

# **Take Complete Control of Your SAP Licensing**

#### Now you can:

- View usage data across all SAP systems
- Optimize ongoing SAP license costs
- Maintain compliance by assigning each user the optimal named user license
- Minimize duplicate users and idle licenses
- Budget accurately for future SAP license requirements

#### What you get

SAP applications are among the most highly valued and widely used in many organizations. Companies like yours risk costly and unplanned expenses if you don't know the exact number of SAP users you have, how the systems are being used and what license types are utilized, even after you submit the required license administration workbench (LAW) data to SAP. FlexNet Manager for SAP Applications provides you with the insight needed to take action and avoid unexpected costs.

#### More accurately budget for future needs

License requirements become a moving target as organizations evolve. Enterprises have had a limited view of SAP usage, forcing them to perform manual, error-prone processes and make costly guesses about license needs or budget forecasts.

FlexNet Manager for SAP Applications provides you with agentless collection of SAP usage information and analyzes user behavior based several factors, including SAP transactions, authorization roles and module usage. This allows organizations to accurately predict future SAP license needs and avoid unbudgeted surprises.

# **Optimize named user license classifications**

SAP named user license definitions are vague. Administrators often are left to determine which license type should be assigned to each user with little information to help them or to justify their decisions. Administrators now can determine the optimal license type for each user based on real usage patterns in a fully automated and repeatable way while complying with their SAP contract.

# SAP indirect usage license identification and optimization

Indirect usage has become a major concern for customers as SAP continues to perform audits related to this model. The financial risk can be significant and costly. Organizations can discover instances of indirect access and optimize the license requirements for users of non-SAP systems two ways:

- 1. Identify accounts that could be retired on non-SAP systems with users who have not logged in for an extended period (idle users)
- 2. Find users who have accounts on both SAP and non-SAP systems, to avoid licensing them multiple times (duplicate users across systems)

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#### **SAP license ratios**

Some SAP contracts stipulate a minimum ratio of professional to limited professional named user licenses. FlexNet Manager for SAP Applications calculates an optimal license position based on real usage data. And it determines a contractual license position that takes into consideration SAP's license ratio requirements, enabling organizations to optimize their SAP named user licenses while staying in compliance with their license agreement.

#### Continuous license compliance and optimization for S/4HANA systems

FlexNet Manager for SAP Applications provides a continuous view of license compliance regularly refreshed based on the latest information. An executive dashboard highlights key compliance metrics and indicates optimization opportunities that exist throughout the enterprise. Organizations can measure consumption and obtain optimization recommendations for S/4HANA systems, similar to the current methodology in classic business suite (ECC). The solution will support environments where ECC and S/4HANA co-exist, as well as pure S/4HANA environments.

# What-if scenarios

Organizations now are able to predict the impact of changes to their license classification policies using simulated what-if scenarios, including best-case and worst-case simulations. User-defined rule sets can be used to drive the simulations and archived for future use.

### Simplified true-ups

Preparing for SAP true-ups—creating the LAW report and sending it to SAP—can be an exhausting process. With FlexNet Manager for SAP Applications, organizations can:

- Minimize the effort to prepare for a true-up or audit by automating the collection and processing of named user usage and package licensing data
- Reclassify users based on their actual usage, eliminating duplicate users and reclaiming unused licenses
- Determine ongoing package license consumption avoiding unbudgeted true-up surprises for these licenses

"As the top priority for the past 3 years, reducing the cost of ownership and complexity remains the key concern among SAP customers."

**R. Ray Wang**, Constellation Research Software Insider Survey

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