



Data Sheet

Extensio Information Suite for SAP-Microsoft Office Users

Challenges for Business Users in Connecting with SAP®

Despite large investments in SAP, most business users do not use SAP because SAP is not easily accessible in their desktop productivity tools -- Microsoft® Excel, Outlook and Word.

Since Microsoft Office® is not connected to SAP, users are forced to:

- Use error-prone cut-copy-paste to populate Excel and Word documents
- Switch to different applications from Outlook to find relevant data as they respond to e-mail messages
- Manually upload data from Excel to enterprise applications

The information supply into Office remains ad hoc. Without any centralized IT control, it carries operational risks:

- Data-integrity risks with manual data collection
- Risks of sub-optimal decisions due to stale data in "frozen" documents
- Risks of data inconsistency amongst multiple copies of the documents

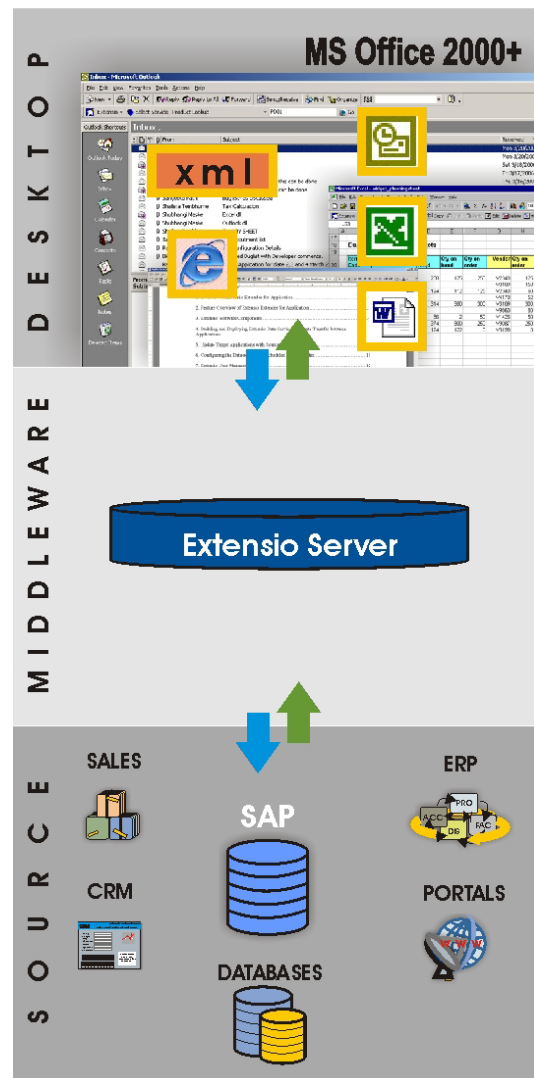
Basic Solution requirements:

- Support for existing Office versions
- Support for SAP 3.1 and mySAP
- Support for SAP and non-SAP
- Extensible and modern architecture
- Minimal new middleware

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The Extensio Information Suite for SAP/MS Office extends data from SAP and non-SAP applications directly to business users' desktop applications.

Extensio Server & Office Add-in



With Extensio, end-users can interact with SAP data directly in their Excel spreadsheets, their Outlook window, and their Word documents. Users can query and update data to SAP and other back-end data sources, in real-time, without leaving their familiar desktop. Extensio also supports non-Office applications such as browser, and PDF documents.

Using Extensio, users save time, and decrease operational risks by:

- Delivering data from SAP in Excel with a single-click Refresh
- Enabling users to query and update SAP transactions from Outlook
- Allowing users to update SAP from within Excel, Outlook and Word

Deploying Extensio Information Suite

Customer's IT department uses the SOA-based Extensio Information Server and its Studio to build information services that access SAP and non-SAP data.

With Extensio, the IT department can leverage existing sources, and for multiple touch-points of Office, desktop, mobile, and portals. All in a few days.

No need to upgrade to Office 2003 or SAP mySAP 2004, or deploy heavy-weight middleware, and pay more.

Summary

The Extensio Desktop Connectivity Solution for SAP leverages the existing Office deployments, and allows users to access enterprise data within their tools, increasing productivity and efficiency.

Delivering the needed information to users on demand. No cut and paste. No time waste. Any data source. Extensible. Flexible. Direct. Secure. That is Extensio.

Supported Environment

Back-end Enterprise Sources

SAP Data sources

- SAP 3.1H+ including mySAP
- All BAPI/RFC enabled transactions
- All SAP Modules

Non-SAP Data Sources

- Other ERP/CRM Applications
- Custom Database Applications
- XML/Web Services
- HTTP/Portal Data Sources
- Flat Files, Excel Files

Microsoft Office Versions

Office & Desktop Applications

- Microsoft® Outlook integration
- Microsoft® Excel integration
- Microsoft® Word integration
- Non-Office desktop applications

Office Versions

- Microsoft® Office 2000/XP/2003

Software Environment

Desktop Operating Systems

- Microsoft® Windows XP
- Microsoft® Windows 2000
- Microsoft® Windows NT
- Microsoft® Windows 98

Application Servers

- Oracle Application Server
- IBM WebSphere App Server
- JBoss/Tomcat/Pramati App Server

Database Repository

- Oracle 9i, 10g Database
- IBM DB2
- Microsoft SQL Server 2000/2005
- MySQL

LDAP

- Microsoft Active Directory
- Netscape LDAP
- Oracle Directory Server

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