

**TRACK: Technology**  
**ROOM: Crystal 1**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Cloud Data Conversions - Lessons Learned**

*Pavan Vallabhaneni & Dennis Harrison, AST Corporation*

Organizations at the forefront of Oracle Cloud adoption are live with SaaS HCM. In this session we will highlight the data conversion efforts associated with our recent implementation, including integrating with internal organizations and external third parties. We will cover multiple ways of validating the loaded data, and will extend our discussion to automating the interfacing for inbound and outbound processes. We will also discuss limitations and how they were overcome.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Extending Oracle E-Business Suite 12.1.3 With Oracle Application Express 5.0**

*Alfredo Abate, Brake Parts Inc*

This presentation will discuss how to setup and configure Oracle Application Express 5.0 to further extend the functionality of Oracle E-Business Suite 12.1.3. Oracle E-Business Suite developers are often times tasked with having to perform these customized extensions with Oracle Forms or Oracle Application Framework development. This typically requires additional development skill sets and can take longer to develop. With Oracle Application Express you can rapidly produce highly scalable applications that can be easily integrated with Oracle E-Business Suite.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Enhancing Legacy Data Quality through Automatic Conversion and Reconciliation**

*Ranjan Behera, Deloitte*

Conversion of legacy data to EBS is a challenge for large corporations. The traditional data conversion approach mandates profiling, cleansing and reconciliation of data via processes that differ by market, country and / or region. Variation in processes has the potential to delay project timelines and increase budgets. Standardization and automation of data conversion make the following activities possible with the click of a button:

1. Profile
2. Cleanse
3. Transfer data to EBS tables
4. Kick-start EBS conversion programs
5. Reconcile data
6. Publish reconciliation results

This paper will discuss the business case, functionality and technical details of the solution built and implemented at a global client with resounding effectiveness. This paper will also discuss the value derived from the solution and how it can be packaged as an Oracle product in the future.

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

### **Flexfield Value Set Security and New Proxy User Features in 12.2**

*Susan Behn, Infosemantics, Inc.*

(1) In earlier releases, it is concerning that any user that has access to the flexfield value set form can update all values. That means purchasing users that need access to update values for item categories can also update values for chart of account segments. R12.2 REQUIRES you to grant the appropriate permissions to limit this access. (2) New proxy user features allow for limitations of responsibilities and workflow notifications that can be delegated providing better security required by auditors. Audit concerns have been the biggest deterrent to using the proxy feature. This presentation provides detail steps on how to set up and use these two new features.

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

### **Workflow Setups That Make A Difference**

*Karen Brownfield, Infosemantics*

Worklist Flexfields and custom notification views, exporting notifications to Excel, assistant administrators, using grants instead of worklist access to see SYSADMIN's emails, controlling the LOV for the recipient for vacation rules and worklist access (12.2 only) are a few of the advanced and mostly undocumented setups that can increase your organization's use and administration of workflow. Listen to Oracle ACE and author explain how to install and use these setups. Many of these setups are available in R12.1.3, but the resenatation will cover new setups available only in R12.2.

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### **Lessons Learned from a Successful 12.0 to 12.2.4 Upgrade.**

*Kevin Dahl, O2Works & Susan Thomas, Wolverine Trading, LLC*

We'll take you through a 12.0.6 to 12.2.4 upgrade that came in on time and under budget and cover the technical aspects that make 12.2.X (and Online Patching) different. There are significant changes that DBA's will experience in a 12.2.X upgrade and we'll let you know what to prepare for. In addition, we cover what you should know about customization remediation and how to plan.

**TRACK: Technology**  
**ROOM: Crystal 2**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**VENDOR: Platform Migration - Top performance, High availability and Lower TCO.**

*Ignacio Gomez, Symmetry Resource Group, LLC*

Symmetry Resource Group will outline the blueprint for migrating your Oracle environment to a clustered, virtualized platform that delivers engineered system performance, cost-efficient high availability, scalability on demand and most importantly, optimal Oracle licensing. Topics covered will be: 1. Oracle X5 servers and ODA architecture explained; 2. Oracle VM virtualization and Oracle Linux, top performance and flexibility; 3. Oracle Licensing - Pay for only what you need and scale up on demand; 4. Selecting the best migration approach; 5. Tips and techniques to save time and money; 6. Realize even further savings with Cloud and managed support; 7. Case Studies

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Maximize Application Performance Beyond the Oracle Database**

*Hugo Contreras, Symmetry Resource Group, LLC*

When troubleshooting Oracle database performance, many quick wins can be achieved with an infrastructure "top down" approach. Symmetry Resource Group will present a rapid performance diagnosis methodology and tools that can be used to narrow down the root cause of performance issues as well as a number of case studies

where these were applied. Topics covered will include: 1. Network optimization; 2. Storage fine tuning; 3. Using the right Oracle database features for your infrastructure; 4. Case studies

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**12 Steps to Secure SOA 12c Services Using Oracle API Gateway**

*Angel Pantoja, Underwriters Labs & Abhay Kumar, AST Corporation*

Companies worldwide are actively using , both in intranet & extranet environments. While WS offer many advantages over traditional alternatives, deploying networks of interconnected WS still presents key challenges, especially for security & management. Main associated challenges are related to detection & prevention of XSS Injection & SQL Injection. Oracle API Gateway (OAG) is part of the Oracle SOA security solution it provides API security & management features such as API Key Management, OAUTH with addition of securing REST services & JSON support to help customers extend the value to enable Cloud and Mobile use cases. Objective 1: API Gateway is an essential tool for any Administrator and this session will help you get jump started on it. Objective 2: In this session we will showcase 12 steps to secure SOA services using Oracle API Gateway. Objective 3: We will be using OAG to preventing XSS injection and SQL Injection issue scanning attachment for virus. Presentation Objective 4: We will also see how we can easily use OAG for hiding sensitive data and resolving other issues

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**VENDOR: Feeling Dumped? Get Ready to Replace Discoverer and Never Look Back**

*Tom McGinnis, Hubble by insightsoftware.com*

Oracle Discoverer is being retired, and many people are struggling to find the right replacement to solve all their Oracle reporting needs. Not all options are created equally, and there are many issues with the Discoverer migration tool. If you find yourself stuck, join us for this informative session to understand a full landscape of what's available, and what you should look for in a replacement. See how Hubble, an integrated suite of performance management apps enables business users the ability to easily create and analyze data directly out of Oracle in real-time, eliminating the need for your IT team to create, recreate, and refine reports as the business' needs evolve. Whether you are looking to replace Discoverer and FSGs, or just need a flexible, user friendly reporting solution for eBusiness Suite, this session will help you get over the heartbreak quickly and learn to love Oracle again.

**TRACK: HCM and Cloud**

**ROOM: Crystal 3**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Do It Yourself Networking with Oracle HCM Social**

*Pradip Hati, Grant Thornton*

Oracle HCM Social is tool for building social and engaged workforce. This presentation will discuss business cases and using this socially embedded HCM process to easily build relationships, cross-collaborate, learn, share knowledge, and improve productivity.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Transformation into Oracle HCM Cloud**

*Arul Senapathi & Courtney Jerdan, Inoapps USA*

The presentation details How to transform HR functions into Oracle HCM Cloud. This presentation will also cover the success path to Cloud solutions. Provides key statics and asks key questions to choose a perfect candidate for Cloud migrations. This presentation also will provide TCO calculators and discuss about the benefits of moving to Oracle HCM Cloud.

**TRACK: HCM and Cloud**  
**ROOM: Crystal 3 (continued)**

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**EBS Developers – Preparing for Life in the Cloud**

*Scott Mankin, Jibe Consulting*

For developers who aim to make a career out of EBS Applications, the cycle of rightsizing skills to the next major release is a constant prerequisite for maintaining market relevance. This cycle is refreshed with Oracle Cloud Applications, the latest response from Oracle to address the evolving needs of the modern enterprise business.

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**Even On-Premise License Owners Can Take Advantage of the Cloud**

*Eugene Breger, Mercury Technology*

Even as an on-premise Oracle licensee, you can take advantage of what the Cloud can offer without losing any of your investment. This session will introduce options for migrating your Oracle Applications to the Cloud and potential benefits to be gained from making the move.

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

**State Sick Leave Laws Are Spreading: Get Your Accrual Plan Checkup Now**

*Dean Soto & Arvind Sripada, National Express LLC*

Four states, nineteen cities, and one county across the United States have enacted legislation requiring employers to provide paid sick. Standard accrual plans have balances that increment based on a period in time; annually, monthly, per payroll.

In an organization with a higher percentage of employees categorized as part-time and temporary, the standard paid time off setups present various challenges. Custom formulas with HR Trace functionality and look up tables allowed us to provide a solution to business users that kept processes simple and easy to understand.

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**VENDOR: ERP Cloud Coexistence with On Premise Applications - An Approach & Case Study**

*Mike Dale & Dave Trch, Rolta AdvizeX*

Many companies are interested in moving to the Cloud but, for a variety of reasons, must maintain certain applications on premise. This session provides an approach and case study of an implementation of Oracle ERP Cloud Financials integrated with on premise Supply Chain applications for a manufacturing company. The case study details the application footprint, architecture, Cloud configuration, integration and conversions. Along with the case study these key points are addressed: business solution design considerations, solution approach, coexistence options and why coexistence is a viable alternative to consider for your business solution.

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**ROOM: English**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Customer Success Story: Oracle iStore Implementation**

*Russell de Leon, College of American Pathologists*

Learn how the College of American Pathologists (CAP) allow their members to renew their Membership in iStore; the ability of the CAP customers to shop Publication materials with discounts depending on their status; and the integration of the CAP's Learning program into iStore.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Oracle Supplier Management**

*Jaydeep Dhruve, Hitachi Consulting Corporation*

The Oracle Supplier Management solution comprises of two products - Supplier Hub and Supplier Lifecycle Management. Supplier Hub is positioned as a Master Data Management Solution enabling the deploying organization to unify and share critical information about the suppliers. Supplier Lifecycle Management focuses on the processes around Supplier Management. With Oracle Supplier Lifecycle Management organizations can streamline registration and review of prospective suppliers, enable cross functional performance evaluation, and assure effective governance and risk mitigation. In this session we will learn about the features of both Oracle Supplier Hub and Oracle Supplier Lifecycle Management and share some best practices.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Mastering the Art of Integrating Oracle Supply Chain Cloud with On-Premise Applications Using Integration Cloud Service (ICS)**

*Rachna Mittal, Infosys Technologies*

Organizations embarking on Oracle Supply Chain Cloud implementation journey often face challenge in integrating with On-premise and 3rd party applications. In-house developed integrations are often costly, time consuming and error prone with inability to accommodate changing business requirement. Organizations are seeking scalable pre-built integration solutions to simplify the enterprise application integration. Oracle Integration Cloud Service offers next-generation Pre-built integration solution for accelerated implementation. Learn how ICS enables professionals with simplified web based, point & click integration experience, secure and reliable connection creation with new adapter framework. This session will present a use case model for Back-to-back fulfillment flow including the linkages of SCM cloud with On-premise order capture, Procurement, warehousing and financial applications. This session also highlights how build-in dashboard helps professionals to proactively identify the hot spots that require attention and prioritize their actions.

**TRACK: SCM / OM**  
**ROOM: English (continued)**

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**Complex WMS Wave Execution at a Large CPG Distribution Center**

*Vishal Choudhari, Inyxa*

This session will focus on a very large CPG company that ships over 300 trucks across its distribution network every day. We will share how Wave Planning & Execution is achieved with Oracle WMS at their largest DC. Integration with transportation & material handling equipment is leveraged for real-time visibility into wave execution. Almost all shipments are full truck load, and most pallets are mixed pallets, with picked cases travelling through a maze of conveyors to arrive at one of 21 consolidation lanes.

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

**Implementing Oracle Consignment Inventory**

*Scott Whyte, Master Lock*

Masterlock implemented Consignment Inventory to handle MRO products in our maintenance organization as part of a new EAM implementation.

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Oracle Services with New Features in R12.2.4**

*Ravi Sagaram, Motorola Solutions Inc.*

The presentation features a quick overview of Oracle Service contracts for standard warranty, extended warranty, Subscription contracts, and Installed base.

**TRACK: Panel**  
**ROOM: Oak 1**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Cloud or Not Cloud?**

*Bill Gaston, Moderator*

Is your organization on-the-fence about Cloud solutions? Is Cloud something on the distant horizon? This panel will share ideas on key factors that played into their decisions to move to the cloud – or not! In addition, the members will discuss things every organization can do today to prepare for a future in the cloud.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Defining Principals for Data Governance**

*Jason Kamp, Moderator*

*Panelists: Matt Lavery, Grant Thornton;*

*Drew Wilson and Will Hutchinson, Oracle*

Data governance drives effective analytics and you can't be effective in one area without the other. Mastering internally owned content and data is an important step to providing the ability to evaluate external sources of content as part of the big data evolution. This panel will share lessons learned during recent acquisitions from a variety of organizations that use Oracle products to solve the data governance dilemma.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**EBS Reporting Tools Shootout!**

*Doris Wilson, Moderator*

*Panelists: API Wizard, Excel4spps,  
Hubble insightsoftware.com*

This All-Vendor Panel will enable vendors with tools that provide reporting for E-Business Suite to convene in one room to discuss their solutions and what differentiators they each provide. This is your opportunity to compare tools side-by-side.

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**Single Sign-On – Reality or Myth?**

*Shyam Kumar, Moderator Heejoon Park, Underwriters Laboratories,  
Scott Brinker, CAP,*

Whether you are attempting SSO for your Oracle E-Business Suite products or your entire enterprise, this panel will help clarify the options and share what has worked for other organizations.

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

**Testing Approaches, Strategies and Tools**

*Doris Wilson, Moderator*

*Panelists: Allan Palmes, CAP  
And Original Software*

This panel will include individuals with vast experience in testing for all phases and types of upgrades and implementations. This is an open forum to discuss testing and ask questions about approach and strategy, as well as which tools these organizations have found to be effective.

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Effective Strategies for User Adoption and Change Management**

*Melissa Sider, Moderator*

*Panelist: Bob Matoesian,  
Matoesian Inc.*

Staffed by a panel of change management experts, this panel will offer ideas and opinions on how to increase your user adoption for any ongoing IT project.



**TRACL: Financials**  
**ROOM: Oak 2**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Oracle Fusion vs. Workday**

*Mayda Barsumyan & Mitchell Fass,  
Business Escalation Inc.*

Oracle Fusion Financials facilitates enterprises and provides better tools for decision makers to Respond to Intensifying Financial Risk.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**VENDOR: Oracle Payables – Mass Loading Supplier Data via Excel.**

*Robert Kragen, Evergreen Data Systems*

This session will focus on creating, updating, validating & uploading data into Oracle E-Business Suite through an Excel interface using More4Apps Wizards. We will look at loading Financial data, Manufacturing data, Inventory Items, HR data, and updating Project Accounting & Budget data. More4Apps offers MS Excel-based products that help you load data into Oracle Applications more quickly and accurately, ensuring the right data is available for the people that need it when they need it. The Wizards provide data validation and any errors will be returned to the spreadsheet for the user to resolve before loading into Oracle.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**VENDOR: Real-Time Subledger Reporting for E-Business Suite in Excel**

*Susan Adkison & Brent Wyse,  
Excel4apps*

Many Oracle users are struggling with subledger reporting or are seeking a replacement solution for Oracle Discoverer. If you are facing those issues, you may have found the answer with Reports Wand. Join Brent Wyse, Territory Manager and Tim Colleran, Solution Engineer at Excel4apps as they discuss a simple, but powerful means to deploy operational reporting in Excel to deliver business information to users without a dependency on IT staff for setup and deployment. Reports Wand solutions gives you an Excel front end to real-time E-Business Suite subledger data and it's now available with over 1,000 out-of-the-box reports.

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**How to Successful Rollout Oracle EBS Mobile Apps**

*Gustavo Gonzalez, IT Convergence*

Oracle's vision for EBS User Experience is simple: be productive, personalized, modern and feature-rich. The mobility and extended availability of business applications is now core for the way companies do business, therefore Oracle has been intensively focusing on major UX improvements. Recently launching a good number of new smartphone applications and deploying a modernized user interface that completely transform the Oracle E-Business Suite end user experience.

Attend this session to learn how your employees' desire can be exceeded with a user interface that is appealing, fast & efficient?  
- How to provide your employees faster business execution and increased productivity  
- How Smartphone Applications have taken our business capabilities to the next level  
IT Convergence's CTO and Oracle ACE Director will be sharing how Oracle stepped on a path years ago to revolutionize the way we work, driving towards enhancing productivity. Attend this session and get familiar with the easiest way that can you build a bridge from where you are to where you can be.

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

**VENDOR: Segregation of Duties and Auditing: Necessary Evil or Good Business Practice?**

*Vrinder Randhawa, Q Software*

Fraud is on the rise. Recent reports suggest that every organization has a 50% chance of falling victim to fraud every year, w/significant risk of financial loss as well as extensive damage to the company's reputation. Auditors strongly recommend Segregation of Duties (SoD) as the most effective and efficient way to protect your business from the risk of internal fraud. In principle, many people recognize the benefits of implementing such controls. But putting them into practice often involves too many people having to jump through too many hoops, such as juggling complex spreadsheets, time-consuming manual checks and complex reporting to answer your auditors' questions. Vrinder will discuss the challenges of managing

Segregation of Duties and Access Reporting in Oracle E-Business Suite. He will also outline best practice approaches to risk management and compliance that will save you a great deal of money and effort – helping you to better protect your business and keep your auditors, your IT team and your business users happy.

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Enhance Projects w/Oracle APEX**

*Scott Stegemann & Randeep Ummanath, Senryo Technologies*

Oracle APEX solutions address EBS limitations in project management, multiple-funding sources, interactive reporting, dash boarding, and mobile friendliness. Those challenges were easily addressed with Oracle APEX. At the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) an APEX solution called CDOT Construction Management System (CCM) provides functionality for Project Management, Project Estimating, Budget Requests, Mobile Actuals Tracking, Job Costing (that feeds adjustments to future estimates,) and Billing which is interfaced with Oracle EBS and later Oracle Grants Management. With Oracle APEX, Senryo Technologies was able to deliver CCM integrating to the City of Chicago's EBS financial system. This permits the CDOT financial manager to have visibility of Project development and completion by Project, by Fund, and by Units of Labor, Materials and Equipment that is not otherwise available in Oracle EBS. The end result is a modern web application based on web development standards and responsive HTML, easy to use and navigate.

**TRACK: Analytics**  
**ROOM: Venetian 1**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**VENDOR: Use Excel For All Your Data Entry, Maintenance and Reporting Needs!**

*Sarah Conzemius, API Wizard*

Oracle EBS Users and IT get work done faster than ever before using Microsoft Excel for data entry, data updating, reporting, and development. API Wizard is the only product that solves data entry, data updating, and reporting problems across the entire Oracle EBS, every module and business process, in one enterprise tool. It combines the best of Oracle and Excel to save significant hours for your people and to help them make faster, well-informed decisions. Before they learned about and embraced API Wizard, our customers, like most Oracle shops, cobbled together a patchwork of different approaches to try and manage data processing pain. After working with API Wizard, they've found it to be the solution that addresses all their needs, leading to standardization and simplification. Take a look at API Wizard and you'll see how it can save time and effort for your people. It's the fastest and easiest way to get your data in and out of Oracle.

9:25 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

**Exalytics: Small Footprint, Faster Results**

*Jeff Henkel, CheckPoint Consulting*

Change is a constant in the modern business world, and the pace of change is always increasing. With that increased pace comes a challenge to an IT department: Adapt or Fail. The volumes of data being captured, stored, analyzed and reported upon are constantly growing. These volumes of data require ever-larger amounts of hardware, bandwidth, and storage to keep up.

In the business intelligence world, the end result has been larger and more diverse systems, with multiple layers of components, challenging IT departments to deliver on-time results while managing spiraling costs and complexity. This is where Exalytics (and any engineered system) enters the picture. Exalytics is an engineered system designed to decrease IT costs, decrease system complexity, and increase performance. The presentation will focus on the following areas:

- Lowering IT costs and EPM environment complexity by:
    - o Generating lower TCO
    - o Reducing overall system footprint
    - o Lowering support complexity and associated costs
  - Generating quicker close and planning cycles
  - Building highly-available and disaster recoverable systems
- Join in and learn how to build a better EPM system leveraging Oracle Exalytics today.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Data Blending in BICS**

*Jesse Cort, Grant Thornton*

This presentation will explore the data blending capabilities of BI Cloud Services (BICS). Data blending, simply put, is the combination of data from different sources. End users of OBIEE know that this is easier said than done, and either involves a manual offline process or delayed implementation if IT must perform the integration. BICS offers self-service tools for integrating new data sources for fast and flexible analysis, and the options for loading enterprise data continue to expand and mature. End users will gain perspective on the data blending features in BICS, and their IT support personnel will learn about new tools for curating enterprise data within BICS.

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**Replacing Oracle Discoverer – What are the options?**

*Art Dowd, O2Works, LLC*

Oracle Discoverer is a widely used, FREE, real-time analytical tool that has been a staple of Oracle EBS. It is critical to accountants who use real-time reporting in their month-end close process. In March, 2014 Oracle announced it was “sun-setting” Discoverer and “transitioning” to Oracle Business Intelligence Foundation Suite. Discoverer will no longer be offered after version Discoverer 11gR1. Extended support for 11gR1 runs out in June, 2017. We will take you through the pros and cons of options from Oracle and 3rd party applications to give you a feel for what is out there to replace this critical tool.

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**Working with OBIEE KPI's and Scorecards , includes live demo**

*Dan Hotka, Oracle*

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Discoverer Migration and Oracle Self Service Reporting**

*Moiz Kaka, Polaris Associates*

You are not alone if you are concerned about Oracle's announcement to de-support Discoverer. This live presentation will focus on how companies around the world have taken advantage of Reporting Workbench and its built-in utility to migrate Discoverer reports to Reporting Workbench. We will also show how users can manage their common reporting needs using the 900+ pre-built reports or by creating new reports while staying in compliance with Oracle security requirements

**TRACK: Financials**  
**ROOM: Venetian 2**

8:30 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

**Keys to a Successful International Deployment of R12 in EMEA and North America**

*George Somogyi & William Gaston, Societe Generale*

This presentation will present the keys for a successful international deployment of Oracle Financials between North America (parent) and EMEA (satellite subsidiary). The focus of this presentation will be to present:

- Best practices and tips for project approach and organization
- Project communication
- Global design
- Technical Considerations
- Considerations for post go-live and support

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**VENDOR: AP Automation Struggles, Strategies, and Solutions**

*Howard McKinney, Tier1, Inc.*

For many years, organizations have been trying to find ways to become more efficient and effective at processing invoices through the use of automation. While some have made the journey successfully, others find themselves struggling to get everyone on board, or having started the journey, find themselves off course. In this presentation, we will review some of the roadblocks that may be encountered on the destination to AP automation, and some of the more common solutions specifically in Oracle EBS, such as the use of Workflow, EDI/XML, and imaging. We will also look at a

simple and affordable cloud-based invoice management solution utilizing OCR, workflow, and imaging capabilities.

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**An Easy Solution for Authorizations for Expenditures (AFEs)**

*David Stenman, Project Partners*

Many organizations use Authorizations For Expenditures (AFEs) to request and reserve funds for a particular expense or project. AFEs can be related to capital projects, internal projects, and projects billed to clients or joint venture partners. Until now, Authorizations for Expenditures required a great deal of manual effort using Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) applications. Project Partners has developed an easy to use Authorization for Expenditure solution that extends the functionality of Oracle EBS Projects applications. This solution encompasses capital and indirect/expense projects using Oracle Project Costing, and optionally uses Oracle Project Billing to invoice these expenses to joint venture partners and/or customers. The behind-the-scenes functionality is robust and impressive but best of all is the simple, role-based user interface that makes the process easy.

**TRACK: Hyperion**  
**ROOM: Venetian 2**

1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

**Seven Easy Steps for Integrating Hyperion and ERP Systems.**

*Praveen Kumar & Erwin Ricohermoso, AST Corporation*

Increasing number of organizations are relying on Enterprise Performance Management (EPM) applications for financial analysis, planning, budgeting, forecasting, and internal & statutory reporting. These activities require timely, accurate and auditable data. However most of data resides in external ERP systems, standalone applications, etc. Finance executives need a transparent and verifiable process that eliminates the data integrity risks associated with collecting, mapping, verifying, and moving financial data allowing them to confidently sign financial statements presented to all stakeholders.

1. Discuss how we can achieve "Source-to-Report" view of financial data using Financial Data Management.
2. Discuss implementation steps for integrating Hyperion and external systems with focus on ERP systems
3. Discuss high level process for meta-data and data movement.
4. Discuss Auditing and data verification for improving confidence in data quality

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

**The Unsung Hero: The Role DRM Plays in Ensuring Accurate Financial Reporting**

*Matt Lavery, Grant Thornton*

Dimensions and hierarchies are critical in driving decision making, reporting and analysis across any large enterprise. Applications across a large enterprise may leverage these dimension in different ways, at differing levels of detail and structure. Oracle DRM is a tool to govern, manage and align changes to enterprise dimensions, whether driven by routine events (such as the need for a new account), major transformations (such as a finance transformation effort or a major merger), or a need to create a "what-if" scenario for exploration and analysis. This session will explore the importance of enterprise dimension governance, and will demonstrate how companies have leveraged Oracle DRM to simplify their governance processes for maintaining their critical hierarchies. It will also show how Oracle DRM can help accelerate transformation business events, adding control, accountability and speed to complex, urgent processes otherwise buried in a mountain of spreadsheets. Finally, Grant Thornton will show how Oracle DRM can be leveraged quickly to build and analyze "what if" dimensional structures, that can easily be compared back to the "current state" structures, or to other, alternate "what if" scenarios.

**TRACK: Hyperion**  
**ROOM: Venetian 2 (continued)**

2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**To Cloud or Not to Cloud –  
Hyperion Planning: On-Premise vs.  
Planning Budgeting Cloud  
Solutions**

*Joe Monteith, IT Convergence*

Would you like to relieve the headache of Planning infrastructure cost and issues? Do you know that data security in PBCS might be safer than an on-premise solution? In this session, we will cover the fairly new PBCS offering for Hyperion Planning. PBCS offers companies many advantages such as lower ownership and implementation costs, reduced maintenance, reliable performance, and improved functionality. PBCS offers a faster, easier and better method of implementing a budgeting and planning solution. An on-premise solution and PBCS differ in a few ways some of which include data and metadata management, automation and the interface. We will review myths about cloud solutions while reviewing positives and negatives for both solutions so your company can determine the best approach.