

- SAP Best Practices packages offer deployable digitized business and technology processes that have been optimized for SAP S/4HANA. They enable you to benefit from SAP's knowledge and experience with standard processes and concentrate on your innovations.
- Guided configuration is the content lifecycle management tool for configuring and testing the selected *SAP Best Practices*.

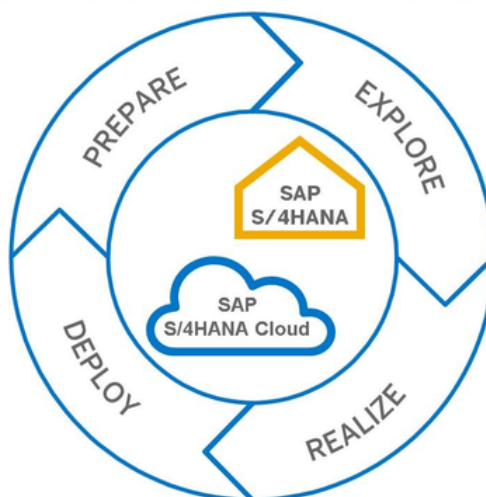
The SAP Activate methodology consists of the following four phases:

1. *Prepare* — Initial planning and project preparation
2. *Explore* — Determine the extent to which your business requirements can be met by *SAP Best Practices*, conduct solution design workshops, and document and prioritize requirements and open items
3. *Realize* — Iterative development and testing of the entire solution landscape, based on the requirements and documents from the *Explore* phase
4. *Deploy* — Transition to the production environment

The project team generates documents and results in each of these phases, which serve as templates for the subsequent phases.



- Innovation Implementation Framework that Speeds Up the SAP S/4HANA Implementation over the Entire Customer Lifecycle



- Combination of **SAP Best Practices, Methodology** and **SAP Guided Configuration**



Figure 7: SAP Activate - Implementation Methodology for SAP S/4HANA

The implementation contents consist of structures for scenarios, processes, and configurations that are predefined for SAP S/4HANA applications. In addition, implementation-relevant utilities are provided in the form of general documentation, preconfigurations, and test cases.

After the implementation project is complete, the implemented business scenarios and processes, along with the corresponding SAP system information, is transferred to a customer-specific store (production branch). It is available here for operations and can be used in the *Operate* phase (and for business process monitoring).