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BAPI Extension for Customer added Fields

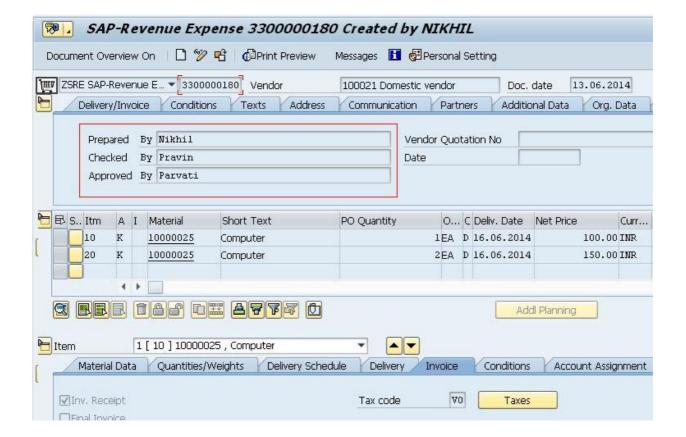


Introduction

Customers often have to change the standard SAP objects in order to meet their own specific requirements. This might involve passing some additional information by adding few extra fields to the standard SAP table. These fields might get updated in underlying Standard SAP tables or customer database table and ultimately serve the business purpose.

Business Scenario

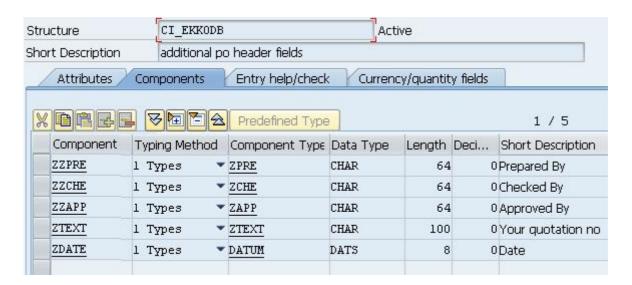
For example, assume that there is extra information that we want to save to the database while creating a new purchase order. I.e. Prepared By, Checked By, Approved By.

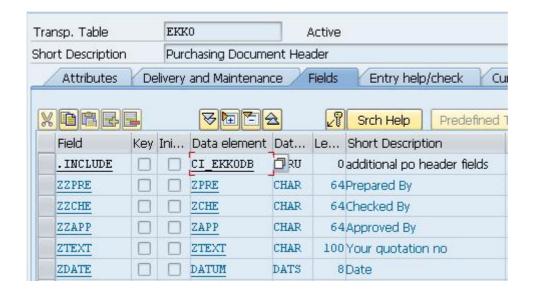


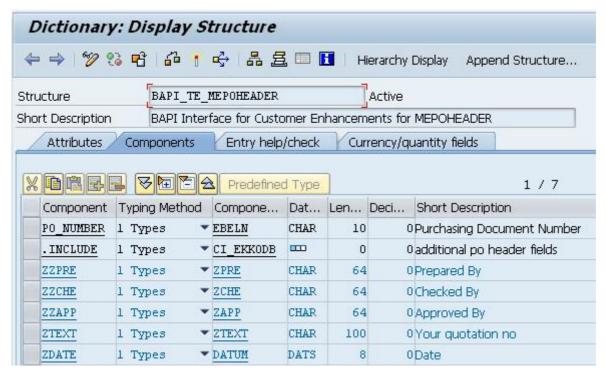
BAPI Extension Table

But this change might affect the further BAPI implementations. This is because BAPIs are designed to implement SAP standard business processes through a predefined standard interface. I.e. its import and export parameters for any BAPI are fixed. So addition of new customer fields has absolutely nothing to do with this predefined BAPI interface. This is because these fields are added to SAP database. So executing BAPI with the same import and export parameter is not sufficient. We have to pass extra information about newly added fields. This information is passed to the BAPI using **BAPI table extension**. The naming convention for BAPI table extensions is BAPI_TE_<table_name>.

Here the customer first creates a data structure that contains the customer-specific fields. In our example, it is CI_EKKODB. This structure is included in both the database table and the **BAPI table extension**. This ensures that the enhancements to the database table and in the table extension are always identical.

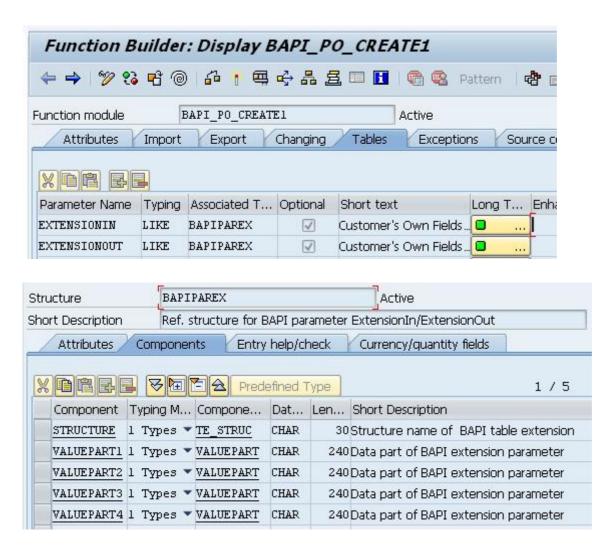






Extension container

Also, an extension parameter (*ExtensionIn*) in the BAPI interface is used to pass on the enhancements to the BAPI in container format. This extension parameter is always based on data structure **BAPIPAREX**. Using this parameter BAPI understands the format of the data to be passed.



Here, the **STRUCTURE** refers to the name of the **BAPI table extension** though which extra information is to be sent whereas **VALUEPART1** to **VALUEPART4** are the values that will be inserted in the additional table fields along with the table key field. Key field, here, purchase_order_no is the extra information that needs to be passed to know the line in the database table where the data record needs to be written.

So extension container could look like

STRUCTURE	VALUEPART1	VALUEPART2	
BAPI_TE_MEPOHEADER	3300000180 Nikhil Pravin Parvati		

Here, '3300000180' is the key field for EKKO table specifying which row to be updated. And "Nikhil Pravin Parvati" is the extra fields of EKKO specified in BAPI TE MEPOHEADER.

Source Code

```
\boxminus FORM customer_extension .
  "Customer Field Extention in PO
 DATA:
 bapi te po TYPE bapi te mepoheader
                                                      , "Extension tables
  bapi te pox TYPE bapi te mepoheaderx
                                                     , "Extension tables
  ext container TYPE TABLE OF bapiparex WITH HEADER LINE. "Extension container
 * Preapre the Extension tables
   bapi_te_po-po_number = ''
                                                      " Key Field
                         = exl wa-approved by .
                                                    " Customer Added fields
   bapi te po-zzapp
   bapi_te_po-zzche
                        = exl_wa-checked_by .
                                                    " Customer Added fields
   bapi_te_po-zzpre
                                                   " Customer Added fields
                         = exl_wa-prepared_by .
 * Mark Fields for updation
   bapi_te_pox-po_number = "" .
   bapi_te_pox-zzapp = 'X'.
                        = 'X'.
   bapi te pox-zzche
   bapi te pox-zzpre
                         = 'X'.
 * Prepare the Extension container
   ext container-structure = 'BAPI TE MEPOHEADER'.
   ext container-valuepart1 = bapi te po.
   APPEND ext container.
   CLEAR ext container.
   ext container-structure = 'BAPI TE MEPOHEADERX'.
   ext container-valuepart1 = bapi te pox.
   APPEND ext container.
 ENDFORM.
```

Once the BAPI Extension Table and Extension Container are filled, Execute the BAPI by passing Extension Container as an table type argument.

```
*& FM FOR "CREATING P.O"
*&-----
 CALL FUNCTION 'BAPI PO CREATE1'
   EXPORTING
                   = tbl_poheader
    poheader
     poheader = tbl_poheaderx
poheaderx = tbl_poheaderx
    no_price_from po = 'X'
     exppurchaseorder = exppurchaseorder
   TABLES
    return = tbl return[]
                   = ext container[]
     extensionin
                   = tbl_poitem[]
     poitem
                   = tbl poitemx[]
     poitemx
     poaccount
                   = tbl poaccass[]
                   = tbl poaccassx[].
     poaccountx
 "TRANSACTION COMMIT
 CALL FUNCTION 'BAPI TRANSACTION COMMIT'.
```

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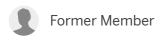
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June 24, 2014 at 8:50 am

Thank a lot Nikhil.

Apparently I am struggling with BAPI extension. I read many posts but didn't get any satisfactory suggestions so far.

I will go through the document and will revert back asap. $oldsymbol{arphi}$



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June 24, 2014 at 9:03 am

Thanks Deepa for your feedback.

Personally, I struggled a lot to learn BAPI with extension. Could not find any good information on internet.

It was a really good exercise. I thought I should document it.

Regards,



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Naveen Vishal

June 24, 2014 at 8:50 am

Good work Nikhil..keep it up ..!

Regards,

Naveen

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Former Member | Post author

June 24, 2014 at 9:04 am

Thank you very much Naveen.

Regards,







Former Member

June 25, 2014 at 3:51 am

Thanx a lot Nikhil...

i searched a lott for BAPI with extension but didnt got any easy to understand material here..

Good Job n once again thnx a lott for such a beautiful presentation of BAPI with extension..

Keep it up... all the best...



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Former Member | Post author

June 26, 2014 at 5:39 am

Thanks for your Interest Amit $\stackrel{\bullet}{ }$



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March 5, 2015 at 5:54 am

Hi Nikhil - Very nice explanations & detailed document. I wanted to know on the logic of routtne "customer_extension". Where exactly we need to write it. is it on customer enhancement 'SAPL2012' - FM "EXIT_SAPL2012_001".

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Former Member | Post author

March 5, 2015 at 8:53 am

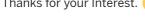
Hi Manjunath MS

Scope of this document is only to cover the BAPI extension fields after the customer fields has been added.

So logic need to be incorporated only when we are calling respective BAPI (FM). So mostly in customized reports in which that BAPI needs to be called.

For example, you want to write a code to upload Purchase Order data in mass.

l hope I have answered your query.
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Nandakumar S Nair
March 5, 2015 at 8:36 am
Hi Nikhil,
Very good document. Keep posting. 🙂
Thanks & regards,
Nandakumar S
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Former Member Post author
March 5, 2015 at 8:46 am
Hi Nandakumar.
Thanks for your Interest. $\ref{eq:continuous}$



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May 8, 2016 at 6:53 am

Very nice helpful document to clearly understanding BAPI extension.

Thank you for posting.

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Former Member | Post author

June 1, 2016 at 10:56 am

You are welcome Jatin Singhal 🙂

I am happy to know that you found this a useful content.



Pras Venkat

June 1, 2016 at 12:47 pm

Hi Nikhil,

That's a wonderful article!

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Former Member | Post author

June 5, 2016 at 8:35 am

Hi Jatin Singhal & Pras Venkat,

I am glad to know that you found this article good enough.

Kindly provide your fair ratings...



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Former Member

September 24, 2016 at 1:21 am

Great presentation with a very clear and precise explanation! bravo Nikhil! :



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Former Member | Post author

September 25, 2016 at 4:49 pm

Thanks for your compliment $\stackrel{ }{ \smile }$



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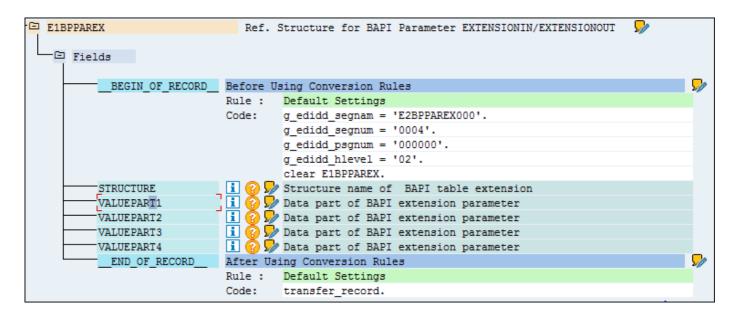
March 27, 2017 at 8:39 pm

Hi Nikhil/All,

Do you have an idea about using E1BPPAREX in LSMW?

For example, Object class, investment profile, scale, investment reason are already existing fields in table COAS but these fields are not in structure E1BP2075_7.

How can I use the E1BPPAREX to pass the values of the above fields?



Thanks in advance.

Like (0)



Kalyani Vaidyanathan

July 23, 2017 at 2:32 am

Very clear explanation. Thanks you.

Like (0)



Former Member

May 11, 2018 at 3:42 am

Hi Nikhil,

In the example, length of valuepart1 is only 240 characters while the length of all custom fields is 310 characters. Should the value be splitted into valuepart2 and how?

Thanks, Steven



Akshay Rajpurohit

May 18, 2018 at 10:14 am Hi Nikhil.

There is one BAPI For FIXED Asset BAPI_FIXEDASSET_CREATE1 , We are adding custom Field on data base table ANLA , BAPI table extensions is BAPI_TE_ not available for ANLA table .

Please sugest for this case of BAPI.

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Jyoti Bhagat

June 14, 2018 at 7:33 am

Hi Akshay,

I guess the extension you are looking for is BAPI_TE_ANLU, since the custom fields of asset master are stored in the table ANLU instead of ANLA.

Thanks!

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Stanley J

October 9, 2018 at 9:45 am

Hi Nikhil,

We have appended a structure with five fields each 250 characters in VBAK table and its customer enhancement tables. When we try to generate an IDOC(SALESORDER_CREATEFROMDAT202) we are getting run time error saying the total length of all the fields in customer enhancement table should not exceed more than 990 char of IDOC segment BAPIPAREX.. Please suggest a right approach.

Regards,
Stanley

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