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IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check

Overview

IBM Cognos® **TM1 has proven successful in thousands of customer implementations, putting financial managers in complete control of their performance data. As a complementary application to our product suite of IBM Cognos 8 Planning, IBM Cognos 8 Controller, and IBM Cognos 8 Business Intelligence, IBM Cognos TM1 gives businesses enhanced capabilities to analyze and optimize their financial performance. To help businesses maximize their investment in this powerful application, IBM Cognos Professional Services offers the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check.**

Technical specifications
What you get with the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check
To begin, the IBM Cognos consultant will:

- Connect to your IBM Cognos TM1 application
- Conduct interviews with your IBM Cognos TM1 administrator and key business stakeholders to gain an understanding of current business strategy, business pain points and business processes

Features and benefits
How the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check works
The process begins with an information and requirements gathering phase, completed by IBM Cognos consultants. The consultants will then review your current hardware and configuration, along with the application structure related to cubes, metadata and business rules. The consultants also look at data integration and dimension governance along with your administration and maintenance management practices.

IBM Cognos consultants will deliver a detailed report outlining key findings, opportunities, risks, and information related to product release lifecycle, application performance, and recommendations to reduce operating cost of the application. They will perform a holistic review of your business strategy and offer recommendations on leveraging your investment in IBM Cognos TM1 and other IBM Cognos products that align with your business strategy.

How the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check drives better ROI
IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check provides a complete view of all opportunities offered by IBM Cognos TM1 features, enabling you to ensure better return on your application investment. The service enables you to:

- Ensure the long term value of your IBM Cognos TM1 investment
- Mitigate any risks around updates and migrations
- Reduce overall cost of maintaining and updating the application
- Optimize your application investment through hardware and configuration upgrades
- Acquire a detailed understanding of how IBM Cognos TM1 fits with you data, business rules, and Administration

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Feature overview

What is the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check?
As one of the Review work packages under IBM Cognos Guardian Services, the IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check enables you to get the most from your IBM Cognos TM1 implementation. The service provides a comprehensive post-implementation review of your TM1 application.

With powerful features like its industry-leading OLAP engine and real-time analytics, it's important to identify the many opportunities to optimize IBM Cognos TM1 within the context of your existing or evolving business strategies. In order to ensure these opportunities are identified, the service includes a detailed review of the application design as it relates to your proven practices, as well as new ones. The service also ensures the IBM Cognos TM1 application is optimized for current releases of complementary applications, and identifies opportunities to streamline the maintenance and optimize application performance.

Proven methodology
The IBM Cognos TM1 Review work package work package is delivered as a part of the proven IBM Cognos Solutions Implementation Methodology (SIM). This process was designed to ensure successful and repeatable IBM Cognos deployments. It's a step-by-step guide used throughout the implementation lifecycle by our consultants, partners, and

IBM Cognos Guardian Services
Internal teams or partners implementing an IBM Cognos solution can benefit from vendor-specific guidance and technical knowledge to ensure total project success. IBM Cognos Guardian Services provide this valuable expertise. The IBM Cognos TM1 Review is just one offering in the full range of IBM Cognos Guardian Services work packages.

Guardian Services were developed to provide IBM Cognos expertise at critical points of your implementation. They work by allowing you to choose specific services, or work packages, as required, to complement your existing capabilities and project requirements. This helps you protect your software investment, and enables you to:

- Reduce risk
- Realize business value and maximize ROI
- Enable faster adoption

Working with Your Technical Account Manager
Guardian Services allow you to make use of IBM Cognos Technical Account Managers (TAMs). TAMs are technical resources with deep expertise in IBM Cognos technology, performance management, implementation and best practices, and can help you navigate through the available service offerings, while leveraging IBM Cognos resources, tools, and proven practices.

The TAM helps you maximize your valuable application investment, helping you:

- Manage risk to facilitate IBM Cognos implementation success
- Transform business requirements into tangible solutions
- Ensure the correct and expedient resolution of any support issues

customers around the globe to efficiently and successfully implement IBM Cognos solutions.

The IBM Cognos SIM is based on five project phases – Analyze, Design, Build, Deploy, Operate – and incorporates a project management component. The IBM Cognos TM1 Performance Optimization Health Check is delivered at the Operate phase of this lifecycle.

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and Performance Management:**

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