Oracle Business Intelligence health check

Oracle's market-leading Business Intelligence (BI) technologies consolidate reporting, optimise efficiency and provide insight into trends within your data.

Oracle's BI Applications build on these BI technologies to deliver organisation-wide, pre-packaged, intuitive, role-based intelligence. Are you receiving the full benefit of this BI power?

KEY BENEFITS

- REGAIN CONFIDENCE IN YOUR BI IMPLEMENTATION
- RECEIVE BEST PRACTICE ADVICE FROM ORACLE ACCREDITED OBIEE AND BI APPLICATIONS EXPERTS
- IDENTIFY ISSUES, PRIORITISE AND CREATE ACTION-PLAN
- •DE-RISK OBIEE AND BI APPLICATIONS UPGRADES
- IMPROVE SYSTEM PERFORMANCE
- TROUBLE-SHOOT LONG-STANDING SERVICE REQUESTS
- BI APPLICATIONS IMPLEMENTATION "READINESS CHECK"

FURTHER BENEFITS

- BENEFIT FROM PROJECT'S CROSS-INDUSTRY EXPERTISE
- WORKING WITH ORACLE ON-DEMAND CUSTOMERS IS A PROJECT SPECIALISM

Is your BI system doing its job?

- Have the benefits in your BI business case been realised?
- Do you feel you are getting the most out of your BI investment?
- Does the performance of your BI system meet requirements?
- Is the uptake of BI by end users as expected?
- If you are currently implementing BI, is the project going to plan?
- Overall, are you satisfied with your BI implementation?

If you answered 'no' to any of the above, Project's BI health check service can help. Our Oracle-accredited consultants will enable you to uncover functional, technical or process-related problems realting to your BI deployment.

A health check delivers business benefits

A Project BI health check is primarily designed to give you confidence that your BI system has been implemented correctly and is being used to its full potential. A health check can lead to improved system performance, greater user uptake and more efficient business processes. The service can also give you better insight into known issues, providing a prioritised course of remedial action.

If you are thinking about upgrading to Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition (OBIEE) 11g, a Project BI health check can help ensure that your existing implementation is ready, and it will help you to plan for the upgrade through a project roadmap.

Calling on industry experience to create a bespoke diagnosis

Once our consulting team has built a complete understanding of your BI challenges, they will design a bespoke health check to focus on your areas of concern. Typically, activities during a health check will include:

- Consultation with stakeholders, BI developers and end users
- Business process review, from requirements capture to development and migration
- OBIEE implementation and configuration review
- BI Applications configuration review, including Informatica PowerCenter
- Data warehouse configuration review
- Review of hardware sizing and vendor selection
- Performance benchmarking and tuning advice
- Identification and resolution of 'quick wins'
- Reconciliation of the data warehouse to source systems, for example E-Business Suite.

Thinking of implementing the BI Applications?

If so, a health check can also be tailored to answer the following questions:-

- Which elements will work out of the box?
- Are there any complications that will arise due to the configuration of your source systems? Are you "BI Applications ready"?
- Where are the gaps between the delivered content and your requirements? How much effort will be required to plug these gaps?
- Have your expectations about the BI Applications been accurately set?
- Are there any implementation "gotchas" that you should be aware of?

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Collaborative health check approach

A Project health check allows you to remain in control of the scope of the process and outcomes. You will be working with a Project team of qualified accountants and Oracle-accredited BI specialists. The health check process is carried out in three phases:

Orientation	Delivery / analysis	Report
Project consultants work with your key people to understand and plan the scope of work and deliverables, identifying problems needing a special focus. During the health check we investigate with your teams to a depth determined by you.	We employ consulting experience and diagnostic tools to analyse your organisation's BI implementation. Our discovery approach is informed by the orientation phase, especially the focus areas. Following information gathering, our consultants apply their expertise and experience to analyse and build their view of the findings.	Our comprehensive health check report typically includes a prioritised action plan, strategies, advice, upgrade indicative costs and timescales, roadmaps, recommended system configuration changes. You will then be fully briefed should you decide to call upon us to respond to the outcomes of the health check.

Resource accreditations

Project is proud to be an Oracle specialised partner for both the Oracle Business Intelligence (BI) Foundation Suite and Oracle BI Applications (OBIA). Project is the only Oracle Gold partner in EMEA to have achieved the BI Applications specialism, and one of only eight partners in the UK (up to and including Diamond level) to have achieved both the BI Foundation and BI Applications specialisms*

Oracle Partner specialisms require that a minimum number of employees have sat and passed invigilated Oracle implementation exams. Whilst only a minimum number of employees are required to pass these exams, Project are committed to putting all of our BI consultants through the examination process. This ensures that the consultants you engage are of the highest quality; those recognised by Oracle as implementation specialists. The strapline of the Oracle Specialized programme is simple; **"Recognized by Oracle. Preferred by Customers"**.

In October 2012 Project was honoured with a UK Oracle User Group (UKOUG) "Partner of the Year" award for Business Intelligence, an accolade voted for by the Oracle user community. This is the second year in a row that Project has won an award in this category, fending off stiff competition from other industry leaders.

Source: www.oracle.com, correct as of July 2012

Costs and timescale

Cost: From £6,000
Timescale: Five days

The cost shown is for a typical Project health check; the precise time and cost will vary depending on your specific requirements. The parameters of a health check are agreed in advance, including cost and delivery schedule.

Project is an independent consultancy providing specialist business process and finance systems advice.

Project has built a reputation for delivering complete, integrated solutions that address business needs and meet corporate strategies. Working in both the public and private sectors, we support finance departments and wider business communities.

We combine our accounting, business, reporting, functional and technical expertise to help clients recognise the true value of E-Business Suite modules, Business Intelligence (BI) and BI applications.

Project is an accredited business partner with a number of software providers. For full details, please visit: **www.project.eu.com/accreditations**.

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