THE FUTURE OF
CONSUMER PRODUCTS
AND RETAIL WITH
SAP S/4HANA®

How the digital platform enables greater insights, enhanced usability, and quicker decision making

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SAP S/4HANA® stands as a cutting-edge platform, poised to revolutionize the consumer-packaged goods and retail industry by facilitating the establishment of a dynamic digital supply chain. Moreover, it empowers enterprises with real-time financial insights, a pivotal achievement that numerous companies ardently pursue on their journey to attain world-class status.

This platform allows companies to:

Optimize demand forecasting with AI and machine learning by utilizing data and model training to more accurately predict demand and adapt to changing market conditions.

Leverage consumer data and insights using advanced analytics and reporting to empower data-driven decisions, enabling a 360-degree consumer view.

Improve supply chain resilience by integrating processes, enhancing visibility, and enabling collaboration across the entire supply chain network.

**Drive personalized omnichannel customer experiences** with real-time behavioral insights to increase customer satisfaction and brand loyalty.

Adhere to regulatory and financial compliance using tools that monitor, report, and ensure reduction of compliance risks.

Advance innovation and sustainable product development by facilitating collaboration among different teams and providing a unified view of data accelerating time-to-market and improving sustainability metrics.

Enhance operational and financial efficiency by unifying processes and data on a single platform with S/4HANA, eliminating data silos and redundant tasks.

These advantages, coupled with the looming 2027 deadline impacting companies currently using SAP ECC, has spurred a significant surge in clients opting to migrate their SAP landscapes and transition to SAP S/4HANA.

### Navigate your SAP S/4HANA journey with confidence

The journey to a successful migration starts with justifying the value, creating a strong business case and developing a sound strategy. This will be a multi-year journey to realize that value, with ups and downs that must be continually monitored to keep the journey on track. Having good people, processes and technology to make sure the focus is not only on the end-point of the migration, but on the long-term digital transformation of the organization. This provides consumer products and retail providers with the opportunity to strategically enhance profitability, elevate product and service quality, all the while adeptly navigating intricate sustainability and financial regulations. Protiviti works with customers in every phase of this journey, which is outlined below:



### **Product and Solution Offerings**

RISE TO SAP S/4HANA	DATA, ANALYTICS & AI	SECURITY & COMPLIANCE	FINANCE TRANSFORMATION & PROCESS OPTIMIZATION
Common issues addressed: Implementation and data migration strategies that focus on business processes, solution design, data and the deployment of SAP S/4HANA.  Our focus areas include:  Digital Roadmap  Solution Design  Project Management & Governance  Testing Strategy & Automation  Organizational Change Enablement  Cloud Strategy and Optimization  SAP S/4HANA Data Migration  Key SAP Products:  SAP S/4HANA  SAP Fiori  SAP Business Technology Platform	Common issues addressed: Improve data quality, integration, and migration to SAP S/4HANA, streamlining data governance with proven strategies.  Our focus areas include:  Data Quality & Governance  Master Data Management  Data Strategy & Warehousing  Predictive & Business Analytics  Machine Learning & IoT  Key SAP Products:  SAP Data Services  SAP BW/4HANA  SAP Datasphere  SAP HANA  SAP MDG  SAP Analytics Cloud  SAP BusinessObjects PCE	Common issues addressed: Streamline user and role management, identify and remove security risks (such as segregation of duties) and provide assistance to meet regulatory compliance requirements.  Our focus areas include:  Governance, Risk & Compliance  SAP S/4HANA Risk Management  Identity & Access Management  Data Privacy and Cybersecurity  Internal Audit  Intelligent Automation  Key SAP Products:  SAP GRC (AC, PC, RM)  SAP IAG  SAP IDM  SAP ETD  SAP AVM by Pathlock  SAP Sustainability Control Tower	Common issues addressed: Provide SAP S/4HANA Implementation support, drive finance and procure-to-pay optimization, develop SAP Analytics Cloud/ BPC/IBP/Group reporting strategy and implementation.  Our focus areas include:  Business Process Optimization  Financial Close  Process Mining & Analysis  Financial Planning & Analysis  End-to-End Process Implementation and Integration  Key SAP Products:  SAC Cloud & Planning  SAP Central Finance  SAP BPC  SAP Signavio  SAP IBP  SAP HANA Cloud

#### **Customer Success Stories**



# Optimizing business and FP&A processes leveraging SAP S/4HANA and SAP Analytics Cloud® for a global food chain

A multinational restaurant chain had implemented SAP S/4HANA globally with unmet business, reporting and planning requirements, resulting in manual workarounds and process inefficiencies. Protiviti launched a sprint-based approach to remediate open issues and successfully enabled SAP S/4HANA and SAP Analytics Cloud, optimizing business, budgeting and planning processes.

- Improved process efficiency
- Automated manual activities
- Enabled visibility to company performance
- Optimized planning cycle times within FP&A Processes

## Leveraging data for meaningful insights and game-changing business intelligence

A leading North American beverage wholesaler sought to better understand demand, drive sales goals and optimize its supply chain but struggled with multiple, disparate systems. Protiviti reduced multiple platforms to a single source of truth, using SAP for ERP, HANA for data management, and Power BI and SAP BusinessObjects for Analytics, unlocking meaningful insights and saving hundreds of thousands of dollars.

- Optimized inventory and customer backorder management
- Improved forecasting accuracy
- Enabled self-service tools
- Built trust in corporate data, increasing user adoption

### Building compliant security access and enhancing the internal controls framework

A leading global retail and fashion company was implementing SAP S/4HANA for Fashion and Vertical Business and struggling with manual SAP security access processes. Protiviti was engaged to develop an internal controls framework, design security access and implement SAP GRC to automate user provisioning requests.

- Visibility into key risks and internal controls
- 100% SOD conflict-free task-based security roles
- 95% SOD conflict-free business roles
- Auto provisioning of access for retail store users
- Workflow-based provisioning of access for corporate users

#### **Partners**













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