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### Dynamics 365 Finance & Operations Implementation Learnings

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#### **Sweet Success**

- Who am I?
  - Michelle Peters Denver, Colorado (Ovintiv)
- Why am I here?
  - Led a 9-month D365 F&O Implementation that went live January 2022
- What do I want to share?
  - Some of our Sweet Successes from our implementation
- Check out more of our story:
  - Ovintiv Customer Story



# Let's do a POLL...

SHOW OF HANDS...

- Are live on D365/AX/BC/GP/Nav
- Currently implementing
- Considering implementing

## Agenda

- Ovintiv D365 Journey
- Sweet Successes:
  Implementation Learnings
- Go Live What's next?
- What is Ovintiv working on now?

#### Ovintiv

- Corporate Offices in Denver, Houston, and Calgary
- ~1,700 Employees
- Annual Gross Revenue over \$10 Billion
- ~700 total D365 Users
  - ~300 core Finance and SMS users







#### Project Go Live: January 4, 2022

- Modules: F&O + Supply Chain
- 4 ISVs
- Integrations with 10+ Systems
- Data Warehouse

#### Maturity: 2023/2024

- Release cadence and automation
- Optimizing our Microsoft Platform
  Investment

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MVP Approach

#### Stabilization and Post Go Live: 2022

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• Security

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- Support
- MVP Enhancements



### Fail Fast (Rolo with it...)

- Change course if it's not working
  - People
  - Modules
  - Reports
  - Other....



• Don't overthink – trust your intuition on making a change



#### **Change Management (Fish out of water)**

- Change Management might be as important as the technology you are implementing
- Get your teams comfortable with being uncomfortable
- Find your people





### Go Virtual (Be a smartie!)

- Smart use of your time and resources
  - Cost
    - Reduced travel costs
  - Time
    - Efficiencies in moving from meeting to meeting
    - Less socialization, and more work
  - More effective
    - Work is at your fingertips
    - Easy to share documents, demos, or other data
    - Can include more people in a discussion

• Not a long-term solution, but effective for an implementation





#### **ISV vs Customization/Integration (Twix)**

- Weigh the pros and cons
  - Time to implement?
  - How will it impact the budget?
  - What does it do to scope?

#### IT'S TIME TO DESIDE. WHICH SIDE ARE YOU? #LeftTWIX OR #RightTWIX





• Long Term Support should be considered



#### **Celebrate the Wins (Wine!!)**

- Implementations are going to push everyone's limits
- Reinforce the progress you want to see (big and small)
- Engage people's hearts and minds





#### Go Live...What next?

- Microsoft Releases
  - Your first release is going to come faster than you realize!
- Licensing
  - Your security isn't going to be perfect at go-live
  - Look at your contract to determine how long you have to figure it out
- Testing Automation
  - Start thinking about this after you refine your processes



#### Recap

- 1. Fail Fast
- 2. Manage the change
- 3. Go Virtual
- 4. Think through ISVs vs Customizations/Integrations
- 5. Celebrate big and small wins
- 6. Be ready for post go live

#### **Be yourself – honest and authentic**



### What is Ovintiv working on now?

- Near Term
  - o Upskilling
  - Using Power Platform to fill functional gaps
  - CoPilot (D365, CoPilot Studio, and M365)
  - Invoice Capture
  - Synapse Link
- Keeping our eye on...
  Sales
  BPA
  - BPP



