

CASE STUDY Planning for a Cloud ERP and EPM Transition

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Client Overview



Size

10,000+ Employees

Number of Rooms

Overview

During a pivotal transition from public to private ownership, a national hotel brand recognized an opportunity to modernize its legacy financial systems and optimize outdated business processes. The CFO leadership team engaged SC&H to lead a comprehensive financial systems planning, strategy, and transformation initiative. Our informed end-to-end strategy ultimately enabled a successful cloud-based ERP and EPM implementation completed in less than 12 months.

Client Goals

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- Create new data model and hierarchies for the new financial systems and reporting
- Redesign GL chart in alignment with USALI standards
- Define operational data elements such as attributes, metrics, and KPIs
- Establish historical data conversion, validation, and reconciliation strategy

Implement comprehensive communication, change management, and rollout strategy

Software Solutions



Key Benefits and Outcomes

- » Laid the groundwork for an ERP and EPM implementation completed in under 12 months
- Enabled M&A growth with a cross-platform system design, facilitating the acquisition of 100+ hotels and transition of 70 to franchisees during implementation
- » Introduced 100% automated, real-time, self-service reporting, cutting the average time needed to access data by 95%

SC&H Process and Tactics

Led project planning and strategy: Utilized industry expertise to assess requirements, develop a data and reporting framework, define testing and validation, and establish a data conversion strategy compatible with Oracle

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Defined and designed key elements for the cloud ERP and EPM systems: Created a new corporate COA, a property level USALI-compliant chart of accounts, historical mappings, dimensions, and reporting hierarchies

Optimized financial, management, and operational processes: Aligned monthly close and consolidation, planning, and reporting across corporate and hotel-level operations with the best practices usage of the new financial systems

Established an effective change management program: Minimized operational disruption and ensured buy-in through comprehensive communication and enablement designed to support stakeholders to quickly learn, adopt, and use the new systems

Bolstered support within the client's internal team: Assisted with project management, data validation, testing, and cutover throughout implementation and deployment, collaborating closely with the System Integrator responsible for the technical delivery of the ERP and EPM implementation

Tested and validated 5 years of historical data and reporting: Ensured integrity of the data conversion process to prepare the solution for a successful go-live

Recommended Reading

Transitioning to Oracle ERP Cloud: Urgency, Importance, and How to Start Now

If you want your organization to succeed in today's fast-paced environment, investing in Oracle ERP Cloud is your next step. Here's why.

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Unlock the Cloud with SC&H

Ready to upgrade your financial systems? Our experienced team can guide you through our proven approach to a seamless, stress-free cloud ERP transition.

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