Creator Workflows Lab Guide

Elevate SAP Engagement with App Engine for ERP

Maintain Vendor Master Data with Low Code

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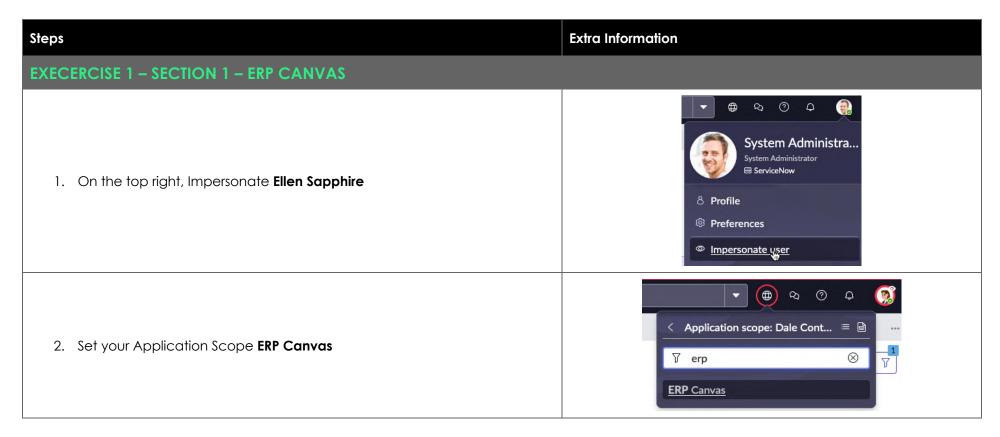
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Introduction

ACME Inc currently uses SAP S/4 HANA as their core Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software for managing their business operations. Like most enterprises, ACME is at the cusp of transforming their business processes using technological advancements to stay agile and ready for the ever-changing business environment.

You will play the part of Ellen in this lab. Ellen Sapphire is the Procurement Manager. Ellen and her team had previously been managing the Vendor master data in SAP, but this has taken a lot of their time for maintenance and changes. Recently, a few erroneous details in the Vendor records have caused monetary impact to ACME, so Ellen is tasked to streamline this process.

Ellen now wants to build an application that would give employees of ACME a self-service option of updating SAP Vendor data, and once approved by Finance, automatically integrated into SAP.



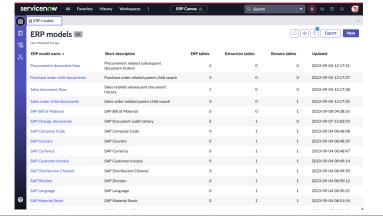
3. Go to All > ERP Integration > ERP Canvas Home



You will land on the ERP models page

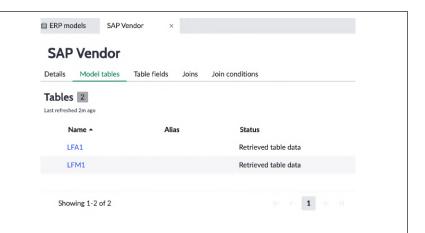
An ERP model functions as a staging area that contains all potential fields that you can add to remote and extraction tables. You can then use the remote tables and extraction tables as a data source on the Now Platform.

4. Open the SAP Vendor record



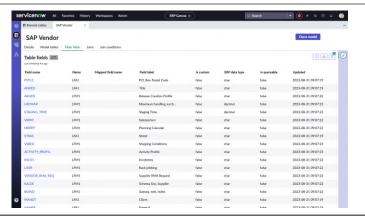
5. Click **Model tables** tab.

There are 2 tables that we are getting information from in SAP to populate the SAP vendor model in ERP Canvas: LFA1 – Vendor Master, LFM1 - Vendor master record purchasing organization data



6. Click **Table fields** tab.

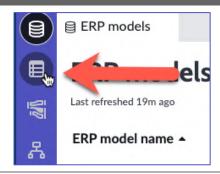
These are the fields from all of the **Model tables** that are considered for the virtual model "ACME Material Stock".

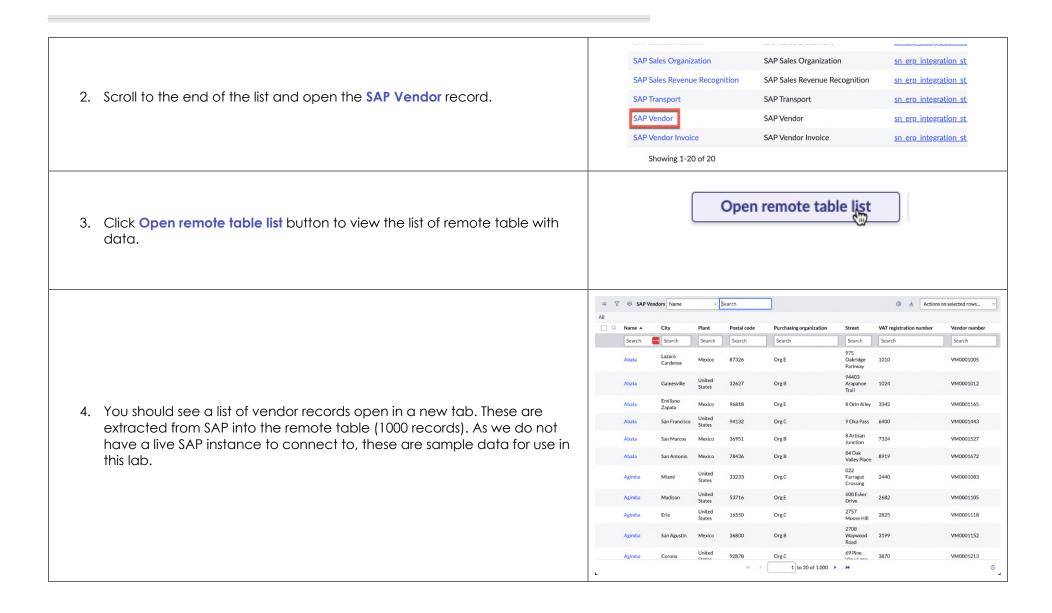


EXECERCISE 1 – SECTION 2 – REMOTE TABLES

Now that Ellen understands the ERP model for SAP Vendor, she will need to see the data that is currently extracted from SAP via remote table.

1. Click **Remote Tables** icon in left sidebar.





5. Close the browser tab that opened for the SAP Vendor list view.

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A remote table is a data structure that bridges the gap between the Now Platform and external data sources, allowing seamless integration and retrieval of external information.

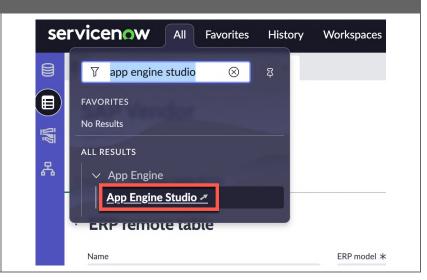
It serves as a virtual representation of data stored in external systems, enabling users to view, manipulate, and utilize this external data within the Now Platform's familiar interface.

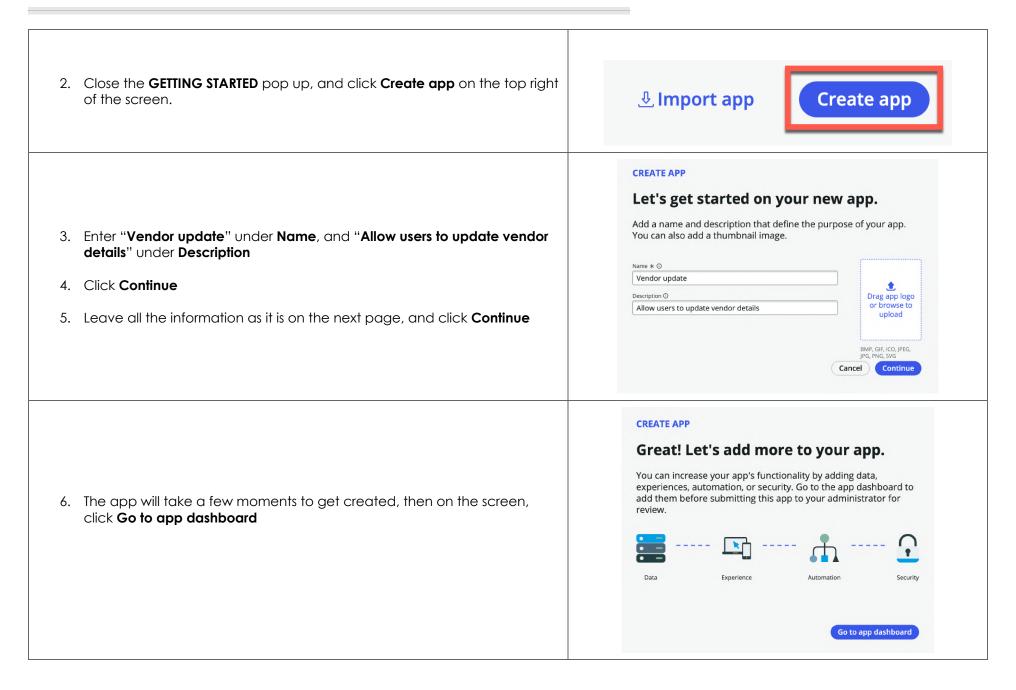
LINK: Product Documentation: Using ERP remote tables in ERP Canvas

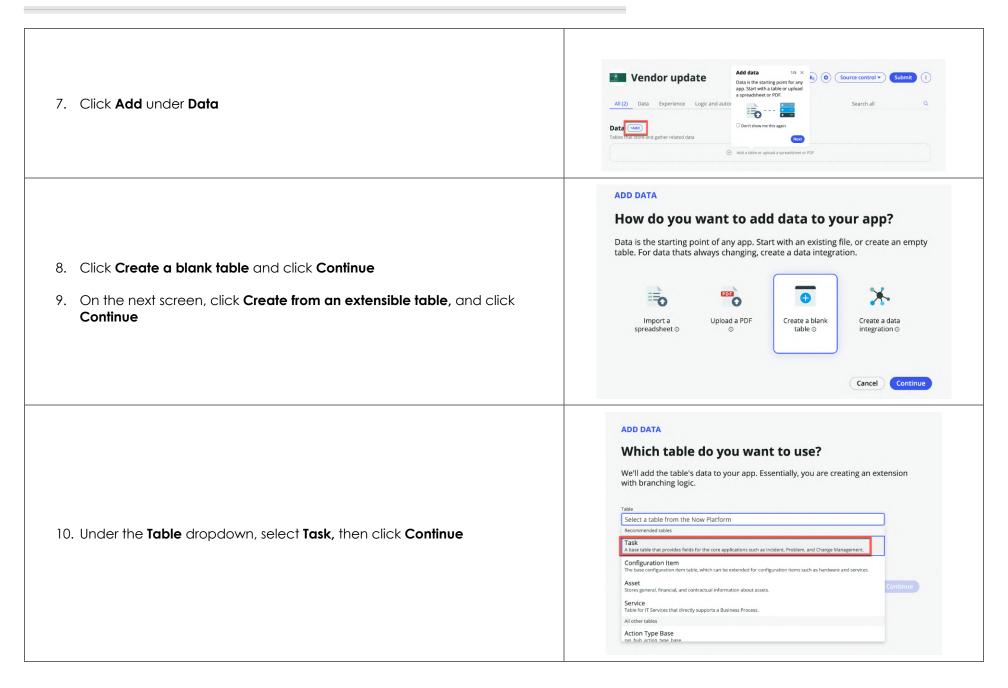
EXECERCISE 2 – BUILD THE APP

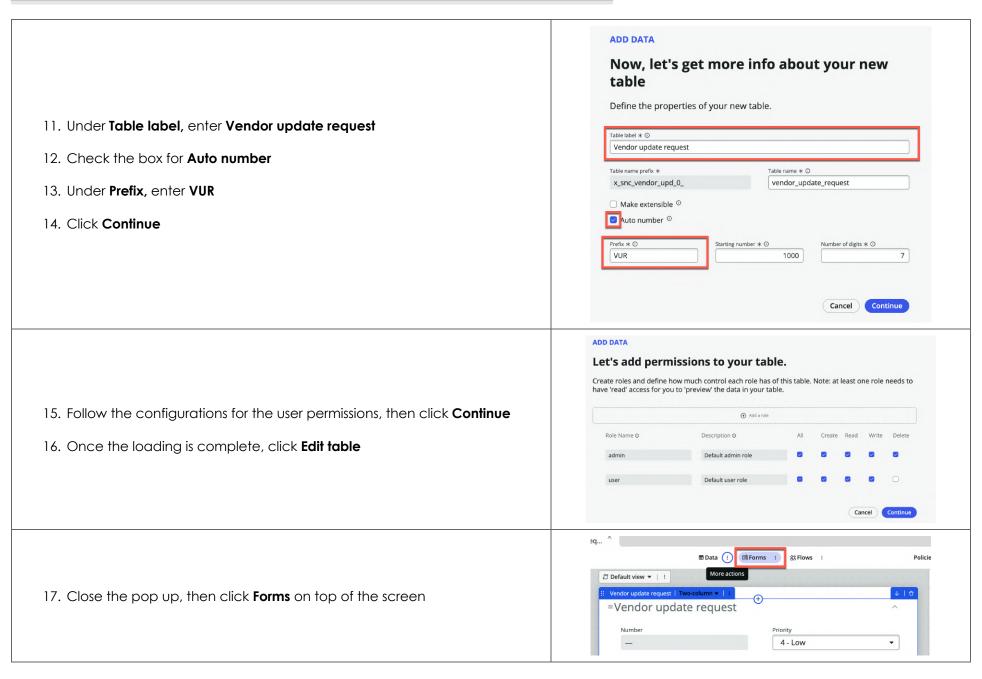
After understanding the data present in the SAP Vendor remote table, Ellen wants to create the app the allow an employee to update the Vendor's details.

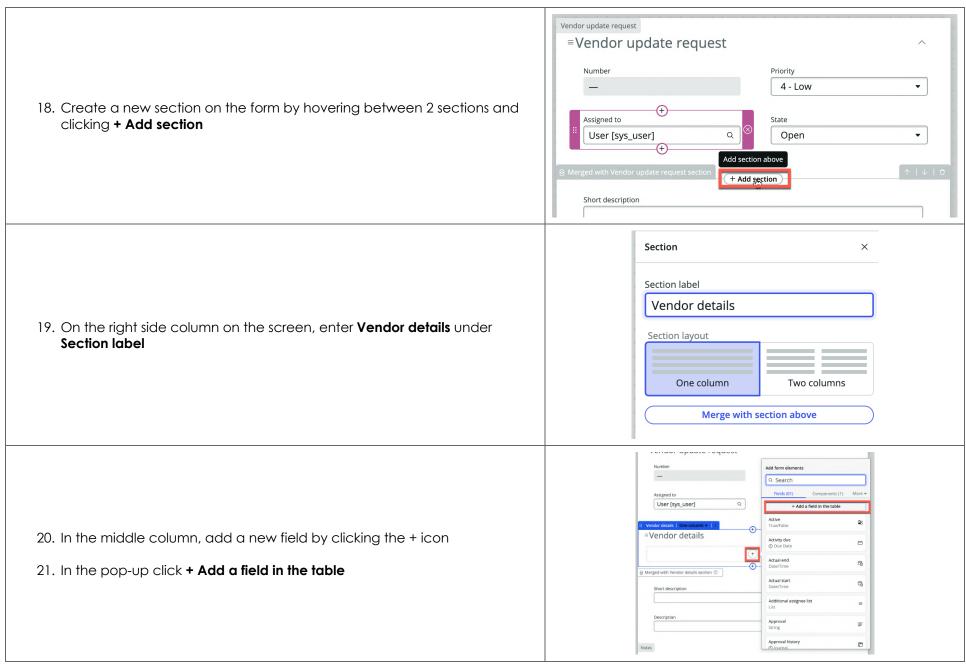
1. Click All on the top menu, and search App Engine Studio, then click to open in a new tab

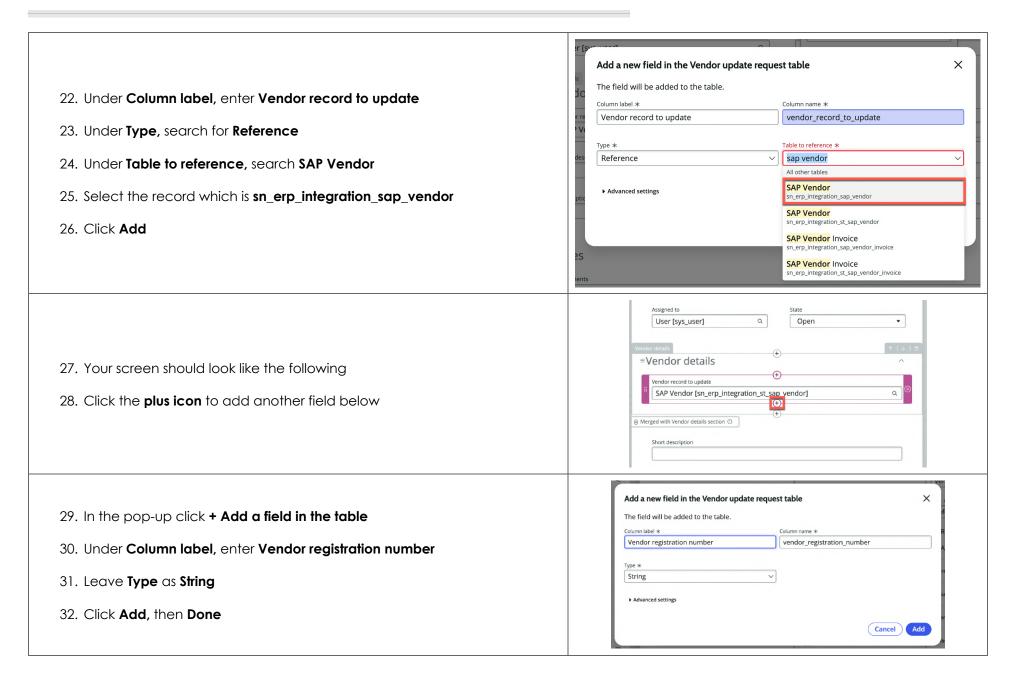




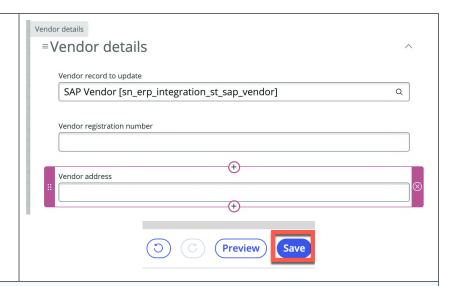








- 33. Repeat steps 28 to 32 but this time, enter Vendor address in the Column label
- 34. Once added, your form will look like this
- 35. Click **Save** on the top right of the form



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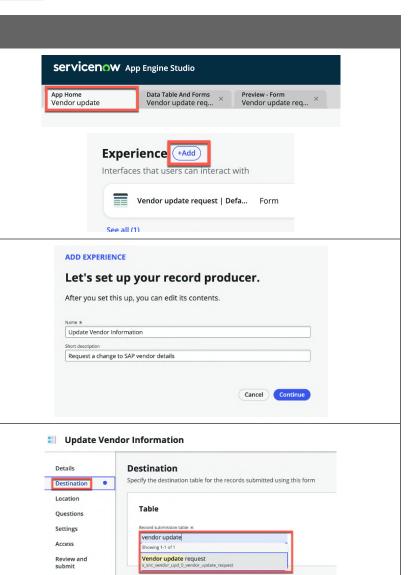
You have created a table to store all the Vendor Details Change Requests. Do note that we have only added 2 fields to be amended for the purpose of this lab. In the real world, you will be defining more fields that can be changed and edited following your ERP data model.

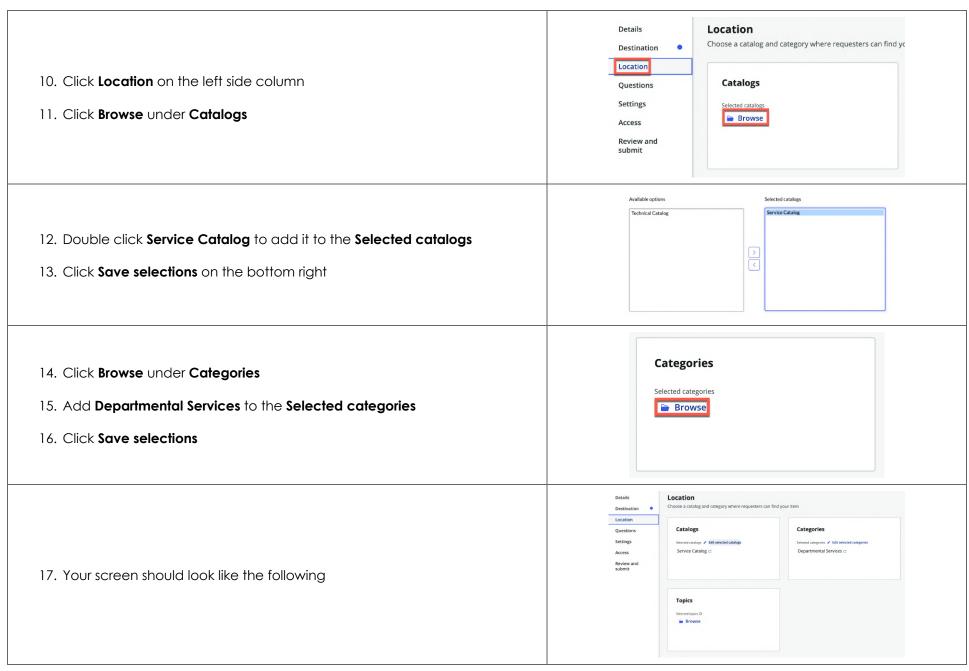
EXECERCISE 3 – BUILD THE FORM

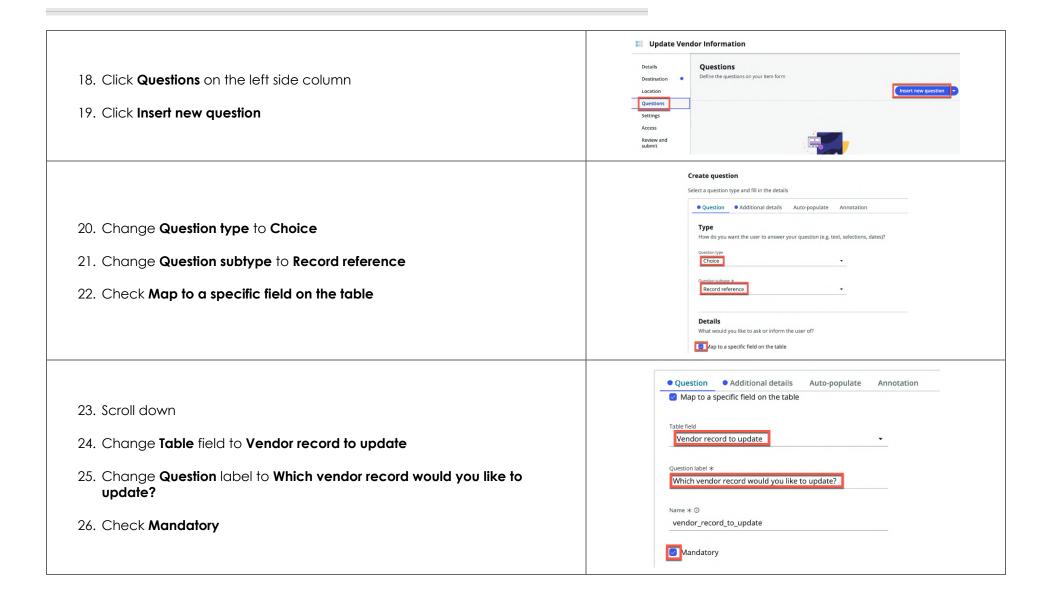
Now Ellen wants to expose this form on the Service Portal so that users can request for this Vendor update directly

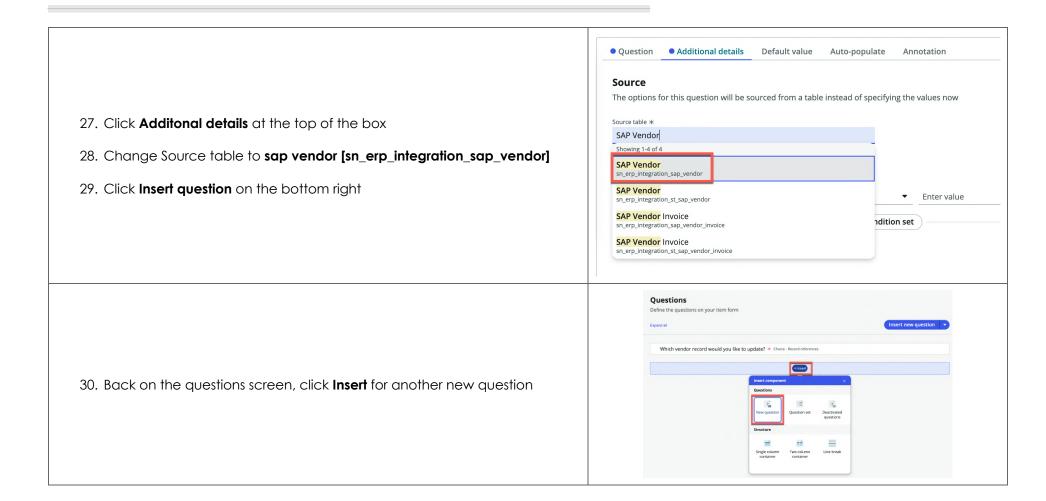
- 1. Click +Add under Experience
- 2. On the next screen, click **Record Producer**
- 3. Click Begin
- Under Name, enter Update Vendor Information
- Under Short description, enter Request a change to SAP vendor details
- Click Continue
- 7. Click Edit record producer

- 8. Click **Destination** on the left side column
- 9. Under Record submission table, select Vendor update request



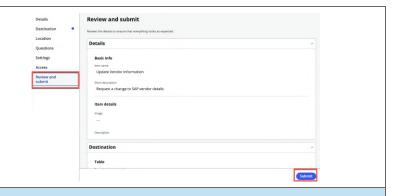






31. Leave Question type as Text32. Set Question subtype to Single-line33. Check Map to specific field on the table	Type How do you want the user to answer your question (e.g. text, selections, date Question type Text Question subtype * Single-line Details What would you like to ask or inform the user of? Map to a specific field on the table
 34. Set Table field to Vendor registration number 35. Set Question label to New vendor registration number 36. Click Insert question 	Details What would you like to ask or inform the user of? Map to a specific field on the table Table field Vendor registration number Question label ★ New vendor registration number Name ★ ○ vendor_registration_number
37. Repeat the steps above for another question as follows Question type: Text Question subtype: Single-line Map to a specific field on the table: Checked Table field: Vendor address Question label: New vendor address 38. Click Insert question	Questions Define the questions on your item form Expand all Which vendor record would you like to update? * Choice - Record references New vendor registration number Text - Single-line New vendor address Text - Single-line

- 39. Click **Review and submit** on the left side column
- 40. Click Submit



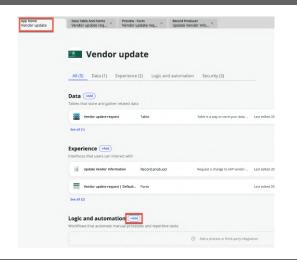
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You've add the form to be available on the ServiceNow Portal! We will test this out soon, after we complete the flow.

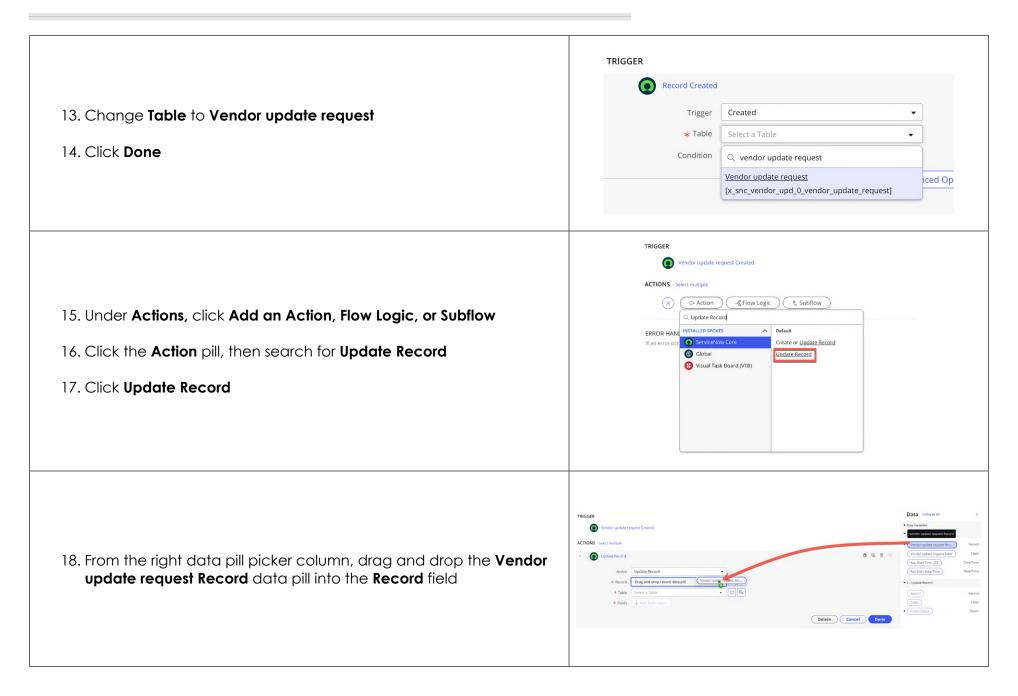
EXECERCISE 4 – BUILD AN APPROVAL WORKFLOW

Now we will create the flow to get approval on the vendor update record, and then directly integrating those changes into the vendor record within SAP S/4

- 1. Go back to the **App Home** tab
- 2. Click +Add under Logic and automation
- 3. Click Flow
- 4. Click Build from scratch



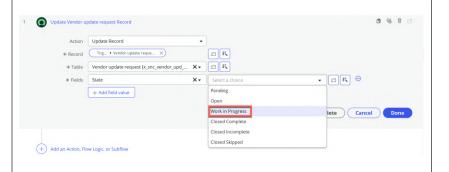
ADD AUTOMATION 5. Under Name enter Vendor update flow Let's set up your flow This flow needs a name, description, and other details. 6. Under Description enter Get approval when new vendor update request is created before updating vendor details in SAP Vendor update flow Get approval when new vendor update request is created before updating vendor details in SAP 7. Click Show advanced options Change Run as to System User -- None -9. Click Continue System User 10. Once loaded, click Edit this flow Cancel Vendor update flow Inactive TRIGGER × Abort trigger creation 11. Click **Add a trigger** Select a Trigger Q Search Triggers 12. Under **Record** select **Created** Scheduled Created ACTIONS Select multiple Created or Updated (+) Add an Action, Flo Updated



- 19. Under Fields, click +Add field value
- 20. Select the **State** field
- 21. Change the choice to Work in Progress
- 22. Click Done
- 23. Click **Save** on the top right of the flow designer page
- 24. Click Add an Action, Flow Logic, or Subflow
- 25. Click the **Action** pill, then search and click **Ask for Approval**
- 26. From the right data pill picker column, drag and drop the Vendor update request Record data pill into the Record field
- 27. Under Rules, change Approve to Approve or Reject
- 28. Under -Choose approval rule, change to Anyone approves or rejects

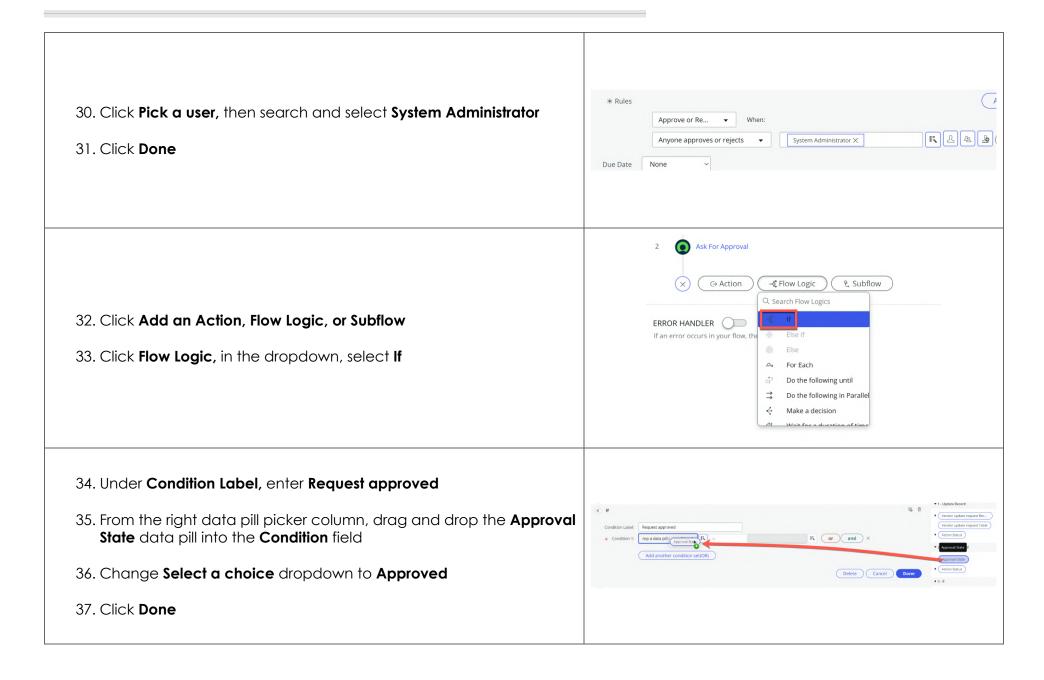
For ease of use in this lab, we will set the approver to the System Administrator. In a real world scenario, you would be routing this approval to someone like the SAP system admins and the Finance admins for approval

29. Click the user icon



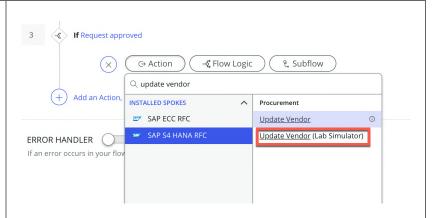






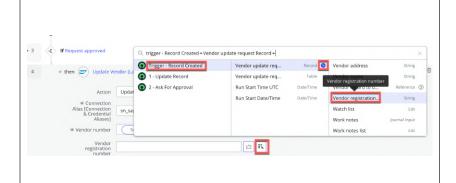
- 38. Nested under If Request Approved, click Action
- 39. Under INSTALLED SPOKES, select SAP S4 HANA RFC
- 40. Click Update Vendor (Lab Simulator)

As the title mentions, this is a simulated integration as your lab instance is not connected to any live SAP instances. In the real world scenario, you would have established the connection to your SAP instance and use one of the out of the box integration actions instead



Q trigger - Record Created + Vendor update request Record + Vendor record to update +

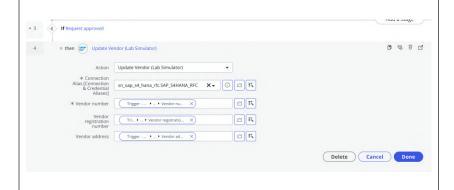
- 41. Next to Vendor number, click the **Data Pill Picker** icon
- 42. In the pop-up, click Trigger Record Created
- 43. Click on the circled arrow next to **Vendor update req...**
- 44. Scroll to the bottom of the next list and click the circled arrow next to Vendor record to u...
- 45. Select Vendor number
- 46. Next to Vendor registration number, click the **Data Pill Picker** icon
- 47. In the pop-up, click Trigger Record Created
- 48. Click on the circled arrow next to **Vendor update reg...**
- 49. Scroll to the bottom of the next list select **Vendor registration...**

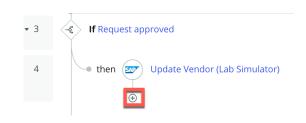


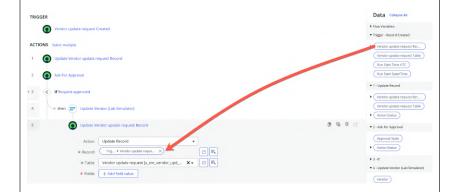
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- 50. Next to Vendor address, click the **Data Pill Picker** icon
- 51. In the pop-up, click Trigger Record Created
- 52. Click on the circled arrow next to **Vendor update req...**
- 53. Scroll to the bottom of the next list select **Vendor address**
- 54. Your integration action should look like the following
- 55. Click Done
- 56. Click the circled plus icon directly below the **Update Vendor (Lab** Simulator) action
- 57. Click the Action pill, then search for Update Record
- 58. Click Update Record

59. From the right data pill picker column, drag and drop the **Vendor** update request Record data pill into the Record field

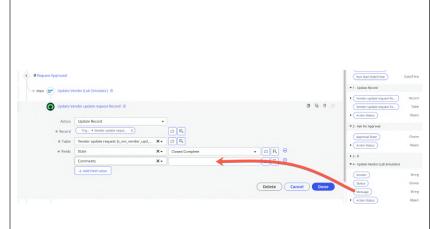


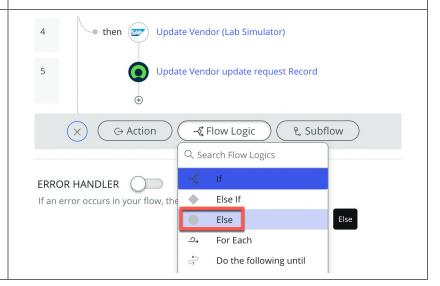




- 60. Click +Add field value
- 61. Under Select a field, search and click State
- 62. Next to it in **Select a choice**, select **Closed Complete**
- 63. Click +Add field value
- 64. Under Select a field, search and click Comments
- 65. From the right data pill picker column, drag and drop the Message data pill into the blank field next to Comments
- 66. Click Done
- 67. On the top right, click Save

- 68. Click Add an Action, Flow Logic, or Subflow
- 69. Click Flow Logic, then select Else





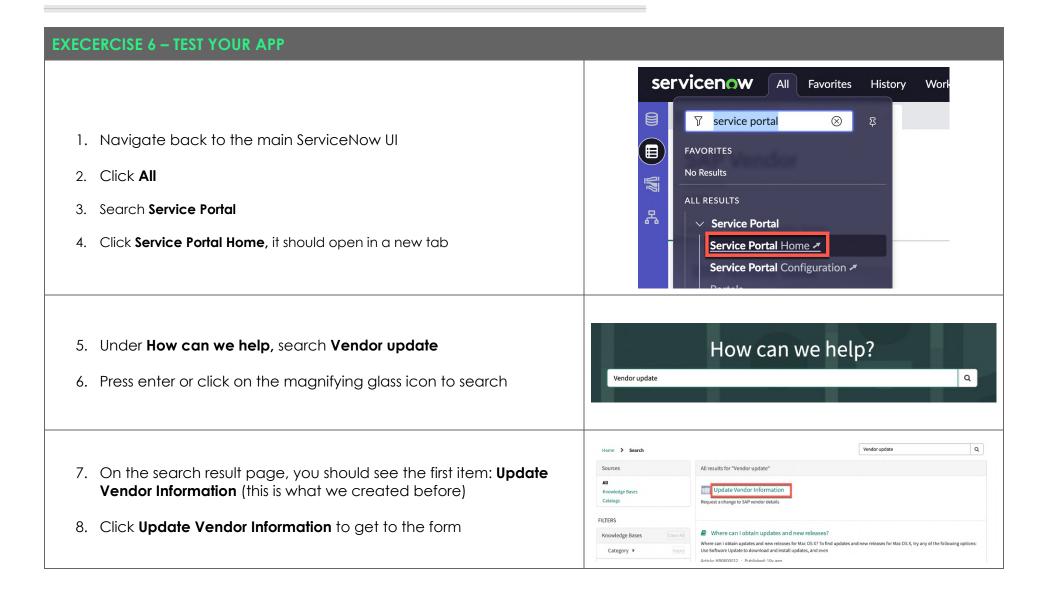
- 70. Click the circled plus icon nested under **Else**
- 71. Click the **Action** pill, then search for **Update Record**
- 72. Click Update Record
- 73. From the right data pill picker column, drag and drop the **Vendor** update request Record data pill into the Record field
- 6 Else → Action -& Flow Logic 원 Subflow Q update record INSTALLED SPOKES Default Update Record ServiceNow Core Create or (#) Global Update Record ERROR HANDLER If an error occurs in v (VTB) Visual Task Board

- 74. Click +Add field value
- 75. Under **Select a field**, search and click **State**
- 76. Next to it in **Select a choice**, select **Closed Complete**
- 77. Click **Done**
- 78. On the top right of flow designer, click **Activate**
- 79. Click **Activate** on the pop up box

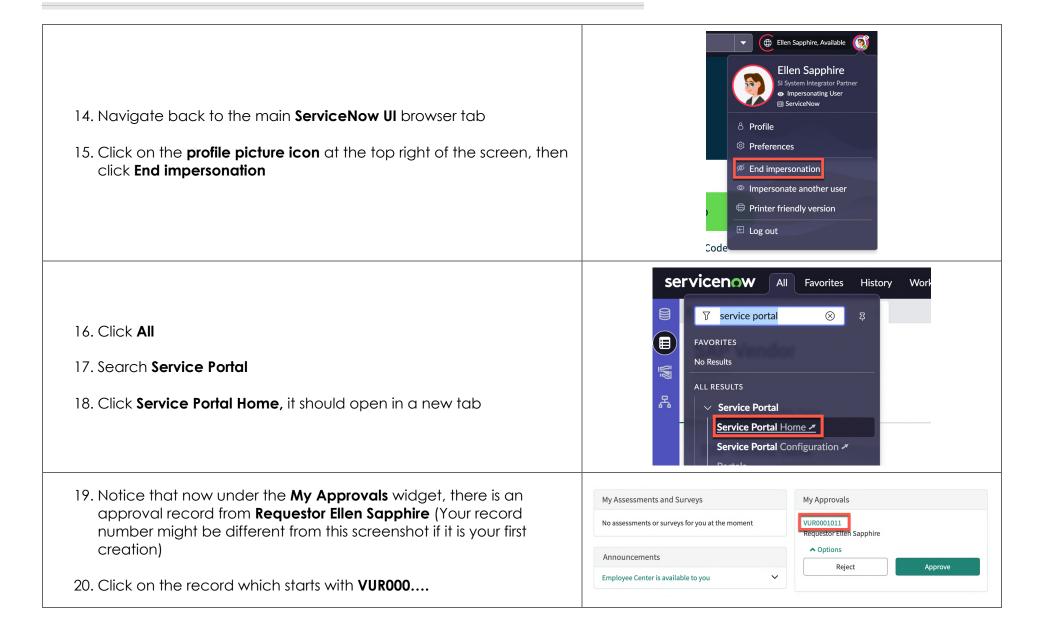


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Congratulations! Your flow is now complete and we are ready to test

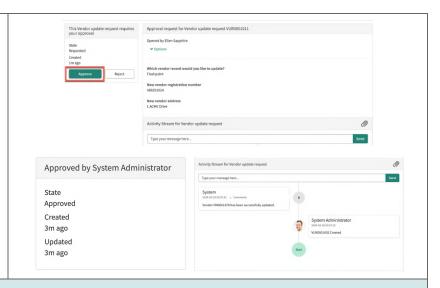


Search Catalog Q Home > Service Catalog > Departmental Services > Update Vendor Information Update Vendor Information 9. Under Which vendor record would you like to update?, search and Request a change to SAP vendor details select Flashpoint *Which vendor record would you like to update? × × New vendor registration number If you recall, this is our remote table that is pulling the data in directly from New vendor address SAP into the ERP Canvas data model for SAP Vendor Home > Service Catalog > Departmental Services > Update Vendor Information Update Vendor Information Request a change to SAP vendor details 10. Enter any value into the New vendor registration number and New *Which vendor record would you like to update vendor address fields New vendor registration number 11. Click **Submit** 1 ACME Drive Add attachments Created Updated State just now just now Work in Progress VUR0001011 12. The requestor can now use this page to track all updates to the request, and communicate with the fulfillers of this request Type your message here... 13. Notice how the **State** field on the top right changes almost immediately as per our design in the flow Ellen Sapphire () just now VUR0001011 Created



21. Click Approve

22. The **State** should be changed to **Approved**, and you should see the successful integration message appear in the comments stream



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Congratulations! You have completed the lab and now understand how you can easily retrieve data from SAP via ERP Canvas, as well as make changes or transform and get approval on the data before sending it back to SAP!

References

Product Documentation

- **ERP Canvas**
- ERP Customization Mining (ERP-CM)
- **Process Mining**
- Building spokes using Spoke Generator
- **Process Automation Designer**