

Financial Dimension Governance: An Introduction to IBM Business Viewpoint 10.1.1

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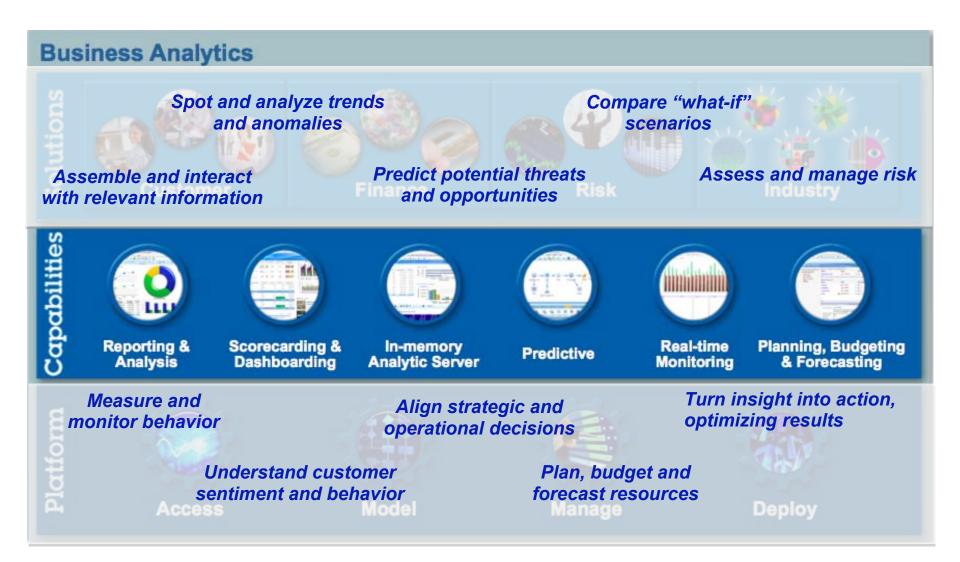
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Coordinating business definitions

"I need different product hierarchies for programs and revenue."

Marketing Manager

"I want to realign my cost centers so I have plan and actual views."

Financial Analyst

"I wish the sales hierarchy reflected the latest reorganization."

Operations Manager

"When will the data warehouse reflect the customer loyalty index?"

Brand Manager

Every department in every organization manages dimensions – How can your organization do it more efficiently and timely?

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Classic Business Challenges

| Cost Centers | Cost center roll-ups changing daily, weekly, monthly. Out of sync with core finance systems. Different cost center hierarchies and accounting for plan, and for future years. Knowledge base in finance team. |
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| Product Hierarchies | Product hierarchies changing constantly by brand, family, geography. Out of sync with reporting & planning systems Scenario and planning hierarchies differ by product, brand Knowledge base in product management |
| Sales Hierarchies | Sales teams, account ownership and geographic/product responsibility changing frequently Out of sync with most systems due to the dynamic nature of sales organizations Many unique and different sales structures and methodologies Knowledge base in sales organization |
| Account Standardization | Many views of measures and accounts across different systems. Account relationships different for planning and actuals, as well as management reporting Many measures and ratios "outside" standard systems Knowledge base in accounting |

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Standard challenges & current state

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Cost centre structures and hierarchy established in source systems



Master definition supported by IT controls

Infrequent updates from business users reflected in source systems Cost center rules and accountability change in business ecosystem weekly

Finance stewards manage discrepancy between source systems and new rules in spreadsheets

> Finance stewards and IT analysts manipulate processed information to support new cost center alignment







The impact of dimension management

Cost Center Management & Accountability



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Cost center rules and accountability change in business ecosystem *managed in coordinated system*

> Finance stewards and business users manage cost center alignment directly

> > Finance stewards and IT analysts feed processed information to support transaction systems & controls





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Cost centre

coordinated from

structures

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Master definitions supported by IT controls

Timely updates from business users reflected in source systems

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Business & IT Partnership



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- Freedom to own dimension structures, relationships and attributes in a shared view
- Replacement of manual, error-prone efforts with fully transparent, automated and auditable processes
- Approved shared viewpoints for use across BI and Performance Management, and provide those approved structures to IT for other systems

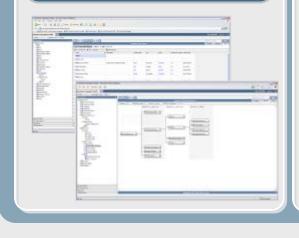


- Embrace business ownership of dimensions while maintaining oversight of their work
- Retain control of how approved versions are published and used with minimal disruption to downstream systems
- Ensure organization can respond to business change with minimal delay



Create and Maintain

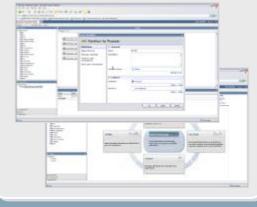
Enable the business to capture their own current and future viewpoints



Govern and Collaborate

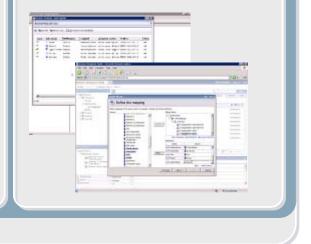
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Replace manual, errorprone efforts with fully transparent, automated and auditable processes



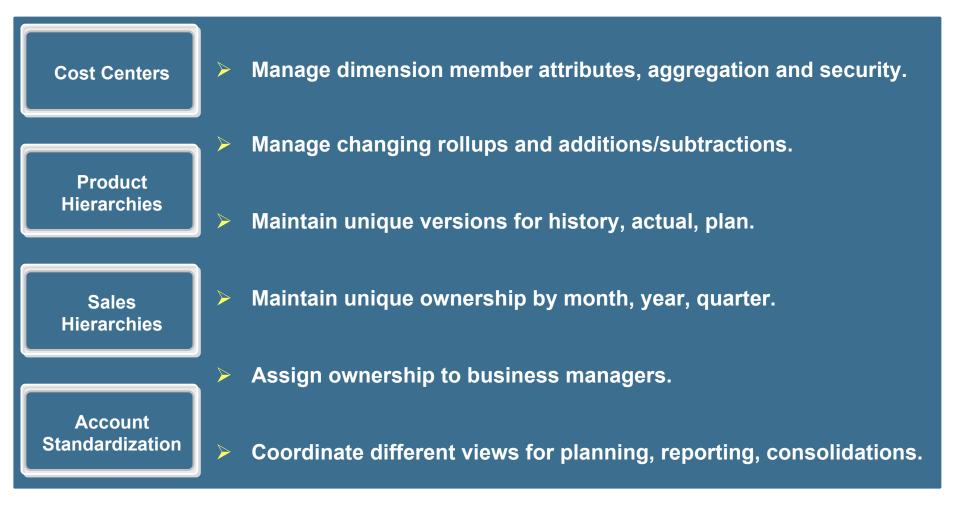
Share and Synchronize

Share approved viewpoints across the decision-making process and systems





Business Viewpoint Impact



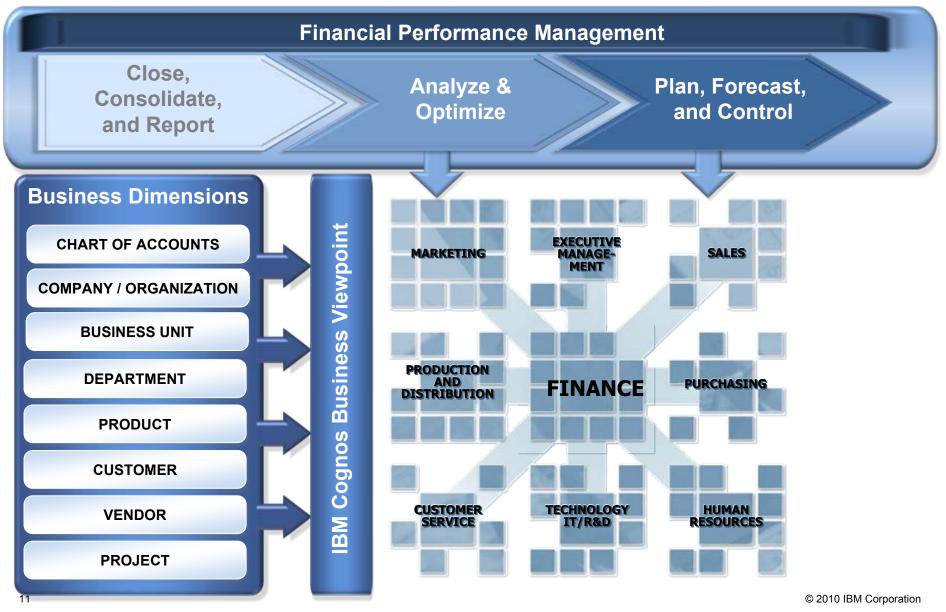
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A common platform for managing shared dimensions

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The Many Faces of Business Viewpoint

Pension Investment Plan

 Problem: Had a core problem to manage different versions of key structures from Oracle Financials, needed to revert to previous versions, needed history of change for audit and compliance.

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- Products: TM1, Oracle Financials
- Solution: Used Business Viewpoint to manage all updated to TM1 dimensions

Financial Services

- Problem: Manage rapidly changing business, regulatory controls and provide transparency, map business structures across acquired entities.
- Products: TM1, Enterprise Planning, BI Reporting
- Solution: Needed Business Viewpoint to create standardized and versioned hierarchies that update their plans, analysis cubes and reporting databases.

Pharmaceutical Manufacturer

- Problem: Needed to provide flexibility for business users to manage brands and consumer packaging business structures
- Products: Business Intelligence
- Solution: Provided Business Viewpoint to their business user to create hierarchies from managed / golden lists of products and customers

Multiple Customers with Excel

- Problem: Manage and update important business dimensions in Excel, circulate spreadsheets for update by multiple people, correct errors.
- Products: Using spreadsheets to manage constantly changing sales territories, customers and business units structures.
- **Solution:** Needed Business Viewpoint to reorganize dimensions based on business need and change



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Create and Maintain



Build dimensions from various data sources

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Enable the business to capture their own current and future viewpoints



Creating multiple hierarchies the reference data

Demonstrate the use of List as reference data



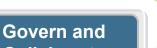
Maintaining reference data, attributes and validation

Advanced features – relationship table, key management

Build dimensions from various data sources







Business users updating hierarchies

Workflow review - nominate, review, approve

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Collaborate Replace manual, error-prone efforts with fully transparent, automated and auditable processes



Version management





Track and report history







across the decision-making process and systems



Sharing dimension information across systems

Report structure update

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Advanced hierarchy modeling and collaboration

New **Relationship Tables** allow business modelers to create advanced hierarchies using simple tables and even other hierarchies

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Improved coordination with enterprise reporting

Streamlined wizard and guided user interface for **importing and updating dimensions** in databases and reporting datamarts.

Enhanced TM1 Dimension Management

Manage alternate hierarchies in TM1 by subscribing to multiple Business Viewpoint hierarchies in a single TM1 dimension



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Business user data management **Coordinate the data flow** of business information in Performance Management system

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Packaged Dimension Templates Save dimension structures (lists, hierarchies, sets, and optionally members) as a template and **package key dimensions for re-use** by others

Governing through Business Rules

Establish important validation rules, including flexibility to enforce business rules including default values and custom messages

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