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Information Technology and Managing Consulting Background

18+ years of information technology experience in managing consulting with advanced techno-functional skills and successes in deploying SAP and Web applications primarily automating end to end Procurement processes. Advanced skills and expertise in deploying enterprise applications including SAP Sourcing/CLM, and other Vendor Management Applications. Consistently achieved top results in key project implementations for Healthcare, Finance, Life Science, Oil/Energy, Telecom, Insurance and various other manufacturing Sectors.

CORE SKILL AREAS

- Accomplished, outcome driven techno-functional individual with repeated success in multiple high value and successful Sourcing/CLM implementations
- Strong skills in SAP MM, SAP SRM and Collaborative Supply Chain modules concepts.
- Excellent communication skills, strong networking and customer relationship management.
- Technology-Business Analysis/Alignment
- Solution Designed n-tier Approval Workflow Solutions for Procurement Projects and Contracts approvals for multiple Procurement organizations.
- Excellent business understanding of Direct and Indirect Procurement processes.
- Strong understanding of Master, Transactional and Legacy Data in SAP ERP space.
- Collaborated and Partner with off-shore application development teams

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Merck & Co.- 2014 to PRESENT

SAP Sourcing/CLM Consultant

Reporting to the Source to Settle work stream lead, I am E-Sourcing/CLM solution architect and SME on the **COMET** Program. COMET Program was initiated by Merck as a means to implement global common business processes, common master data, and a global ERP system to support, enable, and sustain Merck's strategic initiatives. The program will/has replace several legacy systems of Merck, with the SAP Business Suite solution. COMET program is to plan and design a global, single instance of SAP solution. SAP is a work in progress and has been successfully implemented in Mexico and Puerto Rico, North America, EMEA and Asia markets.

As CLM/Sourcing Solution Architect and SME, played a key role in the global implementation and successful go-live with intensive integration between E-Sourcing, ECC & SRM systems. Prototyped, designed and configured advanced user interface customizations, workflow, custom reports design/development and custom validations for ECC/SRM integration.

Responsibilities:

- Solution Architect and SME for on premise E-Sourcing/CLM application.
- Blueprinting, prototyping and performing gap analysis for the E-Sourcing, CLM integration solution.
- Prototyped, designed and configured the automation of master data loads such as Vendors, Materials and FBM objects from ECC into E-Sourcing CLM system.
- Configured several advanced user interface customizations, custom integrations and designed advanced scripts for ERP Integration validation.
- Coordinated with security team to set up authorization profiles according to different business roles in E-Sourcing and CLM systems.

- Reviewed and analyzed Scope Change Requests to determine complexity and provide resource estimates.
- Performed various system build configuration activities in the Project landscape.
- Designed and developed custom reports and scripts to implement business logic, reporting and validations using PL/SQL and Java classes.
- Executed automation of master data, contracts data loads into E-Sourcing application from Merck's legacy systems.
- Configured and executed the automation of mass data publish to migrate bulk Contracts to ECC and SRM systems.
- Assisted business users to design and develop various Contract Clauses and Templates.
- Assisted SAP Basis team in installing and configuring all E-Sourcing, CLM and Contract Generation modules.
- Provide ongoing Tier 1 support to meet SLAs for the Global Procurement users in troubleshooting, resolving several E-Sourcing/CLM, ECC, SRM integration issues.
- Facilitated and conducted several KT sessions on the implementation solution, specifically for integration between E-Sourcing and ERP.
- Documented all functional and technical specification details as per the project requirements of E-Sourcing, CLM ECC Integration.

CLM Lead Technical Developer, Ericsson/IBM/TCS, Sweden

June 2013 – March 2014

- Worked with Procurement SME's and business leads to understand & gather requirements of the custom Contracts functionality including the contracts processes around SOW, Change Order, Contract Document Templates etc.
- Configured several advanced user interface customizations, custom integrations and designed and developed advanced custom scripts for Contracts module.
- Architected various solutions for custom email notifications for Contracts functionality.
- Worked closely with technical leads and other team members for coding & Development, configuration, Implement & Design new Solutions.
- Facilitated and conducted several KT sessions on the implementation solution with IBM & TCS offshore teams. Also conducted and led "Train the trainer" session.

CLM Solution Architect/Functional Lead, Allstate Insurance, Chicago.

Feb 2013 – Jan 2014.

Allstate's Source-to-Pay (S2P) program will implement significant business improvements (systems and processes) for the Strategic Sourcing through Supplier Payment (Source-to-Pay) process. Currently, this process is supported by both multiple technologies and manual processes, which are not integrated to automate workflow, optimize user efficiency, or ensure appropriate compliance/controls are followed. The objective of this project is to operationalize an enhanced S2P solution for Allstate, through both business process change and technology implementation. The solution will drive a more streamlined flow of data throughout the system, drive approvals prior to the commitment of funds on behalf of Allstate, and increase visibility into spend.

Responsibilities:

- Solution Architect and CLM Functional Lead in managing end to end implementation of the SAP CLM 9.0 solution including SAP Project Management Module, with integration to SAP SRM and SAP ECC.
- Lead and facilitated blueprinting workshops and documented all the customer requirements.
- Gathered functional requirements, architected future state CLM & PMM solution.
- Documented all the design blueprints, functional and technical requirement documents.
- SME is providing solution for Contract data migration from Allstate's legacy system – Emptoris into SAP CLM
- Design & configure various custom fields to support Allstate's current procurement processes for both CLM and PMM
- Integrated CLM to SAP ECC for Master Data replication.
- Integrated CLM to SAP SRM and SAP ECC system through XI for Contract Data replication to execute operational Contracts.
- Train Allstate's S2P core team on the CLM implemented solution.
- Build and configure various CLM systems in the application landscape
- Support and work with Allstate's SAP Basis team with activities related to system installation, basic set up and troubleshooting of CLM application.
- Implemented and rolled out SAP CLM application through the go live and cutover activities.

CLM Solution Architect/Functional Lead, Husky Energy, Calgary, Canada

July 2012 – Feb 2013

Husky is undertaking a Procurement Transformation initiative with the objective of becoming top quartile in Strategic Sourcing and Category management. In order to accomplish this, Husky Energy has selected SAP's Strategic Sourcing and Contract Life Cycle Management (CLM) solutions. The objective of the implementation of CLM Version 7.0 is to increase efficiencies throughout the organization, provide greater visibility into their contracting and procurement processes and to improve controls within the company.

Responsibilities:

- Functional Lead in managing end to end implementation of the SAP CLM 7.0 solution with integration to SAP ECC.
- Lead and facilitated blueprinting workshops and documented all the customer requirements.
- Gathered functional requirements, architected future state CLM solution.
- Architected solution for technical system landscape for common application instance for CLM Buy Side and Sell side
- Provided application expertise and best practices to Husky's process scope.
- Designed n-Tier complex workflow for Internal Approvals and Product Category based Workflow for Contracts, Change Orders, Amendments, Addendums and Termination Notices.
- Enabled and configured integration for CLM Contracts to ECC Outline Agreements for Material and Service type Contracts
- SME is providing solution for master data replication from ECC to CLM, Legacy Contract data migration.
- Configured application in various environments in the system landscape.
- Trained Super users and trainers with train the trainer approach.

CLM Architect/Functional Lead, IBM/eBay Inc, San Jose

Feb 2012 – July 2012

Contract Management is the administration of all contracts and associated support documentation, including those between eBay Inc. and its counterparties. The Legal function helps eBay achieve its business objectives by giving clear, solution oriented and commercially focused advice and enabling legal risk mitigation in product and policy development in a manner that minimizes churn. In many cases, these solutions and advice are captured in a contract, which provides formal, legal documentation for merchant services, marketing, technology, and administrative agreements. CLM Project implementation is multi-phased which involves integration to several other eBay systems such as DocuSign, SAP ECC, SAP SRM, and Sales Force etc. For Phase 1 the project scope is limited to eBay and PayPal for US and EU markets with the functionality of Workflow, DocuSign and Data integration with ECC systems.

Responsibilities:

- Functional Lead for CLM Implementation with Integration to SAP ECC, DocuSign, Workflow, SAP SRM and Sales Force.
- Led business process and blueprinting workshop across Legal, IT and Procurement organizations at eBay/PayPal to gather detailed business and process requirements.
- Created detailed Functional blueprint document for Phase 1 project scope.
- Solution Architect to migrate current Contract Request Form (SharePoint) into CLM using Project Management
- Architected Solution for DocuSign interface between CLM and DocuSign for E-Signatures.
- Designed Solution for Contract Approval process across various different business function groups in eBay and PayPal with custom Workflow processes
- Provided automated solution for migration of Legacy Contracts from SharePoint, LEX and other native repositories into CLM
- Designed Solution for User Automation for CLM user creation.
- Designed Solution for data replication from ECC for Vendor Master.
- Recommended Best Practices and methods of handling business processes for ongoing and future releases of CLM project scope.

CLM Architect, Cristal Global, Maryland

September 2011 – January 2012

The SAP Contract Lifecycle Management application will enable Cristal Global to optimize corporate Procurement and Sales Contracts by automating the creation, enhancing visibility, and improving compliance resulting in higher profits and lower legal and financial risk. SAP CLM enables management of all aspects of the contract life cycle; including tiered approval workflow, from strategy to creation for negotiations and finalization, and from contract visibility to internal and external compliance and performance monitoring.

Responsibilities:

- Solution Architect and SME for on-premise CLM 7.0 implementation with complex n-tier approval workflow and ERP integration.
- Led business process & blueprint workshops across legal, procurement & sales organization
- Reviewed existing Contract Management system to perform gap analysis and provided future state functional process in CLM.
- Designed and configured the automation of master data loads such as Vendors, Customer Data, Materials and Organizational Master Data from ECC into CLM system.
- Designed n-Tier workflow for Contract approvals to replicate ERP HR complex approval matrix.
- Created the business and functional blueprint document.
- Design CLM system for Procurement and Sales business areas to leverage the application with minimal customizations.
- Provided solution design for Legacy Contracts migration from SharePoint to CLM system
- Configured and ongoing development system in the entire landscape as per functional requirements captured in blueprint document.
- Configured several advanced user interface customizations, custom integrations and designed scripts for ERP Integration validation.
- Assisted Cristal's Basis team in installing and configuring all CLM and Contract Generation modules and post installation configuration.
- Recommended Best Practices and methods of handling business processes.

SAP Sourcing/CLM Consultant, Merck & Co.- Aug 2008 to August 2011.

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Responsibilities:

- Solution Architect and SME for on-premise E-Sourcing/CLM (5.0/5.1) global implementation and successful go-live with intensive integration between E-Sourcing, ECC & SRM systems.
- Involved in blueprinting, prototyping and performing gap analysis for the E-Sourcing, CLM integration solution.
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Vice President, Corporate Technology Merrill Lynch, NJ – May 2005 to July 2008**Responsibilities:**

- In house SME for SAP E-Sourcing, CLM and Vendor Governance platforms.
- Functional/Technical lead, responsible for the project delivery of firm's initiative to make E-Sourcing robust platform on global basis.
- Managing end to end implementation of 100+ new enhancements including custom extensions, field validations and reporting in Projects, Contracts and Vendor Management modules by leveraging out of the box scripting and workflow functionality.
- Facilitate and assess business requirements to translate into functional and technical specifications.
- Primary lead resource responsible for providing Tier-1 support for SAP e-Sourcing to all GS&PS users.
- Lead the implementation of SAP e-Sourcing including Projects, Contracts, RFX, Auctions and Analysis modules to all Merrill Lynch regions including US, EMEA and PACRIM.
- Designed integration solution to hub of all Contracts into SAP e-Sourcing/CLM system to make it a central repository for the firm's Contracts.
- Designed strategy and implemented successful solution for migrating existing contracts and supplier data into SAP e-Sourcing platform from legacy system.
- Architected automated data loads for Master Data SAP e-Sourcing in INFORMATICA tool.
- Developed several complicated extensions, workflow configuration and custom reports across all modules.
- Managed and coached internal off shore team in SAP e-Sourcing.
- Coordinated and implemented several major version upgrades, installs and configuration for SAP E-Sourcing.
- Lead effort for data center and server migration in building and re-configuring SAP e-Sourcing.
- Resolved SAP e-Sourcing application latency issues for global user base by implementing Citrix platform solution.
- Designed automated data interface between SAP e-Sourcing and Archer tool for Contracts and Vendor data feeds.
- Lead delivery and implementation of Archer platform for Vendor Governance, Risk, Incident Management modules.

Bristol Myers Squibb, Princeton, NJ.

Senior Analyst. Feb 1999 to April 2005.

- Lead end to end implementation of various modules of Frictionless (e-Sourcing/CLM), SRM 2.x/3.x/4.x including Projects, RFX, Print RFX and Vendor Management modules.
- Implemented end-to-end complex web applications for various Strategic Sourcing projects i.e.,
- Implemented web version of the existing paper based Sourcing tool called Net RFI/RFP.
- Key team member for Ariba B2B e-Procurement globalization upgrade.
- Configured several online punch-out catalogs for variety of suppliers in the Ariba Buyer tool.
- Key analyst for the back-end team primarily involved in ETL process, data loads for global sourcing database hub.
- Developed gadgets for Sourcing community on the OneBMS corporate Portal.
- Reduced user support for stabilized applications by 65% and transitioned support task to the corporate help desk.
- Involved in gathering user requirements, upgrading CTS to 5.0, LDAP enabling, lowering support costs by providing solutions for minimal ongoing support.
- Lead for deploying CTS for Clinical group in PRI.

** Other major customers include Newell Rubbermaid, Boeing Aerospace, SAP Americas, Caterpillar Inc.

IBSS Inc., Iselin, NJ - Software Consultant Dec-96 to Oct-99

- Designed, developed and implemented client server and web based tools for various clients such as BMS, CSFB and GE Motors.

Computer Synergistics, India Software Programmer, Oct'94 to Nov'96

- Software Developer and Analyst for various business clients in India.

Academic Education:

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication: Nagpur University, India.

References:

Excellent professional and personal references will be furnished upon request.