

IBM Cognos Conversion Service

Successfully convert to IBM Cognos 8 Business Intelligence

Overview

The IBM Cognos® Conversion Service provides the tools and the process—a new twist on our proven Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM)—to quickly convert your existing business intelligence applications to IBM Cognos 8 BI.

Technical specifications

The IBM Cognos Conversion Service provides you with the resources to convert from other BI platforms to IBM Cognos 8 BI. Using these tools and following the proven IBM Cognos Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM), you can enjoy the benefits and savings of standardization and access the powerful features of IBM Cognos 8 BI while leveraging your existing investment in reports and business rules.

The IBM Cognos Conversion Service includes:

- Conversion Estimate Service
- Conversion Audit Service
- Conversion Implementation Service (Compress and Optimize and Lift and Shift conversions)

Features and benefits

Conversion Estimate Service

A free estimate performed by Niteo Partners, the Preferred Delivery Partner for the IBM Cognos Conversion Service. The service uses estimation tools to

- Support initial dialogue.
- Estimate scope, costs and resources.
- Evaluate delivery approaches

and options.

- Analyze ROI.

Conversion Audit Service

A rapid audit of your existing BI systems and architecture allows for accurate scoping and early identification of issues. The audit enables a detailed proposal and conversion project plan to be created with either a single comprehensive audit or multiple targeted audits.

Conversion Implementation Service

The Conversion Implementation Service is a strategic, repeatable, onshore-offshore service that can be easily adapted to your specific environment, usage and business requirements. Niteo has contributed significant intellectual property to build the Conversion Implementation Roadmap, a new component of the IBM Cognos SIM.

The IBM Cognos Conversion Service utilizes the Conversion Implementation Roadmap, following a hybrid conversion approach—some elements are converted using a Lift and Shift approach where redundancy

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is eliminated but the core elements of the reports are converted unchanged. Other elements require a more detailed strategic Compress and Optimize conversion, where improvements using new technology in IBM Cognos 8 BI are applied to improve their effectiveness. This hybrid approach delivers the most effective results and leads to a greatly improved BI solution.

Feature overview

Conversion results

The IBM Cognos Conversion Service enables customers to see dramatic decreases in costs including training, licenses, maintenance, and administration by reducing the number of applications involved. These services reduced the total number of reports at some clients by as much as 90%—all while improving access to information and data quality.

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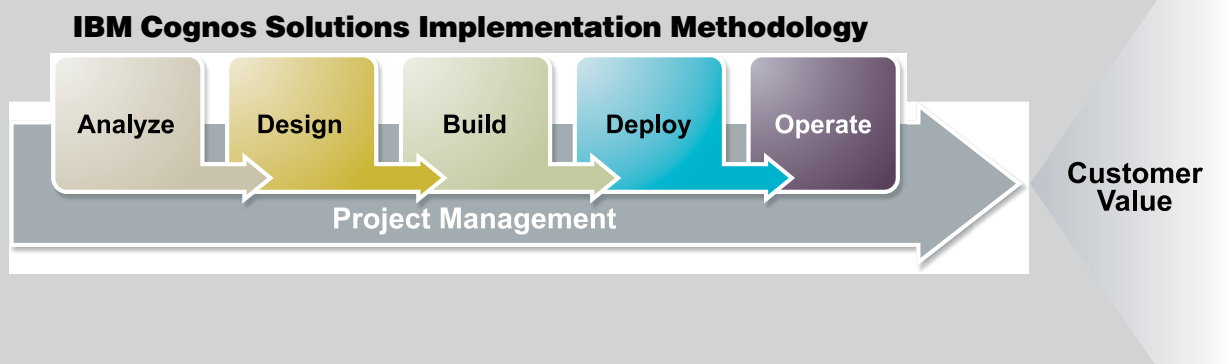
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Proven methodology leads to successful implementations

Used by our customers, partners, and employees around the globe, the IBM Cognos Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM) is a step-by-step guide to the complete implementation lifecycle. The IBM Cognos SIM is based on the five project phases—Analyze, Design, Build, Deploy, Operate—and includes a project management layer.

The scalable implementation methodology features proven tools, guidelines, templates, techniques, and role definitions for the activities, tasks, and deliverables in each phase. The project management function helps project managers complete all planning tasks and monitor and manage all activities, outcomes, risks, schedules, and budgets.

Because configuration and deployment procedures vary according to product line, particularly in the design and build phases, IBM has developed different implementation roadmaps. They include roadmaps for BI, BI migration, BI conversion, planning, and IBM Cognos 8 Controller.



About IBM Cognos BI and Performance Management:

IBM Cognos business intelligence (BI) and performance management solutions deliver world-leading enterprise planning, consolidation and BI software, support and services to help companies plan, understand and manage financial and operational performance. IBM Cognos solutions bring together technology, analytical applications, best practices, and a broad network of partners to give customers an open, adaptive and complete performance solution. Over 23,000 customers in more than 135 countries around the world choose IBM Cognos solutions.

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