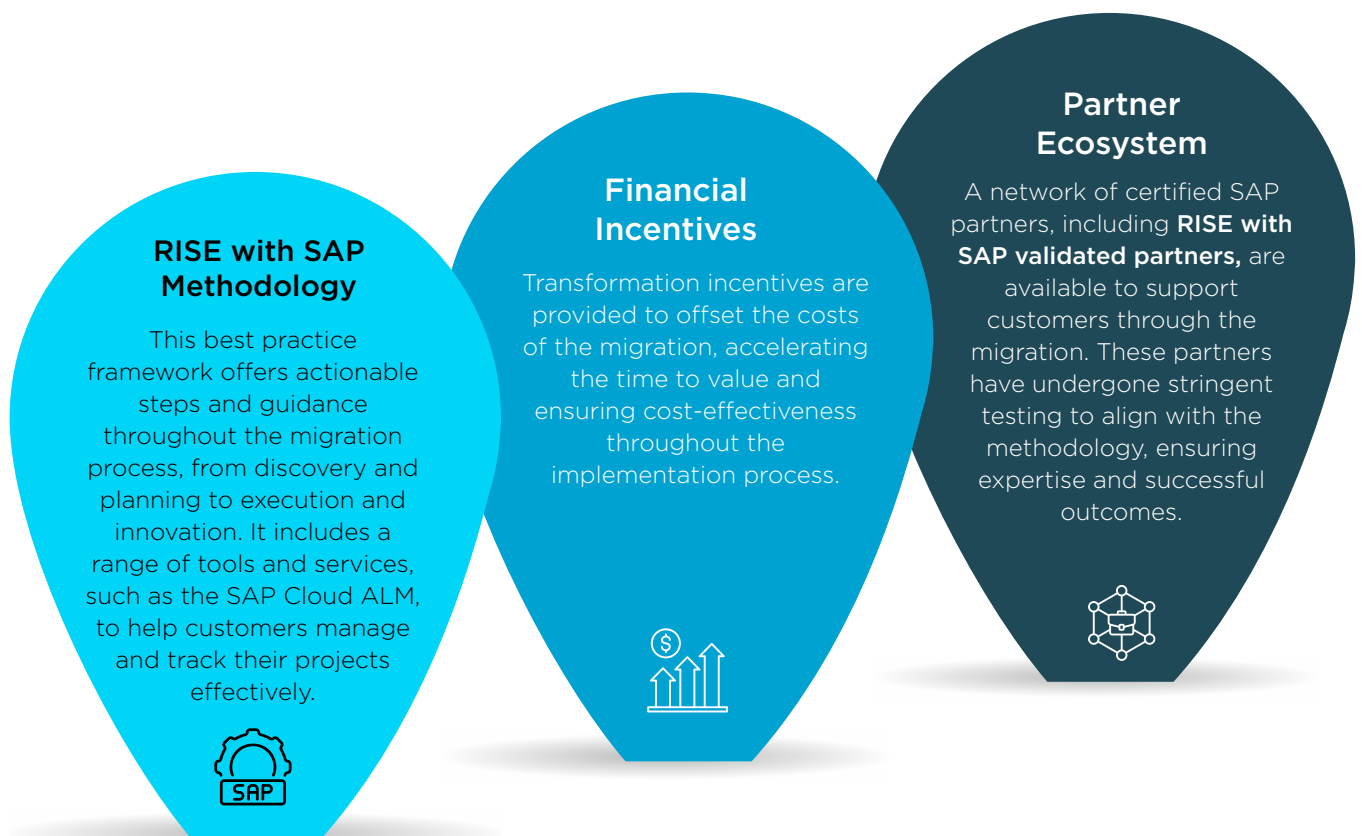# Streamlining ECC to S/4HANA Migration with RISE: A 2025 Guide for Enterprises

SAP ECC standard support will end by 2027. This impending deadline is urging businesses to modernize their ERP systems. Organizations need agility, better decision-making, and enhanced responsiveness. Technologies like embedded analytics and cloud computing are key enablers. These factors drive businesses to plan their ECC to S/4HANA migrations in 2025. To simplify this transition and equip companies with the tools to meet current and future demands; RISE with SAP has emerged as a game-changer.

In this article, we will explore how RISE with SAP addresses migration challenges, eliminates complexities, and empowers businesses to embrace cloud-based modernization. Let's uncover its capabilities and benefits!

RISE with SAP Migration and Modernization program

The RISE with SAP Migration and Modernization Program is a comprehensive initiative designed to guide businesses through their cloud transformation journey. The program is built on three key pillars:

RISE with SAP Methodology

This best practice framework offers actionable steps and guidance throughout the migration process, from discovery and planning to execution and innovation. It includes a range of tools and services, such as the SAP Cloud ALM, to help customers manage and track their projects effectively.

Financial Incentives

Transformation incentives are provided to offset the costs of the migration, accelerating the time to value and ensuring cost-effectiveness throughout the implementation process.

Partner Ecosystem

A network of certified SAP partners, including **RISE with SAP validated partners,** are available to support customers through the migration. These partners have undergone stringent testing to align with the methodology, ensuring expertise and successful outcomes.

In addition, the program promotes a clean core approach, which encourages customers to keep their ERP system free of excessive customizations, ensuring agility, innovation, and operational efficiency. Customers are guided through this process with tools like Clean Core Success Plan and Quality Gates, ensuring best practices are implemented at every stage of the migration.

Through this structured approach, RISE with SAP helps businesses modernize their critical systems, achieve rapid innovation, and maintain a flexible, scalable infrastructure.

Role of RISE with SAP to Accelerate Smooth Transition

The migration involves significant technical complexities, including system reconfiguration, data cleansing, and adapting custom code from legacy systems. Without careful management, it risks operational disruptions and downtime. RISE with SAP simplifies this transition by offering pre-configured best practices, automated tools, and business process intelligence for optimized workflows. Its cloud-based deployment minimizes on-premises infrastructure needs, accelerates innovation, and ensures continuous updates, keeping the S/4HANA environment future-ready.

Streamlined Clean Core Plan with Quality Checks

RISE with SAP's clean core success plan, now integrated into the SAP Activate roadmap viewer, offers clear milestones and KPIs. Allow Customers follow tailored roadmaps aligned with best practices to accelerate value delivery. Offers new quality gate checks to validate adherence to clean core principles at each phase, with outcomes captured in the SAP clean core report, providing actionable recommendations. These insights are tracked and managed through the updated runbook in SAP Cloud ALM, ensuring consistent alignment with the clean core strategy.

Tailored Approaches for S/4HANA Migration Based on Enterprise Scale

For SMEs

Small and medium enterprises benefit from simplified scopes, leveraging RISE with SAP's cloud deployment, pre-configured best practices, and managed services. A greenfield approach helps SMEs start fresh, bypassing complex legacy system migrations.

For Medium-Scale Businesses

Medium-sized companies face moderate complexities. Hybrid deployments, phased migrations, and tools for process optimization ensure smooth transitions. RISE with SAP offers support to minimize disruption and manage risks effectively.

For Large Enterprises

Large-scale organizations tackle intricate migrations due to extensive customizations. RISE with SAP aids with detailed planning, change management, and user training, ensuring seamless navigation of complex landscapes.

By utilizing RISE with SAP, businesses of all scales can embrace digital transformation and achieve a future-proof ERP setup through S/4HANA.

RISE with SAP Migration: Capabilities & Benefits

RISE with SAP addresses both current and future business needs, offering a roadmap to becoming an "intelligent enterprise." As a managed cloud solution, it enables businesses to modernize critical systems and drive continuous innovation.

Here are the key features:

Streamlined Migration Tools

RISE with SAP provides the necessary tools, services, and resources for a seamless transition to SAP S/4HANA Cloud, ensuring a smooth migration experience while minimizing disruption to business operations.

Accelerated Migration with Best Practices

The solution accelerates migration by leveraging industry best practices and tools like SAP Readiness Check, enabling businesses to assess their current system and optimize the migration process for greater efficiency.

Process Optimization

With **Process Discovery,** RISE with SAP helps businesses analyze and optimize their existing processes, enhancing performance and alignment with business goals during the migration.

Clean Core Strategy for Cost-Effectiveness

By promoting a clean core approach, RISE with SAP reduces unnecessary customizations, leading to more efficient, cost-effective system management and easier long-term maintenance.

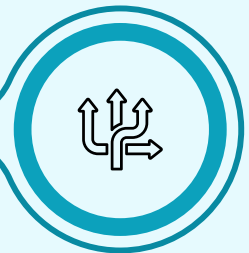# Benefits of migrating to RISE with SAP

Minimized Downtime & Cost Reduction

RISE with SAP enhances efficiency by standardizing and automating migration tasks, minimizing system downtime. This not only optimizes operations but also significantly reduces associated costs, ensuring a more seamless transition to SAP S/4HANA Cloud.
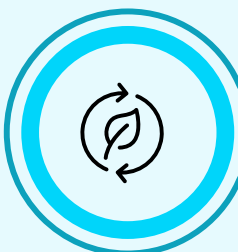
Flexibility & Agility

RISE with SAP provides a flexible migration framework, allowing businesses to prioritize tasks and adapt the process to their specific needs. This agile approach ensures that companies can quickly respond to market changes, staying competitive while building a strong technological foundation for future growth.

Sustainability

RISE with SAP promotes sustainable practices by integrating tools that help reduce the environmental impact of business activities, aligning with corporate sustainability goals.

Comprehensive Solution

The RISE with SAP offering delivers a complete ecosystem, including SAP S/4HANA, cloud infrastructure, managed services, and process transformation tools. It also includes complementary solutions like SAP Ariba for procurement and SAP SuccessFactors for HR management, plus SAP BTP for custom app development, ensuring a fully integrated system that supports both current and future business needs.

How ACCRETE Can Help

Cloud migration has become essential for businesses aiming to stay competitive, and RISE with SAP offers a comprehensive solution to ease this transition. By providing a robust set of tools, services, and resources centered around SAP S/4HANA focusing your business, we ensure a seamless migration process. Our expertise in modernizing and migrating complex systems minimizes downtime and mitigates revenue loss. With a suite of managed services, including advisory, operational, and innovation services, we guide businesses through strategic planning, S/4HANA readiness, and application compatibility, ensuring a successful transformation and future-ready enterprise. For more information, feel free to reach us @acnsol.com.

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