

S/4 HANA MIGRATION

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Avoid excessive in-memory storage costs, reduce the transition time, and boost ROI using our intelligent archiving with smart, web-based access

In 2025, SAP will withdraw support for its widely-used SAP R/3 enterprise resource planning software as part of its strategic move to S/4 HANA, SAP's new, high-performance business suite based on the SAP HANA in-memory database. Its SAP customers are expected to migrate to the new platform over the intervening years.

It will take most companies 2-3 years to migrate all of their documents, data, and business objects (eg invoices), and customised business processes, to the new platform, so preparations need to start now. The more content that resides in organisations' existing relational databases, the more complex and costly the transition will be.



Counting the cost of migration

It isn't only the migration itself that will be expensive: storage space in S/4 HANA will represent a significant leap too. Previously, organisations had the option to run other databases behind SAP, but S/4 HANA dictates the use of the high-performance SAP HANA in-memory platform.

The considerable benefits of this include significantly faster data processing, enabling companies to do deeper analysis of their operations and make more insightful business decisions. But this capability comes at a cost. SAP will bill for every gigabyte of storage space on the HANA database - whereas previously the cost of licensing was not influenced by capacity consumption. Typically, organisations can expect a like-for-like storage **cost 3-5 times higher** than with classic SAP.

Taking back control

Fortunately there is no need to migrate all historic documents and data to the SAP HANA database. Indeed, the current preparation period is a good opportunity for organisations to review their historic business records, and determine what can be archived – so that it is still readily available and easy to access, yet does not consume costly in-memory capacity in the new S/4 HANA world.



An **EASY** Solution

EASY SOFTWARE, one of the largest fully-certified SAP integration partners in the world, can help reduce the cost, complexity and time involved in migrating to S/4 HANA, using intelligent archiving to take care of older content which does not need to be stored 'in memory'. By sorting and archiving documents, data and business objects before the migration, we can help you simplify and substantially reduce the cost – and time – involved in moving to the new platform.

Benefits include:

- Smart avoidance of excessive new in-memory storage costs, priced by the gigabyte
- Return on investment within a year
- A solution that's up to 7 times less expensive than anything else on the market
- Condensed migration time: move across documents in the space of a weekend, minimising disruption
- Easy access to all documents and records via a simple web interface
- Automate compliance with internal information policy and regulations such as GDPR, via SAP Information Lifecycle Management (ILM)

Contact us to find out how EASY SOFTWARE, and our EASY Archive and EASY WebDAV solutions, could help streamline your organisation's transition to SAP S/4 HANA.

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