

Challenge: Providing a no fuss, jumpstart solution for the alignment of SAP and new NZ GST rate changes. Solution: Oxygen's GST Ready SmartStart Solution.

Oxygen's GST Ready SmartStart solution provides a turnkey solution for the GST rate changes expected to come into effect in New Zealand on the 1st October 2010. Companies running SAP will benefit from a quick and reliable implementation approach that addresses tax legislation amendments relating to GST rate changes.

The team at Oxygen has been busy researching the impact of the changes in GST rates in SAP, identifying all the key touch points inside SAP and integration points outside SAP. Oxygen has developed a package to address the SAP changes that are required as a result of the changes to GST rates.

The comprehensive solution covers configuration, master data conversion and a transactional transition approach that will be required at cutover, thereby providing a jump start for implementing the taxation changes in SAP.

For New Zealand based companies running SAP, Oxygen offers a one stop shop to address all the changes required within their SAP environments to handle the new GST rates; all with minimal impact and fuss. This is supported by Oxygen's:

- › Functional consulting capability across all aspects of SAP
- › Development resources covering custom programs, SAP Scripts, Smartforms, ABAP programs and i-doc interfaces
- › Project Management and Testing capabilities

Typical challenges

Changes in GST don't happen very often, but when they do it typically sends the business community in to a state of chaos and confusion. This ultimately makes its way to the CxO who is faced with the searching questions:

- › What impact will the changes have on our SAP environment?
- › Do we have the capability and capacity to effect these changes?
- › What custom developments, interfaces and business forms will be impacted?
- › How does the transition of GST Rates affect our current processes at the change date, and post cutover?
- › Will we be ready for the change?

This inevitably requires time to be spent by the business:

- › Assessing the impact and effect the changes will have on the business processes and the SAP environment
- › Building a one off project team to investigate and identify all the touch points and impacted configuration and customisations within SAP
- › Developing single use conversion processes for handling open items over the cutover date that are still in process, i.e. SRM, PIR, open purchase orders, incomplete sales orders, deliveries in progress not yet billed etc.

Realisable benefits

Oxygen's GST Ready SmartStart solution offers the following benefits:

- › A low risk approach to managing the changes brought about by impending NZ GST rate changes
- › A process that has had thorough investigation with all the changes to SAP standard settings and required conversions being identified
- › A continually refined solution as the legislation develops and is finalised, negating the need for individual project teams to undertake this task.
- › A template and roadmap negating the need for reinventing the wheel, allowing the project team to focus on customer specific objects requiring attention
- › A set of defined processes for handling required conversions
- › Reduced project delivery time
- › The business can focus on normal business operations
- › The ability to do it '**right first time**'

People, technology, process – the SmartStart approach

With the Oxygen GST Ready SmartStart solution you benefit from the extensive pre-work undertaken and continually enhanced by Oxygen, along with Oxygen's proven project and implementation toolset.

Find out more

If you would like to find out more about Oxygen's GST Ready SmartStart solution, contact: SmartStart@oxygenforbusiness.com

About SmartStart by Oxygen

SmartStart by Oxygen solutions are pre-packaged offerings that allow organisations to get a product or service up and running for less cost, in less time, at a lower risk.

Many organisations are under pressure to innovate swiftly. Oxygen recognises this need and has developed a way of delivering standard SAP, or where it makes sense – complementary partner solutions across a number of key business functions or project processes, to help clients realise quick wins. The SmartStart by Oxygen approach reduces cost, decreases implementation time and delivers a defined set of benefits – your guarantee that what you see is what you get. It also brings together the best non-SAP solutions to help enable you to get more value from your core SAP investment.

