

Save Time and Resources by Automating Contract Data Validation

NTT DATA Legacy Contract Migration Tool for SAP Ariba Contract Management

Benefits:

- SAP global platinum partner
- More than 12,000 NTT DATA professionals with SAP expertise, globally
- 4,000 active SAP application clients, globally
- \$1.9 billion in SAP-related services revenue, globally
- 58 delivery centers in 28 countries provide SAP application services in all regions
- More than 28 years of SAP experience, focused on providing fully integrated client solutions
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- Mature onsite/offshore delivery model with SW-CMMI-5, ISO 9001, PCMM 4

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Accuracy and speed are critical when migrating procurement contracts from legacy systems into new SAP Ariba deployments or when merging systems. Traditional manual processes are tedious and error-prone; a validation error on a single contract file can cause a batch of thousands to be rejected. And starting over from scratch multiple times can make projects last nine months or more. NTT DATA Services has a better, faster and easier way to validate master data when migrating contracts to SAP Ariba.

A smarter way to migrate legacy contracts

The NTT DATA Legacy Contract Migration Tool for SAP Ariba Contract Management eliminates manual processes, reduces validation errors and allows contracts to be searchable in SAP Ariba Contract Management. The tool ensures the file size is compatible with SAP Ariba. If file size is exceeded, the tool automatically splits the files into smaller, acceptable sizes before the entire batch of contracts is loaded into SAP Ariba.

Best of all, if a validation error occurs in the master data, the tool captures the error and submits it to a log file for correction and automatically sends an email alert. The image/paper contracts are also searchable in SAP Ariba Contract Management. As a result, NTT DATA transforms the entire validation process by:

- Freeing IT resources because manual recreation of master data batch files is no longer required
- Reducing the complexity of building contract ZIP files by automating this time-consuming process
- Leveraging SAP Ariba's document search capability on legacy contracts
- Preventing invalid files with size and format errors from being loaded into SAP Ariba, eliminating the need to start the loading process from scratch every time, which can be due to a single error in just one file
- Cutting legacy contract transfer timelines by a third, typically from nine months to less than three months

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The “error” problem

When contracts are migrated to SAP Ariba’s traditional contract management tool, the tool requires a ZIP file that contains four CSV files of PDF documents with signed contracts. Each ZIP file must be less than 100MB in size. Using manual processes, any validation errors in the CSV files can be identified only during the import process into SAP Ariba. Even a validation error on a single contract requires the entire batch of contracts – potentially thousands – to be recreated manually and reloaded to SAP Ariba. This “all or nothing” manually intensive process can introduce multiple errors and ultimately add months to the contract migration process.

How NTT DATA solves the problem

Gone are the days of “all or nothing” contract validation and migration. The Legacy Contract Migration Tool for SAP Ariba automates and significantly reduces the error-prone manual processes that used to grind contract migration to a halt. Our conversion tool automatically converts all legacy contracts – paper, PDF, scanned images and more – to a ZIP format and size compatible with the SAP Ariba Contract Management system.

It can also convert scanned images into optical character recognition (OCR) documents that are searchable in SAP Ariba after migration – providing extended visibility into contract files for compliance tracking and audits. The tool is platform agnostic and will support any OCR tool. Our Legacy Contract Migration Tool validates contract attributes against SAP Ariba master data during the ZIP file creation process – not during import – and sends any detected errors into a log for correction, without the need for recreating and reloading the entire batch of contracts. The result: accurate, streamlined contract migration to SAP Ariba in one-third less time. Ensure a successful spend management strategy, higher-quality and lower-risk implementations, and the execution of successful sourcing programs and projects.

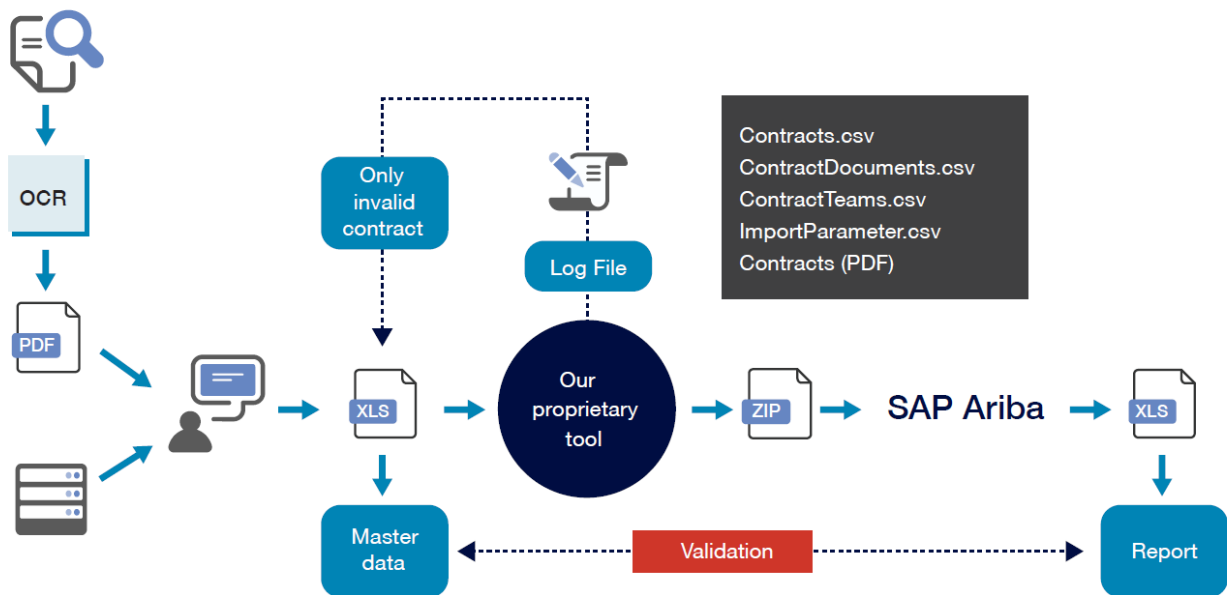
NTT DATA and SAP Ariba

With more than 30 years of SAP experience and over 14 years of SAP Ariba experience, NTT DATA has deep knowledge of complete SAP Ariba solutions and its use across various industries. We have also leveraged our strategic relationship with SAP Ariba, as well as the additional support and management resources from our worldclass SAP practice in developing this and other applications for the SAP Ariba platform.

Find out how NTT DATA can help you

For more information on the Legacy Contract Migration Tool for SAP Ariba, please contact: sapinfo@nttdata.com

Legacy Contract Migration Tool for SAP Ariba workflow



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