

How did expert services help a rail-sector warehouse transformation run smoothly and on time?

Deploying a rigorous planning and rollout approach to adhere to a strict timetable while maintaining business continuity

One of the world's leading mobility and logistics companies, Deutsche Bahn AG (DB) wants to shift more traffic to rail by designing and operating sustainable, future-fit transport networks. Within the group, nearly 9,000 maintenance employees at DB Fahrzeuginstandhaltung GmbH use their in-depth expertise to help keep DB's rail vehicles and components in top form.

The warehouse management software DB uses for logistical processes runs on the company's ERP system, which will soon be upgraded to SAP S/4HANA. To prepare for this, DB needed to roll out a new software template to warehouses across Germany without disrupting ongoing operations. In doing so, it wanted to embrace both best practices and a clean core approach. The company sought expert help to launch this template across diverse locations while keeping multiple teams on board.



Rolling out SAP EWM for SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition efficiently in multiple warehouses with SAP Services and Support

Before: Challenges and opportunities

- Roll out a new template for the SAP Extended Warehouse Management (SAP EWM) application for SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition in different locations during a groupwide transformation to SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition
- Safeguard business operations while adopting best practices and increasing standardization

Why SAP

- SAP EWM for SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition, enabling agile operations through digitalized and accelerated processes
- SAP Services and Support, offering support and guidance from experts with extensive experience in transformation projects, a direct connection to SAP's development teams, and strong technical knowledge and methodological expertise in parallel rollouts of templates for SAP EWM across multiple locations

After: Value-driven results

- Designed a highly valuable transformation and rollout strategy, enabling swift implementation
- Adopted best-practice standards and a clean core approach, aiding governance
- Empowered the internal IT team with SAP software knowledge for use in other projects
- Provided a basis for further transformation based on SAP S/4HANA Cloud and other SAP solutions

“To run our warehouses sustainably, we needed a new digital core platform. With the services, tools, and direct access to experts provided by SAP Services and Support, we were able to transform our platform in time and within budget **without business interruptions.**”

Ralf Neumann, Senior Project Manager, Telecommunication and Plant Technology, Deutsche Bahn AG

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Locations migrated swiftly in the first months

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Locations set to migrate in the second year