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Adding value by upgrading to E1 9.1 Stress-Free JD Edwards 17th June 2014 Kit Mundy - Differentia Consulting

...introduction to Differentia Consulting

- Independent consulting firm, specialising in JD Edwards and QlikView
- Ex KPMG Consulting
- Oracle JD Edwards partner since formation in 2002
- Providing a full service for both JD Edwards and QlikView
 - Consulting / applications development
 - Software licences
 - Training
 - Applications and technical support
 - Technical architecture / hardware sizing
- Specialised CNC capability we have a very strong CNC team, UK based
- Complementary solutions

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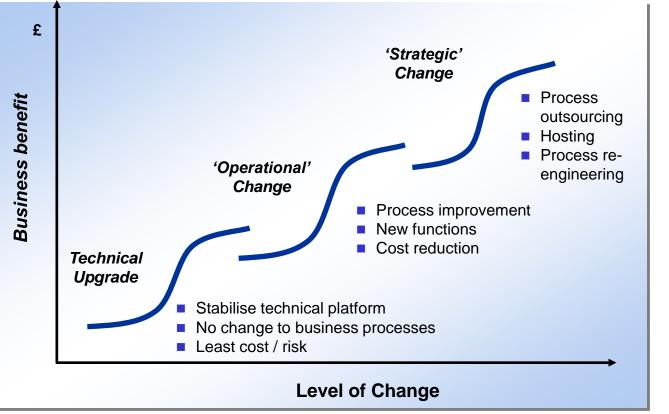
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...objectives for today

- Differentia Consulting have been engaged this year in a number of successful upgrade projects
 - to E1 9.1 from most releases including World, Xe, ERP8, 8.10, 8.11
- The purpose of this presentation is to share with you some of that experience, based on real customer projects, in particular:
 - data migration
 - reporting
 - training
 - resourcing



... developing a business case



- There are few hard benefits of upgrading without changing business processes as well
- What level of change is appropriate?
- Need to balance projected benefits with cost/risk

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... business discovery

'baseline' current performance

- identify where things go wrong now (eg in customer service, lead times, excess stock, reporting accuracy and timeliness etc)
- Identify 'pain points'

identify improvements

- remove non value adding processes
- simplify where possible
- automate where possible
- quantify the benefits
- implement 'quick wins'
- prioritise everything else
 - must do / could do / wish list

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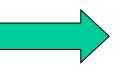
...data migration

- Probably the most complex and high risk part of the upgrade project
 - Don't migrate more data than you absolutely need
 - Consider cleaning data as much as possible prior to the upgrade
 - Consider purging unwanted data
 - Separate out historical data which can be migrated after go-live
 - Automate where possible as you will need to migrate business data multiple times, for testing, training as well as for go-live

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...clean and archive your business data before upgrading

- Clean business data (end user)
 - data accuracy
 - obsolescence
- Clean database (IT)
 - data integrity
 - data volumes
- Define data retention policies
 - history
 - security and access
- Archive old data



Benefits

- accurate and current data
- reduced cut-over time
- reduced testing time pre and post cutover
- lower storage costs
- improved system performance
- fast and secure access to historical data

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...analyse and clean your data

- make it visible
- green/white/grey

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...data migration tools

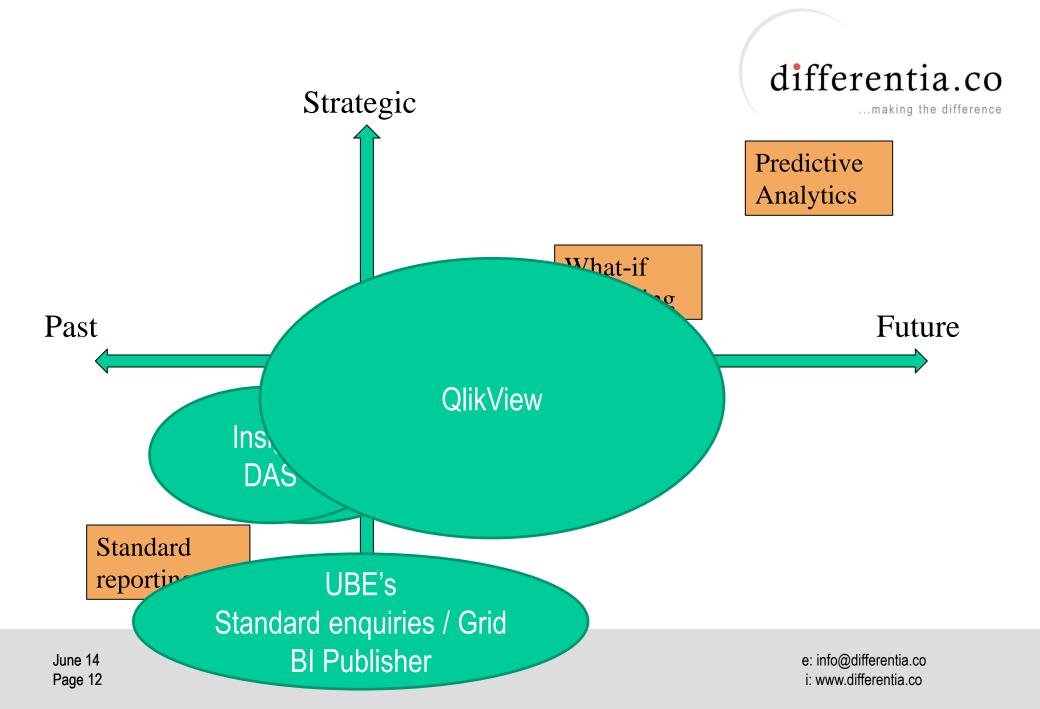
- Oracle standard table conversion tool
 - Copies all business data from release to release
 - Ideal for a technical upgrade with no changes to master data or business processes
- Bespoke UBEs to import selected data via z tables
- Manual data entry
 - Simple option, in particular for open SO's, PO's, WO's
- Consider specialist integration tools such as Magic xpi



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...reporting

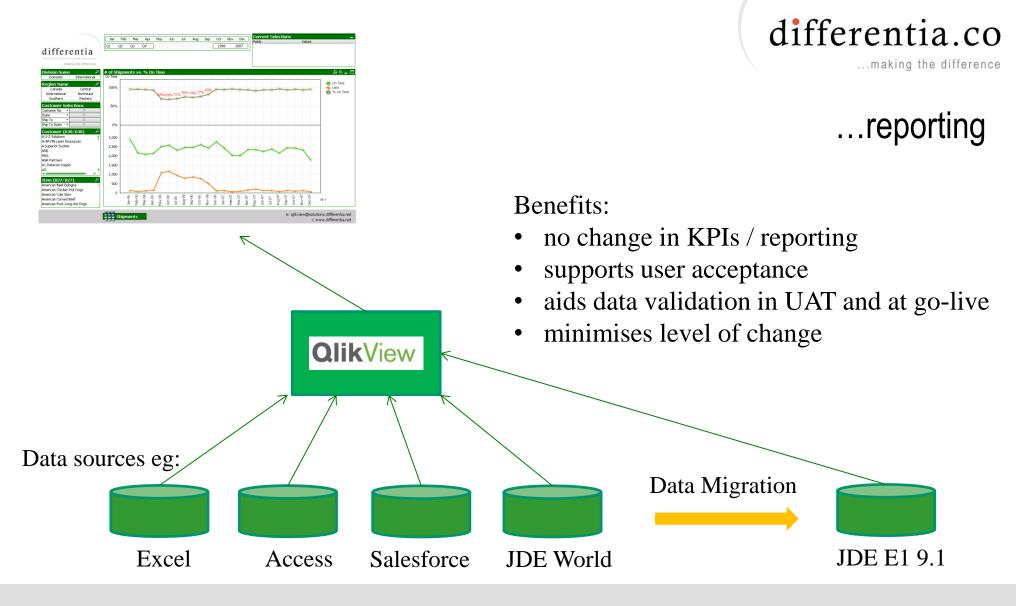
- Lots of options now for reporting in 9.1
 - Grid
 - Data Browser (for power users)
 - Standard Reports
 - BI Publisher
 - One View Reporting
- 3rd party complementary reporting tools
 - Insight Software
 - DAS
 - **QlikView**

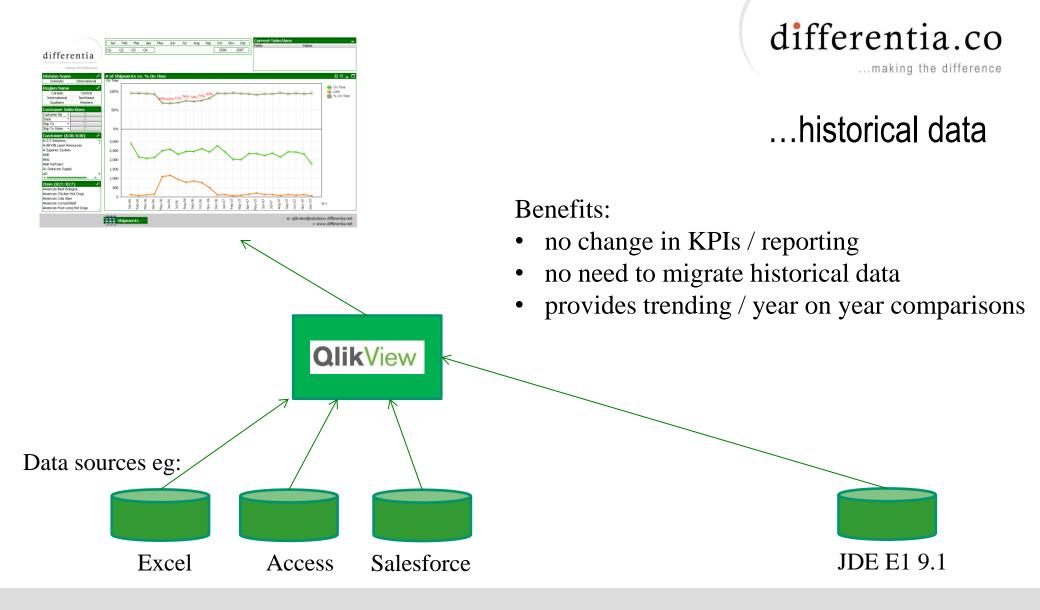


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- In our experience, reporting is almost always left too late on in the upgrade process and is invariably rushed
- Take the opportunity to rationalise your existing reports many will be obsolete or variations of the same report
- Redesign your processes and encourage the use of enquiries using the grid rather than printing out to pdf
- Allow your users to access and generate their own reports / views to reduce the load on IT
- Design your KPIs and reports prior to the upgrade





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...training





Integrated software suite with full life cycle training tools supporting design to assessment.

- End user training
 - new E1 9.1 user interface is intuitive and existing E1 users find it easy to navigate
 - more of a change if migrating from green screen or if changing business processes
 - UPK is a good tool in both situations
- Technical training
 - E1 9.1 apps and tools release introduces new technical functions which require new skills eg in WebLogic / Websphere, portals, mobile
 - this is a major consideration if migrating from World running on AS/400



...resourcing

- there are a lot of companies looking to upgrade in 2014
- specialist skills are becoming rarer and are in demand, in particular
 - CNC
 - Training
 - Manufacturing
- (hence upward pressure on salaries / rates)
- consider outsourcing certain support services to a specialist JD Edwards partner

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...conclusions

- planning is key
- learn from others who have done it before
 - other JD Edwards users
 - Oracle
 - your consulting partner
- start preparing early
 - process design
 - data cleansing and archiving
 - training
 - technical planning and scoping

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...how can we help you to get started?

- one day client focused upgrade workshop (foc)
 - focus on specific client issues
 - technical infrastructure review
 - improvement areas
 - outline project plan
 - budget costs / resources / timescales
- technical assessment / health check
- business case development
- business process design based on our JDE best practice processes
- data cleansing and archiving
- business performance analytics and reporting with QlikView JDE templates