Who Does What, When, and How for a Divestiture?

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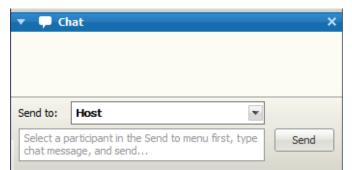
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Learning Objectives

Objective 1: Understand key considerations for businesses going through a divestiture, and how to address them.

Objective 2: Take a look at a new or reimplementation option, separating data either within an instance or as a standalone, and masking alternatives.

Objective 3: Outline an approach for a successful divestiture that can be used by both business and IT.

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- Costing Methods
- Resolve Duplicates, Change Sequences, IDs
- 🕿 Separate Data for a Divestiture

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 - Shared Services
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- 🕿 Adapt to Change
 - Align with New Business Initiatives
 - Mergers, Acquisitions, Divestitures
 - Pattern-Based Strategies
 - Make ERP an Adaptive Technology
- Avoid a Reimplementation
- Reduce Complexity and Control Risk
- Improve Business Continuity, Service Quality and Compliance
- Establish Data Quality Standards and a Single Source of Truth

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Agenda

- Key considerations for IT and for the business
- Questions businesses going through a divestiture ask -
 - What are we selling, and why?
 - What data belongs to me, and how do I find it?
- Business changes by the rules achieving agility
- What are the options?
 - Reimplementation
 - Separating data either within an instance or as a stand-alone
 - Masking alternatives

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- Conclusion
- Questions

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Objective #1

Understand key considerations for businesses going through a divestiture, and how to address them.



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Adding Value by Subtracting

Seller's perspective

- Why do companies divest?
 - Sell low-performing business units
 - Focus on high-growth opportunities
 - Break up business units to increase business agility
 - Reduce complexity from the business

Buyer's perspective

- Why do companies acquire?
 - Value from new products and customers
 - Synergies and cost savings in product development and administration
 - Exponential value

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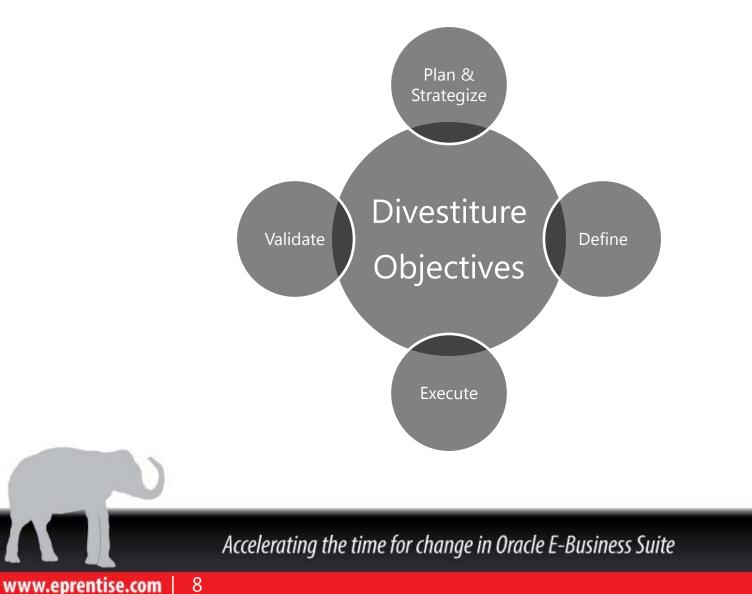
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• Minimal risk from new product development

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Divestiture Lifecycle



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Divestiture Lifecycle

• Objectives

• Define organizational objectives for divestiture

• Plan & Strategize

- Divestiture strategy sell or spin-off
- Evaluate risk and rewards
- Identify and evaluate potential buyers
- Set timeline

• Define

- Identify sale method
- Determine what to divest operating unit, products etc.
- Evaluate value for business being divested
- IT & Business drivers

• Execute

Manage speedy closing

• Validate

Validate results

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Seller Perspective - System Questions

- What happens to the system containing data for divested entities?
- What are the buyer requirements from system perspective?
- What are the seller limitations from system perspective?
- Are there clear requirements on who gets what data seller v/s buyer?
- What happens to historical data?
- What happens to master data?

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- Does IT organization have tools to be able to meet both seller's and buyer's requirements?
- Can the system requirements be achieved in required timeline for closing?





Buyer Perspective - System Questions

- What system am I getting platform?
- What data does it contain?

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- What will be my integration strategy?
- How will this system fit within my organizational IT strategy?
- What do I need to do to manage short term expectations?
- What do I need to do to manage long term expectations?
- What additional work will be required after getting the divested system from seller?





Early Decisions – This Isn't an IT Issue

• Determine criteria for divestiture

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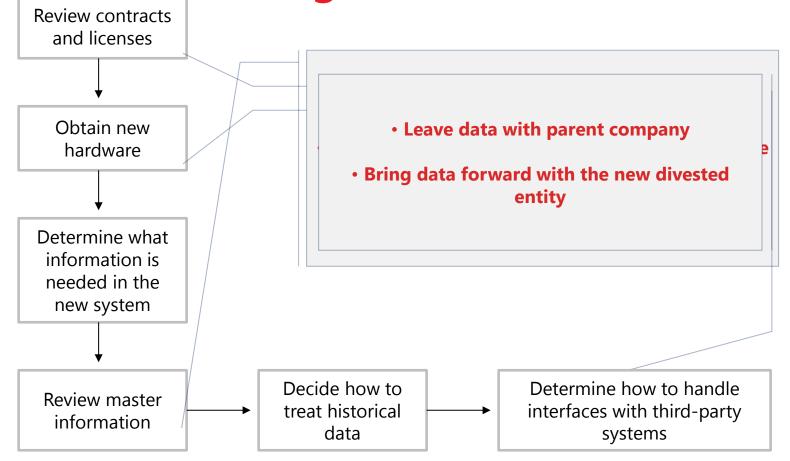
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- Determine whether COA change, calendar change, asset revaluation are necessary
- Determine if new legal entities or balancing segment values are necessary
- Determine whether there will be a stand-alone instance for NewCo or whether it needs to be consolidated into an existing ERP instance
- Determine if OldCo's instance needs to be purged, and if so, what happens to the history
- What needs to be included in the Transition Services Agreement (TSA)?

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Divestiture: Creating the New Organizations



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Some of the Business Considerations

- Interfaces to 3rd party systems (i.e. tax, imaging)
- Reports, Interfaces, Customizations, Enhancements, Workflows (RICE-W Objects) need to be changed
- Intercompany, internal, and split transactions
- Split of non-monetary accounts (assets, equity, bank accounts, pre-paids)
- Adjusting periods, closing entries, reconciliation of balances
- Interim consolidated financial reporting
- Shared data from upstream and downstream systems, internal to ERP, employees (tax forms, benefits), costing
- Security and responsibilities, validations, approvals changes
- License negotiation

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• Service-level agreements

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Objective #2

Take a look at a reimplementation option, separating data either within an instance or as a standalone, and masking alternatives

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Divestiture Options

Masking

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- New implementation (reimplementation)
- Separating data within an instance
- End-dating responsibilities, some sensitive data
- Archiving (transactions only)
- Use a rules-based software



Masking as an Alternative

- What is masking?
 - Designed to eliminate the risk of breaching sensitive data when copying data into non-production environments for the purposes of application development, testing, or data analysis
 - Used when sensitive data needs to be shared with nonproduction users
 - Appropriate for a specific field (or a column in a table) such as credit card numbers, bank account numbers, social security numbers, or healthcare information
 - Masking does not operate at a "structure level" (i.e. legal entity, operating unit, etc.) and doesn't find related data. There is no built-in intelligence.
- Oracle now allows "decrypting" of sensitive information (credit card numbers, accounts, user passwords, etc.). Instructions are widely available on the internet.

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What is Your Confidential Data?

It is the data that would hurt you if a competitor had access to it

- Customers buying history, discounts, contracts
- Suppliers costs, discounts, payment terms, credit limits
- Inventory cost of goods sold, inventory turns, returns, quality inspections
- Financial Information balances, budgets, days sales outstanding

Finding all of the confidential data to be masked is like digging a hole with a spoon. It requires knowledge of every table, and then filtering that data based on the criteria for divestiture (legal entity, operating unit, or balancing segment value). You would need to hide much of the transaction detail, and then all processes may not work correctly.

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Masking is a Risk, Both for Seller and Divested Entity Perspectives

Seller's Perspective

- Can't be sure to get all the confidential dataespecially what you don't want a competitor to see.
- Businesses need to spend time checking every table and all the attributes.
- There are no rules that associate the data with the filter criteria (masking won't find the suppliers that are not used by the divested entity). That will need to be done with custom code for each data type. The code is pretty complex requiring many inner and outer joins, and knowledge of all the relationships.
- Split or shared data cannot be masked.
- Data coming in from interfaces won't be masked.

Divested Entity's Perspective

- Masked data may compromise the integrity of the data and the Oracle processes (calculating balances, depreciating assets, creating payments).
- What happens to in-flight transactions, internal transfers, or intercompany accounting?
- How can you be sure that you get all the data that was part of the sales agreement (receivables, liabilities, etc.)?
- Data associated with the sold business components may need to be purged from databases simply to get the reporting accurate.

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Masking is a Coding Task, Done by a Development Team

User-defined functions

To provide a user-defined function, select User Defined Function from the Add

- Define Mask Formats
- Pre-defined Masking Formats for ERP include:
 - Credit Card Numbers
 - United States Social Security Numbers
 - ISBN Numbers
 - UPC Numbers
 - Canadian Social Insurance Numbers
 - North American Phone Numbers
 - UK National Insurance Numbers
 - Auto Mask
- This is not the confidential data that needs to be removed for the divested entity
- Not business driven, no understanding of ERP
- Requires unit and code testing
- Many companies sell it as part of a database administration tool for nonproduction environments

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New Implementation (Reimplementation)

- Expensive and lengthy process
- Install hardware and software
- Define and configure business processes
- Configure applications
- Load and convert historical data
- Customizations

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- Extensive documentation for all process flows and customizations
- Extensive resource requirements
- Extensive testing requirements

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End-Dating responsibilities

- Revoke user access to business functions and data for an organization
- Restricts user access to required data from UI
- Data can still be queried from the database

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Cannot be applied to a divestiture criteria with complex conditions





Archiving

- Use a commercial-of-the-shelf archiving solution to remove required data
- Archiving solution may not know all the entity relationships within a database
- Archiving is usually done to reduce transaction data therefore not all data may be removed
- Cannot be applied to a divestiture criteria with complex conditions



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Objective #3

Outline an approach for a successful divestiture that can be used by both business and IT



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Five-Part Approach for Success

- 1. Evaluate a rules-based engine
- 2. Prepare early

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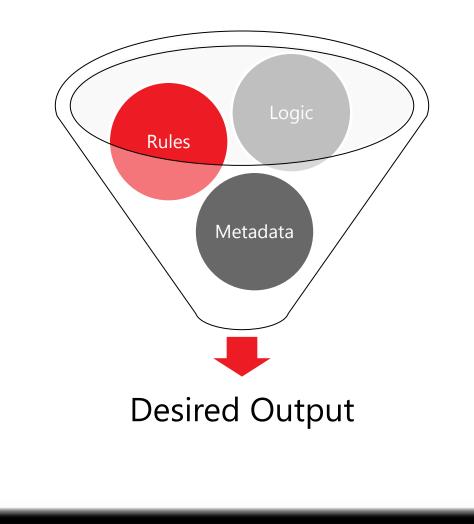
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- 3. Create a transition team
- 4. Focus on core processes
- 5. Remember post-sale plans





Rules Engine Functioning



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Rules Engine Components



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What Constitutes a Rules Engine?

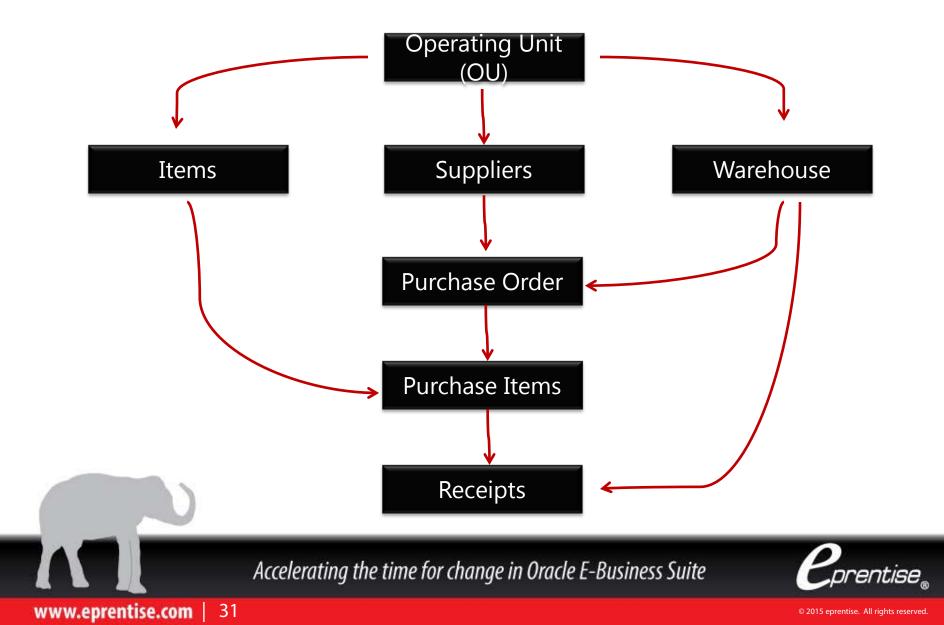


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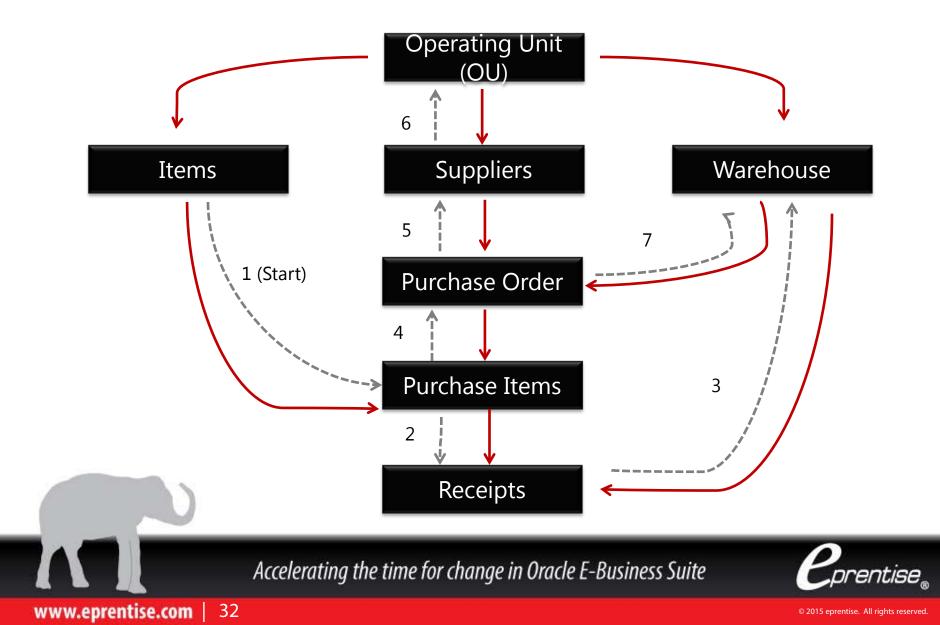
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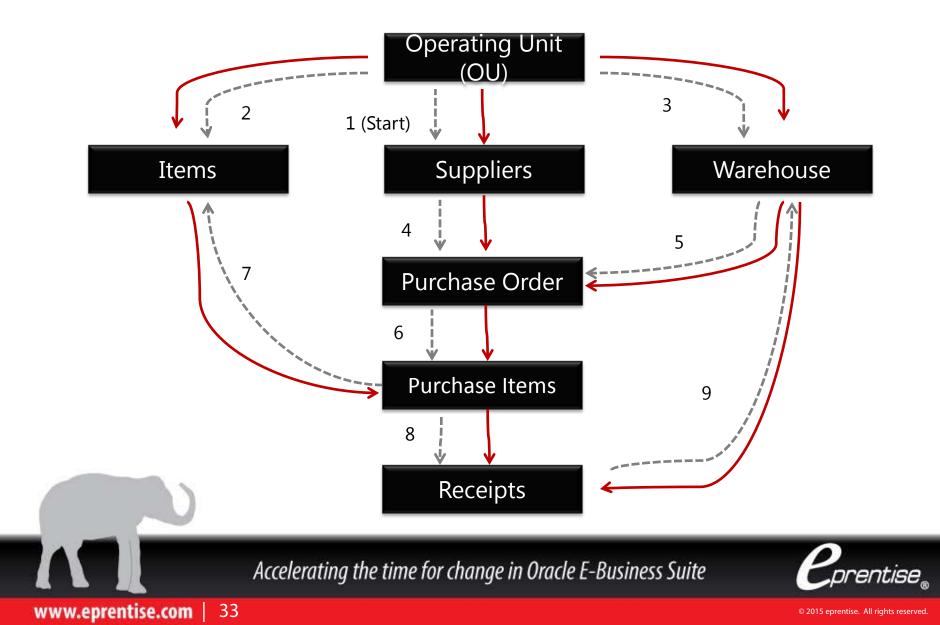
Rule Example – Entity Relations



Rule Example – Divest Based on Items

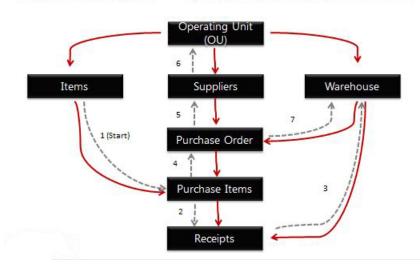


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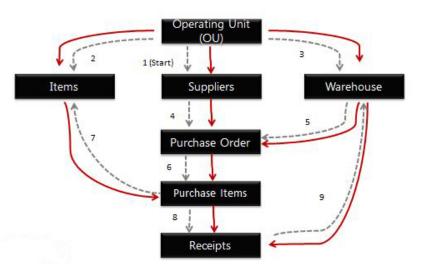
Rules – Flexibility to Travel Different Paths

Rule Example - Divest Based on Items



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Rule Example - Divest Based on OU







Prepare Early

- Determine the value of each area of the business
- Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses

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- Capitalize on the strengths that will provide the greatest value to a prospective buyer
- Begin to prepare a "due diligence" package for each part of the company
 - By product line, a region, a department, or a legal entity

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Prepare Early - Due Diligence Package

Mission Statement	•Why you are doing what you are doing? •How does that tie into a long-term vision for the entity?
Value Proposition	 What are the benefits, value, and ROI? Why would someone pay for this part of the business? What are the current assets of the business?
Product or Service	•What are you selling? •How are you pricing it?
Marketing and Sales Strategy	 •Who is your market? How do you reach them? •Who are your current customers? Why do they buy from you? •Who are your competitors?
Operations and Operating Assumptions	•What is the length of sales cycle, sales per month, revenue per sale, accounts receivable timing, major suppliers and headcount?
Financial Projections	•What is your five-year plan?
Management Team	 If you sell this part of the business, who will lead the charge? Do you have an experienced team in place that can develop a strategy and execute toward that strategy?

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Create a Cross Functional Transition Team

Develop a plan and deliverables for the divestiture - work with multiple teams (business, legal, accounting, banking, IT and HR). Work on a plan to have divested entity's own infrastructure, systems, human resources, financials and facilities to support operations.For systems, determine who gets what data and how open transactions will be handled.

Transition Team

Determine assets to be divided - fixed assets, financial assets, and intellectual property.

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Evaluate service contracts, leases, lines of credit, supplier contracts, license agreements and employment agreements for renegotiation.

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Focus on Core Processes

Revenue growth adds value and creates positive dynamics both internally and externally that can help retain customers and talented staff.

- 1. Give priority to customer-facing processes sales, support, order management
- 2. Design processes to present a consistent face to the customer before and after the split
- 3. Create and staff interim processes to sustain the quality of products and services through the transition

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Post-Sale Planning

It's not over when the sale is complete!

- Carefully manage the divested companies until both companies achieve independent stability
- Manage both companies carefully to-
 - Minimize disturbance in operations
 - Continue without significant interruptions
 - Capitalize on creativity

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• Maintain excitement of building new business

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Conclusion

- Clear objectives should be defined
- Planning is the key to success
- Collaboration between business & IT
- Clear understanding of seller's as well as buyer's requirements
- Make technology work for you

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- Use a tool that can guarantee success within the required timeline
- Rules-based divestiture is easy to manage





Questions?

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