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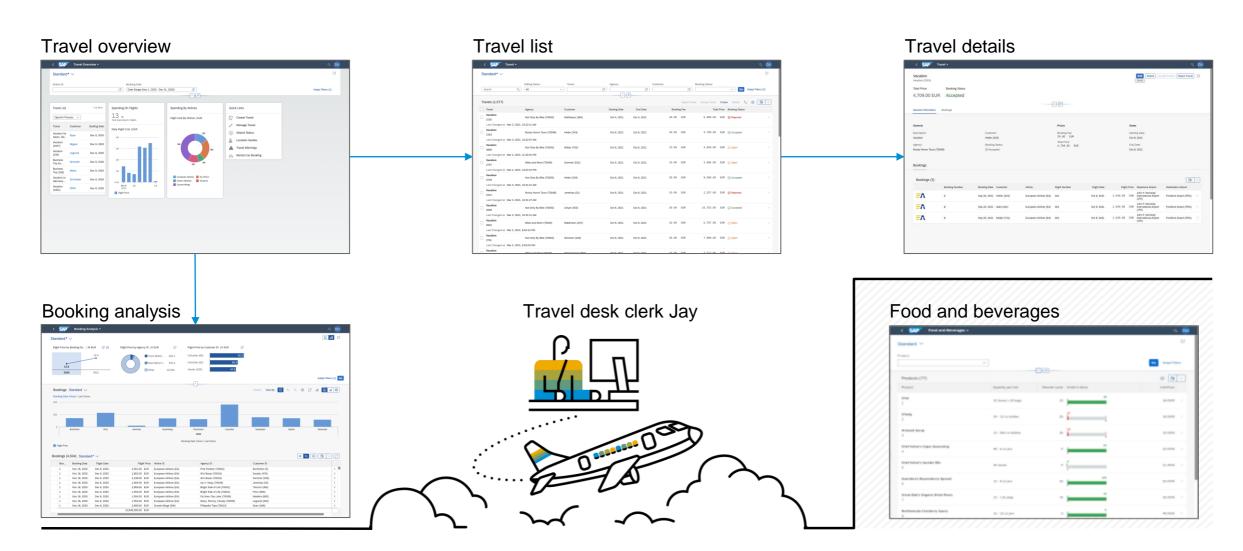


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### Painting the big picture

# We will build apps for a travel desk clerk



# A consistent user experience is important to SAP's customers

"The current developments in user experience at SAP share one common vision: a consistent user experience... putting the user front and center."

Thomas Saueressig
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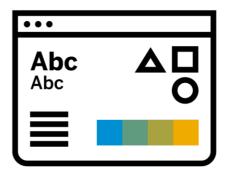
### Users care about UX consistency, so developers should too

There are measurable business benefits (monetary and human value) in good UX.

Consistency is at the heart of a great user experience – and a key design principle of SAP Fiori.

### **UX** consistency

- Increases adoption of your app
- Improves business user productivity
- Decreases training time
- Improves data quality
- Enhances user satisfaction



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### SAPUI5 powers our web applications and their great UX

# SAPUI5 is an HTML framework tailored to building modern, cross-platform, enterprise-grade web applications.

SAPUI5 is the reference UI technology for the SAP Fiori user experience.

#### **SAPUI5**

- Enables the SAP Fiori design evolution for a consistent
   UX across SAP solutions (and beyond)
- Provides built-in support for SAP's product standards such as security, accessibility, and internationalization
- Allows a single, responsive app implementation for all browsers, platforms, and devices
- Can extend SAP's standard applications and customize
   Uls in a code-free way



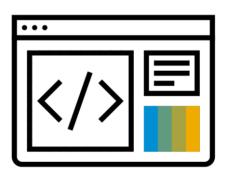
### SAP Fiori elements lets you scale SAPUI5 app development

SAP Fiori elements provides standard floorplans and uses metadata to streamline and accelerate developing SAPUI5 applications.

SAP S/4HANA development teams use SAP Fiori elements to build most new apps.

#### **SAP Fiori elements**

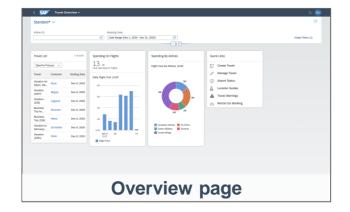
- Delivers enterprise-ready SAPUI5 apps based on stable, optimized, out-of-the-box UI code
- Boosts developer efficiency by scaling development and maintenance in a cost-efficient way
- Provides a centrally managed, consistent UX complying with the latest SAP Fiori design
- Ensures upgrade stability and forward compatibility
- Allows extensibility of standard floorplans with custom controls and logic



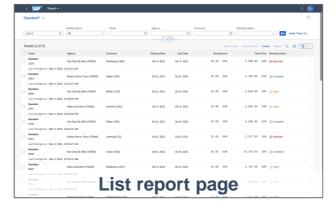
### Standard floorplans drive developer productivity and UX consistency

Most enterprise use cases involve providing an overview of business-relevant data, working with lists of business objects, and managing these business objects.

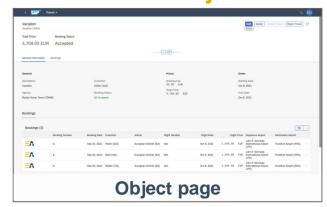
# Provide a role-based overview



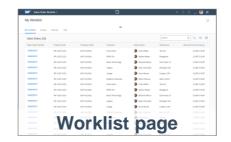
# Work on a list of business objects



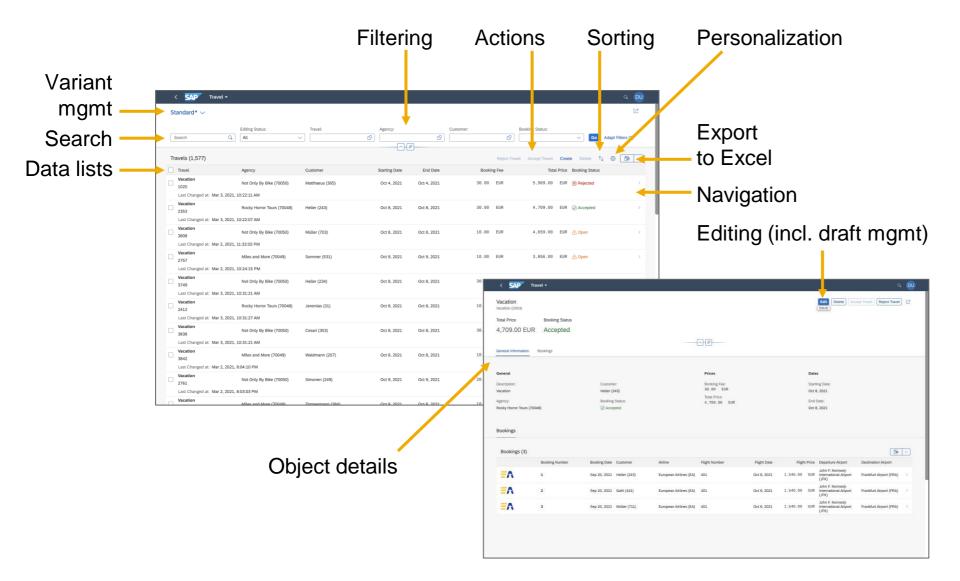
# Manage individual business objects







### SAP Fiori elements provides enterprise-ready apps out of the box



# SAP Fiori elements / SAPUI5 enterprise readiness features:

- Accessibility
- Internationalization
- Mobile compatibility
- Responsiveness
- Performance optimizations
- Integration
- Security checks
- Lifecycle stability
- Test automation support
- ...and more

# SAP Fiori elements prioritizes efficiency over flexibility

SAPUI5 freestyle		SAP Fiori elements
Flexibility	Overall approach	Efficiency
Freestyle designs	Design requirements	SAP floorplans
Web development	Development knowledge	Annotations
Own coding, own UI logic	App ownership / maintenance	Own annotations, SAP's UI logic
Higher	Total cost of development and maintenance	Lower

#### Painting the big picture

### Wrap-up

# IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

- Why UX consistency matters
- How SAPUI5 and SAP Fiori elements drive developer productivity, enforce UX consistency, and deliver enterprise-ready apps
- When to use SAP Fiori elements vs. SAPUI5 freestyle

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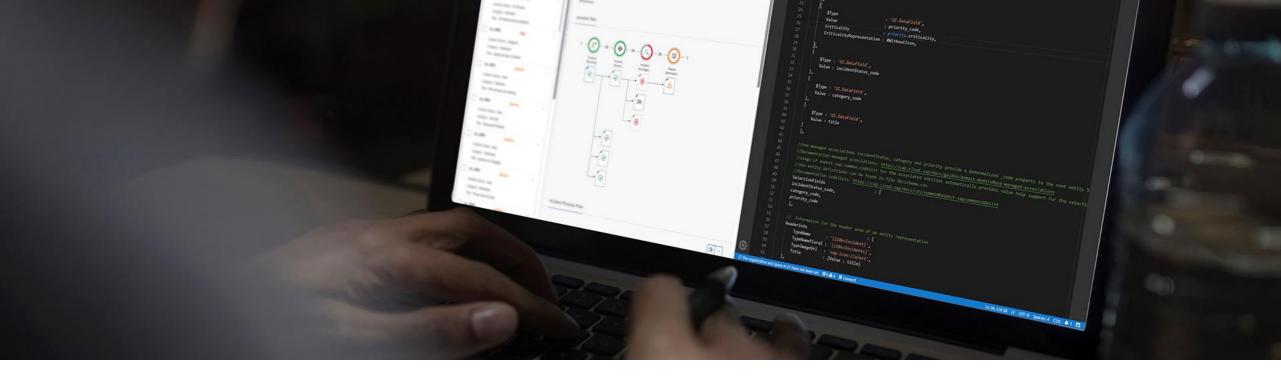
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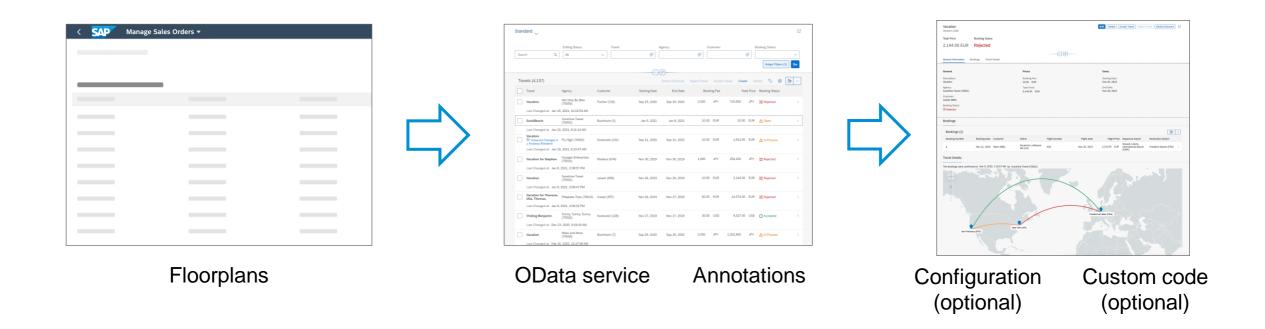


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#### Understanding the architecture

# SAP Fiori elements takes you from floorplans to an enterprise-ready application



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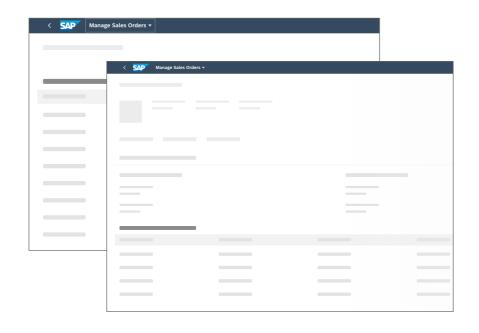
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# The floorplans and application controller provide the basis for your application





# **SAP Fiori elements floorplans**

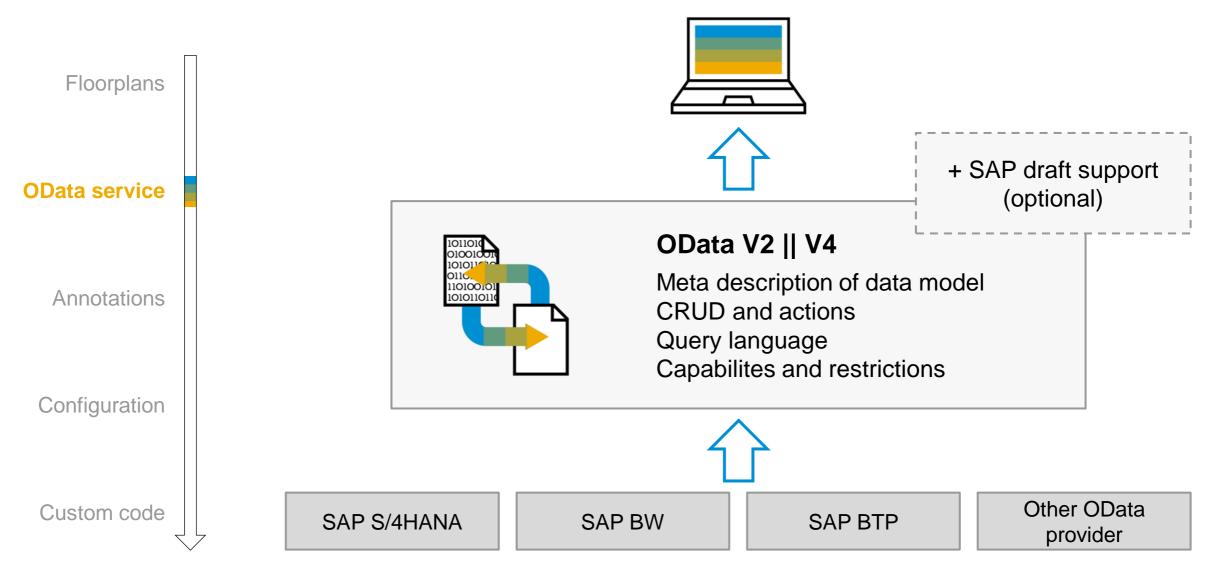
- Implemented as XML templates
- Incorporate current UX design

# SAP Fiori elements application controller

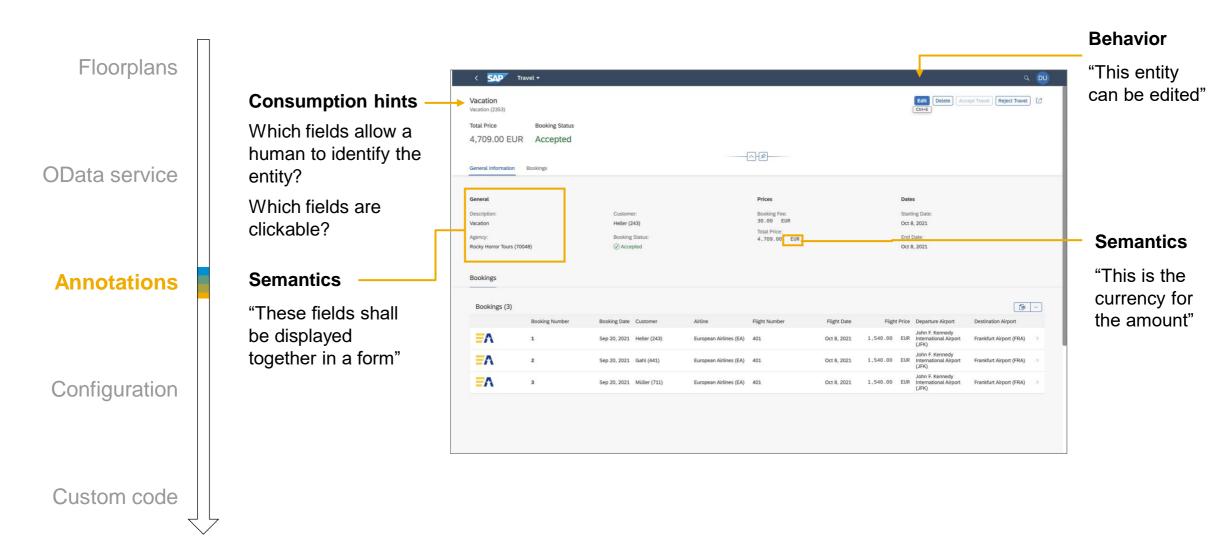
- Connects the pages and controls
- Provides key features (e.g. draft)



# OData connects your app to the back end



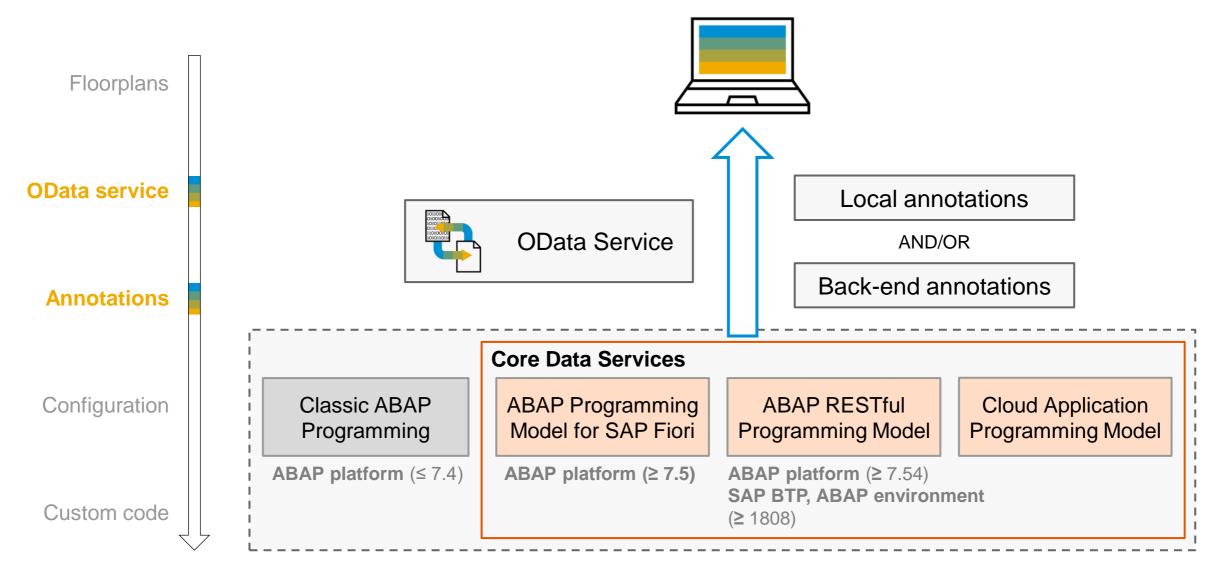
# OData annotations define how the app looks and behaves



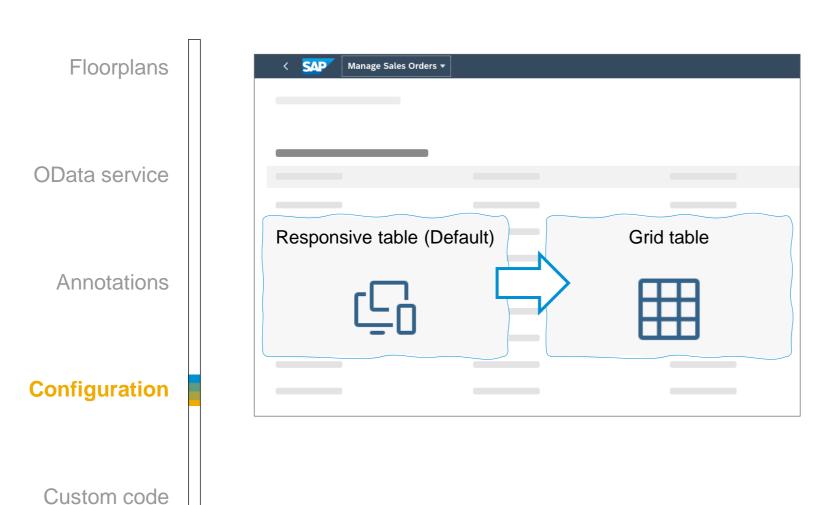
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### Use the power of SAP's back ends to create OData services



# Configure the behavior and layout of your app

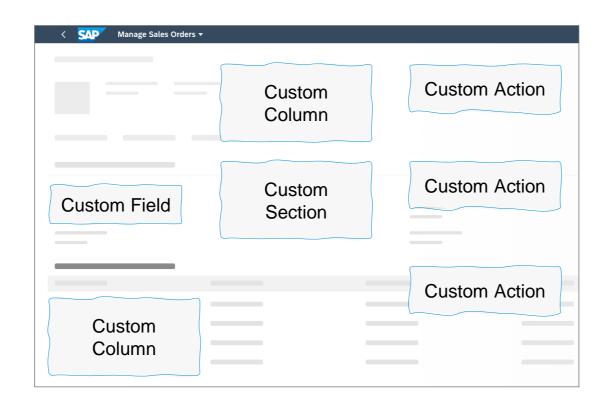


# **SAP Fiori elements provides**

- Default configuration settings based on latest UX guidelines
- An easy way to change it using SAP Fiori tools
- Layered configuration using SAPUI5 flexibility

# Custom code complements your app beyond standard SAP Fiori elements functionality

Floorplans OData service **Annotations** Configuration **Custom code** 



# **Extend your app with**

- Custom controls
- Custom logic using the SAP Fiori elements ExtensionAPI

The closer you stay to the standard SAP Fiori elements floorplans, the greater the savings in development and maintenance costs

#### Understanding the architecture

### Wrap-up

### IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

- About how SAP Fiori elements floorplans provide the basis for your application
- How OData services and annotations define your application
- How you can configure the behavior and layout of your app
- How you can add custom controls and logic to your SAP Fiori elements apps

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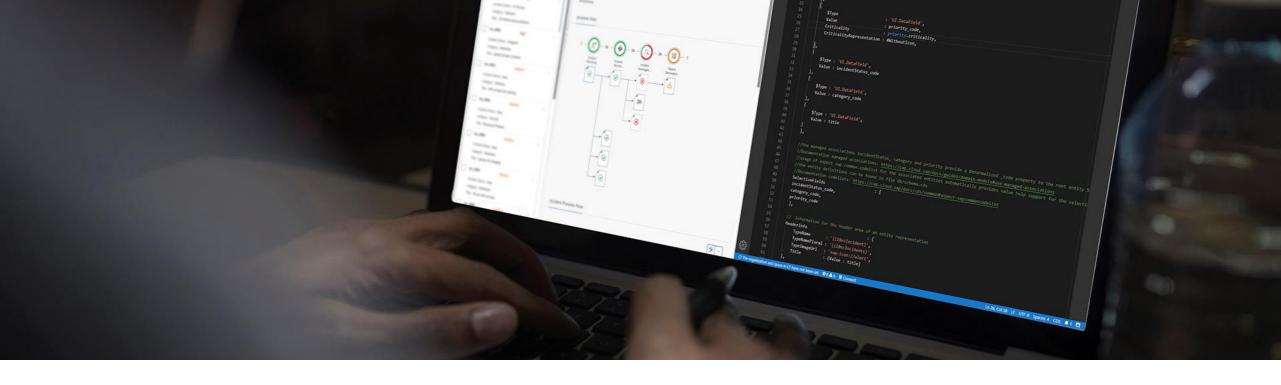
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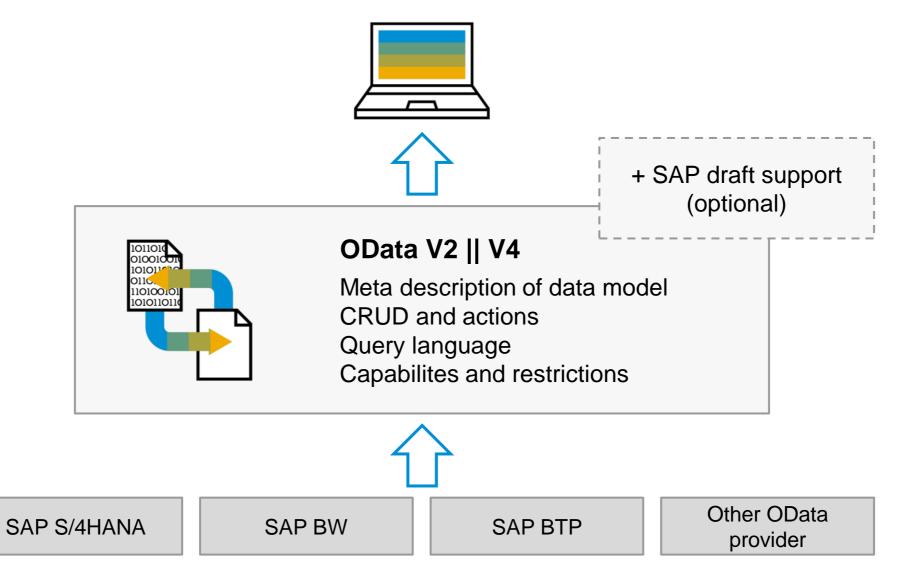
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# OData connects your application to the back end



### OData metadata is a standardized and machine-readable description of the data model

# OData contains a meta description of your data model:

- An entity can for example be a 'Person' with the property 'FirstName'
- The property can be further qualified, for example by providing a datatype or information like 'nullable'
- Entities can have relationships.
   A 1:n relationship could be, for example,
   '1 person can be related to n trips'
- The meta description can contain complex types, actions, singletons, and so on

Example: OData.org trip service metadata

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<edmx:Edmx Version="4.0" xmlns:edmx="http://docs.oasis-open.org/odata/ns/edmx">
  <edmx:DataServices>
   <Schema Namespace="Trippin" xmlns="http://docs.oasis-open.org/odata/ns/edm">
      <EntityType Name="Person">
        <Key>
          <PropertyRef Name="UserName" />
       </Key>
       <Property Name="UserName" Type="Edm.String" Nullable="false" />
       <Property Name="FirstName" Type="Edm.String" Nullable="false" />
       <Property Name="LastName" Type="Edm.String" MaxLength="26" />
       <Property Name="MiddleName" Type="Edm.String" />
       <Property Name="Gender" Type="Trippin.PersonGender" Nullable="false" />
        <NavigationProperty Name="Friends" Type="Collection(Trippin.Person)" />
       <NavigationProperty Name="BestFriend" Type="Trippin.Person" />
       <NavigationProperty Name="Trips" Type="Collection(Trippin.Trip)" />
      </EntityType>
      <EntityType Name="Airline">
        <Key>
         <PropertyRef Name="AirlineCode" />
       </Key>
```

# OData lets you request and modify resources and invoke actions

#### **Requesting resources**

Get list of people

```
GET https://.../TripPinServiceRW/People
```

Get the data of an individual person

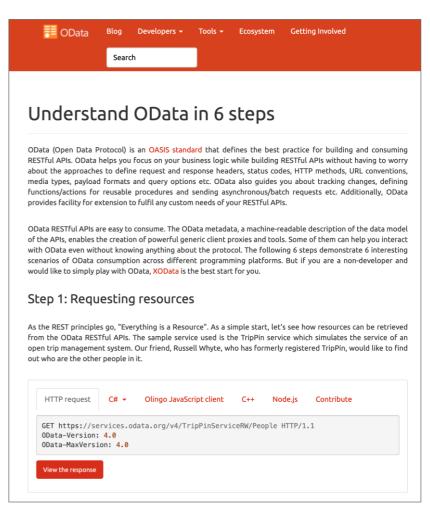
```
GET https://.../TripPinServiceRW/People('russellwhyte')
```

Complex queries like 'Get the first 2 persons in the system who have registered at least one trip that costs more than 3000, and only display their first name and last name.':

```
GET https://.../TripPinServiceRW/People?$top=2 & amp;
$select=FirstName, LastName & amp;
$filter=Trips/any(d:d/Budget gt 3000)
```

#### **Creating a resource**

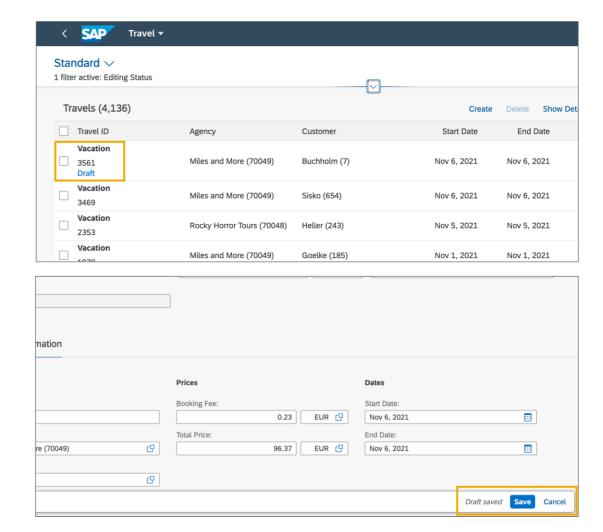
POST https://...TripPinServiceRW/People and provide data like first name, last name etc. in the payload



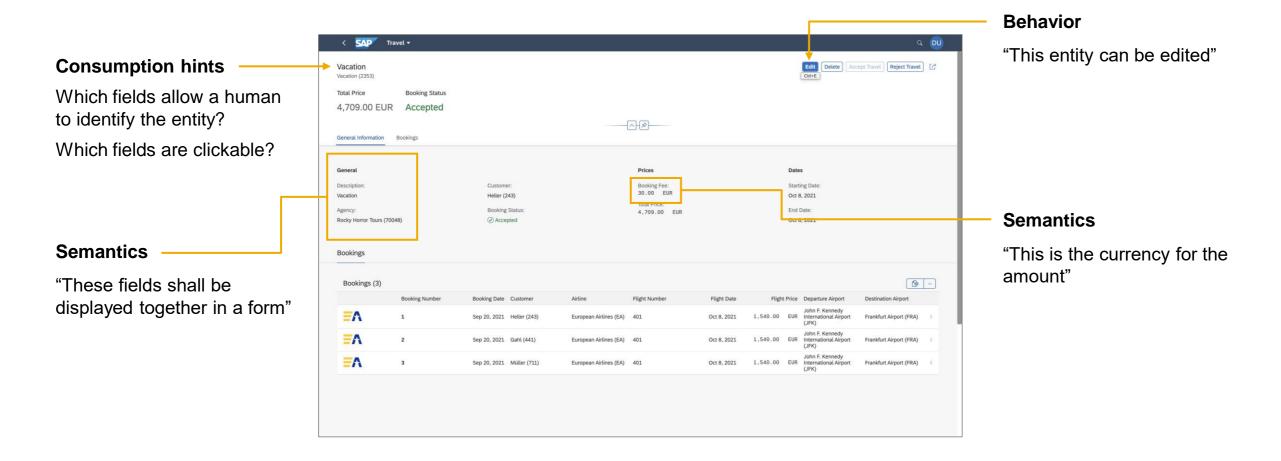
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# SAP defined a way to implement a draft pattern using OData

- Using the draft pattern is optional, but makes sense for creating and updating business objects to keep unsaved changes if an editing activity is interrupted, allowing users to resume editing later.
- A draft is an interim version of a business entity that has not been explicitly saved as an active version to the original database tables.
- In SAP Fiori elements, drafts are saved automatically in the background whenever users add or change information within a business entity while in edit state (autosave). This ongoing communication with the back end also enables dynamic interaction patterns.
- Draft handling should be implemented using a framework like ABAP RESTful Application Programming Model, ABAP Programming Model for SAP Fiori, or SAP Cloud Application Programming Model.



# OData annotations define how the app looks and behaves



### Annotations provide semantics and consumption hints

Annotations are additional metadata and provide abstract definitions of data semantics. These abstract definitions are stored in vocabularies from <u>OData</u> and <u>SAP</u>. SAP Fiori elements understand the annotations and generates the UI based on them.

#### **Example:**

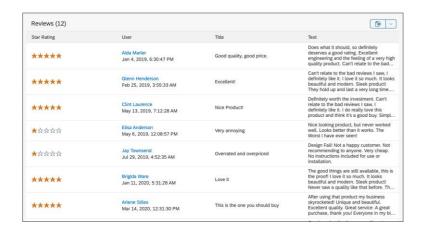
Specify that the field "TotalPrice" has a currency assigned to it. In the <u>measures vocabulary of OData</u> there is a term ISOCurrency defined for that:

SAP Fiori elements can then know that whenever the "TotalPrice" is shown on the UI, the field "CurrencyCode" comprises its currency and should be shown next to it.

#### Annotations can also define standard UI elements like table, form, or chart

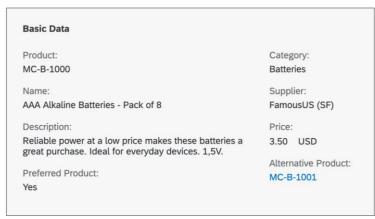
#### **UI.LineItem**

Annotations define columns, actions, etc.



#### **UI.FieldGroup**

Annotations define the group title and form fields



#### **UI.Chart**

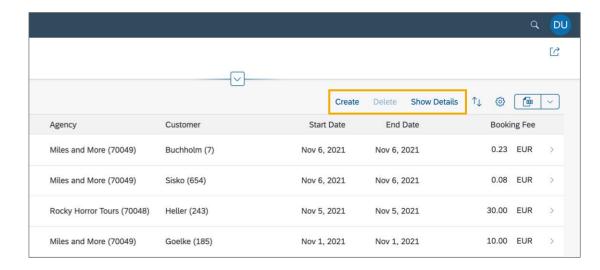
Annotations define measures, dimensions, chart type, etc.



### Annotations also describe behavioral aspects of the application

### **Examples of behavioral aspects are:**

- An instance of a business entity can be edited and deleted. Based on this information, the corresponding buttons can be shown/hidden on the UI.
- An action can be executed on an instance of a business entity. Only if the action is applicable is a corresponding button enabled/displayed.
- When specific fields get changed on the UI it is required to request additional data from the back end. For example, when a price on an item table gets changed, the UI needs to request the new total price of the header entity from the back end.





### SAP Fiori elements apps can be built using ABAP CDS, CAP CDS, and XML annotations

- All types of annotations enrich the OData service with semantic information that allows the generation of metadata-driven UIs
- Annotations can be defined either locally (XML annotations) or in the backend (ABAP CDS, CAP CDS annotations)
- Annotations in CDS views get translated to XML annotations by the corresponding back ends
- The type of annotation (ABAP CDS, CAP CDS, and XML) does not impact performance or functionality
- XML annotations can be used with any back end, for example, SAP back ends leveraging previous ABAP programming models, SAP BW, or non-SAP back ends

```
@UI.hidden: true
TravelUUID:
@UI: {
  lineItem: [ { position: 10, importance: #HIGH } ],
  selectionField: [ { position: 10 } ]
TravelID;
@UI: {
  lineItem:
                  [ { position: 20, importance: #HIGH } ],
  identification: [ { position: 30 } ],
  selectionField: [ { position: 20 } ]
AgencyID;
@UI: {
                  [ { position: 30, importance: #HIGH } ].
  lineItem:
  identification: [ { position: 40 } ],
  selectionField: [ { position: 30 } ]
CustomerID:
```

Annotations in ABAP CDS

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## Your preferred tooling affects your choice of annotation type

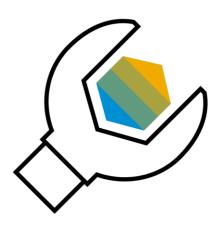
#### **SAP Fiori tools**

(available in SAP Business Application Studio or Visual Studio Code)

- Makes it easy and convenient to define UI semantics
- Reduces effort and the required skill level through step-by-step guides and code completion, for example
- Both XML and CAP CDS annotations are supported by SAP Fiori tools

## **ABAP Development Tools in Eclipse**

- Used to maintain ABAP CDS annotations for UI semantics and other domains as well (for example, search, analytics, or ObjectModel)
- SAP Fiori tools still needed for application generation



## Lifecycle management and feature availability influence your choice of annotation type

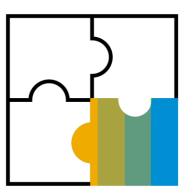
#### Where do you want to manage the lifecycle?

- XML annotations follow the lifecycle of your app (local project)
- CDS annotations follow the lifecycle of your OData service

## Do you require recently released features?

- Due to different release cycles, some new annotations might be available later in ABAP CDS
- For on-premise SAP systems, upgrade cycles can further impact the availability of new features for ABAP CDS annotations





## Introducing OData services and annotations

## Wrap-up

## IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

- What OData is
- The role of drafts
- How annotations affect your app
- That you can use different types of annotations

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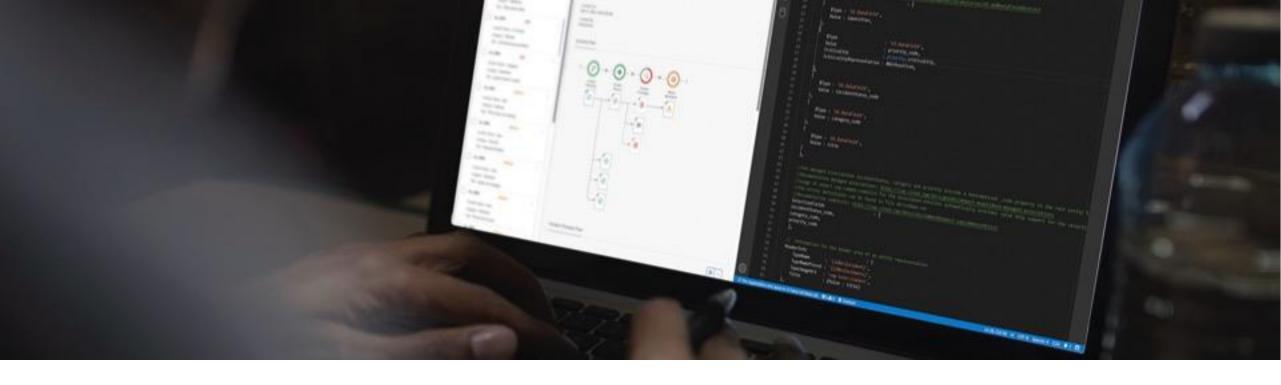
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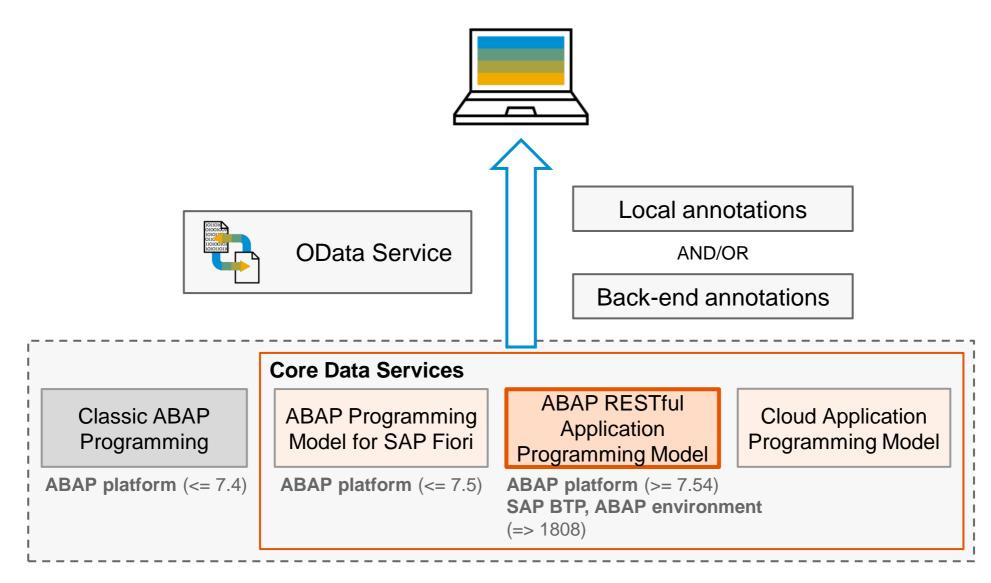
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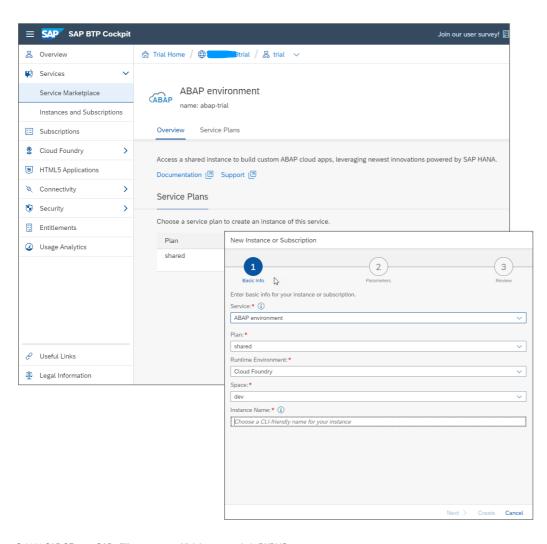


## In this course we will use the ABAP environment on SAP Business Technology Platform



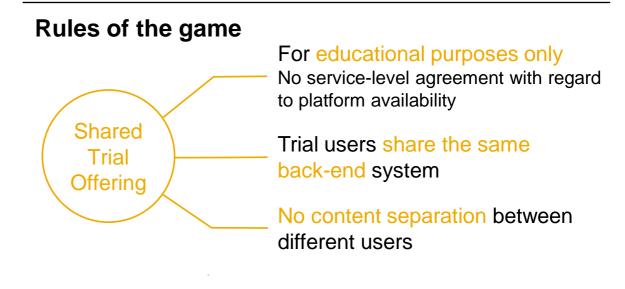
#### Preparing your ABAP development environment

## Register for an SAP BTP, ABAP environment trial account



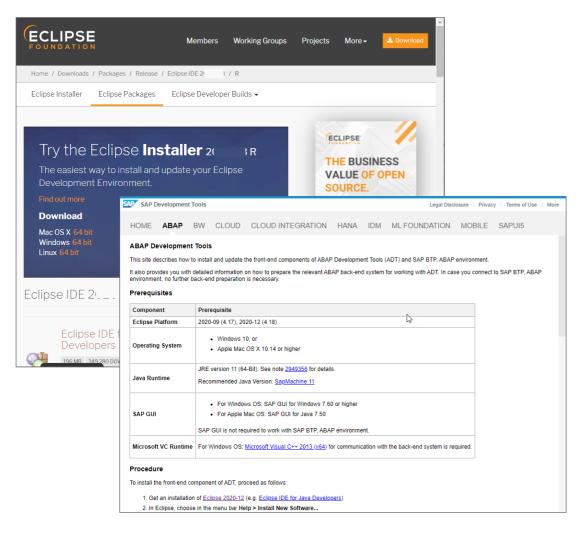
#### Access to trial system

- Free of charge
- Via SAP Business Technology Platform trial access <a href="https://www.sap.com/cmp/td/sap-cloud-platform-trial.html">https://www.sap.com/cmp/td/sap-cloud-platform-trial.html</a>
- Trial account expires after 365 days



#### Preparing your ABAP development environment

## Install and connect ABAP Development Tools to the ABAP environment trial system



#### **Access to ABAP tools**

- Instructions about the local installation of Eclipse and ADT available on the central update site for all Eclipse-based SAP development tools
- https://tools.hana.ondemand.com/#abap

Preparing your ABAP development environment

## Wrap-up

## IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

How to set up your ABAP development environment for this course

#### **NEXT UNIT**

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 Creating an OData Service using ABAP RESTful Application
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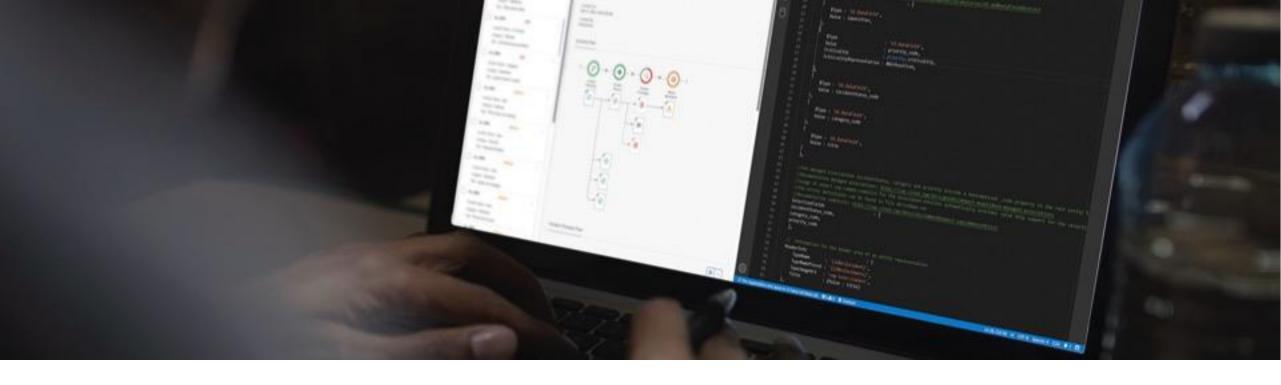
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Week 1: Introducing SAP Fiori elements

Unit 5: Creating an OData Service with ABAP RESTful Application Programming Model (RAP)











#### Introducing SAP Fiori Elements

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Understanding the Architecture



Introducing OData Services and Annotations



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Creating an OData Service with ABAP RESTful Application Programming Model



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Configuring the App



Extending the App with Custom Elements



#### Using More SAP Fiori Elements Capabilities

Creating an Analytical List Page



Enhancing the Analytical List Page





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Deploying Your SAP Fiori Elements App



Building an SAP Fiori Elements App with an External OData Service



Using XML Annotation LSP for Defining Advanced UI Features



#### Extending a Standard SAP Fiori App

Understanding SAPUI5 Flexibility



Adapting an App as a Key User





Adapting the UI as a Developer -Basic Extensions



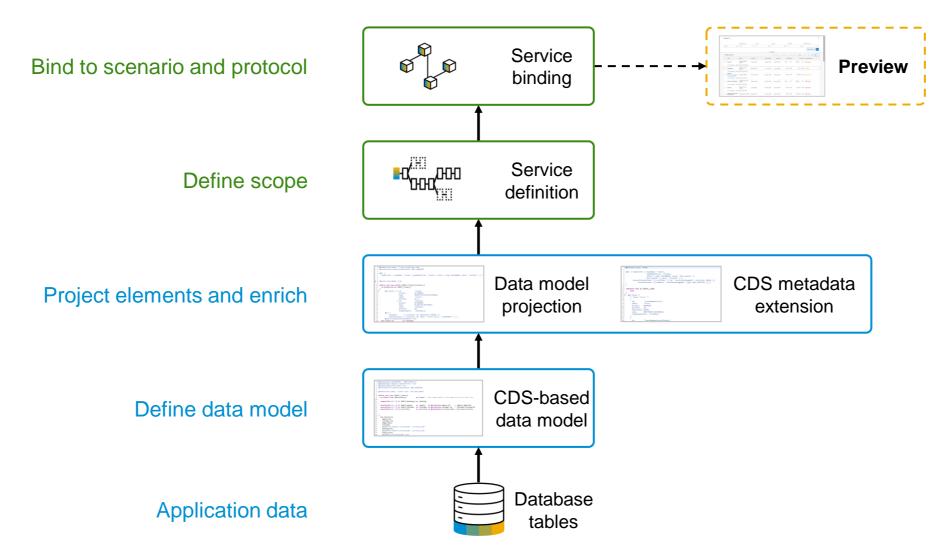
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Productizing the Extended App



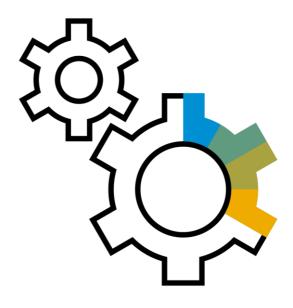
## Our travel apps need back-end logic implemented by several development artifacts



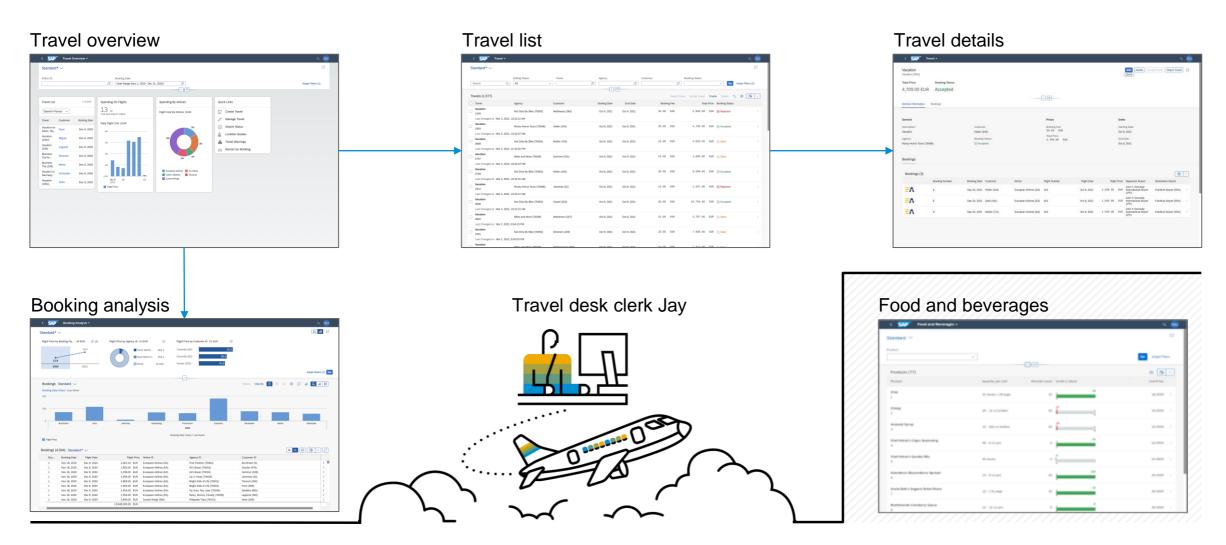
## A generator will create the back-end artifacts and the OData services

As this openSAP course focuses on SAP Fiori elements and not the creation of the OData service, a generator was developed for the course which creates all the required RAP development artifacts for you. You can then use this OData service and enhance its metadata extensions.

However, if you're interested in how to build such an OData service from scratch using RAP, check out the openSAP course <u>Building Apps with the ABAP RESTful Application Programming Model</u>.



## We will build the OData services for all the travel-related apps in this unit



Wrap-up

## IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

 How to generate the back-end artifacts and the OData services you need to build the travel-related apps

#### **NEXT UNIT**

Week 1 – Unit 6
 Creating a list report



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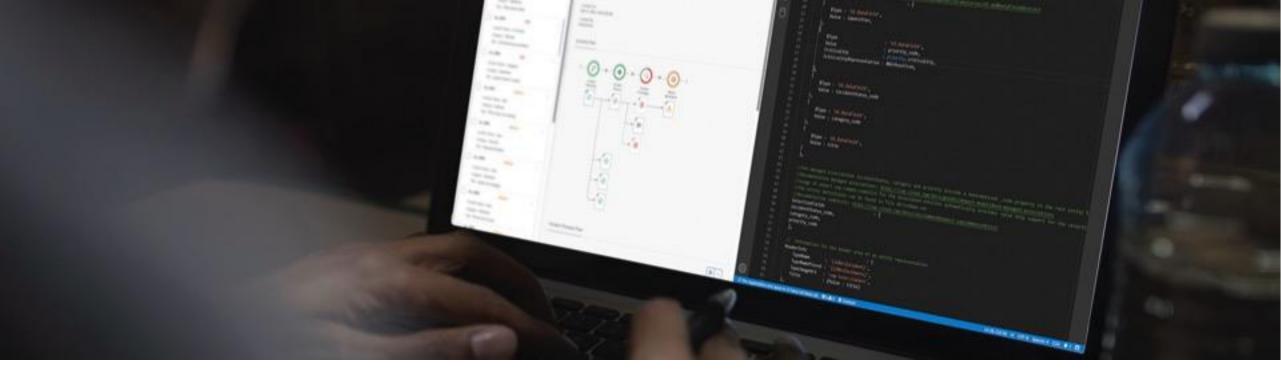
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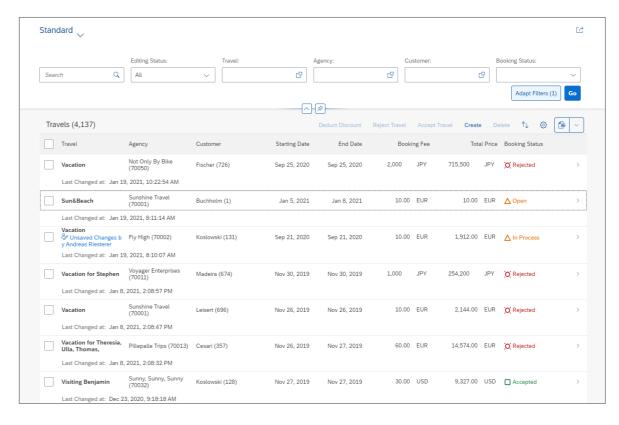
#### Creating a list report

## A list report allows users to view and work with a large set of items

The list report offers powerful features for finding and acting on relevant data sets. It is often used as an entry point for navigating to the item details, which are usually shown on an object page.

## With the list report, users can

- Search, filter, sort, and group large sets of items
- Work with different views on the same set of data, for example, on items with different statuses like 'open' or 'in progress'
- Select one or more items in the list for further action



#### Creating a list report

## The list report has several key functions

#### Filter bar

 Allows users to filter the table based on various selection fields

#### Variant management

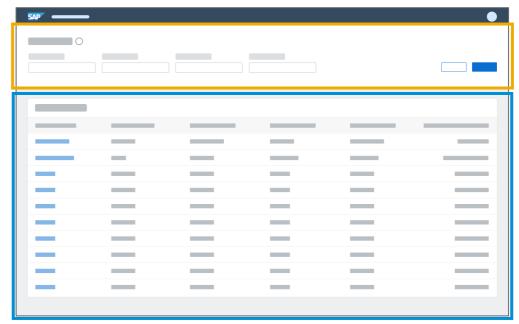
 Allows users to store custom views, such as filter settings, sorting, or table columns to be displayed

#### Visibility

- Is expanded initially and collapses when the user scrolls in the table
- Can be pinned to stay expanded during scrolling

#### Table toolbar

- Contains the table title, personalization and export options, as well as the standard actions create, edit, delete
- Can also contain app-specific actions



Check the infographic in our documentation

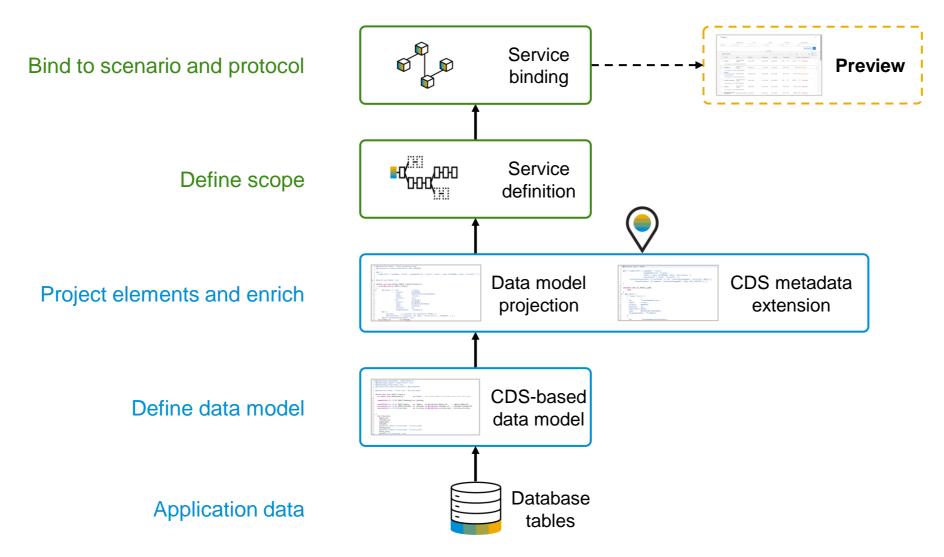
#### Personalization options

Show and hide table columns, specify sorting and grouping

#### **Table**

 Multiple table types are supported, such as responsive table or grid table

## We will create UI-related ABAP CDS annotations primarily in the CDS metadata extension

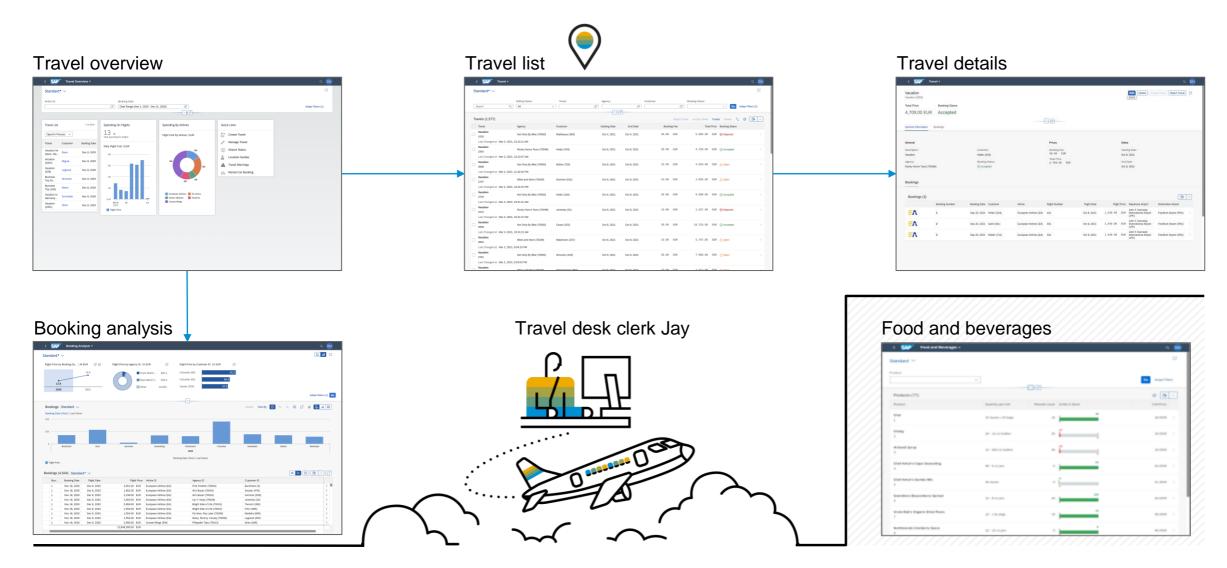


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#### Creating a list report

## We will build the travel list page in this unit



### Creating a list report

## Wrap-up

## IN THIS UNIT, YOU LEARNED

- When to use a list report floorplan
- About the components in a list report
- How to create a list report using ABAP CDS annotation

#### **NEXT UNIT**

Week 2 – Unit 1
 Creating an object page



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