory
- Granular instance search
- Stop, pause, release, rescheduleRapid recovery to failed schedules

#### Schedule Management

- High-volume schedule management
- Multiple schedule properties editing
- Grid scheduling interface
- · Repeatable scheduling templates

#### Web Intelligence Migration

- Bulk conversion of Universes from UNV to UNX
- High-Volume Repoint Web Intelligence reports
- Success validation
- Controlled, project-based workflow

#### **APOS Storage Center**

- System Backup
- Content Archiving
- Content Versioning
- Selective Restoration
- Automated System Clean Up

#### **APOS Publisher**

- Systematic Content Delivery
- Advanced Document Bursting
- Enhanced Content Distribution
- Security and Encryption
- Statement Generation





# **APOS Solutions for SAP Analytics Cloud**



### **APOS Live Data Gateway**

• Live Connectivity from SAC to wide range of data sources

### **APOS Semantic Layer Migration**

Automated translation of SAP BI Modelling to HANA and Live Data Gateway

### **APOS Publisher for Cloud**

• Bursting and Distribution of SAC content

### **APOS Insight for Cloud**

• Enhanced Monitoring, Auditing and Validation of SAP Analytics Cloud



# **Upcoming Events**

### Extend Analytics Content - Conditional & Secure SAC Publishing - Webinar

### April 29, 2021 –11 am EDT

In previous webinars, we've looked extending SAP Analytics content access through data-driven bursting, and distribution of tailored content. Now let's look at how you can further extend analytics content access with:

- Conditional Bursting automatically alert users when business conditions change
- Securing and Protecting Content distribute sensitive information securely
- Archival of Instances for Governance meet internal audit and regulatory requirements for information distribution



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