



TRANSFORMING EDF'S FINANCE FUNCTION

VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

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For several years now, we have been undergoing an in-depth transformation of our financial function. Our objective is to guarantee the compliance of all procedures, support the development of the group together with our operational colleagues, and contribute to the group's innovation and business strategy.

With this aim, we therefore need to work on the transformation of our organizations, our processes and our tools. SAP Central Finance helps us, on the one hand, to manage the performance in real time. On the other hand, it helps us articulate management controlling and statutory accounting and tax synthesis. Finally, it facilitates communication between Corporate, business units and shared services centers.

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SAP Central Finance helped us to adopt the best current standards for structuring financial information I am referring especially to multi GAAP management through ledgers, to a more flexible modelling of our organizational structure in the information system, and to a better ability to compare actuals and forecasts.

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EDF's choices for the SAP Central Finance project are now considered to be amongst the best financial practices seen in the Utilities sector around the world. Given the great functional wealth of EDF's ERP, opting for a gradual roadmap—starting with data through SAP Central Finance—has secured the transformation journey, and allowed us to deliver value from the initial stages.

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The project was structured in two parts: centralization via SAP S/4 Central Finance and reporting via BPC and Analysis for Office. The main design choices were made with the objective of securing the future migration of transactional processes into the Central Finance instance. The reporting was designed in an agile way to challenge content and methods with all finance stakeholders. Working with Accenture as a partner in this complex project allowed us to collectively ensure solution quality and deliver on the business commitments. SAP Central Finance is now fully deployed in the EDF SA scope and has already enabled optimizing the closing process, improving our audit trail and increasing control and analysis capability for financial data.

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EDF's SAP Central Finance also contributed to improving the product standards in order to better meet the expectations of financial departments. With around one billion accounting document items per year, it is one of the most significant market references globally, in terms of functionalities, volumes and business challenges, in the deployed scope.

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SAP Central Finance is now fully used within the group. From my perspective, user satisfaction is the key indicator of this project's success. SAP Central Finance allows us to contribute to CAP Finance, the in-depth transformation of the financial function within EDF Group and beyond, to the SMARTFI project that we have engaged in 2019: more simplification, more transformation for more agility and more accountability.

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