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# How Lockheed Martin Uses SAPUI5 to Centralize a Manual PR Request System

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# About the Speakers

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# Key Takeaways

- With SAPUI5, Fiori, and ABAP we were able to implement robust applications for the manual purchase requisition request process
- New Procedures
  - Consistent approval process
  - Streamlined approach
  - User-friendly interface

# Agenda

- Lockheed Martin Overview
- SAP Landscape
- Manual Purchase Requisition Request(PRR) History
- PRR Requirements & Implementation
- Achievements
- Enhancements
- Lessons Learned

# Lockheed Martin Overview



**AERONAUTICS**

- Tactical fighters
- Tactical and strategic airlift
- Advanced Development

**ROTARY AND MISSION SYSTEMS**

- Maritime Solutions
- Radar and Surveillance Systems
- Aviation Systems and Rotorcraft Platforms
- Training and Logistics Solution

**MISSILES & FIRE CONTROL**

- Air and missile defense
- Fire control and situational awareness
- Nuclear systems and solutions

**SPACE SYSTEMS**

- Surveillance and navigation
- Global communications
- Human space flight
- Strategic and defensive systems

- Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland
- Global security and aerospace company
- Employs approximately 100,000 people worldwide
- Principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services
- 2018 Sales: \$53.8 billion

# SAP Landscape

		Aero	MFC	RMS	SSC	Enterprise
<b>PDM/PLM</b> Product Data/Lifecycle Management	Engineering		Windchill <small>PTC</small>	Windchill <small>PTC</small> <small>DASSAULT SYSTEMES</small>	Windchill <small>PTC</small>	
<b>ERP</b> Enterprise Resource Planning	Finance Mfg Planning Supply Chain Sustainment	OneAero              Greenville	MFC              LM UK	CES/COS              Canada              SAC SAP	SSC FICO              SSC ERP	P2P              ICL              Spectrum
<b>MES</b> Manufacturing Execution System	Shop Floor Manufacturing	CAMS			CAMS	
<b>HRMS</b> HR Management System	Human Resource Management					

# Before PRR(Purchase Requisition Request)



INCONSISTENT  
PROCESSES

# PRR Requirements

- Application must be web-enabled
- Accessible to all MFC employees without requesting SAP access
- Simple and easy to use, while housing all of the necessary data to create a manual PR
- Automatically send emails to the appropriate approvers
- Once all the approvals are in place, a PR should be created if applicable

VERY SIMPLE RIGHT?

**APPLICATION MUST BE WEB-ENABLED**

# Fiori Launchpad

The screenshot shows the SAP Fiori Launchpad interface for the 'MFC Purchasing' app. The top navigation bar includes the SAP logo, a search icon, and the user name 'Audrey Mays'. The main content area features a header 'MFC Purchasing' and a grid of four tiles:

Tile Title	Icon	Count
Create a Purchase Requisition Request	Document with plus icon	-
My Purchase Requisition Requests	Clipboard with checkmark	-
Finance Review Queue	Document icon	0
Authorized Approvers Review Queue	Document icon	0

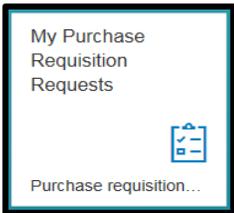
Each tile has a corresponding action label at the bottom: 'Create a Purchase ...', 'Purchase requisition...', and two empty labels for the queue tiles. A small edit icon is visible in the bottom right corner of the main content area.

# PRR Tiles



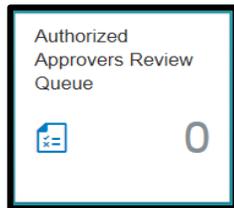
## **Create a Purchase Requisition Request**

Requestor uses this tile to initiate a PRR



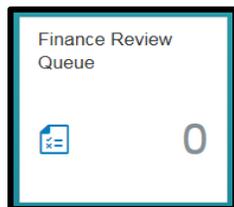
## **My Purchase Requisition Requests Queue**

A complete list of the PRR's created for a particular Requestor



## **Authorized Approvers Review Queue**

Designated Authorized Approvers will be able to review the PRR's assigned to them for approval



## **Finance Review Queue**

Designated Authorized Financial Approver who will be reviewing and approving the charging objects

# PRR Queues

Purchase Requisition Requests

67 In Process | 2 Pending Approval | 1 Pending PP&C | 7 Pending Finance | 6 Complete | 3 Cancelled | 87 All Requests

PRR #

Plant:  Material:  Description:  Delivery Date Range:

PRR #	Plant	Status	PR/Resv. Num	Comments	Material Part #	Description	Quantity	Unit
168	DAL	Satisfied with Excess	Multiple Reservations		[REDACTED]	SCREWDRIVER,573 .050 ALLEN HEAD	10.000	EA
121	DAL	Satisfied with Excess	13598167		[REDACTED]	VALVE,VTMTM 047-313 1/2" 3WAY	1.000	EA
106	DAL	PR Created	13528809			Raspberry Pi	1.000	EA
85	DAL	PR Created	13528806			Raspberry Pi	1.000	EA
55	DAL	PR Created	13528057			SAP Training Services	1.000	EA

## Requestor's Queue

## Authorized Approver's Queue

Purchase Requisition Requests

Purchase Requisition Requests - Authorized Approvers (3)

PRR #	Plant	Comments	Material Part #	Description	Quantity	Unit
195	DAL		[REDACTED]	WASHER	6.000	EA
180	ORLO			TEST SOFTWARE	5.000	EA
179	ORLO			TEST SOFTWARE	10.000	EA

**THE APPLICATION MUST BE ACCESSIBLE  
TO ALL MFC EMPLOYEES, WITHOUT  
REQUESTING SAP ACCESS**

# Access Options Explored

## ➤ Create users on the fly

- Promising Wiki article - [Automatic User Account Creation and Update using SAML 2.0 in AS ABAP](#)
- Required too much resource time to explore

## ➤ SAP's IDM (Identity Management)

- Identity management service for SAP applications
- Centrally manage user identities (functional user profiles/roles/permissions) and ensures the proper authorization and processes are utilized
- Enterprise version recently implemented at Lockheed, but not rolled out to all projects/business areas yet

## ➤ LDAP Sync

- Tried and true solution here at Lockheed since it is currently being used for other Fiori applications
- Allows you to create and maintain users in SAP from Active Directory, based on certain attributes

SAP ACCESS  
REQUIRED FOR FIORI  
LAUNCHPAD

**FORM MUST BE SIMPLE AND EASY TO  
USE, WHILE HOUSING ALL OF THE  
NECESSARY DATA TO CREATE A  
MANUAL PR**

# UI5 Implementation Challenges

- Time lapse between training and development
- Resources with different skillsets needed
- Web IDE personal edition or cloud
- Create from standard template or from scratch or a combination
- Understanding views (JavaScript or XML)
- Getting familiar with data models (JSON, OData)
- Understanding Gateway services
- Understanding navigation



LEARNING CURVE

# PRR Form

## ➤ Sections

### ➤ General Data

- Common to all items
- Copied to each item on PRR and PR

### ➤ Order Items

- Fields specific to an item
- Material and funding data

### ➤ Attachments

- Supporting documentation for PRR
- Documents do not flow to the PR by design

### ➤ Status History

- Field names are similar to SAP names for consistency

FOCUS ON EASE OF USE

# General Data Section

## Create Purchase Requisition Request

Status: New

Requested By: Audrey Mays

Unsaved Changes

GENERAL DATA | ORDER ITEMS | ATTACHMENTS | STATUS HISTORY

\*Plant: DAL

\*Request Type:  Capital  IT  Other  VIP

\*Authorized Approver: aud

\*Financial Approver: AUDREY MAYS (TESTING) (C

\*Delivery(Need) Date:

Desired Vendor:

Vendor Name:

PR Type:  Standard  Repair

CER #:

RMS #:

Delivery Address:

Name: Lockheed Martin Corporation

Street: 1701 W. Marshall Drive

City, ST: Grand Prairie, TX

\*Unloading Point:

Zip: 75051-3601

\*Recipient:

ORDER ITEMS

## Ease of Use

- Form is one page for single item requests
- Search help is implemented for Desired Vendor and Approvers
- Delivery Address is auto-populated based on the selected plant
- Suggest lists are used for Plant and Approvers
- Can easily reorder items by copying an existing PRR

# Order Items Section

**ORDER ITEMS**

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*Qty	Material	*UoM	*Description	*Unit Cost	Item Total
1		EA	TEST ITEM 1	5	\$5.00

Material

\*Material Group:

\*Purchasing Group:

\*Usage:

Consumable/IT

Deliverable as End Item

Used During Manufacturing

Internal Research/Development

Material Category:

Receivable

Hazardous Material

Invoice:

Invoice Approval Required

Invoice Approver:

## Single Item PRR

**ORDER ITEMS**

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	Item	Qty	Material	UoM	Description	Unit Cost	Item Total	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	1.00		EA	TEST ITEM 1	\$5.00	\$5.00	✎
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	5.00		LT	TEST ITEM 2	\$189.00	\$945.00	✎

## Multi-Item PRR

### Ease of Use

- Search help is implemented for Material, UoM, Material Group, Purchasing Group, and Invoice Approver
- Suggest list is used for Material
- If a valid MMR exists, the following are auto populated
  - UOM
  - Description
  - Unit Cost (if it is on the MMR)
  - Material Group
  - Purchasing Group

# Order Items Funding Section

Cost Object:  Cost Center  Internal Order  Network Activity/IRN

Account Distribution:

G/L Account (Cost Element)	Cost Center
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Notes

Text to Buyer:

Text to Vendor:

Cost Center

Account Distribution:

Seq	Percent	Network	Oper/Act
<input type="checkbox"/> 01	0.0	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Notes

Text to Buyer:

Text to Vendor:

Account Distribution

Ease of Use

Search help is implemented for all cost objects

Cost Object:  Cost Center  Internal Order  Network Activity/IRN

Account Distribution:

G/L Account (Cost Element)	Cost Center	Order
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Notes

Text to Buyer:

Text to Vendor:

Internal Order

Cost Object:  Cost Center  Internal Order  Network Activity/IRN

Account Distribution:

G/L Account (Cost Element)	Network	Oper/Act
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Notes

Text to Buyer:

Text to Vendor:

Network Activity

# Attachments Section

ATTACHMENTS

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Attachments (2) +

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## Ease of Use

Supporting documents can be attached to augment the approval process

# Status History Section

Purchase Requisition Request (63) Status: PR Created

GENERAL DATA ORDER ITEMS ATTACHMENTS STATUS HISTORY

### Status History

Status	Status Note	Status Changed By	Changed Date/Time
PR Created		[REDACTED]	08/27/2018 09:59:25
Finance Review		[REDACTED]	08/27/2018 09:19:44
Resubmitted		[REDACTED]	08/23/2018 14:40:55
Rejected	Please update charge number to [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	08/22/2018 15:05:35
Submitted		[REDACTED]	08/22/2018 13:49:42
New		[REDACTED]	08/22/2018 13:49:04

## Ease of Use

Can easily determine when a PRR has moved on to the next step

# Dispositioning a PRR

Requestor

Authorized Approver

Financial Approver

## Ease of Use

Appropriate buttons are displayed based on the user's role

**APPROVERS SHOULD RECEIVE EMAIL  
NOTIFICATIONS FOR ANY ITEMS  
REQUIRING THEIR APPROVAL**

# Emails

- Emails are sent to users to indicate they need to take action on a request
  - Approvers and MRP controllers receive emails for items awaiting their disposition
  - Requestors receive emails for rejected requests
- Emails contain the major details of the request for all of the items, along with links to the user's queue and the PRR request

Please find the following details for PR request #179. This request is currently in the Submitted status and requires your approval for further processing. If you reject it for any reason, you will need to enter a reason in the application.

Requisitioner: [REDACTED]

MRP Controller Code:

Order Items:

Quantity: 10.000	Material Part #:	UoM: EA	Description: TEST SOFTWARE	Unit Cost: 5	Item Total: 50
Receivable: X	Invoice Approval required:		Invoice Approver:		
Inspection Required:	Hazardous Material:		Funding:	Cost Element: [REDACTED]	
Material Type: [REDACTED]				Cost Object: Cost Center 0000 [REDACTED]	

Quantity: 3.000	Material Part #:	UoM: EA	Description: TEST WARE	Unit Cost: 20	Item Total: 60
Receivable: X	Invoice Approval required:		Invoice Approver:		
Inspection Required:	Hazardous Material:		Funding:	Cost Element: [REDACTED]	
Material Type: [REDACTED]				Cost Object: Cost Center 0000 [REDACTED]	

[Manage Purchase Req Request 179](#)

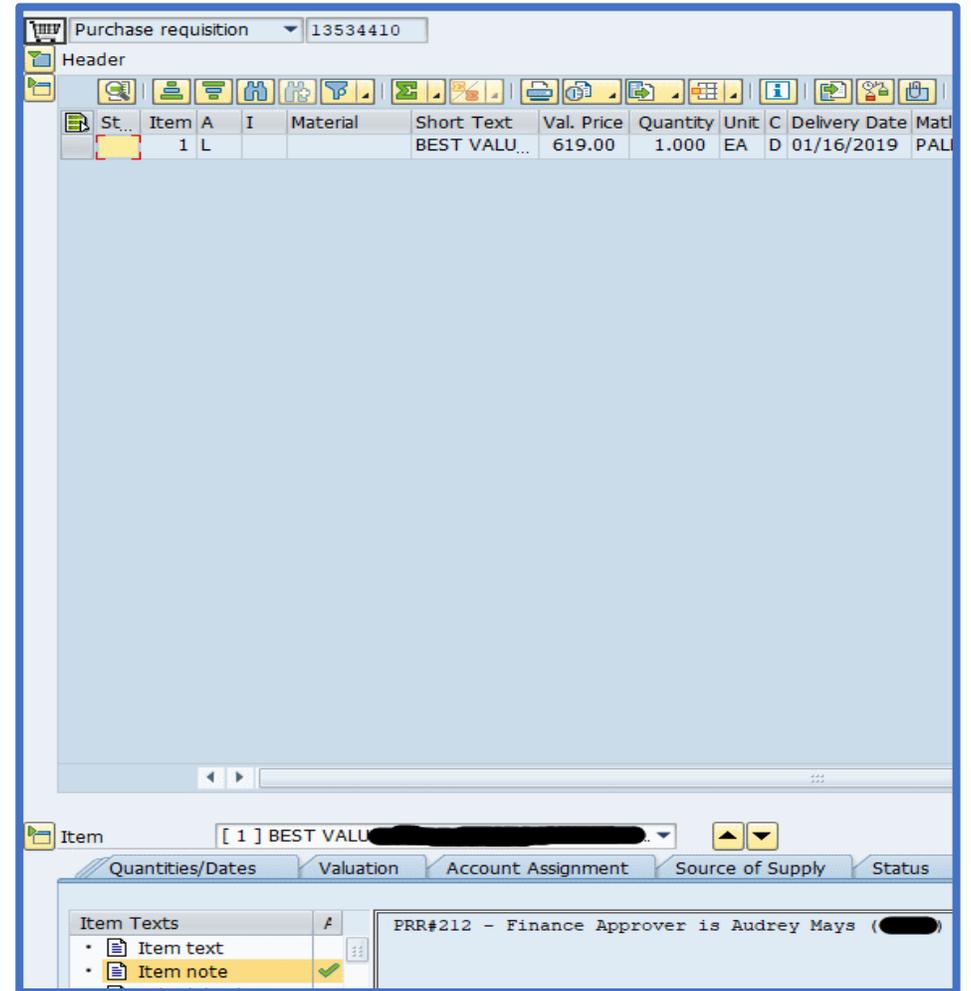
[View Queue](#)

KEEP THE PROCESS MOVING

**ONCE ALL THE APPROVALS ARE IN  
PLACE, A PR SHOULD BE CREATED IF  
APPLICABLE**

# Final Step

- PRR without a material master
  - BAPI\_PR\_CREATE is used to create a PR
  - Can be normal or repair PR
- PRR with a material master
  - Reservation is created or updated
    - BAPI\_RESERVATION\_CREATE1 is used to create a reservation for items charged to a cost center (i.e. MB21)
    - BAPI\_NETWORK\_COMP\_ADD is used to update a reservation for items charged to a network/activity (i.e. CN22)
  - Normal MRP process will generate PR
- PRR number is documented in the PR and reservation for auditing purposes



# Achievements

- One of our plants was able to shave 7 days off of getting approvals.
- Completely removed our BOM planners from manually creating reservations for MMR items.
- Completely removed BUY planners/BOM planners from non-program creation of PR items in general.
- Provided the ability for end users to track their PRRs via reservations or SAP purchase requisitions.
- Auditable – all approvals are date and time stamped, and have supporting documentation all in one place

SUCCESS!

# Enhancements

- All data will be at the item level, including approvers.
  - We will implement the master detail app template
  - Multiple PR's can possibly be created from one PRR, depending on which items are approved together
- Extend search capabilities. Initially could only search within your requests
- Add in automation for warehouse personnel to pull in-stock requests
- Enhance approval queues so approvers can see past approvals
- Add functionality to mass upload PRR items

WHAT'S NEXT?

# Lessons Learned

- Account for a learning curve in the schedule for your 1<sup>st</sup> SAPUI5 application
- Using one of the templates in SAP Web IDE allows for rapid development and deployment of a fully functional application
- SAPUI5 and Fiori have been around long enough so there are plenty of useful online resources
- A more agile approach would have been helpful in implementing some of the enhancements during the initial release.

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