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Business Scenario

SAP Master Data Governance provides business processes to find, create, change, and mark master data for deletion. It supports the governance of master data in a central hub and the distribution to connected operational and business intelligence systems.

The processes are workflow-driven and can include several approval and revision phases, and the collaboration of all users participating in the master data maintenance.

MDG-F uses the standard workflow templates ws75700027 and ws75700040 as default templates. However, the rule-based workflow template ws60800086 can also be used. This How To Guide describes an example of the account approval process using the decision tables of the rule-based workflow and create parallel approval workflow steps when the parallel number is determined dynamically. The guide shows all relevant customizing and implementation details.

Special Scenario

Generally, when the end user requests a new account, company code data is required, and you can apply several company codes, depending on business requirements. For this, a workflow step is needed to approve all company codes. The workflow continues only when all the company code owners have given their approval.

This How To Guide also addresses the parallel approval requirements for G/L account company codes with the dynamic determination of parallel branches.

Background Information

The Business Add-In (BAdI) USMD_SSW_PARA_RESULT_HANDLER is used to merge the result of the parallel workflow items. You can use this BAdI to implement the result of a parallel workflow merge in the rule-based workflow. The BAdI uses the method HANDLE_PARALLEL_RESULT to handle and merge the results of the parallel workflows into one result. The input for this BAdI is the change request number, current step number, parallel step action table, and the service name. By using the change request number, it is possible to access all data within this change request.

The input parameter Service Name enables you to use the same BAdI implementation for multiple service names. For example, when two service names are used in the configuration of the same change request workflow, and the user wants to create only one BAdI implementation, having the service name as the input parameter enables you to separate the processing logic based on the service name input. With this BAdI you can change the workflow generic-context table in the workflow. This BAdI also returns the next workflow step, the action taking place in the workflow step, and the message table.

Requirements

You have defined the filter value Service Name in view <code>V_USMD201C_SSW</code>. You need to create a separate implementation for the handling of a specific parallel result.

Standard settings

For more information about the standard settings (filters, single or multiple uses), see the Enhancement Spot Element Definitions tab in the BAdI Builder (transaction SE18). No default BAdI implementation is preactivated in the standard system. The BAdI is filter-dependent. The BAdI is not designed for multiple uses.

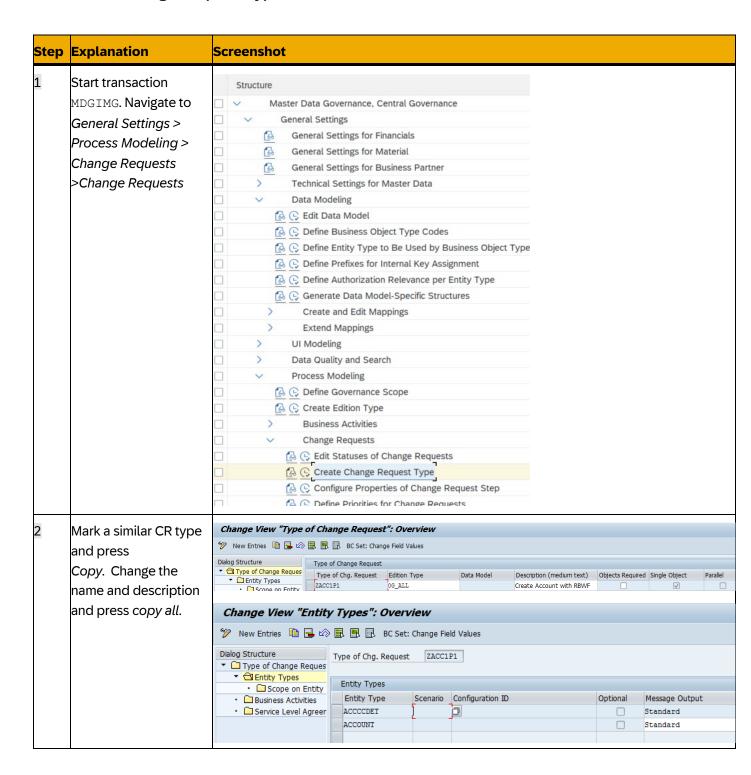
Activities

For information about implementing <u>BAdIs</u> in the context of the <u>Enhancement Concept</u>, see the SAP Library for SAP NetWeaver under <u>BAdIs</u> - <u>Embedding in the Enhancement Framework</u>.

Step by Step Explanation

Customizing

Create new Change Request Type



Define Workflow Step

| Step | Explanation | Screenshot | | | | | | | |
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| | Process Modeling > | > Technical Settings for Data Modeling | | | | | | | |
| | Workflow > Rule-Based | | | | | | | | |
| | Workflow > Configure Rule-Based Workflow > | Define Entity Typ | r Internal Key As | signment | Туре | | | | |
| | Define Change Request | Define Authorizat | odel-Specific Stru | | | | | | |
| | Steps for Rule-Based | | | | | | | | |
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| | CR steps. | Change View "Wo | | | | | | | |
| | | Workflow Step Numbers | | | | | | | |
| | | Type of Chg. Request | CR Step | Keys | Validation | Description (medium text) | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 0 | | | Processing | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 90 | | | Legal Entity Approval | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 92 | | | Data Steward Final Approval | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 93 | | | Activation | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 95 | | | Parallel Step Begin | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 96 | | | Parallel Step End | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 97 | | | Completed_Rollback | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 98 | | | Revision | | | |
| | | ZACC1P1 | 99 | | | Completed | | | |

Activate Highlighting

| Step | Explanation | | Screenshot | | | | |
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| 1 | Log on to Cross Client | | | | | | |
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| | Customizing Client. | | 1000 | General Settings | | | |
| | | | <u>6</u> | General Settings for Financials | | | |
| | | | <u> </u> | General Settings for Material | | | |
| | | | <u> </u> | General Settings for Business Partner | | | |
| | | | > | Technical Settings for Master Data | | | |
| | Start transaction MDGIMG. | | > | Data Modeling | | | |
| | Navigate to General Settings | | > | UI Modeling | | | |
| | > Process Modeling > Change | | > | Data Quality and Search Process Modeling | | | |
| | Requests > Configure | | | C Define Governance Scope | | | |
| | Properties of Change Request Step | | | C Create Edition Type | | | |
| | | | > | Business Activities | | | |
| | | | V | Change Requests | | | |
| | | П | | ☼ C Edit Statuses of Change Requests | | | |
| | | П | | Create Change Request Type | | | |
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| | Select the new CR type New | | | | | | |
| | Entries and choose User | | | | | | |
| | Interface per Change Request | | | | | | |
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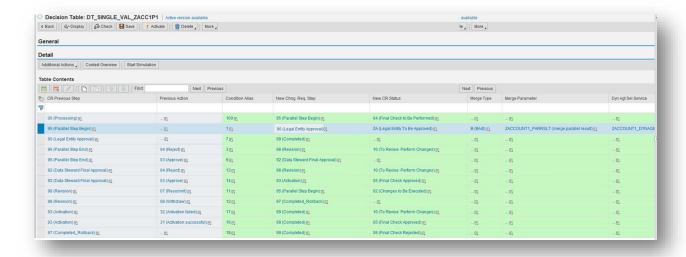
Define Service (Cross Client)

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| | | > Business | | | | | | |
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| | Start transaction MDGIMG. | ∨ Workflow | | | | | | |
| | Navigate to General Settings | 🙆 🕒 Activat | e Event Type Linkage | | | | | |
| | > Process Modeling > | Configure Workflow Tasks | | | | | | |
| | _ | (A) Define Change Request Actions | | | | | | |
| | Workflow > Rule-Based | (A) Define Change Request Step Types and Assign Actions | | | | | | |
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| Service Names for Rule- | | © Configure Rule-Based Workflow | | | | | | |
| | Based Workflow. | | ness Add-Ins | | | | | |
| | Press New Entries and create Maintenance View of Table USMD201C_SSW | | | | | | | |
| | 3 new entries with the | Service Name | Description (long text) | | | | | |
| | following data: Service Name | ZACCOUNT1_PARRSLT | merge parallel result | | | | | |
| | _ | ZACCOUNT1_SYSCALL System call | | | | | | |
| | and Description. | And ZACCOUNT1_DY | NAGENT | | | | | |
| | Press <i>Save</i> . | ANG ZACCOUNTI_DT | IVAGENT | | | | | |

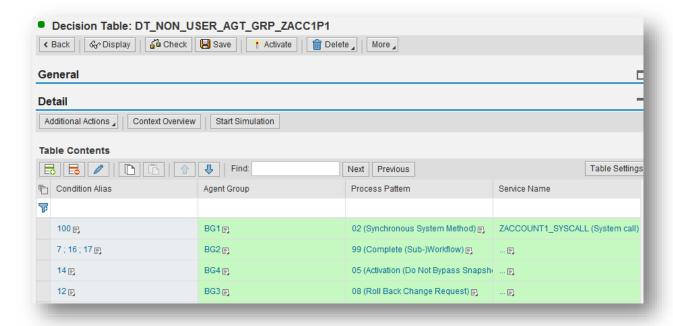
BRF+ Tables

Start transaction MDGIMG. Navigate to *General Settings > Process Modeling > Workflow > Rule-Based Workflow > Configure Rule-Based Workflow*. Enter the newly created change request type and press *Continue*. Set up the BRF+ tables.

Single Value Decision Table



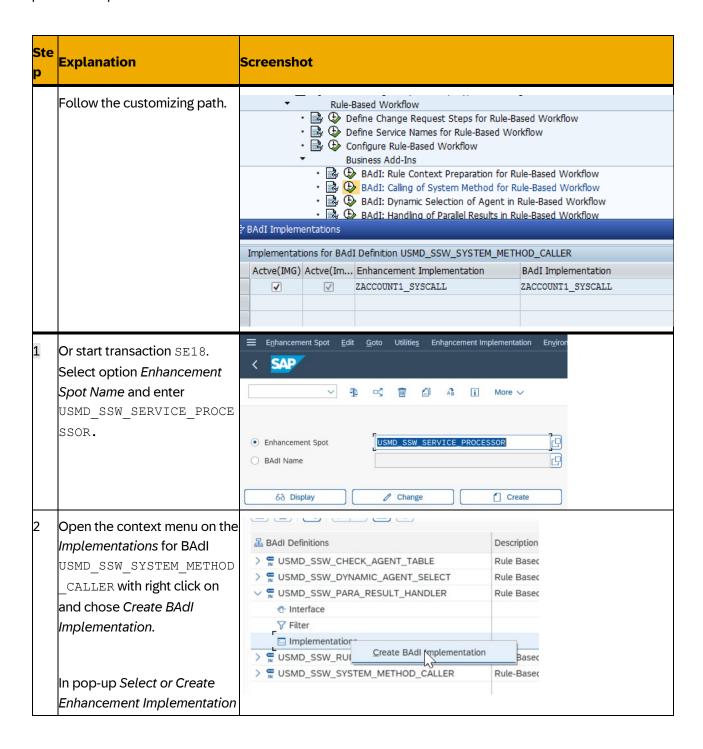
Non-User Agent Decision Table

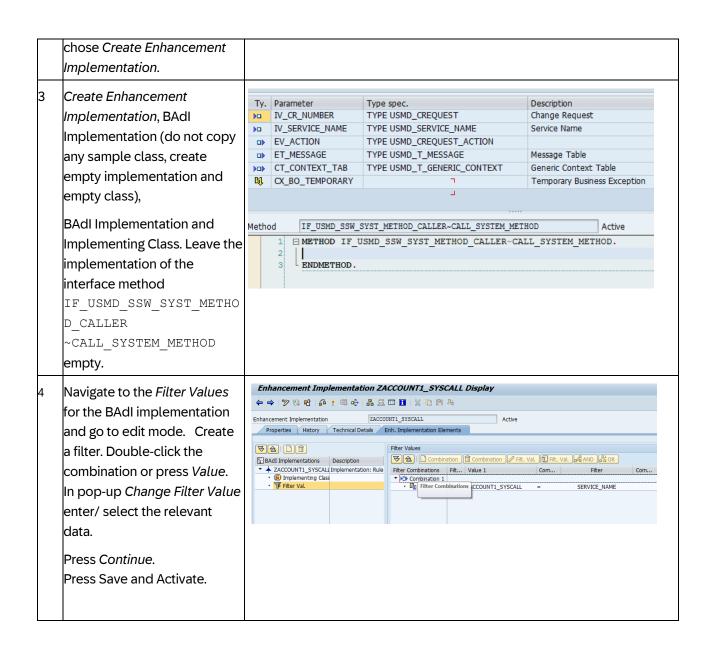


Enhancement Spot: USMD_SSW_SERVICE_PROCESSOR

Create Enhancement Implementation for USMD_SSW_SYSTEM_METHOD_CALLER

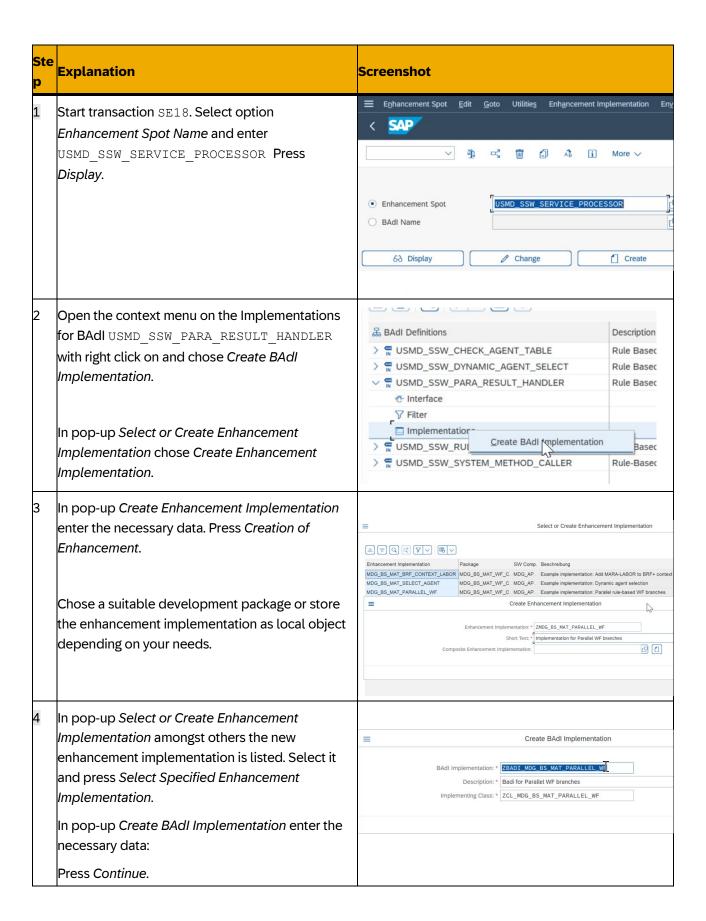
In this chapter a Business Add-In (BAdI) implementation for BAdI USMD_SSW_SYSTEM_METHOD_CALLER is created. You might refer to the BAdI documentation for further details. The service name defined in a previous chapter serves as BAdI filter.

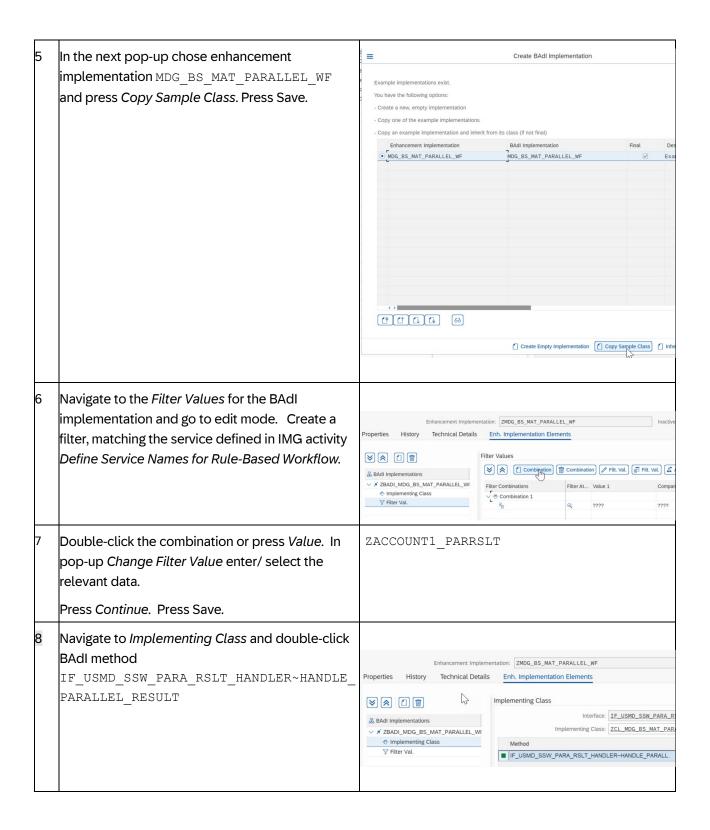




Create Enhancement Implementation for USMD_SSW_PARA_RESULT_HANDLER

In this chapter a Business Add-In (BAdI) implementation for BAdI USMD_SSW_PARA_RESULT_HANDLER is created. The BAdI uses the method HANDLE_PARALLEL_RESULT to handle and merge the results of the parallel workflows into one result. You might refer to the BAdI documentation for further details. The service name defined in a previous chapter serves as BAdI filter. The actual implementation of the BAdI method depends on the use case that should be accomplished.





Go to edit mode. Change the example implementation according to your needs. Activate < SAP Class Builder Class ZCL_MDG the method. In case other objects are still to be adjusted, select them too for activation. Ty. Parameter Typing Description IV_CR_NUMBER TYPE USMD_CREQUEST Change Request IV_SERVICE_NAME TYPE USMD_SERVICE_NAME Service Name TYPE USMD_CREQUEST_APPSTEP The Big Step for the Parallel [IT_STEP_ACTION TYPE USMD_T_STEP_ACTION All the Step Actions from the EV_MERGE_ACTION TYPE USMD_CREQUEST_ACTION ET_MESSAGE TYPE USMD_T_MESSAGE Messages EV_MERGE_STEP TYPE USMD_CREQUEST_APPSTEP Workflow Step Number CT_CONTEXT_TAB TYPE USMD_T_GENERIC_CONTEXT Method: IF USMD SSW PARA RSLT HANDLER~HANDLE PARALLEL RESULT CONSTANTS: lc_mergestep TYPE usmd_crequest_action VALUE '0
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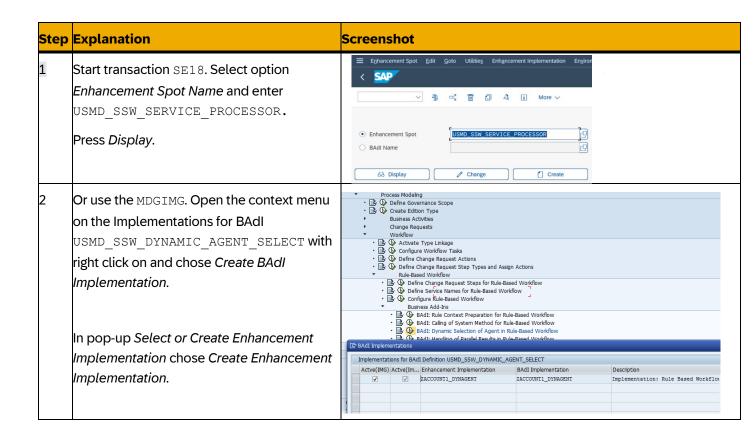
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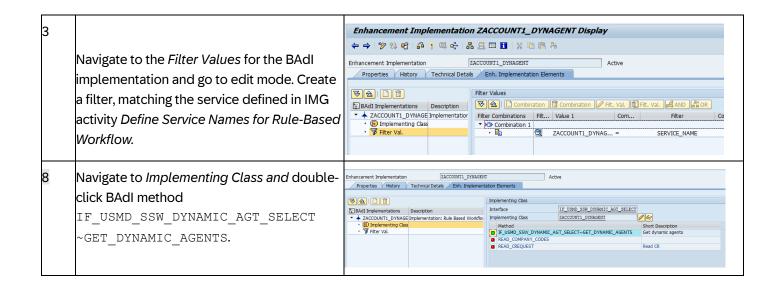
RNDTP ENDLOOP. " in this case, no steward rejects, the result is to approve ev merge action = lc approve.
ev_merge_step = lc_mergestep.
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Check the activation status (column Active) for your enhancement implementation. It should be Enhancement Spot: USMD_SSW_SERVICE_PROCESSOR Active or Implementation is called. Attributes Enhancem. Implementations Technical Details Enh. Spot Element Definitions Implementations You might need press *Refresh* to get the current BAdI Definitions BAdI Definition: USMD_SSW_PARA_RESULT_HANDLER status. 2 implementations found > GUSMD SSW CHECK AGEN Active Enhancement Implementation > GUSMD_SSW_DYNAMIC_AGE å MDG_BS_MAT_PARALLEL_WF V ₩ USMD_SSW_PARA_RESULT MDG_BS_MAT_PA ⊕ Interface MDG_BS_I ZMDG_BS_MAT_PARALLEL_WF ZBADI MDG BS N ☐ Implementations > USMD_SSW_RULE_CONTE > GUSMD_SSW_SYSTEM_METI

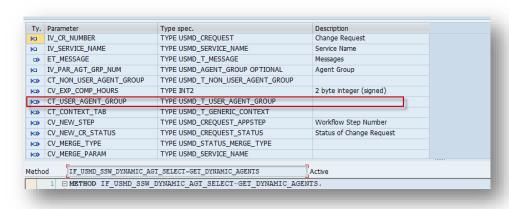
Create Enhancement Implementation for USMD_SSW_DYNAMIC_AGENT_SELECT

In this chapter a Business Add-In (BAdI) implementation for BAdI USMD_SSW_DYNAMIC_AGENT_SELECT is created. This BAdI uses the method GET_DYNAMIC_AGENTS to implement dynamic agent selection in the rule-based workflow. You might refer to the BAdI documentation for further details. The service name defined in a previous chapter serves as BAdI filter. The actual implementation of the BAdI method depends on the use case that should be accomplished.





Implementation proposal:



The method reads all company codes of the account that are requested by the current change request, and then reads the relevant approver and sets it to the exporting parameter CT_USER_AGENT_GROUP of method IF USMD SSW DYNAMIC AGT SELECT~GET DYNAMIC AGENTS.

To implement this method, perform the following steps:

- 1. Retrieve the object list of change request IV_CR_NUMBER by calling the data model method or reading the USMD1213 table.
- 2. Normally a customer table stores the approvers for company codes. You can find all relevant approvers (by user or organizational unit) using the object list of company codes. Or you have other logic to find the relevant approvers which is not scope of this document.
- 3. Each entry in CT_USER_AGENT_GROUP represents one branch of parallel approval steps. Enter STEP TYPE as value 2. AGENT GROUP should be unique for all entries.

```
IF USMD SSW DYNAMIC AGT SELECT~GET DYNAMIC AGENTS
                                                           Active
  CLEAR: 1s user agent.
  ls user agent group-agent group = '10'.
  ls_user_agent_group-STEP_TYPE = '2'.
  ls_user_agent-user_type = 'S'.
  ls_user_agent-user_value = 'POSTION1'.
  append ls_user_agent to ls_user_agent_group-USER_AGENT.
  APPEND 1s user agent group TO ct user agent group.
  clear 1s user agent group.
  ls_user_agent_group-agent_group = '20'.
  ls_user_agent_group-STEP_TYPE = '2'.
  ls_user_agent-user_type = '0'.
ls_user_agent-user_value = 'ORGUNIT1'.
  append ls_user_agent to ls_user_agent_group-USER_AGENT.
  APPEND 1s_user_agent_group TO ct_user_agent_group.
  clear ls_user_agent_group.
  ls_user_agent_group-agent_group = '30'.
  ls_user_agent_group-STEP_TYPE = '2'.
  ls_user_agent-user_type = 'US'.
ls_user_agent-user_value = 'USER1'.
  append ls_user_agent to ls_user_agent_group-USER_AGENT.
  APPEND 1s_user_agent_group TO ct_user_agent_group.
  CV_NEW_STEP = '90'.
ENDMETHOD.
```

In case there is only one company code or only one branch is generated, in order to make the decision table easy, it's recommended to use second branch using dummy system call, like this:

```
clear ls_non_user_agent_group.
ls_non_user_agent_group-agent_group = '20'.
ls_non_user_agent_group-process_pattern = '02'.
ls_non_user_agent_group-service_name = 'ZACCOUNT1_SYSCALL'.
"append ls_user_agent to ls_user_agent_group-USER_AGENT.
APPEND ls_non_user_agent_group TO ct_non_user_agent_group."

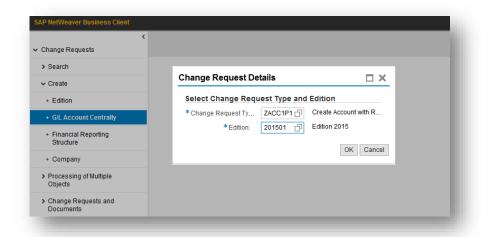
* clear_lc_user_agent_group.
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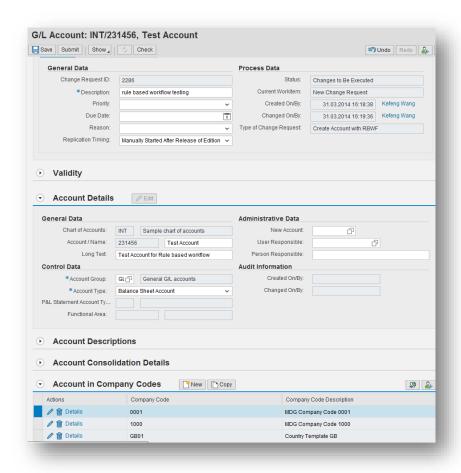
4. Set the return step as CV NEW STEP.

Process

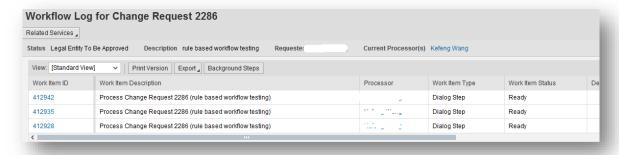
In this chapter the new process is tested. A G/L account is created using the newly created and configured change request type ZACC1P1 and parallel workflow items are created.

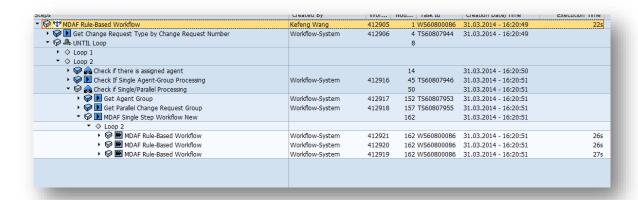
Create a new G/L account:



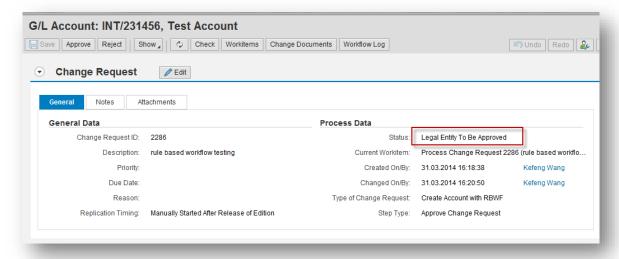


Workflow log after submission:



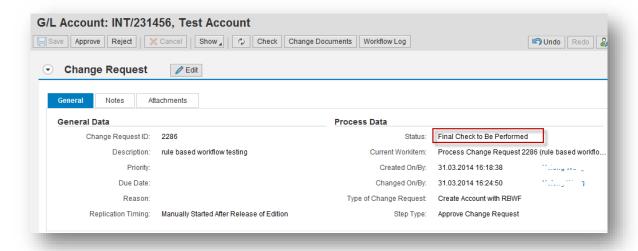


Open a work item:



Afterwards, all parallel work items are approved:

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| 🔻 🔛 MDAF Single Step Workflow New | | | 162 |
| ▼ ♦ Loop 2 | | | |
| MDAF Rule-Based Workflow | Workflow-System | 412921 | 162 WS608000 |
| ▶ \$\$ End of Fork | | | 231 |
| 🕨 🔛 MDAF Rule-Based Workflow | Workflow-System | 412920 | 162 WS608000 |
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| ▶ 😭 🔃 Parallel Step Result Merge | Workflow-System | 412955 | 167 TS608079 |
| ▶ ₩ Llear Step-Action Table | Workflow-System | 412956 | 172 TS608079 |
| ▶ 🔬 Check if the WF is Completed | | | 9 |
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| ▶ 📦 🕨 Set Completion Time | Workflow-System | 412977 | 193 TS608079 |
| ▶ 👺 Fill Previous Processor | | | 225 |
| ▶ ៕ Fill Last User Agent | | | 228 |
| ▶ ☑ Process Change Request 2286 (rule based workflow | v testing) Workflow-System | 412978 | 73 TS608079 |



Additional Information

Further Reading

Information on SAP MDG on SAP S/4HANA

- Exchange knowledge: SAP Community | Q&A | Blog
- Try SAP Master Data Governance on S/4HANA for free: Trial Version
- Try SAP Master Data Governance on S/4HANA on the SAP Cloud Appliance Library: S/4HANA 2022 FPS1
- Learn more: Latest Release | Help Portal | How-to Information | Key Presentations

SAP Roadmap Explorer

• Please see the <u>roadmap for SAP Master Data Governance</u>

Related Information

Learn more: Floorplan Manager for Web Dynpro ABAP | How to Adapt FPM | FPM Blog | How-to Information | Service Mapping Tool | SAP S/4HANA Cookbook CVI

SAP Notes

In addition to the detailed explanations written in this document, please see the following SAP Notes for further important information.

| Note | Description | | | |
|---------|--|--|--|--|
| 3372801 | Upgrade or Conversion for Master Data Governance, Central Governance | | | |
| 3043582 | MDG Customer Connection 2020 | | | |
| 3194967 | MDG Customer Connection 2021 for S/4HANA 2022 | | | |
| 3311039 | MDG Customer Connection 2023 | | | |
| 3428179 | Master Data Governance: Continuous Influence | | | |
| | | | | |
| 1619534 | How to Create, Enhance and Adapt FPM Applications | | | |
| 1637249 | MDG: Information for efficient message processing | | | |
| 2105467 | MDG Performance | | | |
| 2561461 | Scope of support for SAP Master Data Governance (MDG) | | | |
| 1637249 | MDG: Information for efficient message processing | | | |