

CORPLANNING™ 5



OVERVIEW

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Sapphire has global rollout capabilities that are available across all continents, and that are backed by a large team of software specialists. With consistent, double digit revenue growth over the last several years, Sapphire joined the ranks of the Deloitte Fast 500 EMEA Technology Providers in 2005.

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Introduction

While all organisations – whether in the private or public sector – have some sort of annual planning and budgeting process, it's typically not tied to the strategic planning process. As a result, many organisations fail to have the appropriate resources (capital, human resources, raw materials, etc.) at their disposal to successfully execute strategy.

CorPlanning enables organisations to plan and budget in the context of strategic objectives and initiatives. An integrated component of the CorVu 5 Strategic Management System, CorPlanning links the planning, budgeting, and forecasting processes to business strategy.

Key Benefits:

LINK PLANNING TO STRATEGY

Translate strategy into operational targets and initiatives

IMPROVE ABILITY TO ACT AND REACT

Quickly react to market, competitive, and organisational changes

ACCELERATE THE BUDGETING AND PLANNING CYCLE

Maximise participation, collaboration, and ownership in a centralised process

REDUCE OPERATIONAL COSTS

Reduce cost to manage planning, budgeting, and forecasting processes

IMPROVE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

Reverse the typical 80/20 input/analysis ratio for the budgeting and planning process

DRIVE PROFITABLE GROWTH

Analyse the business impact of hypothetical scenarios in real time

What sets Corplanning 5 apart:

COMPREHENSIVE CAPABILITIES

- Real-time planning allows changes to drive instantaneous recalculation, re-forecasting, and scorecard updates
- "Driver-driven forecasting" enables business drivers to improve forecast timeliness, accuracy, and flexibility
- Powerful planning functions, including breakback, consolidation, inter-company eliminations, and multi-currency
- Mature, granular security system supports LDAP
- Powerful Automated Data Xchange (ADX) technology to populate worksheets from corporate information systems

FLEXIBILITY

- Easy to change/add dimensions, models, and organisation structures
- Versioning provides capability to create multiple versions for all budget years



"Sapphire's offering is far greater than just the right software..."

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"We find the support of Sapphire invaluable in ensuring the day to day running of our systems"

St Paul at Lloyds



LOW TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP

- Purpose-built application to minimise implementation, training, modification, and maintenance costs
- Out-of-the-box reports and templates
- Easy configuration with no programming required
- Pre-built integration to common ERP systems

SCALABILITY

- Single, open database repository
- J2EE web architecture allows large-scale implementations with hundreds of data sources, thousands of accounts, and tens of thousands of users

EASE OF USE

- User friendly interface
- Automated calculations
- Intuitive data entry

Key Features:

PLANNING TEMPLATES

- Sales
- Cost of Goods Sold
- Eliminations
- EVMS (ANSI-748)
- R&D
- Capital Planning
- Payroll
- Budget

PLANNING METHODS

- Rolling forecasts
- Zero-base budgeting
- Outcome budgeting
- "What-if" scenario modelling
- Beyond Budgeting
- Top-down and bottom-up
- Activity Based Management/Costing

VISUALISATION

- Out-of-the-box and ad hoc reporting
- CorBusiness™ provides powerful and flexible reporting, briefing books, and dashboards
- Optional HyperVu™ module enables large-scale publishing of intelligent HTML pages for fast and easy access to reports, graphs, dashboards, and scorecards via a web browser



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DATA COLLECTION AND CONSOLIDATION

- ADX technology provides rapid access to data from any source, including ERP systems, databases, and flat files
- Periodic data can be automatically loaded from other corporate information systems, submitted via email or manually entered via web forms
- Reminders, escalations, and exception reports for data not yet available

COMMUNICATION & COLLABORATION

- Secure and consistent electronic communication for all CorPlanning-related content throughout the organisation
- Commentary on worksheets, accounts, organisational units, and actions shared with relevant stakeholders
- Link to supporting documents, hyperlinks, and personal notes

WORKFLOW

- Automation of manual update processes
- Reminders and escalations
- Approvals and authorisations

ACCOUNTABILITY

- Every object is owned/maintained by a specified individual
- All budgeting and planning information is controlled in a secure, integrated environment which can be fully audited

For more information on CorVu, our services, and business solutions call our Product Advisory Team on +44 (0)20 7648 2000.