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#### Clarity Integrations | Most Common

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- Why Integrate?
- How you Integrate
- Most common Integrations
- Lessons Learned



# Part I: Why Integrate?



• What has been the primary driver for integration in your environment?

**System integration** is becoming more important due to the increasing advances in automation technology, and the associated need to simplify processes for easier management. An **integrated system** will streamline your processes, reduce costs and ensure efficiency.



#### Benefits Of Integration

#### Easier for Administrators and Users

- Eliminates use of multiple tools, reducing training time and lessens change of human error
- Cost and Storage Savings
  - Reduce time spent on upkeep and troubleshooting
  - Decrease storage and application costs
- Better Analysis
  - Easier access to centralized and normalized data
- Improved System Security
  - Fewer points of access to protect
- Opportunity for Real Time Data
  - Improved visibility for more accurate and timely decisions
- Accelerated Growth and innovation
  - Reduce process steps to allow more time for value add activities

## Part II: How you integrate



- Ten years ago integrations were very expensive and technically challenging
- Integration technology has evolved becoming more dependable, timely and cost effective
  - Web Services
    - SOAP
    - REST
    - GraphQL Bleeding edge
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Services
    - IAAS
    - Webhooks
  - The cost of a typical Rego Integration is \$8K inbound and \$6K outbound

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- Event based
  - This type of Interface is triggered by event in the system (something got created or updated or deleted)
- Batch
  - This type of interface is scheduled and triggered at a set time (nightly or at certain interval, etc.)
  - Since, batch interfaces will handle multiple instances, you want to address transaction managements (what happens when a record fails – one fail, all fail?)
- Manual
  - This type of Interface is manually started by the user when they are ready for data transmittal

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#### How Should An Interface Be Designed?

- Flat File: CSV export
- Web Services: REST/SOAP
- Third Party Tools
  - Dell Boomi
  - Cast Iron
  - Tasktop

#### Method – API / Web Service / REST



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## Part III: Most Common Use Cases



#### Open Mic

- What integrations do you have in place today?
- How do they work for you?
- What integrations do you have on your roadmap for the next year?



### Rego Standard offering – 80% of implementations

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- Govern and report from Clarity
- Execute in the Agile tool
- Customizable any workflow
- Connect to multiple Agile tools at once
- Optional Agile workshop

#### Onsite or offsite Agile Project List Lookup Project/Workspace < • > Content Content Time tracking Intro Kick-off Are there any deviations needed to the **Create Object in Clarity PPM** Epic Workshop purpose/agenda review standard connector time-tracking approach How we'll do this Critical success criteria Reporting or What metrics are needed Review What views/reports are needed **Create Tasks or import** Clarity **Objectives/Stories** Features Exception processes Review submitted user stories (if features Interface How do we handle exceptions (i.e. story applicable) moves from one project to another, etc.) What is an error vs a warning Mapping **Project level** Data migration approach Task level Stories, tasks, assignments To go-live, how will we establish all of the Attributes connections for existing projects Financials Conclusion Time imported as an How do we calculate costs Review open items/parking lot aggregation of the feature as How do we differentiate capital/operating Actual hours logged against **Review captured stories** costs if needed **Discuss next steps** a time entry the task Resources How might resources/staffing be handled

#### Most Common Integrations

- Agile Tools
  - Who Jira, Agile Central, V1, TFS, Rational
  - How API
  - What Project Lifecycle, Time Entry, Capitalization Data
- ERP/Financial Systems
  - Who SAP, Oracle, JD Edwards, Lawson, Sage, Great Plains, Infinium, Peoplesoft
  - How Flat file
  - What Direct Expenses, Time Entry, Cost Centers Forecasts, Budgets

- HR/ Resources Systems
  - Who ERP Systems, Active Directory, Workday, CA On Demand Portal
  - How Flat file
  - What LDAP/SSO, Users and Resource Data, Organizational Structure,
- ITSM
  - Who ServiceNow, CA Service Desk, Remedy
  - How API
  - What Idea and pipeline management, Ticket Escalation, Enhancement requests



- Schedulers
  - Smartsheet
- Vendor Management
  - Beeline, Deltek, Fieldglass, Ariba
- Time Management
  - Kronos, Smart Track
- Demand Intake
  - SharePoint, Webforms, Salesforce
- Applications
  - Troux
- Reporting Extracts
  - Cognos, Power BI, Generic Data Warehouses

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## Part V: Lessons Learned



#### Integration Guidelines

- Is there a Single Source of Truth (SSOT)?
  - Ensure that everyone uses the same data when making business decisions
  - Understand the accuracy and value of the source data
  - Differentiate between data creation/maintenance and data usage
- Is the process mature?
  - Integrations are built to match process
  - You must understand the process and the flow of information
  - You must have a solid repeatable process and be able to identify programmatically the exceptions
- Don't over-integrate.
  - Weigh the cost (one-time and ongoing) vs. benefit of each integration opportunity
  - Identify the key integration points and invest in doing it correctly

Objective: Get More Out of your PPM Investment!

- Error handling / transaction management
  - Errors are inevitable when two different systems are being integrated
  - Plan to develop an error handing mechanism to handle data errors, connectivity errors, and system outages
  - Equally important is transaction management and performance considerations
- Trial first to avoid errors
  - Before you build the complete interface, try a semi-automated load to ensure the "process" you have defined is correct
  - It is really important to have test environments that mirror the productions as much as possible and that the data is representative of actual production data

## Questions?



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