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3 Reasons to Upgrade From JDE to Oracle Cloud Applications

Driving your successful enterprise resource planning (ERP) transformation

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> — **Nucleus Research**

On-premises vs. cloud applications

The many challenges of on-premises JDE ERP are becoming increasingly apparent, including lengthy upgrades, complex integrations, risky customizations and insufficient reporting and analytics.

By contrast, Nucleus Research cites the growing value of cloud ERP solutions including:

2.3x lower total cost of ownership	**4x** greater ROI than on-premises	**2.5x** faster investment payback

If you are facing an expensive ERP upgrade, or running into increasing on-prem complexities and limitations, a move to the cloud may be your next logical step. This eBook outlines three reasons for starting or continuing your cloud journey and includes key questions that will help assess your company's cloud readiness. Leverage Argano's extensive experience and best practices for Oracle Cloud Applications to enable greater strategic value for your business with a migration to the cloud.

You can start small or go big with cloud applications

The cloud journey is a unique path for every organization, and the decision to move from on- premises to cloud (or hybrid) can be triggered by a numberof factors including a pending ERP upgrade, user dissatisfaction, inadequate reporting and more. Determining the right path and timing may be based on your industry, business stakeholders or functional areas/processes that are challenging your organization.

You should implement cloud functionality in a timeframe that meets your business objectives. You can start slowly with a single business function, utilizing cloud applications to solve a specific business challenge. Eventually, phase in select processes to the cloud or move full steam ahead with end-to-end transformation of your ERP.

Begin by inventorying and documenting your current technology stack, including applications, infrastructure, customizations, and data. Argano has tools for automating and accelerating this process. Second, understand your key operational areas and functional teams, and their roles in connection to systems and data ownership and management.

Process improvement is a typical launching point for digital transformation. Oracle Cloud ERP provides your business with greater capabilities and functionality, helping you:

- Improve financial planning and analysis (FP&A), transportation and logistics, sales and operations planning, and supply chain planning

- Optimize and automate key processes, including AP invoicing, procure-to-pay, record-to-report, and plan-to-produce

- Reduce complexity, customizations, and manual processes

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Cloud applications can drive immediate value for you

As you plan your deployment, you should begin to see clearly how the cloud will impact various environments. This is where goal setting converts into measurable results because you'll be able to:

- Map key requirements and opportunities for improvement to project drivers/KPIs (software footprint, resources, budgets, timing)

- Project business value based on initiative, and set quantifiable goals and metrics such as:

  - Reduce or replace non-essential third-party software costs, complexity, and maintenance

  - Enable BI, analytics and real-time visibility through embedded reporting and analytics in the application layer of the platform

  - Build in best practices, standardization, and improved productivity

Partner with a qualified team of solution experts to fully realize all the benefits of cloud. Look for JDE and Oracle Cloud expertise, proven migration tools and methodology, and a successful track record of deployments.
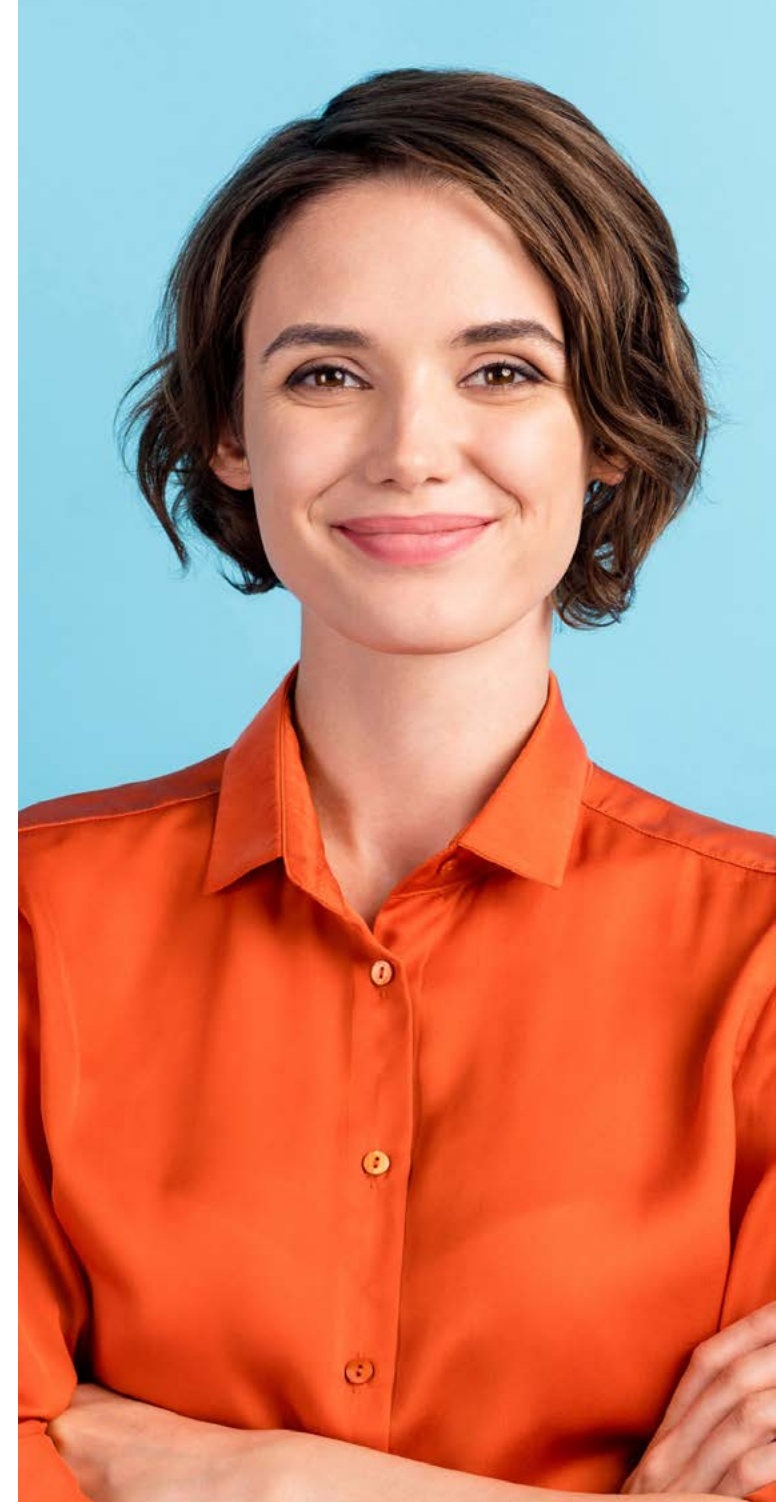
Cloud applications can set you up for future growth

Cloud creates tremendous opportunity, enabling business users to be more proactive and focus on important tasks. It gives your business greater visibility, intelligence, and flexibility. Modern Oracle Cloud Applications can also scale with your business, leveraging embedded technologies like AI, machine learning (ML), the Internet of Things and digital assistants. These digital technologies are foundational elements in cloud that reduce repetitive, manual tasks, create more value, and ensure your ERP capabilities are always current, and set up for your growth and to help enable it.

Are you ready? Ask these 7 questions

To assess your cloud readiness, make sure you answer these essential questions before taking next steps:

1. What is our vision and what is driving it?
2. What is the impact on our people?
3. Where are the greatest opportunities for improvement?
4. What is the business value to be gained?
5. What resources and budget will it take to transition?
6. Do we have a framework for implementing change?
7. How do we measure success?

With these three reasons and seven questions in mind, it is critical to find a partner with significant expertise in the organizational requirements, process reengineering, and technological and business impact of moving from JDE to Oracle Cloud Applications.

Argano has a proven track record in successful JDE to cloud implementations–whether that is transitional, in steps, or a more transformational end-to-end approach. We know your current JDE state and your future Oracle Cloud Applications state based on the depth of our JDE experience. Our knowledge of Oracle Cloud Applications and legacy solutions fuels our drive to help JDE clients chart a successful path to the cloud.

Argano has a unique approach and toolset that accelerates your journey to the cloud through business process and configuration analysis, combined with test automation and data migration tools. Our methodology and assessment framework help develop the business case and a practical plan for your cloud journey, focused on business value realization.

About Argano

Argano is the first of its kind: a digital consultancy totally immersed in high-performance operations. We steward enterprises through ever-evolving markets, empowering them with transformative strategies and technologies to exceed customer expectations, unlock commercial innovation, and drive growth.

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