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# Microsoft AL

Importants and Excercises



# Core Statements on the subject of Programming AL

## What the wise man says



Programming AL is almost like programming C/Script TXT files

Use MS Txt2AL Converter whenever you're helpless

What changes is the object structure: Fobs in Object Designer → AL (txt) Files in File System

It is crucial to setup a normalized file structure to

- become more efficient
- give „everyone“ the chance to „participate a development“ without the need of lengthy project individual introductions

It is lots more about getting familiar with guidelines and „doings“ than learning to code AL

if “actions are too cumbersome”, we will think about suitable tool-assistance

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IF you don't know what to do

If you don't know, what to do - 2: Use Txt2AL Converter

If you don't know, what to do - 1: Press „Ctrl+Space“

If you don't know, what to do - 3: Press „t<context>“

# Literature / further Reading & Watching

## ➤ VS Code

- <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/getstarted/introvideos>
- <https://jpearson.blog/2019/01/31/vs-code-powershell-git-5-things/>
- <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/getstarted/tips-and-tricks>: multi cursor editing ...

## ➤ ...

# Boundary Conditions / Setups: HowTo handle a Project

## Specifying BC Target

→ launch.json

➤ more detailed

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface with the following elements:

- Explorer:** The file tree on the left shows the project structure. The `launch.json` file is selected and highlighted with a red box.
- Source Control:** The top bar shows the status of the repository, with `DEMO3-BC-AL01` highlighted in a red box.
- Launch Configuration:** The `launch.json` file is open in the editor. The configuration is for a "Your own server" type, using a local server instance named "DEMO3-BC-AL01". The port is 7049. The Web Client Base URL is `http://denue--nv-demo3:8080/DEMO3-BC-AL01`. The `Development` environment is selected.
- Output Console:** The bottom panel shows the output of the launch process, with the `Development` environment selected.

```
{
  "version": "0.2.0",
  "configurations": [
    {
      "type": "al",
      "request": "launch",
      "name": "Your own server",
      "server": "http://denue--nv-demo3",
      "port": 7049,
      "serverInstance": "DEMO3-BC-AL01",
      "authentication": "Windows",
      "startupObjectId": 22,
      "startupObjectType": "Page",
      "breakOnError": true,
      "schemaUpdateMode": "Synchronize"
    }
  ]
}
```

# APP Organization

- „Namespace / Prefixing“
- Philosophy
- Enveloping Folder Structure
- Naming Conventions „Agent Folders / Files“
- Examples
- Documentation: logs and tags

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## APP Organization - Unique Namespace: Prefixing

- Forced by the possibility of changing environment: suitable Prefixing to create uniqueness
  - (separated by a „Space“ from the object's name)
- Use the Prefix **CCO** (Cosmo Consult Operations) for the following:
  - Objects
    - Name
  - Object Codeunits
    - Name
  - Object Extensions
    - Name
    - Global Procedures
    - Fields (Table)
    - Keys / KeyNames
    - Controls (Page)
    - Actions (Page)
    - Values (Enum)
- Prefix „CCOT“ for Test Objects

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## APP Organization - Philosophy

### Philosophy

Group together what belongs together

Forget about IDs as sort criterion

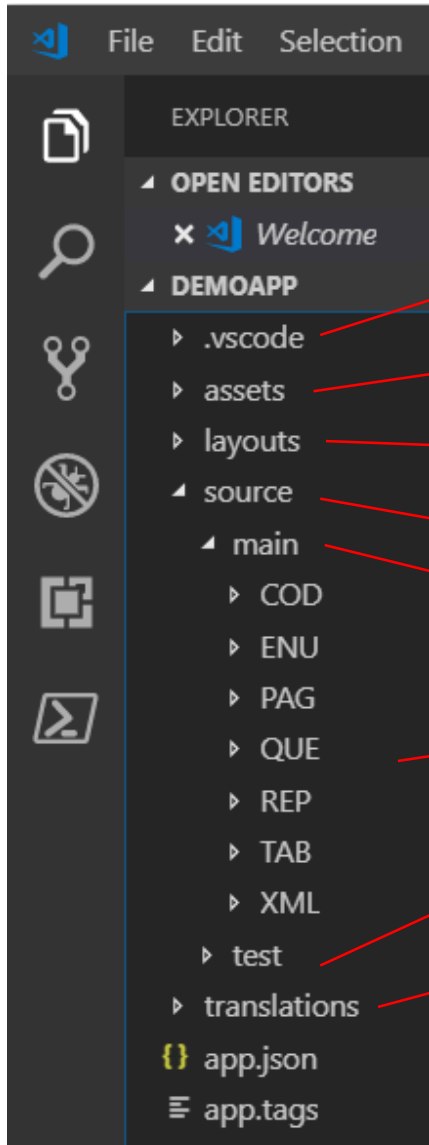
Create an understandable and easily enforceable rule on where code should be stored and how files should be named

Table x	or	Extension of Table x	Object Codeunit of Table x		xliff ?	log of Table x	„Agent Folder“	Table x
Page y	or	Extension of Page y	Object Codeunit of Page y		xliff ?	log of Page y	„Agent Folder“	Page y
Report z	or	(Report Extension)	Object CU of Report z	Layout	xliff ?	log of Report z	„Agent Folder“	Report z
Codeunit u			Object CU of Codeunit u		xliff ?	log of Codeunit u	„Agent Folder“	Codeunit u
XML Port v	or	(?XML Port Extension?)	Object CU of XML Port v		xliff ?	log of XML Port v	„Agent Folder“	XML Port v
Query w	or	(?Query Extension?)	Object CU of Query w		xliff ?	log of Query w	„Agent Folder“	Query w
Enum q	or	Enum Extension			xliff ?	log of Enum q	„Agent Folder“	Enum q
Control Add-In r			Object CU of Ctrl. Add-In r		xliff ?	log of Ctrl Add-In r	„Agent Folder“	Ctrl Add-In r



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## APP Organization - Enveloping Folder Structure



contains „launch.json“

contains assets like a logo ...

contains report layouts to be published (c.f. below.)

organizes the actual program files, distinguishes ...

„main“: distinguishes object types via subfolder structure <type>

<type> folders: contains **agent object folders** (location of program files, c.f. below)

„test“: contains test codeunits per GAP

contains translation file of the app, if existing (c.f. below.)

app.json file

app.tags (file): contains collection of „GAP“-tags representing al GAPs implemented so far, c.f. below

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## APP Organization - Naming Conventions Agent Folders / Files

Folder Names	<Type>	.	<Agent Object Name, abbreviated>	[.<Origin>]	
File Names	<Type>	.	<Agent Object Name, abbreviated>	[.<Origin>]	[.<Subtype>] .al
Object Names	CCO	[Agent Type]	<Agent Object Name>	[_+]	
Log File	<Folder Name>			.log	(for docu-purposes, c.f. below)

Type	denotes the Object Type of the source Object could be TAB, PAG, REP, COD, ...
„abbreviated“	means without spaces ..., as suggested as Variable Name by the Object Designer „Purchase Header → PurchaseHeader“
Origin	[, „cc“];      „“ if Object is app-external      „cc“ if Object is app object
Subtype	[, „“, „ext“, „code“];      „ext“ for extension objects;      „code“ for <b>Object</b> Codeunits
„Agent Type“	Used for Object CUs only: indicates the type of the related object [T, P, R, X, C, ...]
Appendix „+“	indicates in object names that the object extends a standard object.

# Programming in AL APP Organization - Naming Conventions: Examples)

Object	Name of Object File	Name of Object	Object Folder
Tableextension <i>Example 1: Item</i> <i>Example 2: Purchase Header</i>	TAB.<Name of extended Tab, ...>.ext.al <i>TAB.Item.ext.al</i> <i>TAB.PurchaseHeader.ext.al</i>	CCO_<Name of extended Tab>_+ "CCO Item +" "CCO Purchase Header +"	TAB.<Name Table, ...> <i>TAB.Item</i> <i>TAB.PurchaseHeader</i>
Pageextension <i>Example: Item Card</i>	PAG.<Name of extended Page, ...>.ext.al <i>PAG.ItemCard.ext.al</i>	CCO_<Name of extended Page>_+ "CCO Item Card +"	PAG.<Name of Page, ...> <i>PAG.ItemCard</i>
Table (== new Table) <i>Example: My App Table</i>	TAB.<Name of new Table, ...>.al <i>TAB.MyAppTable.cc.al</i>	CCO_<Name of new Table> "CCO My App Table"	TAB.<Name Table, ...>.cc <i>TAB.MyAppTable.cc</i>
Page (== new Page) <i>Example: My App Page</i>	PAG.<Name of new Page, ...>.al <i>PAG.MyAppPage.cc.al</i>	CCO_<Name of new Page> "CCO My App Page"	PAG.<Name of Page, ...>.cc <i>PAG.MyAppPage.cc</i>
Report (== new Report) <i>Example: My App Report</i>	REP.<Name of new Report, ...>.al <i>REP.MyAppReport.cc.al</i>	CCO_<Name of new Report> "CCO My App Report"	REP.<Name of Report, ...>.cc <i>REP.MyAppReport.cc</i>
ObjectCU of APP-external Tabelle <i>Example 1: Item</i> <i>Example 2: Purchase Header</i>	TAB.<Name of Table, ...>.code.al <i>TAB.Item.code.al</i> <i>TAB.PurchaseHeader.code.al</i>	CCO_T_<Name of Table>_+ "CCO T Item +" "CCO T Purchase Header +"	TAB.<Name of Table, ...> <i>TAB.Item</i> <i>TAB.PurchaseHeader</i>
ObjectCU of APP-internal Tabelle <i>Example: My App Table</i>	TAB.<Name of new Table, ...>.cc.code.al <i>TAB.MyAppTable.cc.code.al</i>	CCO_T_<Name of Table> "CCO T My App Table"	TAB.<Name of Table, ...>.cc <i>TAB.MyAppTable.cc</i>
ObjectCU of APP-external Page <i>Example: Item Card</i>	PAG.<Name of Page>.code.al <i>PAG.ItemCard.code.al</i>	CCO_P_<Name of Page>_+ "CCO P Item Card +"	PAG.<Name of Page, ...> <i>PAG.ItemCard</i>
ObjectCU of APP-internal Page <i>Example: My App Page</i>	PAG.<Name of Page>.code.al <i>PAG.MyAppPage.cc.code.al</i>	CCO_P_<Name of Page> "CCO P My App Page"	PAG.<Name of Page, ...>.cc <i>PAG.MyAppPage.cc</i>
ObjectCU of APP-external Report <i>Example: Order Confirmation</i>	REP.<Name of Report>.code.al <i>REP.OrderConfirmation.code.al</i>	CCO_R_<Name of Report> "CCO R Order Confirmation +"	REP.<Name of Report, ...> <i>REP.OrderConfirmation</i>
ObjectCU of APP-internal Report <i>Example: My App Report</i>	REP.<Name of Report>.code.al <i>REP.MyAppReport.cc.code.al</i>	CCO_R_<Name of Report> "CCO R My App Report +"	REP.<Name of Report, ...>.cc <i>PAG.MyAppReport.cc</i>
...	...	...	...

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## APP Organization - Documentation: log-files and app-tags

### ➤ Documentation via Log Files

- One Log per Folder
- Log file contains well known docu headers (per GAP)

```
<GAP-Tag>_<Date>_<Developer ID>: <Title of GAP>  
Information on changes ...
```

A „GAP-Tag“ consists of the GAP Identifier and a two digit suffix counting the generations of implementations of the gap. If a GAP Implementation starts, the suffix is „.01“, if it is reopened after a first completion, it gets suffix „.02“ and so on.

```
GAP-FI-001.01 01.01.2019 DENU.MPRO: Default Description  
Created  
New field 55000 „Description 3“  
Modified  
.....
```

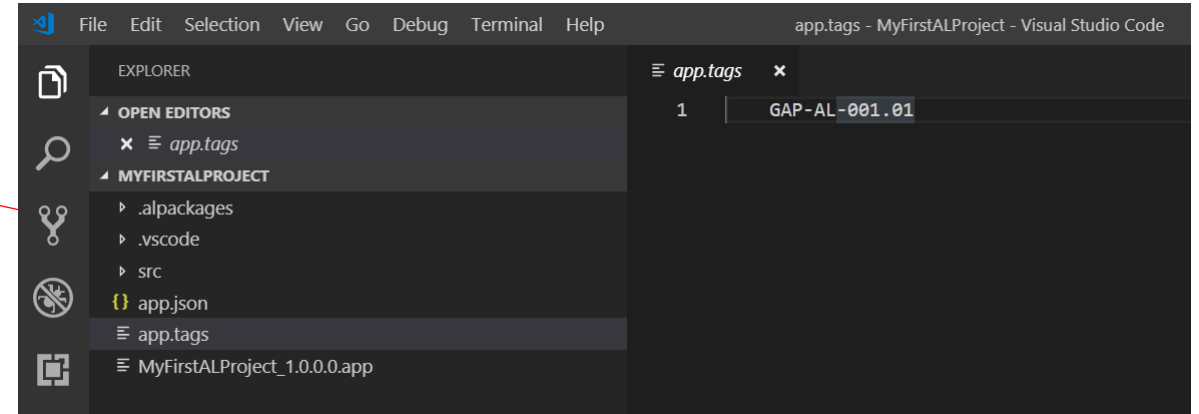
- Remark: perhaps, we will be able to skip documentation in the future, using Azure DevOps ...

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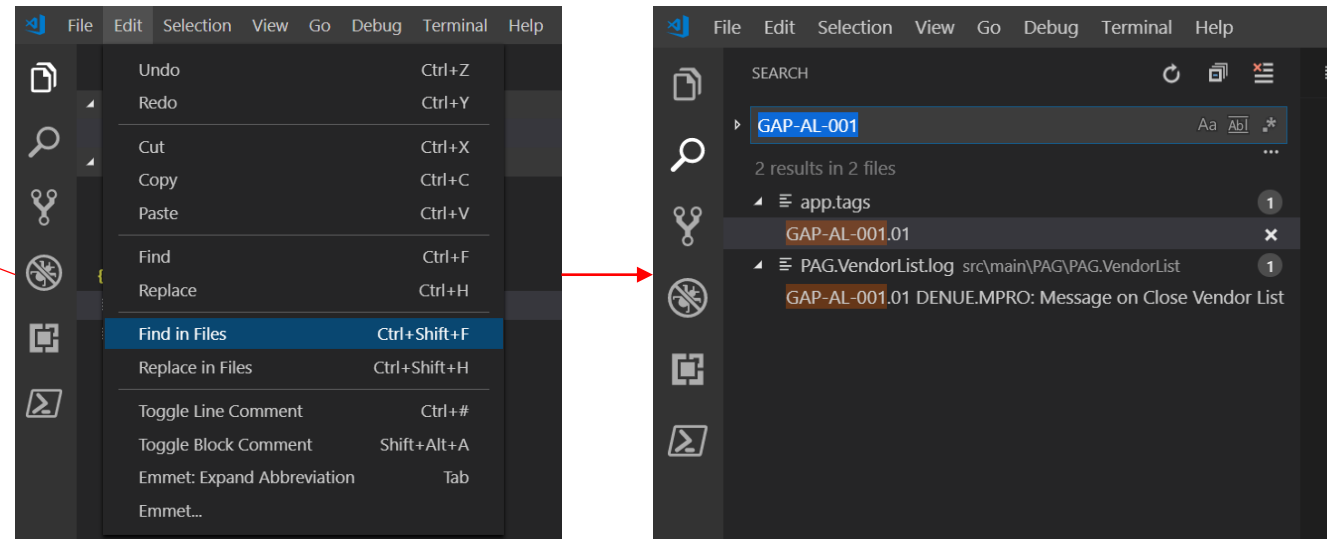
## APP Organization - Documentation: log-files and app-tags

### > The „app.tags“ file

- > Located in the root folder of the app
- > Contains a list of the GAPs implemented up to the current project state
- > [GAP-ID].[xx]: the „xx“ denotes the „development phase“ of the GAP



- > Enables „app-wide“ search for GAP Implementations



# HandsOn – Exercise 1

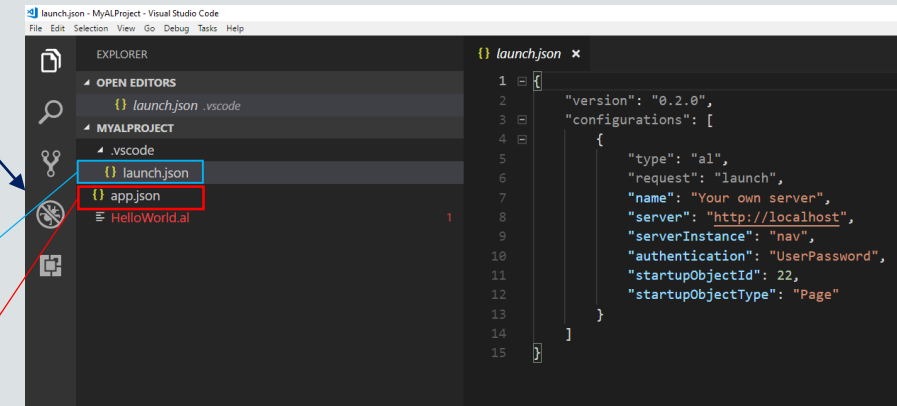
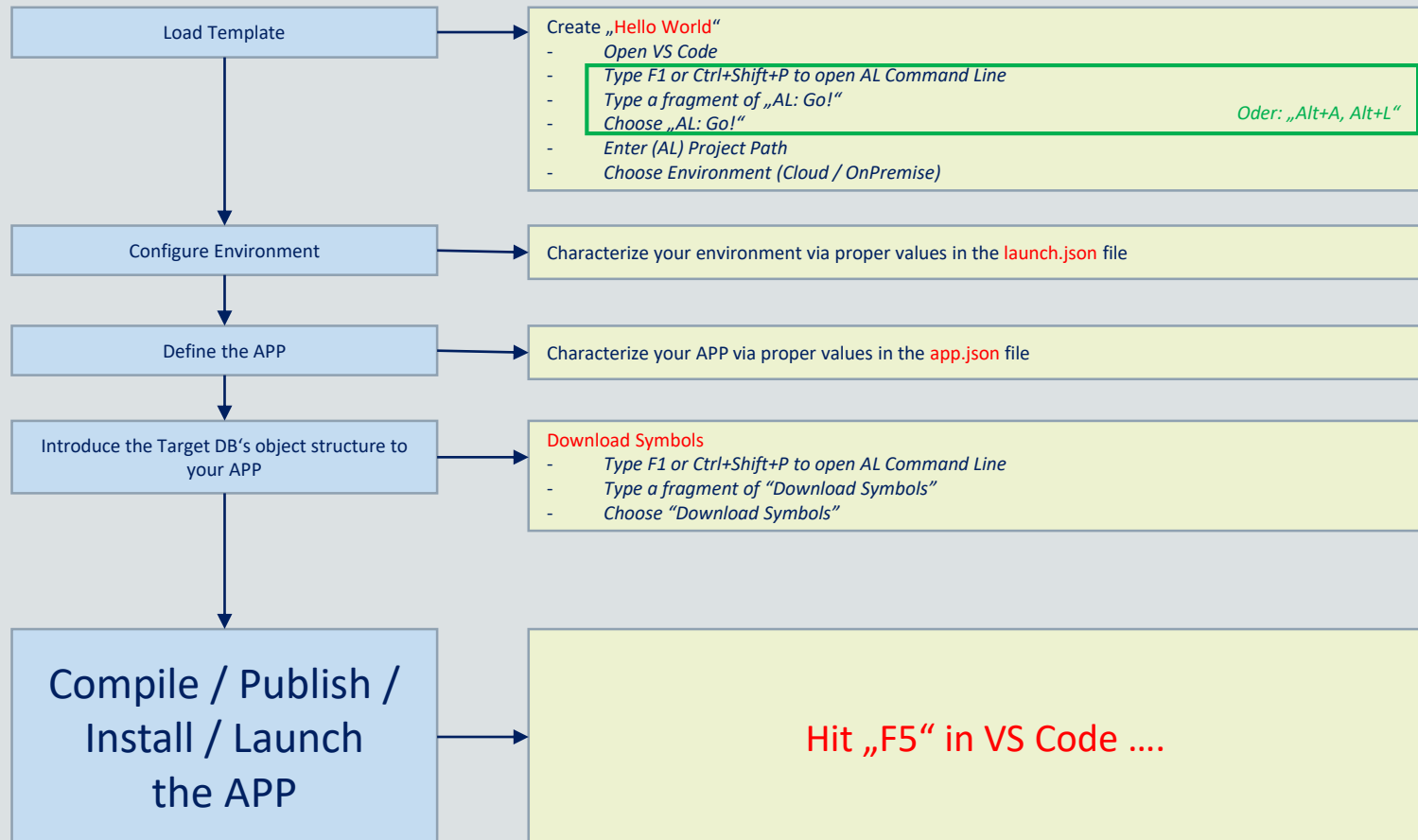
Hello World  
our very first page extension?

# HandsOn – Exercise 1 | Hello World: our very first page extension



Understand the Example Extension „Hello World“

Configure your Environment / Run the Example



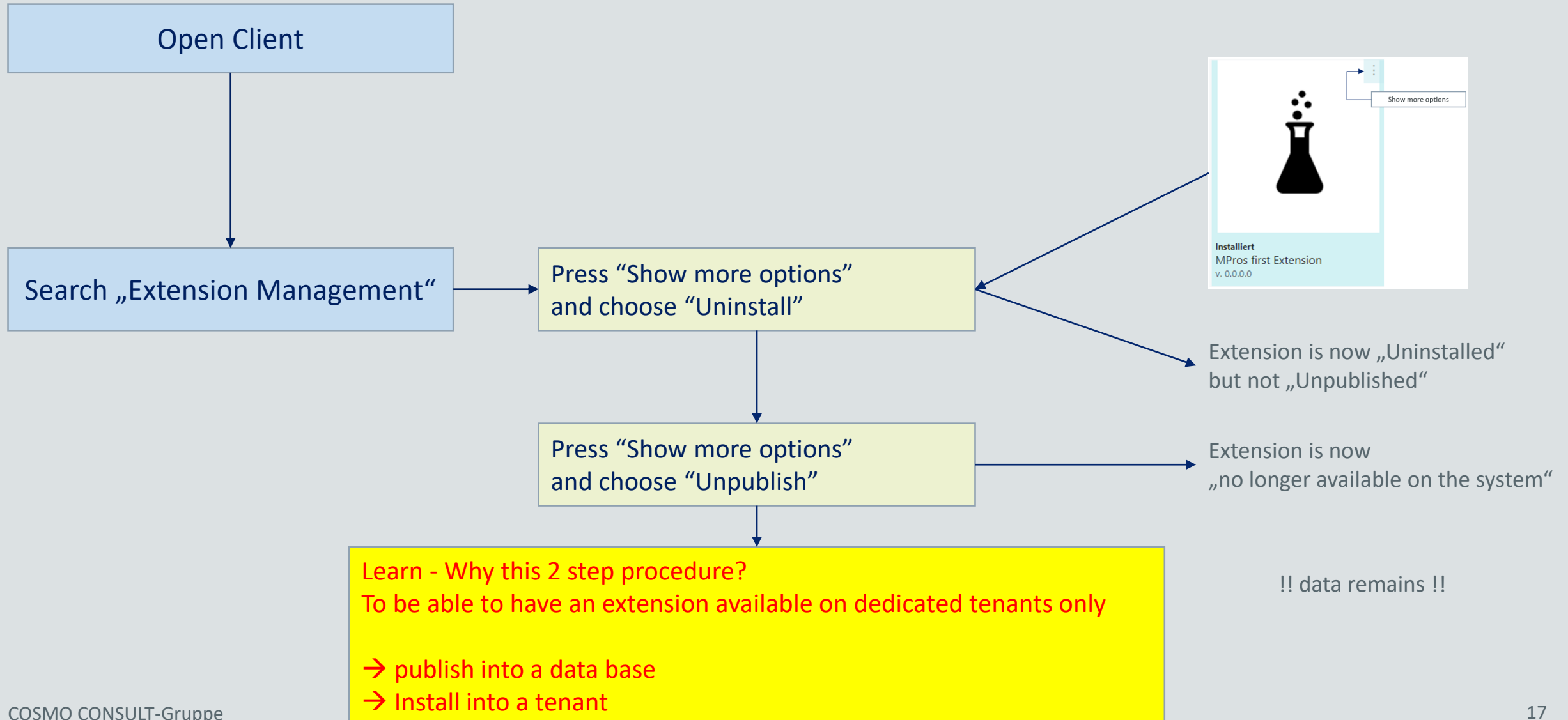
If things don't work as expected:  
Restart VS Code  
(e.g., if you've changed the „Web Client Base URL“)

# HandsOn – Exercise 2

## Deinstalling the app (via Client)



# HandsOn – Exercise 2 | Deinstalling the app (via Client)



# HandsOn – Exercise 3

## Configuring the Txt2AL Converter

# HandsOn – Exercise 3 | Configuring the Txt2AL Converter



## ➤ Txt2AL Converter - HandsOn: Convert page „Units of Measure (209)“

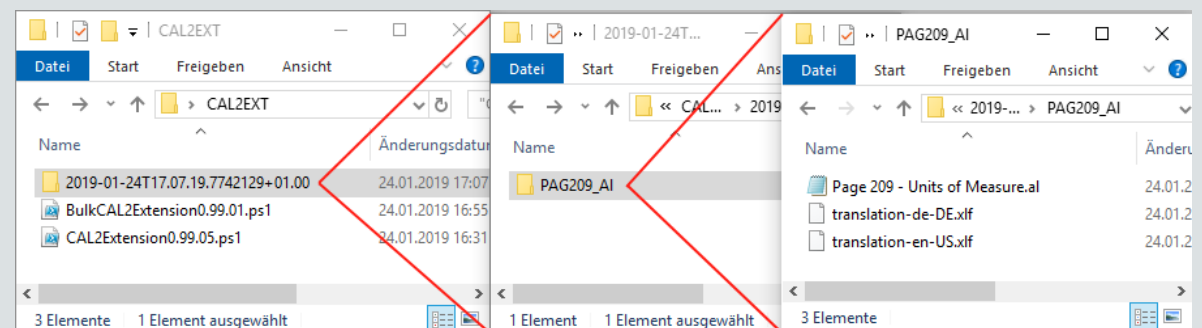
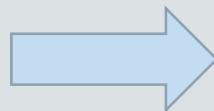
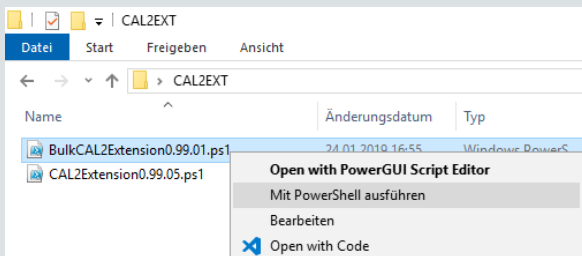
### ➤ Configure Converter

```
CAL2Extension0.99.05.ps1 x BulkCAL2Extension0.99.01.ps1 x
4
5 $TabIDs = @()
6 $PagIDs = @ (209)
7 $CuIDs = @()
8
```

SQL-Server

```
CAL2Extension0.99.05.ps1 x BulkCAL2Extension0.99.01.ps1 x
23
24 # NAV/ BC Installation Specification
25 $PathToRTCDir = 'C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central\l30\RoleTailored Client'
26 $PathToText2ALExe = "$PathToRTCDir\txt2al.exe"
27 # $DatabaseServer = 'DENUE--NV-SQL05'
28 $DatabaseServer = 'DENUE-MXP4080NB'
29 $DatabaseName = 'Demo Database NAV (13-0)'
```

### ➤ Convert page „Units of Measure (209)“



# HandsOn – Exercise 3 Continued | Configuring the Txt2AL Converter



## > Result



Page 209 - Units of Measure.al

```
Page 209 - Units of Measure.al - Editor
Datei Bearbeiten Format Ansicht Hilfe
page 209 "Units of Measure"
{
    // version NAVW113.00

    ApplicationArea = Basic,Suite;
    Caption = 'Units of Measure';
    PageType = List;
    SourceTable = "Unit of Measure";
    UsageCategory = Administration;

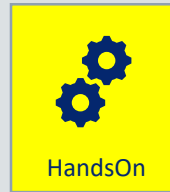
    layout
    {
        area(content)
        {
            repeater(Control1)
            {
                ShowCaption = false;
                field("Code";Code)
                {
                    ApplicationArea = Basic,Suite,Invoicing;
                    ToolTip = 'Specifies a code for the unit of measure, which you can select o
                }
                field(Description;Description)
                {
                    ApplicationArea = Basic,Suite,Invoicing;
                    ToolTip = 'Specifies a description of the unit of measure.';
                }
                field("International Standard Code";"International Standard Code")
                {
                    ApplicationArea = Basic,Suite,Invoicing;
                    ToolTip = 'Specifies the unit of measure code expressed according to the U
                }
            }
        }
        area(factboxes)
        {
            systempart(Control1900383207;Links)
            {
                Visible = false;
            }
            systempart(Control1905767507;Notes)
            {

```

# HandsOn – Exercise 4

## intelliSense

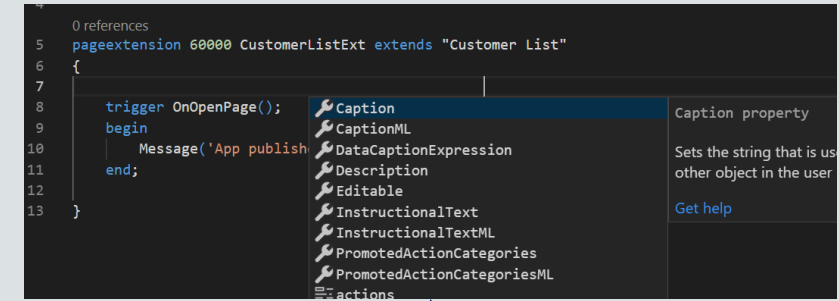
# HandsOn – Exercise 4 | IntelliSense



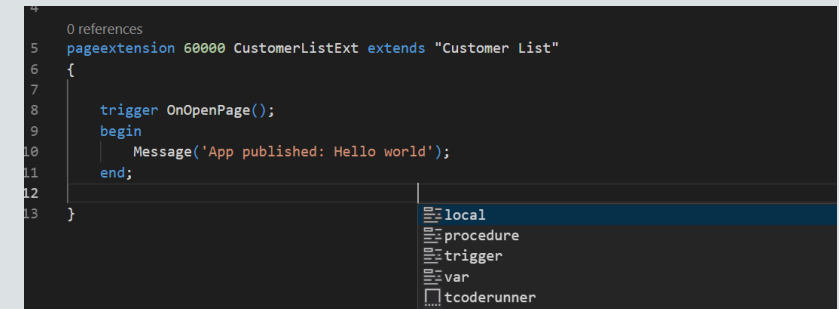
Open VS Code on „HelloWorld“ Project

Open file „HelloWorld.al“

Place the cursor above “trigger OnOpenPage()” and press “Ctrl+Space” to activate IntelliSense



Place the cursor below “trigger OnOpenPage()” block and press “Ctrl+Space” again



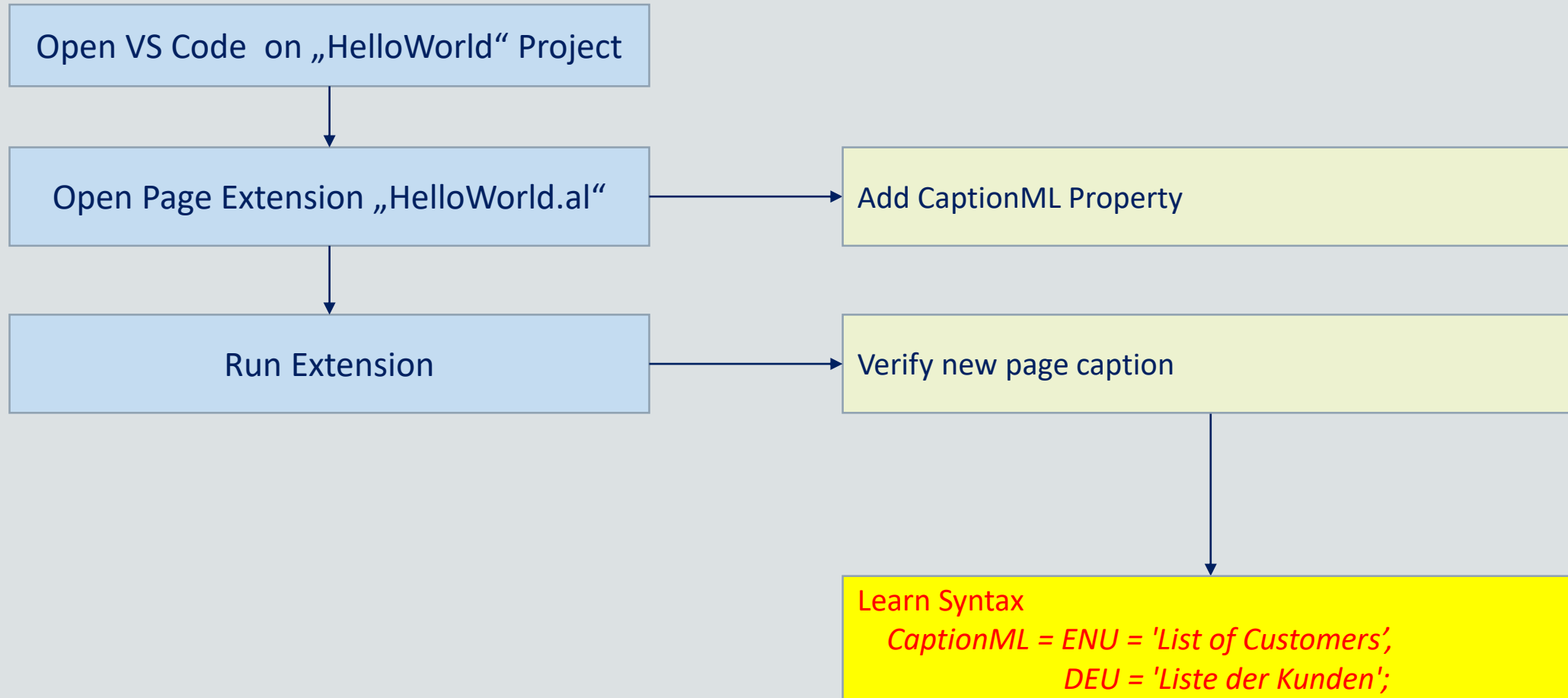
Learn that

- 1) the suggestions depend on the actual context of your code – it’s “Intelli”
- 2) Elements of an object have to be placed in a certain order ....

# HandsOn – Exercise 5

## AL Syntax: Caption ML

# HandsOn – Exercise 5 | CaptionML





# HandsOn – Exercise 6

## AL file structure

# HandsOn – Exercise 6 | AL file structure



## AL Project: Setting up the proper File / Folder structure

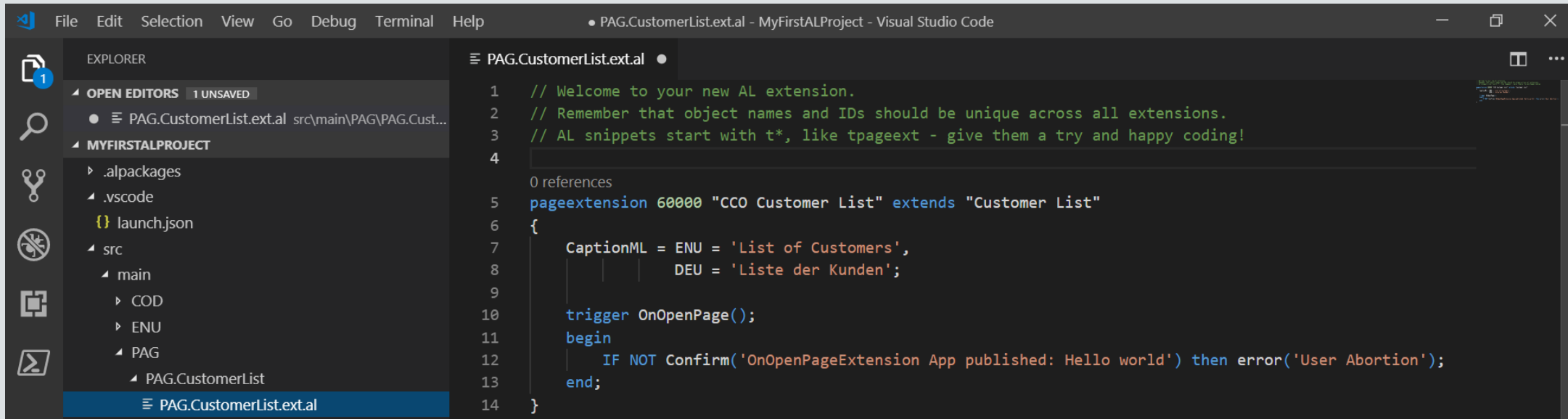
Clean up your project

Open „Hello World“ Project

Setup a proper file / folder Structure

Eventually rename your object files

Eventually rename your objects



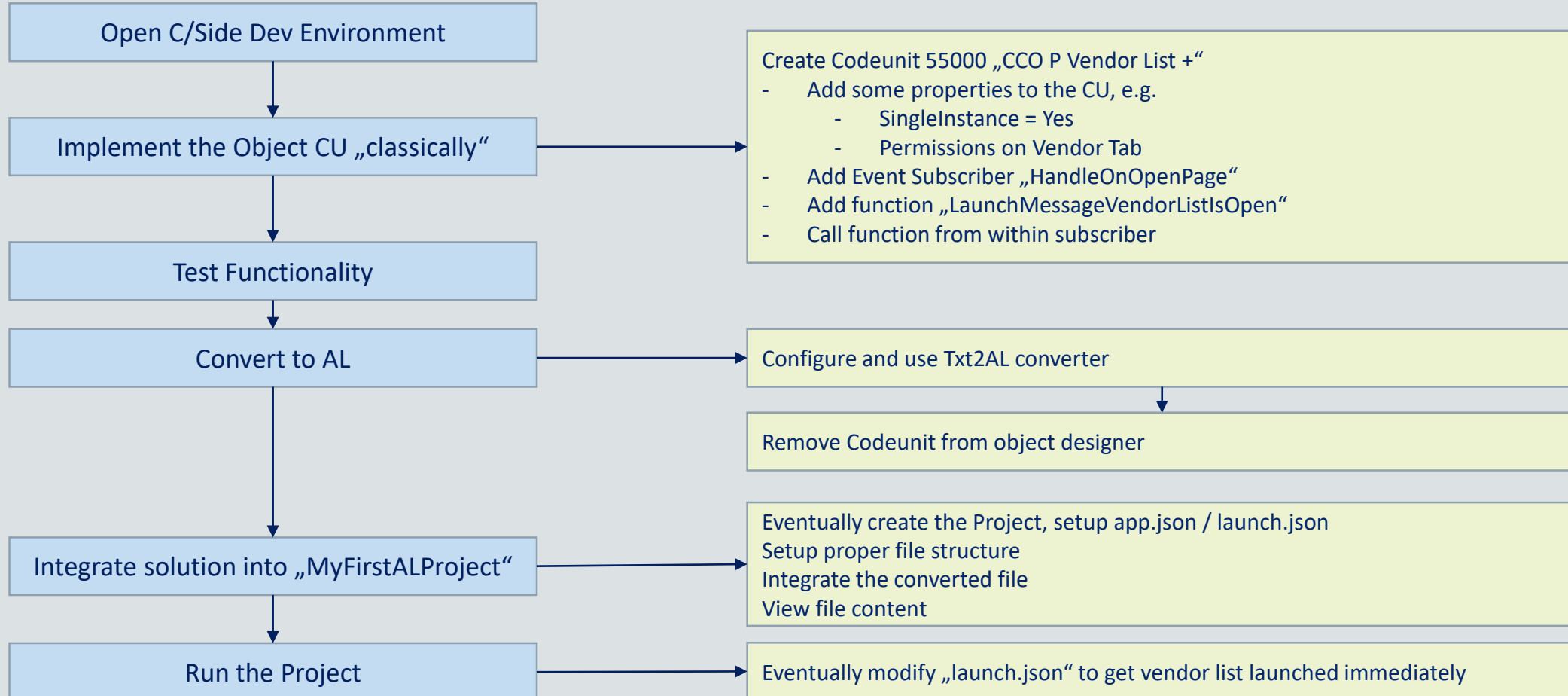
# HandsOn – Exercise 7

## Codeunits and the Txt2AL Converter

# HandsOn – Exercise 7 | Codeunits and the Txt2AL Converter



## Exercise CU programming via Txt2AL converter: Message on open Vendor List



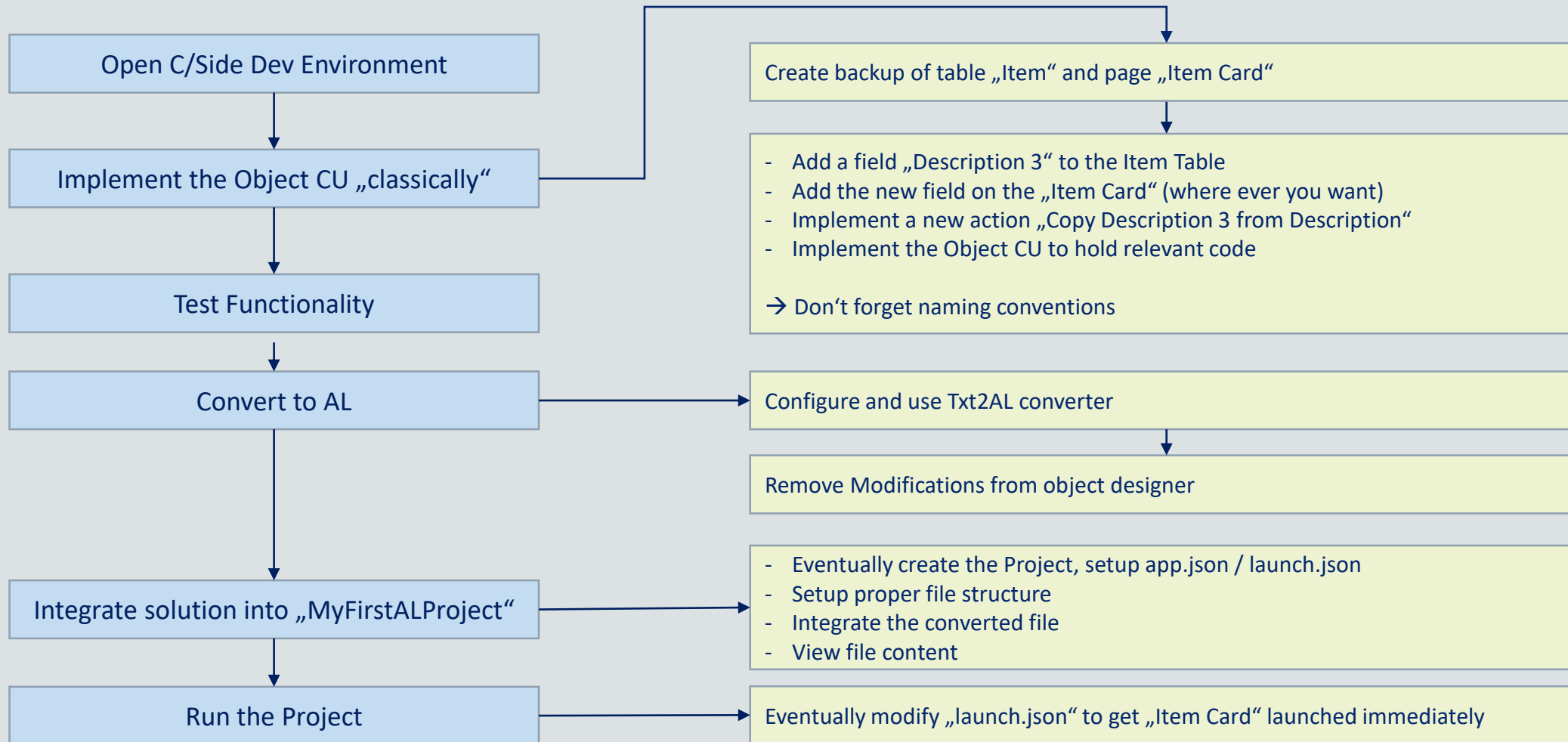
# HandsOn – Exercise 7.5

## Extension Programming and the Txt2AL Converter

# HandsOn – Exercise 7.5 | Extension Programming and the Txt2AL Converter



## Extension programming via Txt2AL converter – GAP-AL-000: „Description 3“ on „Item Card“



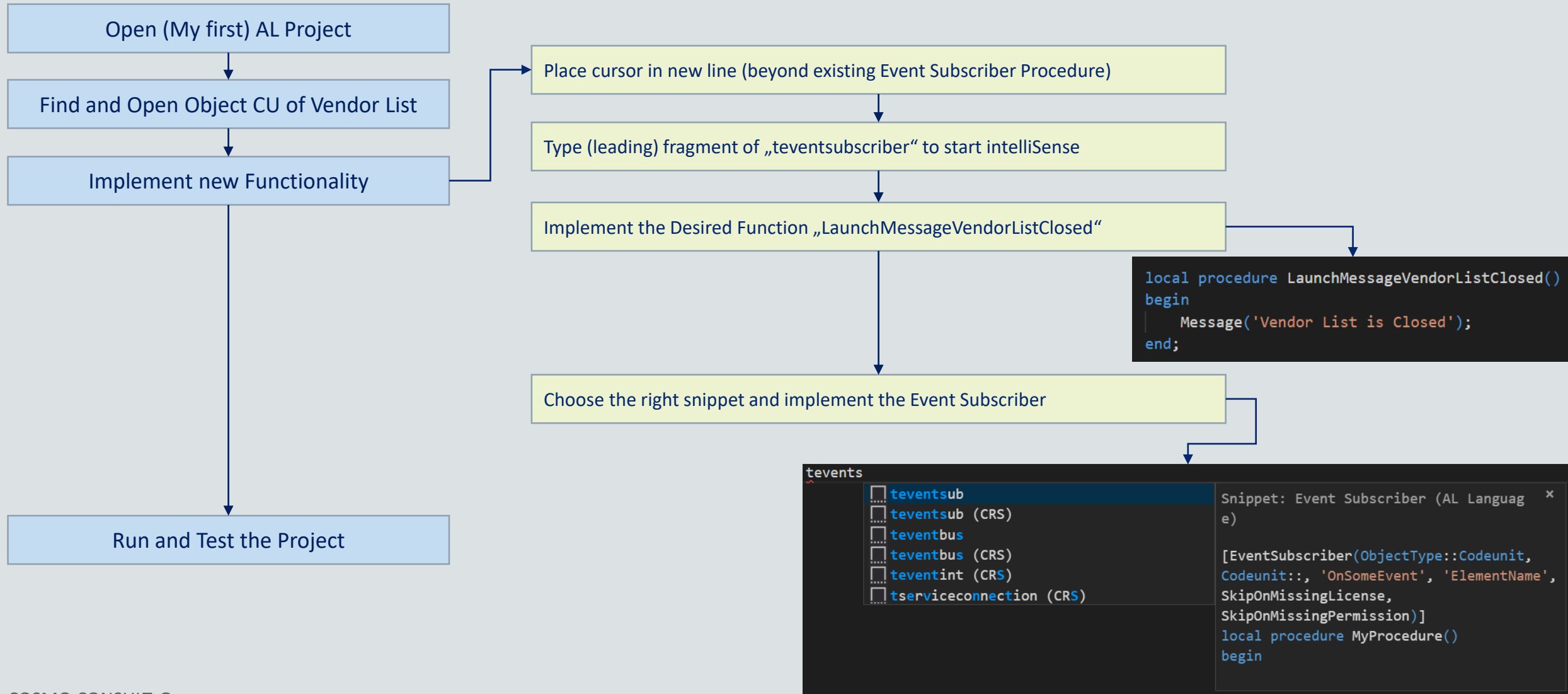
# HandsOn – Exercise 8

## Procedures and Snippets

# HandsOn – Exercise 8 | Procedures and Snippets



## Implement „Message Vendor List is closed“ using Snippets





# HandsOn – Exercise 9

Documentation: “logs and tags”

# HandsOn – Exercise 9 | Documentation „logs and tags“



Finish „GAP-AL-000“: „Description 3 on Item Card“ and „GAP-AL-001: Message on Close Vendor List “

Open (My first) AL Project

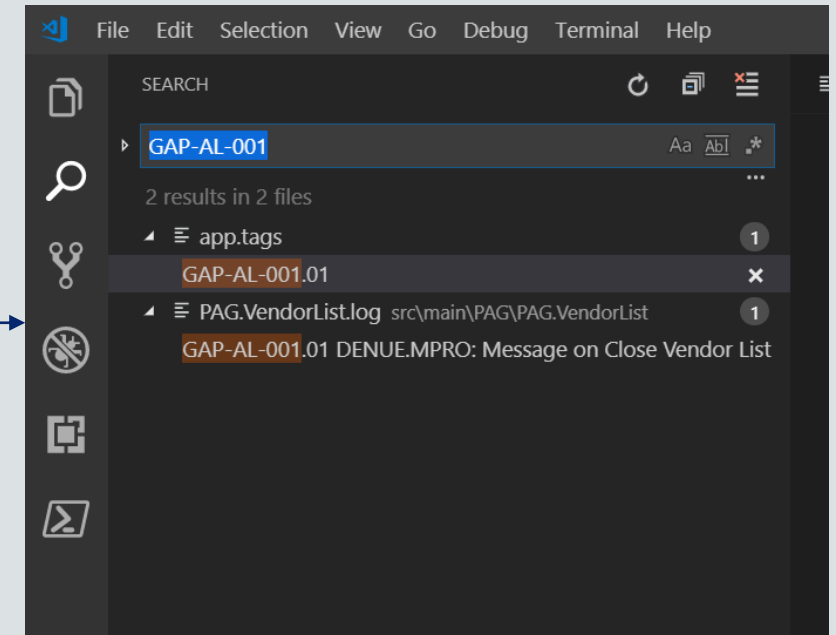
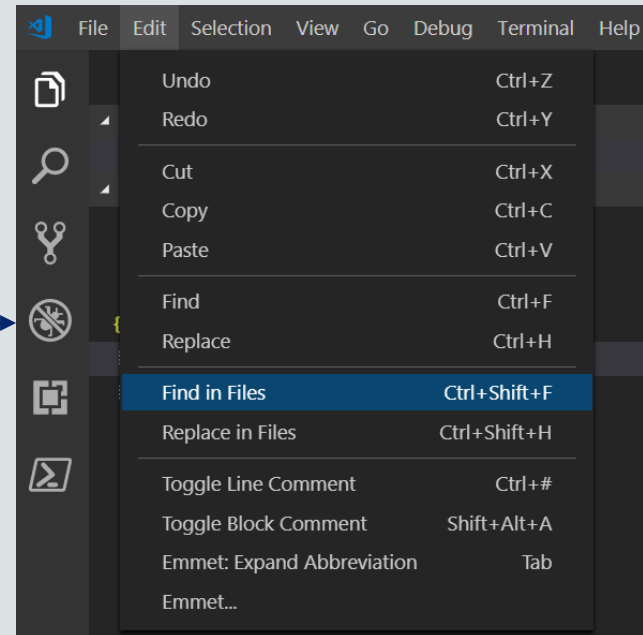
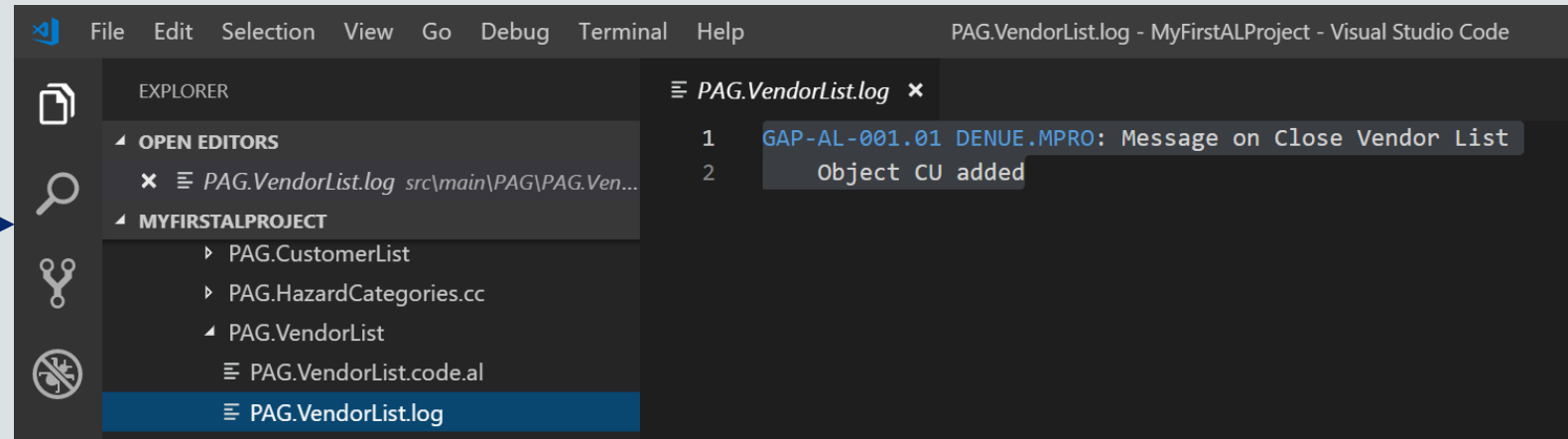
Create Documentation (log-file(s))

Log your GAPS within the „app.tags“-file

```
app.tags x
1 | GAP-AL-000.01
2 | GAP-AL-001.01
```

Close open Editors and search for the GAP

Run and Test the Project



# HandsOn – Exercise 9.5

## Pages 1, Structure

## HandsOn – Exercise 9.5 | Pages

Convert a Page of your choice from C/Side to AL and analyze the „Layout“



# HandsOn – Exercise 10

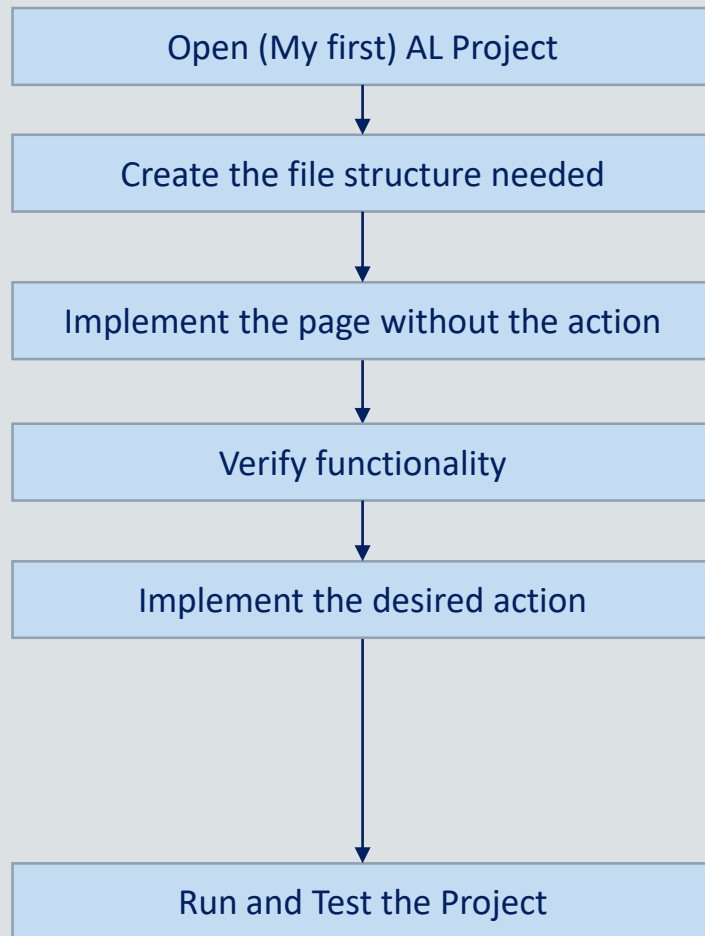
## Pages 2, moving Elements

# HandsOn – Exercise 10 | Pages



## Implement „GAP-AL-002: Currency List“

Create a simple List Page „Currency List“, which shows a list of all Currencies and their Descriptions. It shall not be possible to edit the list. Via an Action „Show extended List“, it shall be possible to open the standard currency list „Currencies“.



```
actions
{
    0 references
    area(Processing)
    {
        0 references
        action(ActionName)
        {
            ApplicationArea = All;
            Caption = 'Exch. &Rates';
            Image = Currencies;
            Promoted = true;
            PromotedCategory = Process;
            RunObject = Page Currencies;
            RunPageOnRec = true;
            // RunPageLink = Code = FIELD (Code);

            trigger OnAction()
            begin
            end;
        }
    }
}
```

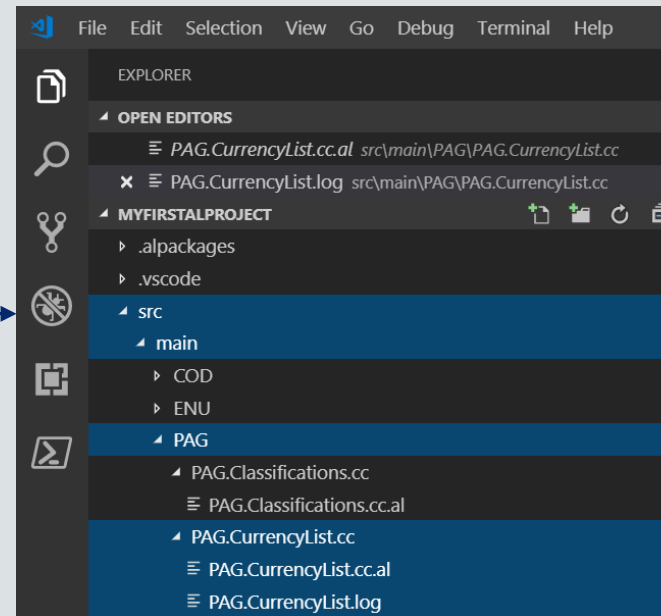
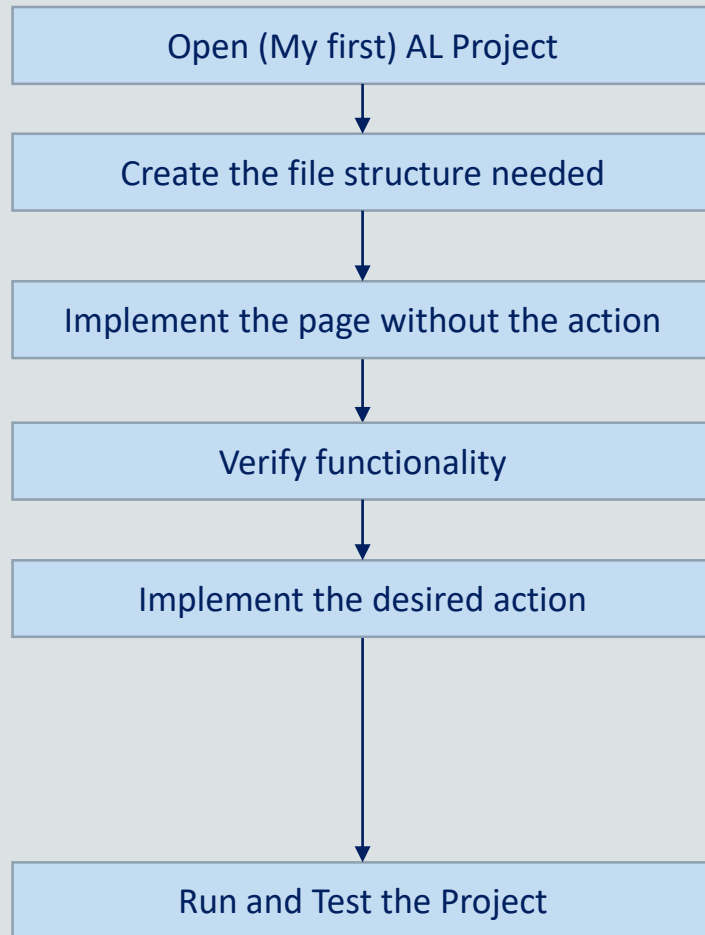
```
PAG.CurrencyList.cc.al
1 page 60001 "CCO Currency List"
2 {
3     PageType = List;
4     CaptionML = DEU = 'Währungsliste',
5                 ENU = 'Currency List';
6     ApplicationArea = All;
7     UsageCategory = Lists;
8     SourceTable = Currency;
9     Editable = false;
10
11     layout
12     {
13         0 references
14         area(Content)
15         {
16             0 references
17             repeater(Currencies)
18             {
19                 0 references
20                 field(Code; Code)
21                 {
22                     ApplicationArea = All;
23                 }
24                 0 references
25                 field(Description; Description)
26                 {
27                     ApplicationArea = All;
28                 }
29             }
30         }
31     }
32 }
```

# HandsOn – Exercise 10 | Pages



## Implement „GAP-AL-002: Currency List“

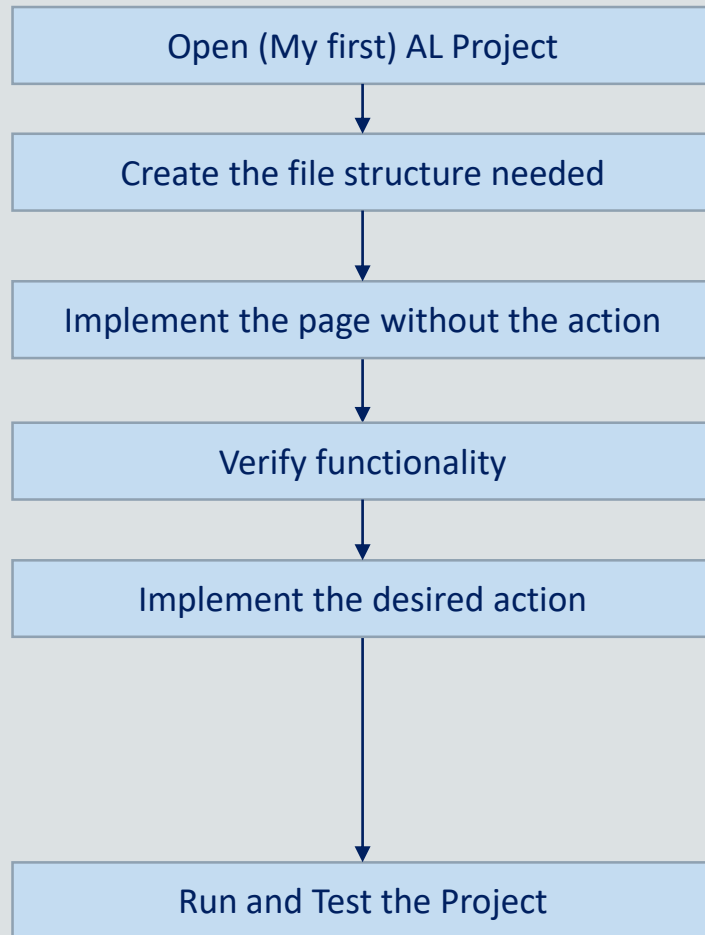
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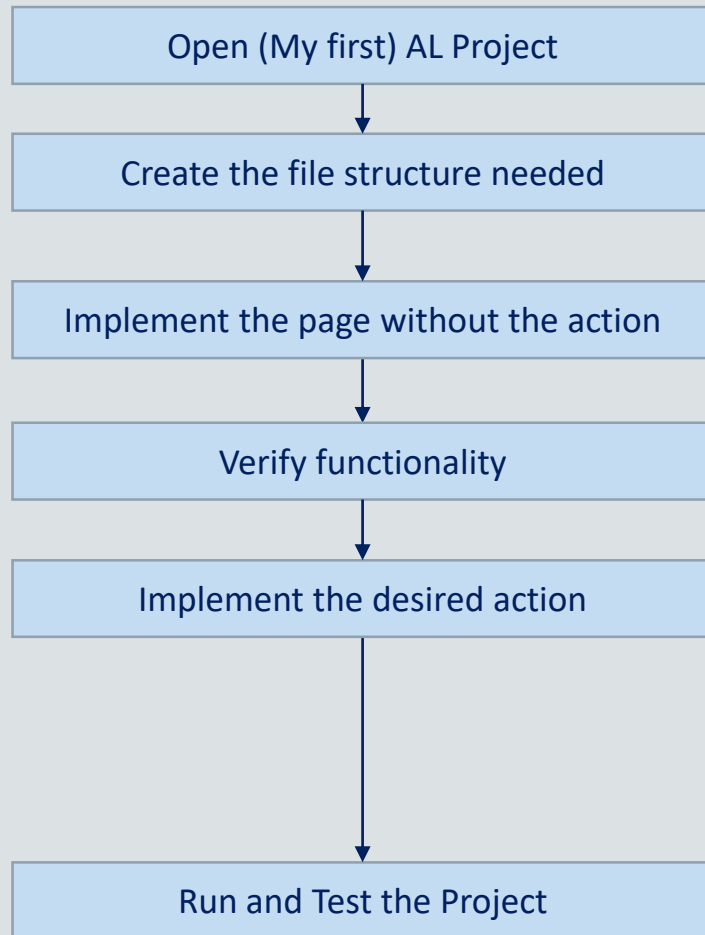
```
PAG.CurrencyList.cc.al •
1  page 60001 "CCO Currency List"
2  {
3      PageType = List;
4      CaptionML = DEU = 'Währungsliste',
5                  ENU = 'Currency List';
6      ApplicationArea = All;
7      UsageCategory = Lists;
8      SourceTable = Currency;
9      Editable = false;
10
11     layout
12     {
13         0 references
14         area(Content)
15         {
16             0 references
17             repeater(Currencies)
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21                 {
22                     ApplicationArea = All;
23                 }
24                 0 references
25                 field(Description; Description)
26                 {
27                     ApplicationArea = All;
28                 }
29             }
30         }
31     }
32 }
```





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            Promoted = true;
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            RunObject = Page Currencies;
            RunPageOnRec = true;
            // RunPageLink = Code = FIELD (Code);

            trigger OnAction()
            begin
            end;
        }
    }
}
```

# HandsOn – Exercise 11

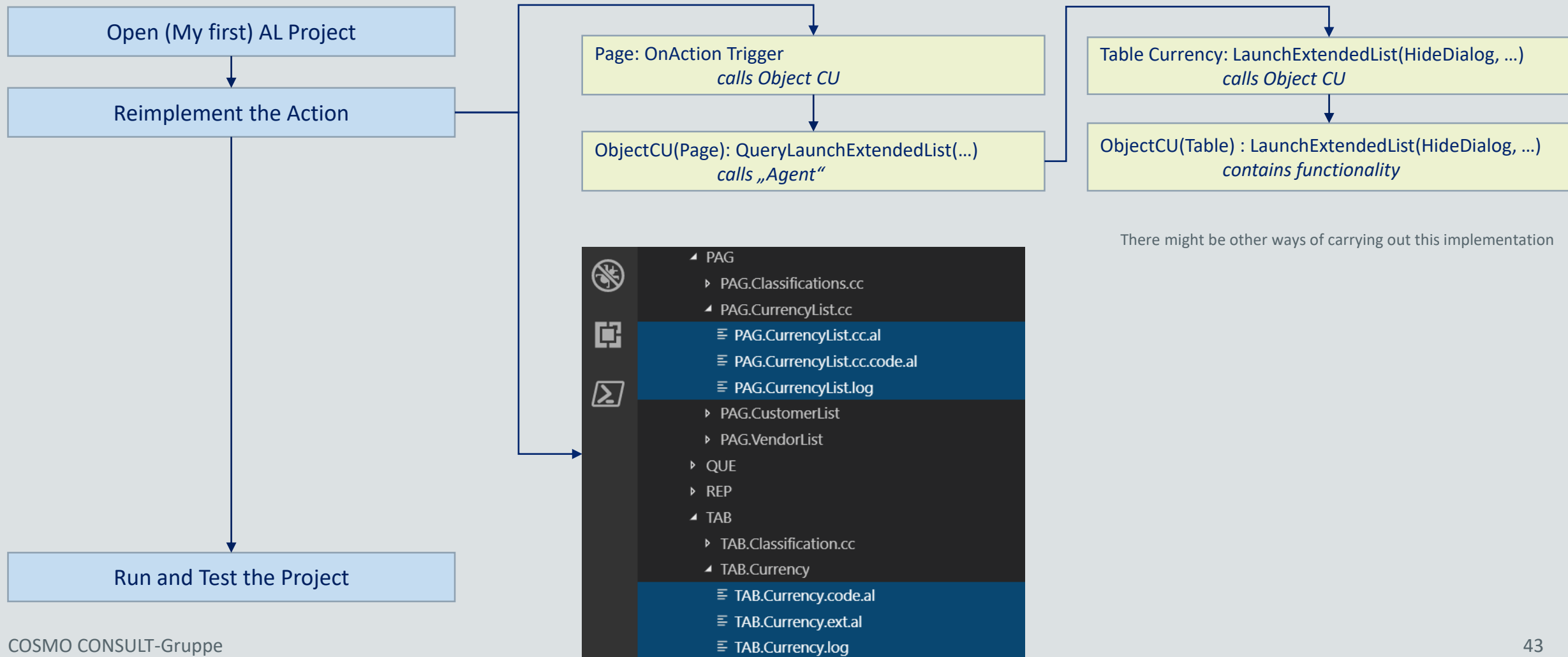
## Object / File Structure

# HandsOn – Exercise 11 | Object / File Structure



## Implement „GAP-AL-003: Currency List advanced“

Extend the functionality of „GAP-AL-002 in a way that the user is prompted „Do you want to open the standard currency list“ when he hits the „Show extended List“ button.



# HandsOn – Exercise 11.5

## Table Relations and Txt2AL converter

# HandsOn – Exercise 11.5 | Table Relations and the Txt2AL converter



Gain insight into the syntax of Table Relations by „Txt2AL Converting“ table 39 „Purchase Line“

Configure Txt2AL COnverter

Convert Table 39 „Purchase Line“

Learn the syntax of „Table Relation Property“

```
107 references
105 field(6;"No.";Code[20])
106 {
107     CaptionClass = GetCaptionClass(FieldNo("No."));
108     Caption = 'No.';
109     TableRelation = IF (Type=CONST(" ")) "Standard Text"
110                     ELSE IF (Type=CONST("G/L Account"),
111                             "System-Created Entry"=CONST(false)) "G/L Account" WHERE ("Direct Posting"=CONST(true),
112                                     "Account Type"=CONST(Posting),
113                                     Blocked=CONST(false))
114                     ELSE IF (Type=CONST("G/L Account"),
115                             "System-Created Entry"=CONST(true)) "G/L Account"
116                     ELSE IF (Type=CONST("Fixed Asset")) "Fixed Asset"
117                     ELSE IF (Type=CONST("Charge (Item)")) "Item Charge"
118                     ELSE IF (Type=CONST(Item)) Item WHERE (Blocked=CONST(false));
119     ValidateTableRelation = false;
120
121     trigger OnValidate()
122     var
123         TempPurchLine: Record "Purchase Line" temporary;
124         FindRecordMgt: Codeunit "Find Record Management";
125     begin
```

# HandsOn – Exercise 12

## Module Hazard Category Part 1

# HandsOn – Exercise 12 | Module Hazard Category Part 1



## FRD

It shall be possible to group Items according to their "Hazard Category". "Hazard Categories" should be freely definable. When an article is purchased via ordering, its "Hazard Category" is to be displayed in the purchasing document and should be changeable there. During the course of item posting, the "Hazard Category" has to be transferred into the "Item Ledger Entries" and, if indicated, into the posted purchase documents.

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No further details have to be respected concerning, e.g., manipulations of partially posted documents etc..

### GAP-AL-004: Hazard Categories

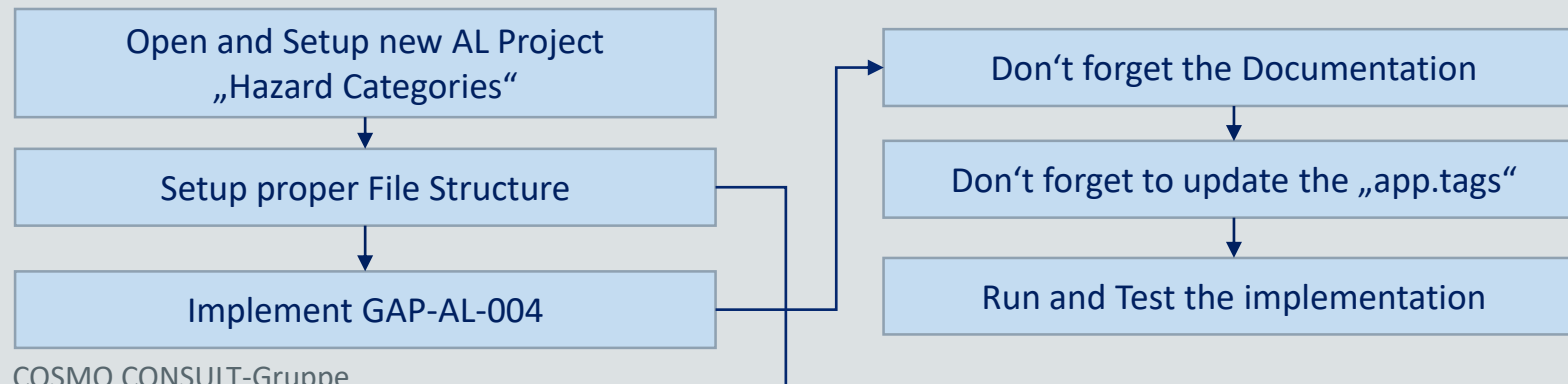
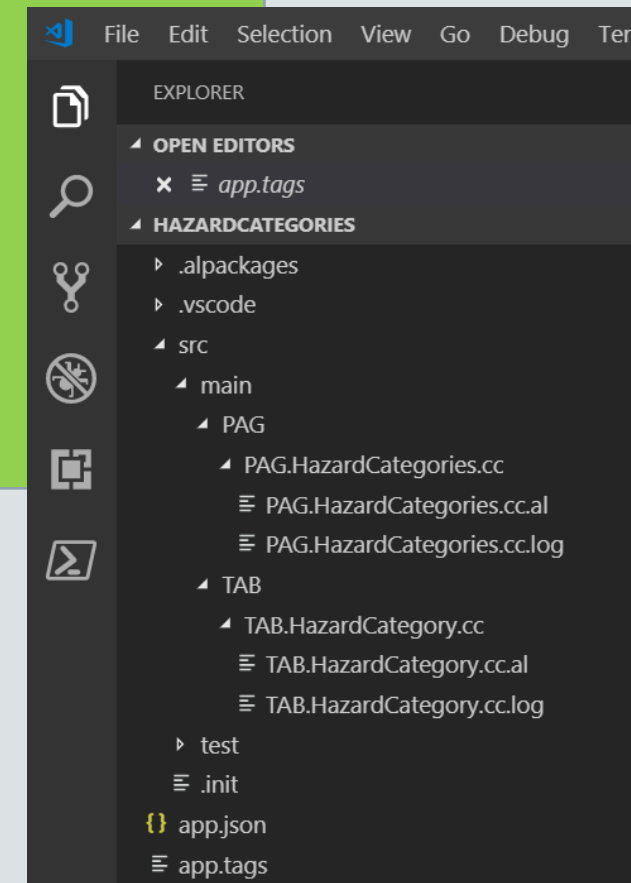
A new Data Structure "Hazard Category" is to be implemented (Table 60100 "Hazard Category" and List Page 60100 "Hazard Categories").

*Hazard Category*

Code	Code 20
Description	Text 80

It shall not be possible to enter "empty" categories.

The new page shall be accessible via the search functionality.



# HandsOn – Exercise 13

## Table Extension (Table) Trigger

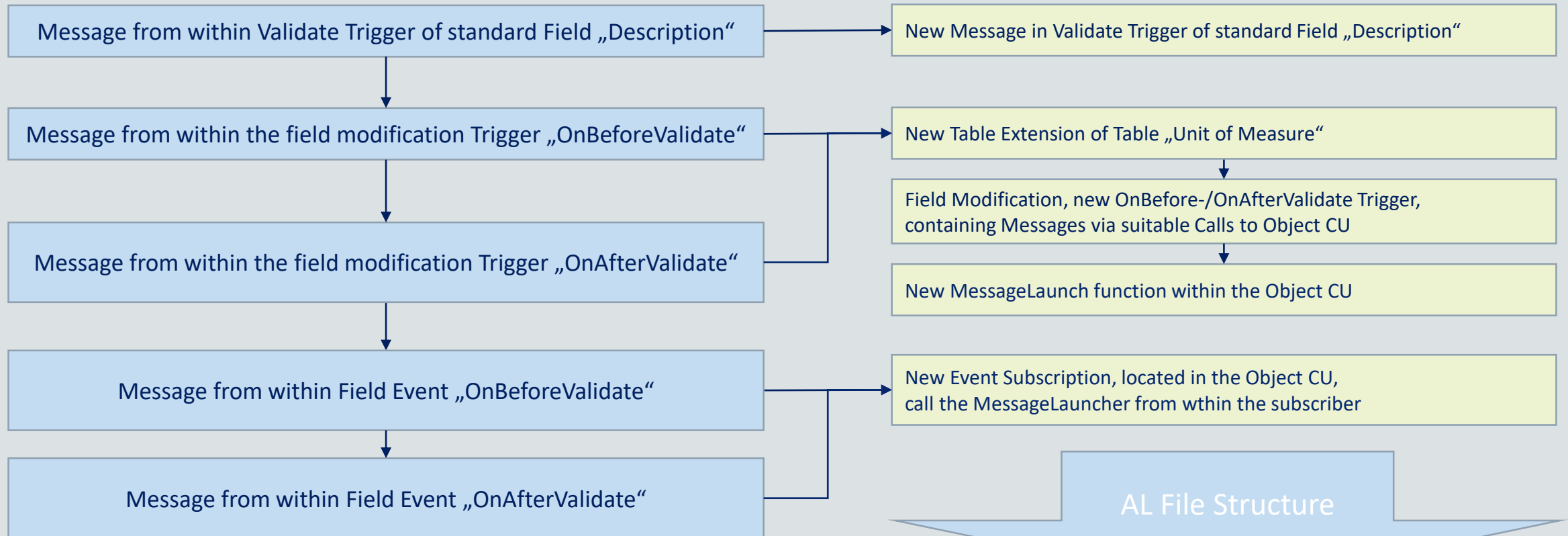


# HandsOn – Exercise 13 | Table Extension (Table) Trigger



**Sequence of Execution of table extension field triggers** compared to relevant standard triggers and events. Implement an Extension which is suited to show the order of execution of „**OnBeforeValidate (Extension Trigger)**“, „**OnBeforeValidate (Table Field Event)**“, „**OnValidate (Table Field Trigger)**“, „**OnAfterValidate (Table Field Event)**“ and „**OnAfterValidate (Extension Trigger)**“, use „Description“ field of „Unit of Measure“ as an example. Implement a Message-Chain which is suited to show the order of execution.

## Scetch of Design



# HandsOn – Exercise 13 | AL File Structure



File Edit Selection View Go Debug Terminal Help • TAB.UnitOfMeasure.ext.al - SomeALTests - Visual Studio Code

EXPLORER

2 OPEN EDITORS 2 UNSAVED

GROUP 1

- TAB.UnitOfMeasure.ext.al source...
- TAB.UnitOfMeasure.code.al sour...

GROUP 2

- TAB.UnitOfMeasure.code.al sour...

SOMEALTESTS

- .alpackages
- .vscode
  - launch.json
- assets
  - SoftwareTest.png
- source
  - main
    - TAB
      - TAB.UnitOfMeasure
        - TAB.UnitOfMeasure.code.al
        - TAB.UnitOfMeasure.ext.al
- app.json

TAB.UnitOfMeasure.ext.al

```
0 references
1 tableextension 60100 "CCO Unit of Measure +" extends "Unit of Measure"
2 {
3 }
```

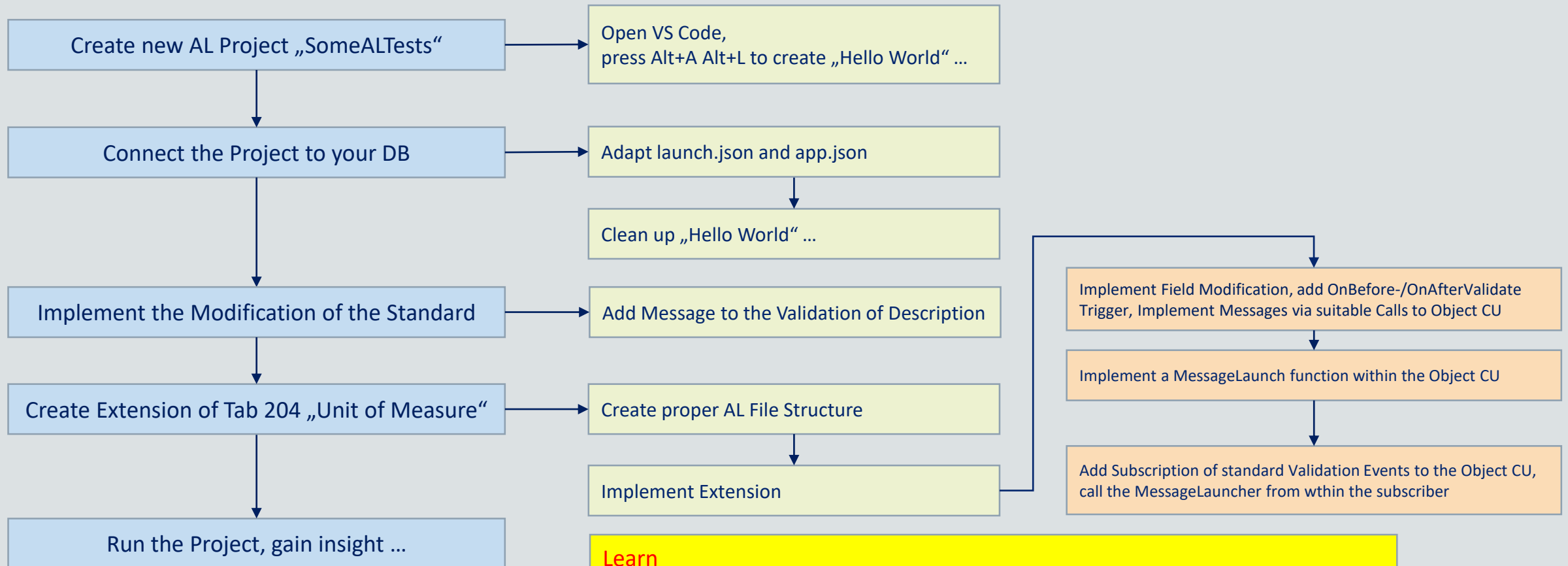
TAB.UnitOfMeasure.code.al

```
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1 codeunit 60100 "CCO T Unit of Measure +"
2 {
3 }
```

# HandsOn – Exercise 13 | Doing



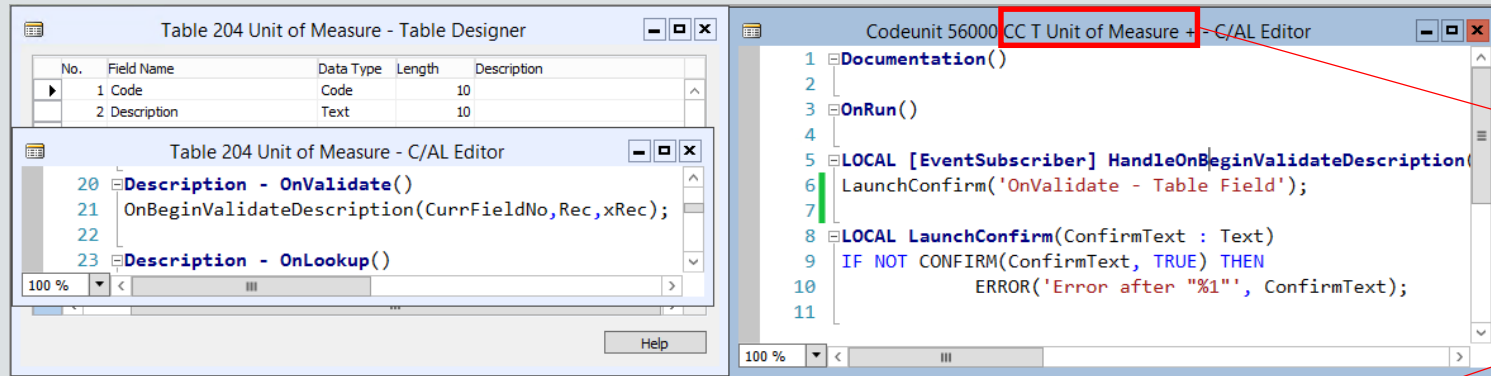
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## Learn

- 1) how extension field trigger fit into the total field trigger / event scenario
- 2) that invoking IntelliSense is always a good idea

# HandsOn – Exercise 13 | Hybrid Implementation



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```
TAB.UnitOfMeasure.ext.al x
0 references
1 tableextension 60100 "CCO Unit of Measure +" extends "Unit of Measure"
2 {
3     fields
4     {
5         modify(Description)
6         {
7             trigger OnBeforeValidate()
8             begin
9                 ObjectCU.LaunchConfirm('OnBeforeValidate - Table Extension');
10            end;
11
12            trigger OnAfterValidate()
13            begin
14                ObjectCU.LaunchConfirm('OnAfterValidate - Table Extension');
15            end;
16        }
17    }
18
19    var
20
21        2 references
22        ObjectCU: codeunit "CCO T Unit of Measure +";
23 }
```

```
TAB.UnitOfMeasure.code.al x
1 reference
1 codeunit 60100 "CCO T Unit of Measure +"
2 {
3     [EventSubscriber(ObjectType::Table, Database::"Unit of Measure", 'OnBeforeValidateEvent', 'Description', false, false)]
4     0 references
5     local procedure HandleOnBeforeValidate()
6     begin
7         LaunchConfirm('OnBeforeValidate Event');
8     end;
9
10    [EventSubscriber(ObjectType::Table, Database::"Unit of Measure", 'OnAfterValidateEvent', 'Description', false, false)]
11    0 references
12    local procedure HandleOnAfterValidate()
13    begin
14        LaunchConfirm('OnAfterValidate Event');
15    end;
16
17    4 references
18    procedure LaunchConfirm(ConfirmText: Text)
19    begin
20        if not Confirm(ConfirmText, true) then
21            Error('Error after "%1"', ConfirmText);
22    end;
23 }
```

# HandsOn – Exercise 14

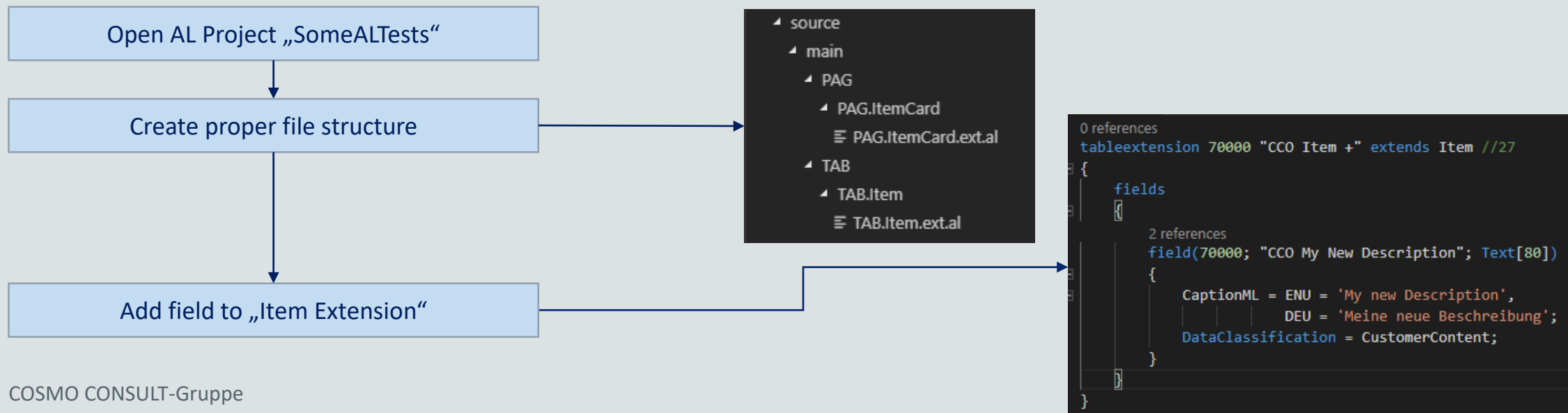
## Page Extension Layout

# HandsOn – Exercise 14 | Page Extension Layout



## Create an Item (Card) extension

- Item Table: Add a new field „My new Description“ (Text 50)
- Item Card
  - Add a label „Here comes the Item No.“ on first place of fast tab „Item“
  - Move the „Replenishment System“ from where ever it is at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab.
  - Add a „Description Group“ at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab, containing all three Item Descriptions
  - Rename „Item“ fast tab to „Item Fast Tab“ („Artikelregister“)
  - Add a new first fast tab „Descriptions“, place all three „Descriptions“ on this fast tab
  - Add an action to the „Sales“ section of the „Navigate“ menu which launches the currency list.

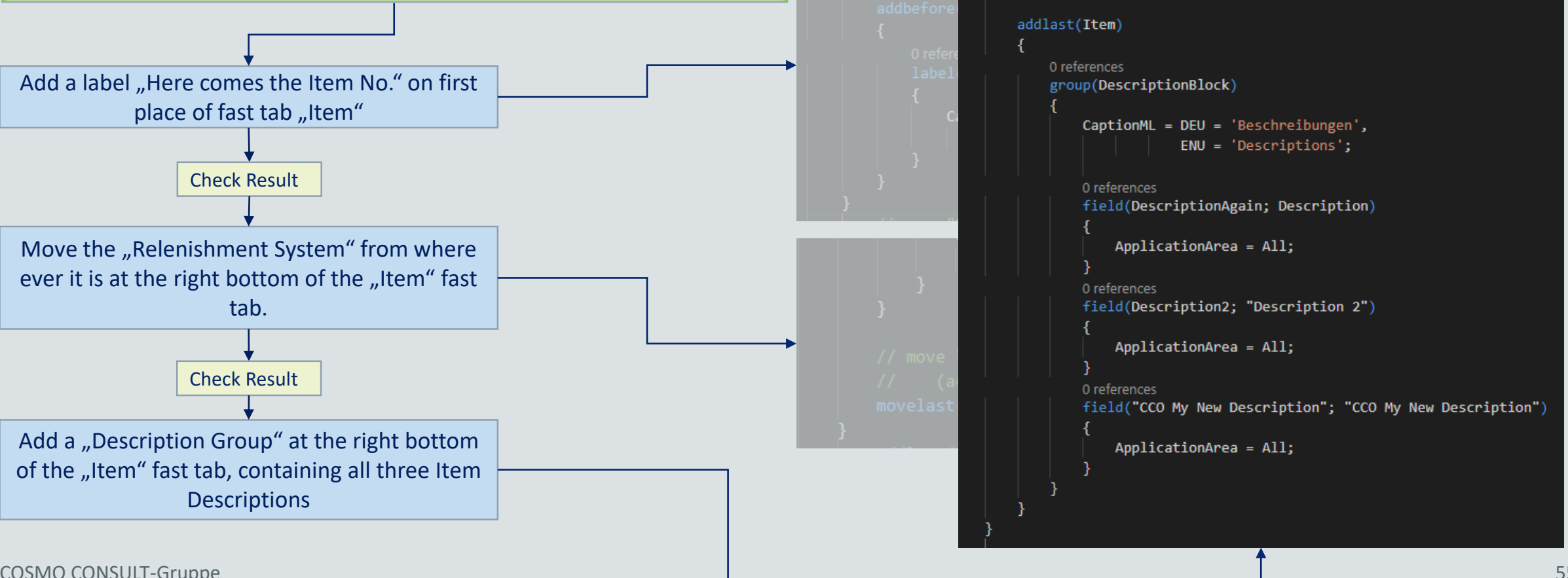


# HandsOn – Exercise 14 | Page Extension Layout, continued 1



## Create an Item (Card) extension

- Item Table: Add a new field „My new Description“ (Text 50)
- Item Card
  - Add a label „Here comes the Item No.“ on first place of fast tab „Item“
  - Move the „Replenishment System“ from wherever it is at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab.
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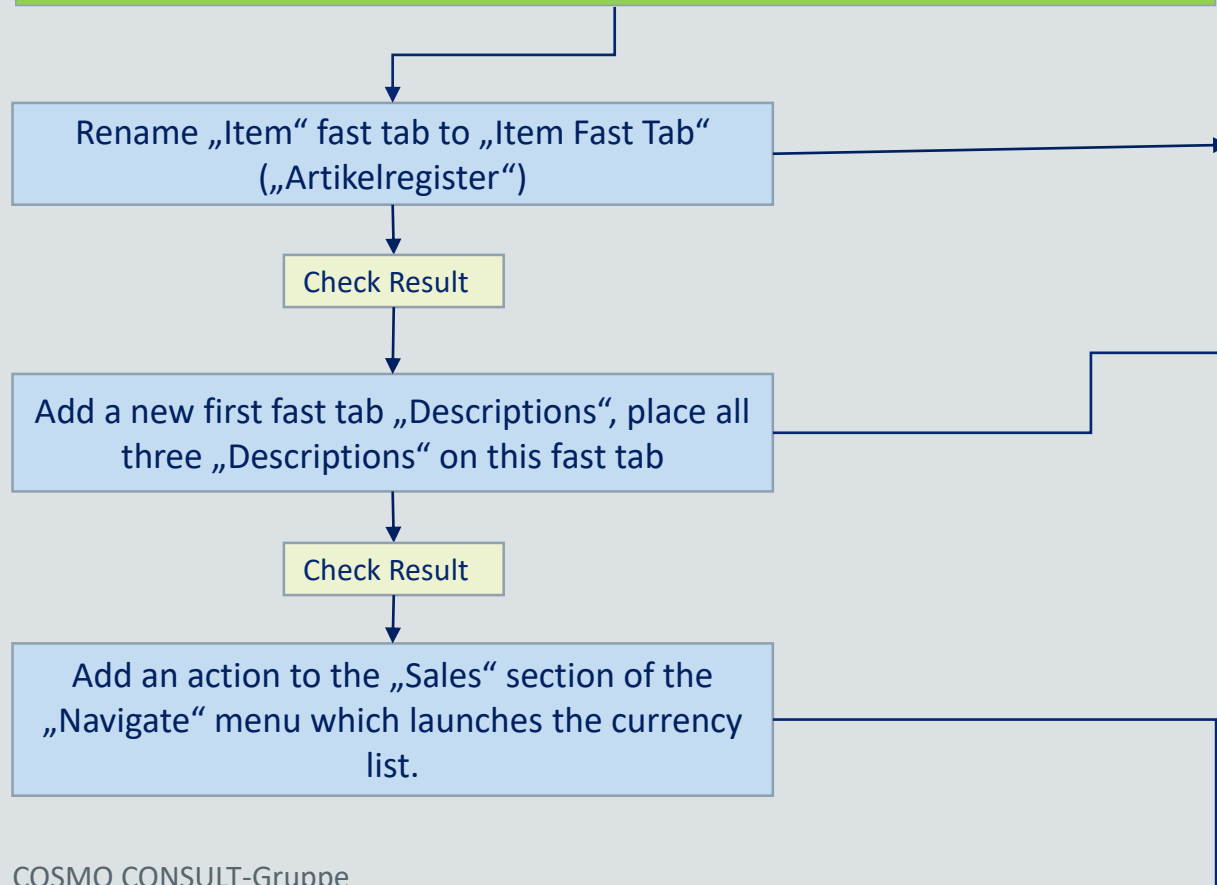


# HandsOn – Exercise 14 | Page Extension Layout, continued 2



## Create an Item (Card) extension

- Item Table: Add a new field „My new Description“ (Text 50)
- Item Card
  - Add a label „Here comes the Item No.“ on first place of fast tab „Item“
  - Move the „Relenishment System“ from wherever it is at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab.
  - Add a „Description Group“ at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab, containing all three Item Descriptions
- Rename „Item“ fast tab to „Item Fast Tab“ („Artikelregister“)
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- Add an action to the „Sales“ section of the „Navigate“ menu which launches the currency list.



```
modify(Item)
{
    CaptionML = DEU = 'Artikelregister',
              ENU = 'Item Fast Tab';
}

addbefore(Item)
{
    // area(content)
    // {
    0 references
    group(DescriptionGroup)
    {
        CaptionML = DEU = 'Beschreibung',
                  ENU = 'Beschreibung';
    }
    }
}

actions
{
    addlast("Sales")
    {
        0 references
        action(CCOCurrencies)
        {
            CaptionML = ENU = 'Currencies',
                      DEU = 'Währungen';
            RunObject = page Currencies;
        }
    }
}
```

There might be other ways of carrying out this implementation



# HandsOn – Exercise 14 | Page Extension Layout, continued 4



## HandsOn – Exercise 14 | Page Extension Layout, continued 1

### Create an Item (Card) extension

- Item Table: Add a new field „My new Description“ (Text 50)
- Item Card
  - Add a label „Here comes the Item No.“ on first place of fast tab „Item“
  - Move the „Replenishment System“ from wherever it is at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab.
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  - Rename „Item“ fast tab to „Item Fast Tab“ („Artikelregister“)
  - Add a new first fast tab „Descriptions“, place all three „Descriptions“ on this fast tab
  - Add an action to the „Sales“ section of the „Navigate“ menu which launches the currency list.

Add a label „Here comes the Item No.“ on first place of fast tab „Item“

Check Result

Move the „Replenishment System“ from where ever it is at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab.

Check Result

Add a „Description Group“ at the right bottom of the „Item“ fast tab, containing all three Item Descriptions

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```
pageextension 70000 "CCO ItemCard +" extends "Item Card" //30
{
    layout
    {
        addbefore("No.")
        {
            0 references
            label(ItemNoLabel)
            {
                CaptionML = ENU = 'Here comes the Item No.',
                DEU = 'Hier kommt die Artikelnr.';
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
    // move "Replenishment System" from wherever
    // (actually: "Warehouse") at "head" of tab Item
    movelast(Item; "Replenishment System")
}
```



There might be other ways of carrying out this implementation

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### Learn

- 1) how to influence the layout of a page
- 2) Page extensions are „executed“ from top to bottom ... „the last one wins“

# HandsOn – Exercise 15

## Module Hazard Category Part 2

# HandsOn – Exercise 15 | Module Hazard Category Part 2



## FRD

It shall be possible to group Items according to their "Hazard Category". "Hazard Categories" should be freely definable. When an article is purchased via ordering, its "Hazard Category" is to be displayed in the purchasing document and should be changeable there. During the course of item posting, the "Hazard Category" has to be transferred into the "Item Ledger Entries" and, if indicated, into the posted purchase documents.

No other processes are to be respected.

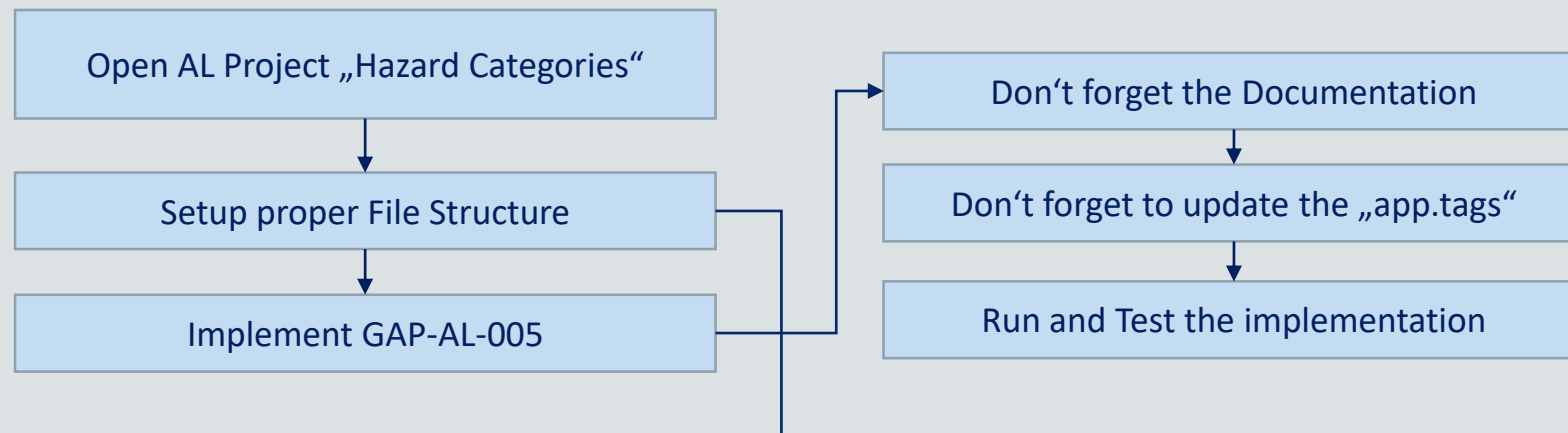
No further details have to be respected concerning, e.g., manipulations of partially posted documents etc..

Remember: New data structure was setup with GAP-AL-004

GAP-AL-005: Hazard Categories – Functionality

Implement new fields in tables "Item", "Purchase Line", "Purch. Rcpt. Line", "Item Journal Line" and "Item Ledger Entry"  
Implement functionality.

```
src
├── main
│   ├── COD
│   │   ├── COD.ItemJnlPostLine
│   │   │   ├── COD.ItemJnlPostLine.code.al
│   │   │   └── COD.ItemJnlPostLine.log
│   ├── PAG
│   │   ├── PAG.HazardCategories.cc
│   │   ├── PAG.ItemCard
│   │   ├── PAG.ItemLedgerEntries
│   │   ├── PAG.PostedPurchaseRcptSubform
│   │   └── PAG.PurchaseOrderSubform
│   └── TAB
│       ├── TAB.HazardCategory.cc
│       ├── TAB.Item
│       ├── TAB.ItemJournalLine
│       ├── TAB.ItemLedgerEntry
│       ├── TAB.PurchaseLine
│       └── TAB.PurchRcptLine
```



# HandsOn – Exercise 15 | Module Hazard Category Part 2, continued



## Functionality

## Involved Objects

## Data Structure & GUI

Posting:  
Transfer of Hazard Category from Jnl Line to Entry  
(via *OnAfterInitItemLedgEntry*)

Posting:  
Transfer of „Hazard Category“ from Purchase Line to „Jnl Line“  
(via *OnAfterCopyItemJnlLineFromPurchLine*)

Preassignment & Consistency Checks:  
- Copy „Hazard Category“ from Item if not yet filled  
(via *OnAfterAssignItemValues*)  
- Ensure „Hazard Category“ only present with Items ...

```
src
├── main
│   ├── COD
│   │   ├── COD.ItemJnlPostLine
│   │   │   ├── COD.ItemJnlPostLine.code.al
│   │   │   └── COD.ItemJnlPostLine.log
│   │   └── PAG
│   │       ├── PAG.HazardCategories.cc
│   │       ├── PAG.ItemCard
│   │       ├── PAG.ItemLedgerEntries
│   │       ├── PAG.PostedPurchaseRcptSubform
│   │       └── PAG.PurchaseOrderSubform
│   └── TAB
│       ├── TAB.HazardCategory.cc
│       ├── TAB.Item
│       ├── TAB.ItemJournalLine
│       ├── TAB.ItemLedgerEntry
│       ├── TAB.PurchaseLine
│       └── TAB.PurchRcptLine
```

New field „Hazard Category Code“ on Fast Tab „Item“

New field „Hazard Category Code“

New field „Hazard Category Code“ Code[20]

# HandsOn – Exercise 16

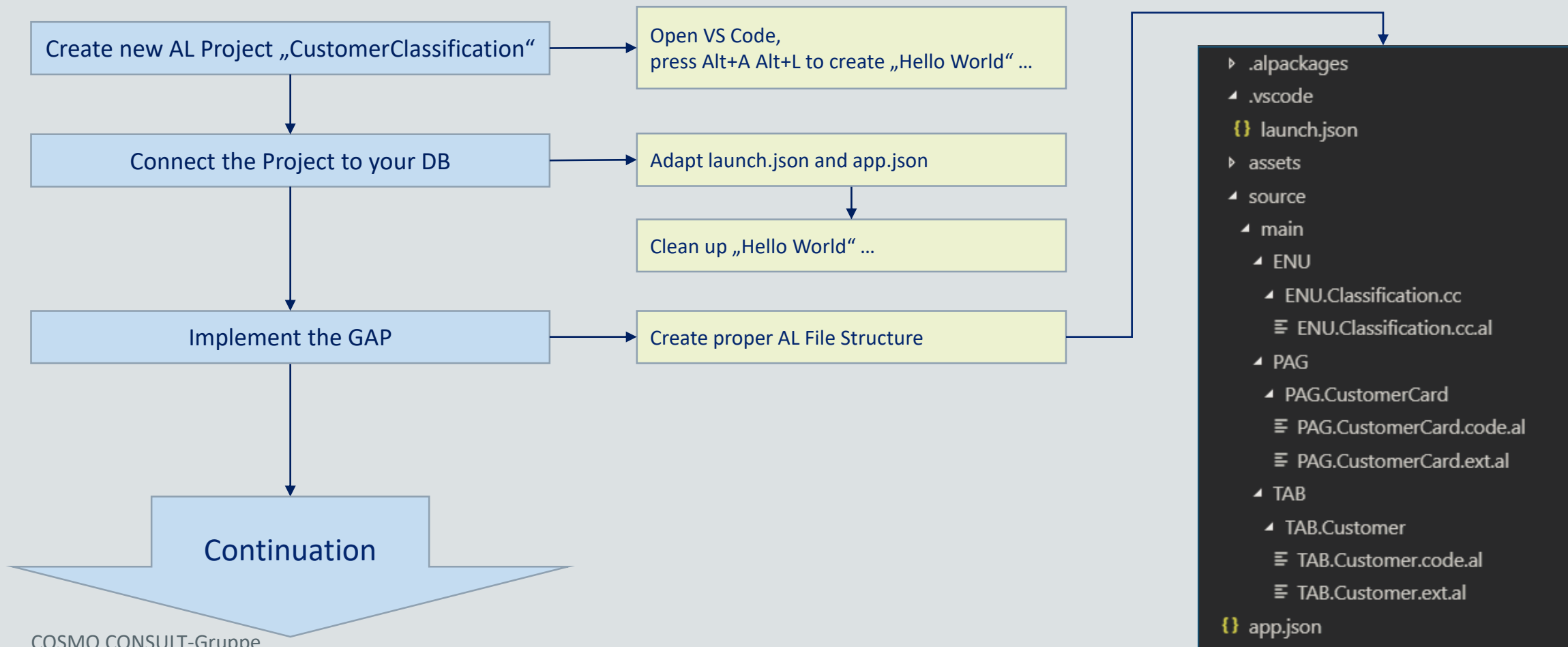
## Customer Classification, Enums

# HandsOn – Exercise 16 | Customer Classification, Enums



## GAP-AL-006: Customer Classification

It shall be possible to setup a classification of customers by assigning them one of the „values“ „---“, „Bronze Customer“, „Silver Customer“ or „Gold Customer“. An Action „Suggest Salutation“ in the Customer Action Group shall suggest a salutation depending on the particular classification. The Action starts a respective message „Hello <name>“, „Dear bronze <Name>“, „Dear silver <name>“ or „Dear most revered gold <name>“.



# HandsOn – Exercise 16 | Customer Classification, Enums continued 1



## GAP-AL-006: Customer Classification

It shall be possible to setup a classification of customers by assigning them one of the „values“ „---“, „Bronze Customer“, „Silver Customer“ or „Gold Customer“. An Action „Suggest Salutation“ in the Customer Action Group shall suggest a salutation depending on the particular classification. The Action starts a respective message „Hello <name>“, „Dear bronze <Name>“, „Dear silver <name>“ or „Dear most revered gold <name>“.

Implement the GAP

Create proper AL File Structure

Create Enum Object

Create Table Extension of Customer Table with new Classification Field

Show the field on Customer Card

Add Action functionality

Don't forget about Documentation (logs and tags)

Learn Enum Syntax

Run / Test the Project

```
TAB.Customer.ext.al •
0 references
1 tableextension 80100 "CCO Customer" extends Customer
2 {
3   fields
4   {
5     9 references
6     field(80000; "CCO Classification"; enum "CCO Classification")
7     {
8       CaptionML = ENU = 'Classification',
9       DEU = 'Klassifizierung';
10    DataClassification = ToBeClassified;
11  }
12 }
13
```

```
ENU.Classification.cc.al x
1 1 reference
2 enum 80100 "CCO Classification"
3 {
4   Extensible = true;
5
6   1 reference
7   value(0; None)
8   {
9     Caption = '---';
10 }
11
12 1 reference
13 value(1; Bronze)
14 {
15   Caption = 'Bronze Customer';
16 }
17
18 1 reference
19 value(2; Silver)
20 {
21   Caption = 'Silver Customer';
22 }
23
24 1 reference
25 value(3; Gold)
26 {
27   Caption = 'Gold Customer';
28 }
29 }
```

There might be other ways of carrying out this implementation

# HandsOn – Exercise 16 | Customer Classification, Enums continued 2

## GAP-AL-006: Customer Classification : Hints



```
1 reference
1 codeunit 80100 "CCO T Customer +"
2 {
3     1 reference
4     procedure SuggestSalutation(Rec: Record Customer)
5     var
6         SalutationTxt: Text;
7         Handled: Boolean;
8         SuggestedSalutationTxt: TextConst ENU = 'Suggested Salutation:%1',
9         DEU = 'Vorgeschlagene Anrede:%1';
10    begin
11        case true of
12            Rec."CCO Classification" = Rec."CCO Classification"::None:
13                SalutationTxt := 'Hallo %1';
14            Rec."CCO Classification" = Rec."CCO Classification"::Bronze:
15                SalutationTxt := 'Dear bronze %1';
16            Rec."CCO Classification" = Rec."CCO Classification"::Silver:
17                SalutationTxt := 'Dear silver %1';
18            Rec."CCO Classification" = Rec."CCO Classification"::Gold:
19                SalutationTxt := 'Dear most revered gold %1';
20            else
21                OnCreateSalutation(Rec, SalutationTxt, Handled);
22        end;
23        Message(STRSUBSTNO(SuggestedSalutationTxt, STRSUBSTNO(SalutationTxt, Rec.Name)));
24    end;
25    1 reference
26    local procedure OnCreateSalutation(var Rec: Record Customer; var SalutationTxt: Text; var Handled: Boolean)
27    begin
28        // Event publisher could be located here, too, but was implemented within the "Customer" (agent) table
29        Rec.CC0OnCreateSalutation(Rec, SalutationTxt, Handled);
30    end;
31 }
```



# HandsOn – Exercise 17

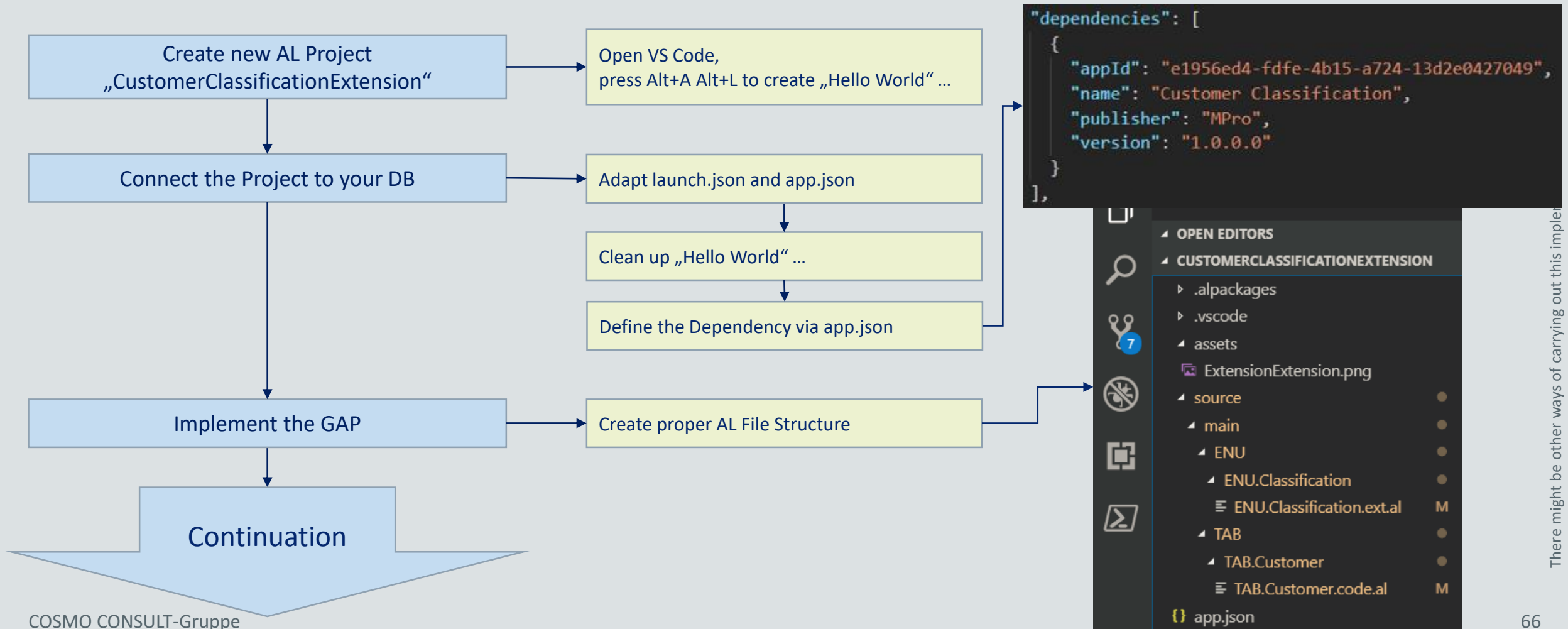
Extended Customer Classification,  
Enum Extensions  
App Dependencies

# HandsOn – Exercise 17 | Extending Customer Classification, Extended Enums



## GAP-AL-007: Extended Customer Classification

The Customer Classification system shall be extended by a new category „Platinum Customer“.  
The corresponding salutation suggestion shall be „Hallo supreme most revered <name>“



# HandsOn – Exercise 17 | Extending Customer Classification, Extended Enums



## GAP-AL-007: Extended Customer Classification

The Customer Classification system shall be extended by a new category „Platinum Customer“.  
The corresponding salutation suggestion shall be „Hallo supreme most revered <name>“

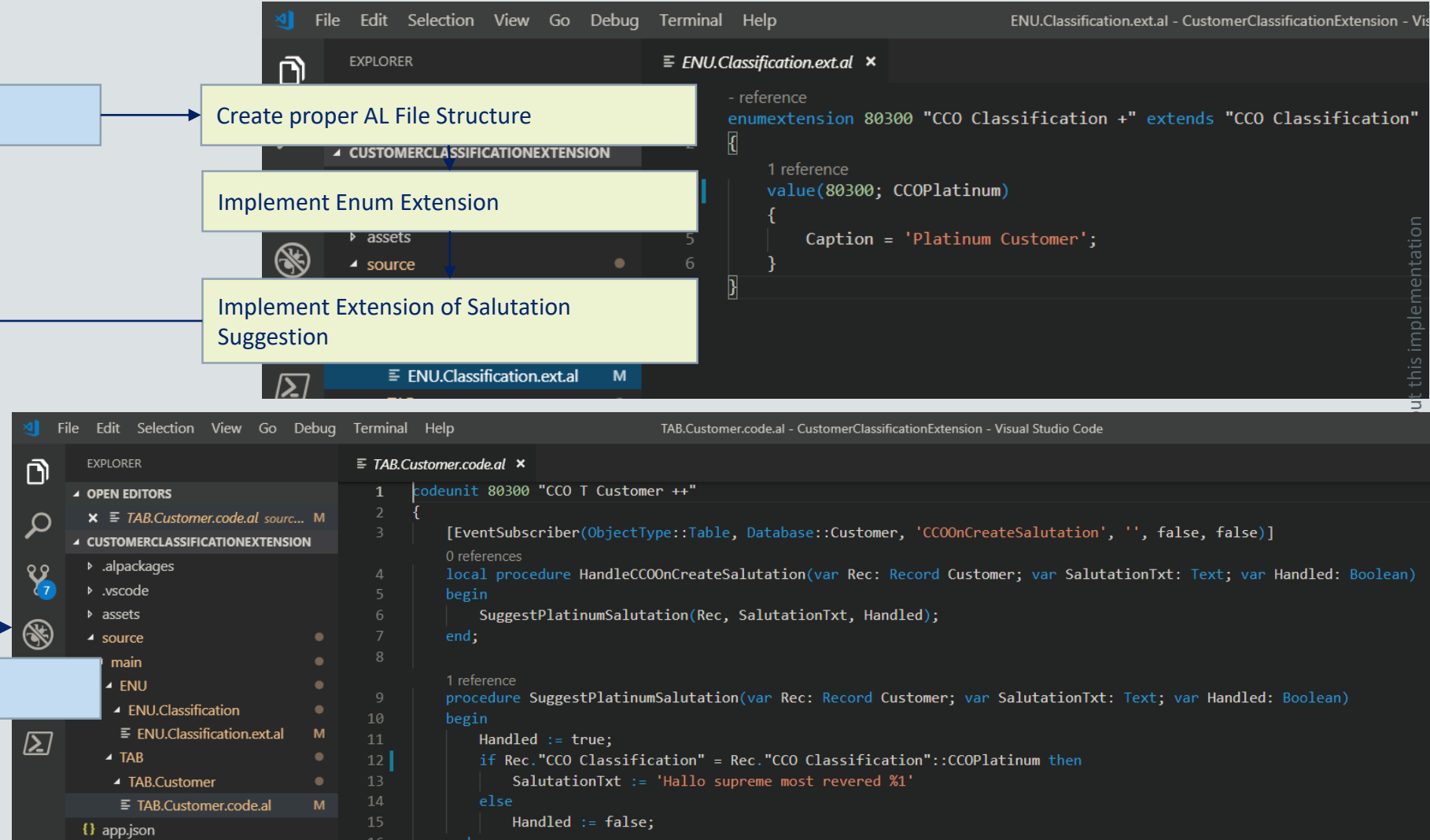
Implement the GAP

Create proper AL File Structure

Implement Enum Extension

Implement Extension of Salutation Suggestion

Run / Test the Project



# HandsOn – Exercise 18

## CU Launcher

# HandsOn – Exercise 18 | Tools: CU Launcher



## GAP-AL-008: CU Launcher

A functionality is to be implemented, which allows to start particular codeunits via GUI.

### Design

- Page „CU Launcher“
  - with control „CU ID to launch“
  - Action „Launch CU“ which launches CU (after proper confirmation)

