

Why upgrade your Oracle EBS?

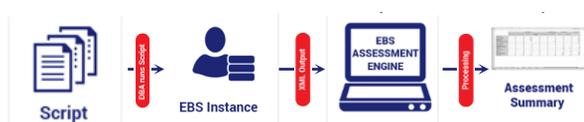
As part of Oracle's Applications Unlimited strategy, Oracle's E-Business Suite (EBS) applications will continue to be enhanced, to protect and extend the value of your software investment. By upgrading to the latest release of Oracle EBS, organizations can achieve immediate value by taking advantage of new product features and maintain access to new updates, fixes, and critical patch updates.

To keep pace with evolving market dynamics, it is crucial for organizations running older versions of Oracle EBS to reassess and look for an upgrade path to maximize their return on investment.

So, here's the million-dollar question: **"How do you upgrade at the lowest cost possible without jeopardizing your system's current usefulness?"**

Planning for the Upgrade

Before pursuing an upgrade, it is imperative that you fully understand the upgrade process, potential upgrade paths, and most importantly, your criteria for considering an upgrade of your Oracle E-Business Suite. The figure below indicates the various phases and activities involved in the upgrade process.



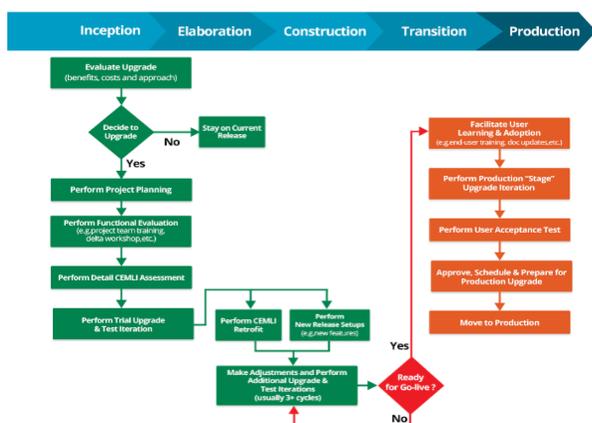
Appstek EBS Upgrade Assessment Solution – Automated Process

Many organizations often do not know where to start with the upgrade and end up initiating a manual assessment process. The challenge with this approach is it is expensive, inaccurate and often very time consuming. After such an assessment, many organizations may still not have answers to all the questions or be better informed to decide on the upgrade path.

Appstek recommends automating the assessment process to check the readiness for upgrade, as this approach saves time, cost and efforts in the actual upgrade process by equipping organizations with the right information.

The **Appstek EBS Upgrade Assessment Solution** is automated and enables organizations to identify exactly what areas to focus on during an EBS technical upgrade. The Appstek team will share a script which queries your EBS instance and delivers a detailed assessment report. Not only does this report outline all the customizations that you've added to your system, but it also shows when those enhancements were added, who uses them, and how frequently they are used.

We'll then help you decide which elements can be eliminated to reduce the complexity of your upgrade. Finally, the Appstek team will provide you with a true, accurate estimate for your upgrade, including only the EBS enhancements you truly need.



Source: Best Practices for Upgrading Oracle E-Business Suite, Oracle Corporation

The output enables efficient decision making on how to move forward with the actual upgrade. The report outlines all the customizations and shows when they were added, who uses them and how frequently they are used. This enables the organization to decide which elements can be eliminated to reduce the complexity of the upgrade. It also enables an accurate estimate for the upgrade process.

	Design Analyst	Functional Analyst	Programmer	Programmer Sup. Analyst	Technical Analyst	Documentation	Analyst	Programmer	Grand Total
Administration	31.56	0	31.56	0	0	0	0	0	63.12
Code and Unit Test	0	0	504.11	0	0	0	0	0	504.11
Detailed Design	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Documentation / Online Help	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Functional Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Integration Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Programming Supervision	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
System Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Technical Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unit Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
User Acceptance Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	31.56	0	535.67	0	0	0	0	0	567.23

	Design Analyst	Functional Analyst	Programmer	Programmer Sup. Analyst	Technical Analyst	Documentation	Analyst	Programmer	Grand Total
Administration	5.1	0	5.1	0	0	0	0	0	10.2
Code and Unit Test	0	0	81.6	0	0	0	0	0	81.6
Detailed Design	0	0	40.8	0	0	0	0	0	40.8
Documentation / Online Help	0	0	0	0	0	10.2	0	0	10.2
Functional Support	0	0	20.4	0	0	0	0	0	20.4
Integration Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Programming Supervision	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
System Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.56	12.24	20.4
Technical Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unit Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.2	10.2
User Acceptance Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.2	10.2
Grand Total	5.1	0	127.5	0	0	10.2	18.36	22.44	204

	Man Hours	Man weeks	# of Developers	Weeks / Developer
Man Hours	90	360	2248	0
Man weeks	2	9	56	0
# of Developers			6.24	
Weeks / Developer			9.0	

Benefits

Our EBS Upgrade Assessment Solution saves time, effort and money. The solution empowers organizations with greater planning and control over the costs associated with their upgrade and can save them 30-50% on their technical upgrade cost.

They benefit from true cost estimates for the project, including a timeline, resources necessary, and a report showing the total number of custom objects that need redevelopment or require changes. The assessment summary also includes a detailed breakdown of the technical upgrade effort estimate by resource.

Further, the Appstek solution minimizes the cost of a company's technical upgrade by focusing the testing efforts on areas impacted by their Oracle EBS enhancements. Once the testing is complete, we help you plan for your upgrade with a new, streamlined system that eliminates obsolete enhancements.

Summary

Appstek EBS Upgrade Assessment Solution allows you to plan for the EBS upgrade and provides you with all the information needed to properly position the initiative within your IT roadmap.

Appstek strategy leverages our EBS expertise and an accurate assessment of your existing footprint. Through the assessment, we collaborate to provide an upgrade that is perfectly aligned with your existing IT infrastructure and business objectives.

About Appstek

Appstek recognizes that clients have many choices among consulting companies, so we sincerely appreciate your consideration.

Our team distinguishes itself with exceptional talent, integrity, and rigorous work ethic, and we ask our clients to hold us accountable to the highest standards.

Looking for a trusted technology partner for your EBS upgrade? We are just a call / email away.