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Professional Summary

Certified SAP Finance and Treasury consultant with 15 years of consulting experience including 9+ years of lead solution architect expertise in Fortune 500 clients of various industries. Specialized expert in designing and implementing In-House Cash (IHC), Cash Management, BCM, TRM modules, FICO, and Banking interfaces in complex systems and business process environments to provide comprehensive integrated solutions to clients.

Successfully Implemented In-House cash (IHC) and TRM modules in 3 global clients, and Cash Mgmt. module in 8 large clients including various Treasury/AP/AR Banking interfaces in different formats and Electronic Bank process (EBS) for 330+ bank accounts with all major US, CA, MX, and EU region banks and 12 lockboxes.

Led large Treasury transformational projects working closely with Corporate Treasury Group with expertise in successfully executing and managing all phases of different sizes of projects, reviewing & re-engineering complex systems to provide sophisticated solutions that best fit to clients' both short term and long term needs.

Certifications

- ❖ S/4HANA Finance
- SAP Finance & Controlling (FI & CO)
- Project Management Professional (PMP)
- Enterprise Architect TOGAF9.1

Areas of Expertise

- Solutions Design and Deployment of Treasury and FICO Modules
- ❖ Expert Config skills in In-House Cash, Cash Mgmt., TRM, FI, CO
- Design and Development of Banking Interfaces (EDI/BAI/XML etc.)
- IT Project Management
- Business process knowledge (R2R,O2P,FSCM etc.)

Industries

- Automotive Manufacturing
- Beverage & Confectionary
- Pharma & Medical Device
- * Retail, and Distribution
- Oil & Gas, and Chemicals

Professional Experience:

Client: Novartis/Alcon, Fort Worth-TX

Jan'18 – Current

Role: Global ERP NFCM & Treasury Lead – IRIS Solution Design Team

Novartis AG is a \$150 billion-dollar global pharmaceutical company with operations in 180+ countries. Novartis researches, develops, manufactures, and markets a range of healthcare products worldwide.

- In Treasury solution designer role (70% of combined role), Involved in Global/Local Implementation projects design, architecture and development activities in extending In-House Cash and Cash Mgmt. functionality for newly acquired manufacturing subsidiary units as well as for Spin-off entities.
- In Global ERP NFCM Lead role (30% of combined role), Responsible to make sure that with multiple
 ongoing global and local projects Novartis ERP systems are always compliant with all 560+ financial
 controls listed in Novartis/Alcon Financial control Mgmt.(NFCM).
- Involved in spin-off project, leading discussions with cross-functional Business and IT teams to define To-BE state of new spin-off system of Alcon business unit.
- As part of MTO project, Lead Blueprint and GAP analysis sessions, Configuration, Testing/Training/ Documentation preparation for Treasury modules rollout.
- Involved in strategic decisions phase for separating finance (FI/CO/TR/FSCM/Master Data) and cross-module separation activities from Novartis' parent xNovaCore system.
- Involved in Enhancement stream to review Treasury business process to identify GAPS in order to improve and optimize the Treasury Payment and EBS reconciliation processes and their efficiency.
- Responsible to work with Technical teams to extend Banking interfaces for new subsidiary units.
- Work closely with every functional stream (R2R/O2C/FSCM/SCM/TAX/PC/MFG/TCM) in all of SAP global/local implementation and rollout projects to enforce the implementation of NFCM controls.



Client: Celanese Corporation, Irving-TX Feb'17 – Jan'18

Role: Solution Architect & Lead Implementation Consultant – Treasury (IHC/TRM/CM)

Celanese, a Fortune 500 company, manufactures and sells value-added chemicals, thermoplastic polymers, and other chemical-based products worldwide.

Main Responsibilities:

- As part of Joint venture implementation project, designed and implemented In-house Cash (IHC), Treasury (TRM), and Cash Mgmt. process for newly formed 55+ Joint venture entities.
- Led all phases of the development lifecycle including requirements gathering, analysis, design, development, testing, implementation and support.
- As a single treasury resource on Joint Venture Project, Configured IHC functionality for all Payment scenarios (Internal/Netting, Central, Central Incoming, Cross-Bank Area Internal, and Cross-Bank Area Central Payments) for newly formed JV entities.
- Setup BCM functionality for Joint venture entities; Configured BCM basic settings, Payment Groupings, Payment Workflow approval and Digital Signature, SAP Fiori apps for Payment Approval, Payment Release strategy, and Payment Status mgmt.
- Setup EBS using BCM functionality for new bank accounts of JV; Configured Bank Statement Monitor for EBS process, and SAP Fiori apps for Monitoring bank statements. Supported Global business users with Payments Transactions and Reports using BCM functionality.
- Configured payment file formats using Payment Medium Workbench, and Mapped file formats in PI.
- Separated & Cleaned-up existing Config, User exits, and Master data of IHC, TRM, and Cash Mgmt. functionalities and streamlined Treasury business processes for already existing (non-JV) entities.
- Extensively worked with highly disbursed global treasury teams (US/CA/MX/EMEA/Asia Pac) on User Testing, Training, and HyperCare support activities.
- Trained and Supported Business Teams (Treasury and Cash Accounting) on Periodic tasks (Cash Concentration/Acct Balancing/EBS/GL Transfer/Period cut-off activities etc.) for first 2 month end closings.
- Extended the existing Treasury Interfaces Dealing platforms (FXALL), Market data provider (Reuters),
 EBS MT940 statements, Correspondences (MT300/320), Swift payments (MT101 and commercial PAIN messages), and BCM for new JV entities.
- Extended existing TRM Money Market, Foreign Exchange, and Hedge Management Config and functionality for specific regional JV business new entities; Coordinated with Offshore additional resource to test and train JV entity Users on TRM functionalities.
- Prepared detailed project documentation Design documents, E2E process flow documents, Functional specs (FS), Test scripts, Training documents etc. by using industry standards, covering Treasury functionalities (IHC/TRM/CM/3rd party interfaces) using ArchiMate, BPMN2, and TOGAF standards.
- Along with Treasury Implementation workload, Assisted in the development of the overall project plan (scoping process) as well as individual work plans for Treasury part.
- Co-ordinated with highly dispersed Development/technical teams, and also external partners (Banks from several countries, and Treasury interface/platform providers).
- Supported my counterparts in other finance domains (GL/AP/Costing), and provided tactical support to meet organizational goals and objectives of this highly time-crunched Joint Venture project.

Client:BorgWarner, Inc., Pendleton-INNov'16 – Feb'17Role:Platinum FICO Consultant(worked in past from Aug'14 to Nov'15)

BorgWarner Inc. is a Global Tier-1 automotive supplier of drivetrain and transmission systems with 60 plants worldwide. It provides drivetrain components to all three U.S., European and Asian automakers.



- As a replacement finance lead, resolved the critical FICO issues from Cutover, Go-Live and Hyper-Care
 phases of Remy Project whose go-live got post-phoned thrice before I joined the project.
- Finished pending Legacy Data migration of AP, AR, Assets, Open AP Checks, Materials, and BOMs.
- Implemented Accounts payable (AP) banking interfaces ACH, Wire, POS and EBS for Remy Accounts.
- Helped Finance team to finish Cutover/Go-Live cutover activities in Finance and Treasury Areas.
- Providing User Training in AP, AR, Assets, Costing, and Cash Mgmt. areas.

Client: Energy Transfer, Dallas-TX

Mar'16 - Nov'16

Role(s): Treasury (Cash Mgmt.) Lead Consultant

Energy Transfer Partner, a Fortune 500 company, provides the diversified energy-related services in US. It sells and transports natural gas to electric utilities, independent power plants, and industrial end-users.

Main Responsibilities:

- Involved in successful implementation of SAP Financial roll-out for client's Retail division, SUNOCO.
- Developed complex 3rd party FI/Banking Interfaces (EBS/EDI) with Parent SAP system.
- Lead the implementation of Financial Cash Mgmt. Interfaces from Legacy systems.
- Designed and Developed Custom/Enhancement programs for Auto Reconciliation Process.
- Provided extensive SAP Training for legacy business users recently moved to SAP platform.
- Responsible for all Hyper Care and Production Support for SUNOCO entities in SAP.

Client: Itelligence Group, Cincinnati – OH

Nov'15 - Mar'16

Role(s): S/4HANA Finance/Treasury Consultant

Industry: ERP Consulting

Itelligence Group is a ERP integrator implements SAP solutions for small to mid-size companies.

Main Responsibilities:

- Provided onsite and remote support for different clients in their S/4HANA implementations.
- As a Lead for a Dallas-TX based Auto manufacturing client, Designed and Implemented AP and AR, US
 Taxes and SAP-Cash Management for effective and optimized business processes on S/4 HANA 1503.
- Configure One Exposure from Operations and integrate it with all applicable source applications; Setup Bank Account Mgmt., Cash Positioning and Cash Operations reporting functionalities
- Setup Bank Communication Mgmt. (BCM) functionality with Batch & Payment monitor for Payments, and Bank Statement Monitor for EBS process.
- Responsible for Migrating Cash Data for existing SAP customers.
- For a couple of mid-west clients, Involved in Legacy data conversion for Finance and CO data objects, and Successfully resolved the data migration/conversion and implementation issues.
- Setup SAP Cash mgmt., Liquidity mgmt./Planning, SAP Business client, and Security roles; And Involved in setting up SAP BPC for S/4HANA Finance functionality.
- Extensively involved in Testing, User Training, and Production support of S/4 HANA system.

Client: BorgWarner, Inc., Seneca-SC Role(s): Finance Global Lead Consultant

Aug'14 - Nov'15

BorgWarner Inc. is a Global Tier-1 automotive supplier of drivetrain and transmission systems. It has 60 manufacturing facilities across 18 countries, including the U.S., Canada, Europe, and Asia.



- As a global lead and single resource for all FICO modules, led the successful implementation of all FICO and Treasury modules on multiple SAP roll-outs of client's Drive Train divisions.
- Developed Discrete Manufacturing Product Costing for some of the complicated automotive business processes for Drive Train divisions.
- Designed and Implemented new Banking and Treasury interfaces for Drive Train division, and SD/MM Integration along with SD-FI Revenue recognition process.
- Designed the development of custom ABAP reports and enhancements for Costing and Profitability requirements.
- Extensively involved in Legacy system analysis and Design solutions for Client's newly acquired business entities.
- Implemented HFM-SAP Integration for Financial reporting for both WaterValley and Seneca SAP Rollouts.
- As part of parallel IT Project, Successfully designed and configured Material Ledger proto-type for selected Plants abroad of Asian regions.
- Lead FICO areas during all phases of end-to-end project cycle with various stake holders.

Client: Jefferson County, Birmingham-Alabama

June'14 - July'14

Role(s): Sr. SAP Treasury Consultant

Main Responsibilities:

- Responsible to resolved pending critical production issues related to Treasury Payments and Cash Reconciliation.
- Involved in reengineering Banking interfaces (Payments & EBS) to streamline related Accounting processes; Created Business process and Issue Resolution Documentation for business reference.
- Involved in providing user training for some of functional areas where they see knowledge gap; Reviewed FM Integration Config setup and corrected few gaps.
- Involved in improving month end process performance and reducing closing time taken.

Client: Westcon Group, NY
Role(s): Sr. Treasury Lead (IHC/Cash Mgmt./TRM) Consultant

July'13 – June'14

Westcon Group is a value-added distributor of category-leading unified communications, network infrastructure, data center and security solutions with a global network of specialty resellers.

- Supporting Westcon's NA region in Treasury/FI modules with primary focus in In-House Cash, and Cash Mgmt.
- Involved as Treasury (IHC) functional expert in Finance Project team for EMEA region rollout.
- As part of Treasury pilot project, Setup initial In-house Cash functionality to support multiple payment scenarios for EMEA and US entities.
- Coordinated with additional resource in implementing Treasury Transaction Manager processes, Exposure Mgmt. (Hedging for Exposures and Positions), and Analyzer Family Tools (Market Risk Analyzer/Portfolio Analyzer/Credit Risk Analyzer).
- Configured Transaction management for Trading, Back-Office processing, and Operating Reporting; Configured custom Product Types, Account Determination, and customizing Valuation.
- As part of Treasury business process re-engineering subproject, Designed and Implemented EBS, Lockbox and Positive pay file interfaces on EDI platform for US entities.
- Designed and Developing Lockbox user exit logic for improved AR Cash Apps clearing/hit rate efficiency.



Client: Cameron International Corporation, Houston-TX

Role(s): FI & Treasury Lead Consultant

Cameron International Corporation is a Fortune 500 company and a global provider of pressure control, processing, flow control and compression systems as well as project management and aftermarket.

Main Responsibilities:

- Responsible as FI regional (US,CA & MX) lead, involved in migrating existing Cameron Subsea division to a new independent entity structure created within existing Cameron's SAP environment.
- Involved in setting up new organization structure, legal and controlling entities, and migration of financial data to this new structure.
- Involved in implementing Treasury (AP/EBS/ Cash Mgmt.) interfaces for new legal entities of Joint Venture.
- Working with 3rd party company for Vertex data base extension for newly setup company codes and responsible to resolve post production Tax related issues from Go-Live.
- Involved in extending TRM functionality for JV divisions; Configured Transaction Manager and EBS, Setup Master Data and Migration tools for Master Data and Transactional data migration.
- Involved in developing CC STO (Stock Transfer Orders), PO/SO and 3rd Party Intercompany Drop-Ship processes
- Extensively worked on cross-module integration with SD and MM teams to configure Plants, Materials, new pricing procedures, Item Categories, Pricing records and output types for new processes.

Client: DealerTrack Inc., Lake Success NY

Sep'12 - Nov'12

Jan'13 - June'13

Role(s): Sr. FICO Lead and Solution Architect

DealerTrack is a leader provider of on-demand Dealer management software and services for automotive industry. DealerTrack's intuitive and high-value software solutions and services enhance efficiency.

Main Responsibilities:

- Responsible for conducting FI and CO business workshops for SAP Roll-out project (Merging of three acquisition companies into existing SAP system)
- Designed and implemented several interfaces (Sales Contract, Sales Orders, Billing etc.,) between Dealer Track's web-portals, 3rd parties (Banks, Paymetric, Taxware etc.,) and SAP
- Implemented FI & CO business processes for Revenue Recognition and Deferred revenue scenarios
- Configured FI related functionalities new Company Codes, Document Posting, Document Types field status groups in New GL environment for newly acquired companies.
- Setup up FI configuration for Credit Card payments with Paymetric, 3rd party credit card payment process, Developed new reports and business process for this interface.

Client: UPS Supply Chain Solutions, Alpharetta GA

June'12 - Aug'12

Role(s): Sr. SAP Treasury/Cash Apps Consultant

UPS SCS is a multi-billion dollar Supply Chain solution provider mainly for HealthCare, High Tech, Retail, Automotive and Industrial Manufacturing companies.

- As an Implementation Lead, Designed and Implemented AR Lockbox interfaces (EDI 823, EDI 820 and BAI2 flat files).
- Designed and developed customized lockbox user exit for optimizing Cash Application Resources and improving posting accuracy
- Involved in preliminary design session of FSCM module implementation.



Mar'06 - Dec'11

Client: Dr. Pepper and Snapple Group (DPSG), Plano-TX

Role(s): Sr. SAP Treasury Lead Consultant

Dr. Pepper and Snapple Group is a multi-billion 3rd largest beverage company in United States with International subsidiary units based in Mexico and Canada.

- Designed and Implemented Global Banking and Treasury interfaces for AP (ACH, Fed Wires, Check printing, Positive pay file, Check encashment file), AR (EDI/BAI2 Lockboxes) and Treasury (EBS) processes.
- Implemented Treasury modules for Rollout projects for newly acquired business units. Also led numerous Internal FI & Treasury Process enhancements/Customizing projects along with continuous operational support for multiple DPSG SAP systems.
- As Treasury expert, Involved in Demerger Project (spin-off of Confectionary (Cadbury Schweppes) from Beverage (Dr.Pepper) Business Units).
- Worked closely with Corporate Treasury Group on initial Treasury transformational project to prepare a full
 cycle demo of SAP-TRM, In-House Cash and Liquidity Planner Functionalities; As part of this
 Prototype/Full-cycle demo, Conducted Workshops for Business process review and GAP analysis, Design
 scoping and Blueprint preparation sessions.
- Implemented AP Payment interfaces with Bancomer and BBVA (Mexican) and CHASE, BOA, WF and TD banks dealing with multiple currencies.
- Implemented 9 lockboxes (with IDoc & BAI file formats) with Bank of America, TDB (Canadian Bank) and Chase bank with \$7 billion annual customer lockbox receipts per 2010 and 2011
- Designed and developed the sophisticated Lockbox user exit logic, resulted in drastically increase of the Cash application hit rate to optimized level and reduction in operational headcount.
- Implemented Electronic Bank Statement (EDI821) interface with Chase, Bank of America, Wells Fargo and Toronto Dominion (Canadian) banks, BBVA (Mexico Bank) for daily Cash Management reports
- Implemented Inbound AR Lockbox (EDI 823) for new AR collection lockbox bank accounts setup at Bank of America, Chase and Toronto Dominion (Canadian) bank
- Implemented New GL with Document Split functionality based on Segment characteristic.
- Created 40+ functional/technical/business processes/project documentation using industry standards
- Implemented several 3rd party interfaces (Concur T&E, Trade Promotions, Marketing Funds, etc.,), and involved in Reporting implementation.
- Involved as FI (AP, AR, AA, PS, New GL & Treasury) and CO (CCA,PCA &COPA) subject matter expert in other IT driven projects to determine the best business practices and solutions to suit with client business requirements
- Led AP Withholding Tax conversion to Extended environment from Classical environment on two ERP
 6.5 systems and successfully made corresponding corrections on 12 different AP invoice interfaces
- Designed and Implemented Concur Travel and Expense Interface roll-out for newly acquired business units and Converged SAP systems. Build up Payment Interface with WellsFargo bank for Employee outof-pocket expenses.
- As part of Convergence Project (Converging of three different old SAP systems and few Non-SAP systems onto ECC 6.0), heavily involved in Designing, Configuring, Testing and Training of AP, AR, AA, New GL, Treasury and Asset accounting modules
- Involved in implementing multiple SAP Bolt-on applications.
- Involved in SAP upgrade (from 4.6c and 4.7v to ECC 6.0) projects and also in EHP5 upgrade project in finance areas AP, AR, Banking, Treasury business processes and 3rd party interfaces (21 interfaces in total under FI).
- Worked very closely with ABAP, BW, GXS technical teams to develop custom reports, and interfaces.



Client: KLA-Tencor, San Jose-CA Oct'05 – Jan'06

Role: SAP Treasury (EBS Global Implementation) Consultant

KLA-Tencor Corporation is the world's leading supplier of process control and yield management solutions for the semiconductor and related microelectronics industries with \$1.5b revenue.

Main Responsibilities:

- Designed and Implemented Cash Mgmt. functionality using EBS process for Israel & UK regions.
- Led the discussions with CITI Bank on EBS file transmission and formats, and also with both global and regional Treasury teams on Bank Reconciliation process.
- Developed a custom Auto-clearing program for EBS reconciliation, helping manual effort in period closing.
- Successfully completed all phases of project, including the Unit & Integration testing with diversified teams. Provided quick fixes for their SAP & Business process issues during Go-Live Phases for all 9 regions/Countries.

Client: Limited Brands Inc., Columbus-OH

Role: SAP FI/Treasury Implementation member

May'05 - Oct'05

Limited Brands has more than 3,800 retail stores and six retail brands Worldwide. Limited Brands owns prestigious international brands like Victoria's Secret, Express, Bath & Body Works and White Barn Candle Co.

Main Responsibilities:

- As a part of Implementation team member, successfully implemented ACH/Wire interfaces (PMW setup
 for flat file interface), BAI previous day files interface, Previous Paid Day Check files interface, PeopleSoft
 to SAP check detail interface, IP POS interfaces and daily business activities.
- Solved the various challenging Business Process issues in Cash Concentration, Cash Position, Liquidity Forecast, Payment Advices, Payment Requests, and Payment Programs (F110 & F111).
- Solved the critical issues coming from day-to-day Business Activities and Importing and post-processing
 of the Electronic bank statements.
- Provided extensive Hyper care and first post-go live month end closing process.

Client: TESORO Petroleum Corp, San Antonio-TX
Role: SAP FI/Treasury Implementation Team Member

Feb'05 - Apr'05

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Andeavor, formerly known as Tesoro Corporation, is a Fortune 100 company and independent refiner and marketer of petroleum products.

- Worked with Canada IT departments in project go-live and post go-live phases.
- Mainly involved in solving FX currency reconciliation issues in Month-End Closing, Cash Management Position and Liquidity forecast Reports, and Automatic Payment Program.
- Involved in Configuration setup and integration of FI modules (Treasury & AP) for newly started Canadian company code in-line with already existing US company codes.
- Maintained the Vendor & GL Master Record maintenance in-line with foreign currency transactions and Financial statements/Reporting, in integration with MM & SD modules.
- Involved in Period End Closing, Foreign Currency valuation and translation, Consolidation.



Nov'02- July'03

Client: The Coca-Cola company, Atmakur, Guntur-AP

Production Executive, Non-SAP Experience (Campus Recruited)

• As a Production executive in manufacturing plant, responsible to maintain 98%+ efficiency rate of daily production by managing 60+ floor workers.

- Working closely with Quality department and Shipping departments to meet compliance requirements and as well as company objectives.
- Provided extensive training sessions to maintenance team.
- Analysis of Optimizing Resource and material utilization.

Employment History:

Company: Azeez & Nasreen Inc. (SAP Consulting Company) (2012 – Present)
Company: American Unit Inc. (SAP Consulting Company) (2004 – 2011)

Education

Role:

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering (2003-2004) Lamar University, Beaumont – TX

B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering (1999-2002)
 JNTU, Kakinada-INDIA

Diploma in Automobile Engineering (1995-1998)
Govt. Polytechnic college, Vijayawada – INDIA