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Case Study - Data Migration Services

“Systems Advisers Group participated in the Technology Adoption Program for the Sure Step Migration Tool for Microsoft Dynamics™ AX. They ramped up quickly, and showed substantial progress within the first week of working together, providing valuable and timely feedback to help us improve the tool. We feel they are well positioned to perform data migrations from competing systems to Microsoft Dynamics™ AX using the tool, and build new source adapters on the tool's extensibility framework.”

Tom Patton
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As part of the Microsoft TAP program (Technology Adoption Program) Systems Advisers Group Brazil leverages the newly released Sure Step Migration Tool for Microsoft Dynamics™ AX to meet data conversion needs from any platform into Microsoft Dynamics™ AX

The Client

Cinemark, one of Systems Advisers Group's key clients in Sao Paulo, Brazil currently manages their business with Microsoft Dynamics™ SL being an active customer since 1999.

Business Situation

Cinemark needed an application which would better provide global functionality. Microsoft Dynamics™ AX, with its global footprint and Microsoft owned Brazilian localization was a perfect choice.

Solution

After evaluating their future growth and new requirements they selected Microsoft Dynamics™ AX as their new business solution. Simultaneously, Systems Advisers Group was presented with the opportunity to expand their existing TAP program participation to the newly developed Sure Step Migration Tool for Microsoft Dynamics™ AX.

The tool provides an extensible data conversion framework based on Microsoft SQL 2005 Integration Services (SSIS) and Microsoft Dynamics™ AX data import classes. After evaluating the tool, the team felt it would be a great fit for the Cinemark implementation.

Result

Using the tool, Systems Advisers Group substantially accelerated the Cinemark data migration timeframe while adding greater control and flexibility over standard data conversion methods.



Key Benefits to Cinemark (Client):

- ✓ Lower cost data conversion
- ✓ Quickly jumpstart data migration phase - much of the framework already in place
- ✓ Reliable, accurate process

What the tool provided:

- Migration process management framework
- Data staging tables
- Target adapters for key business areas such as finance, inventory, and order processing. (Target adaptors move data from the staging tables to Microsoft Dynamics™ AX).
- Exception handling process
- Basic validation packages

What System Advisers Group provided:

- Data migration knowledge and expertise
- Source adapters to move data from Microsoft Dynamics™ SL to the staging tables
- Extensions to the tool's standard staging tables, validation packages and target adapters
- New components (staging tables, validation packages, and target adapters) for additional business area not covered by the tool's standard scope

Key Benefits to Systems Advisers Group (Partner):

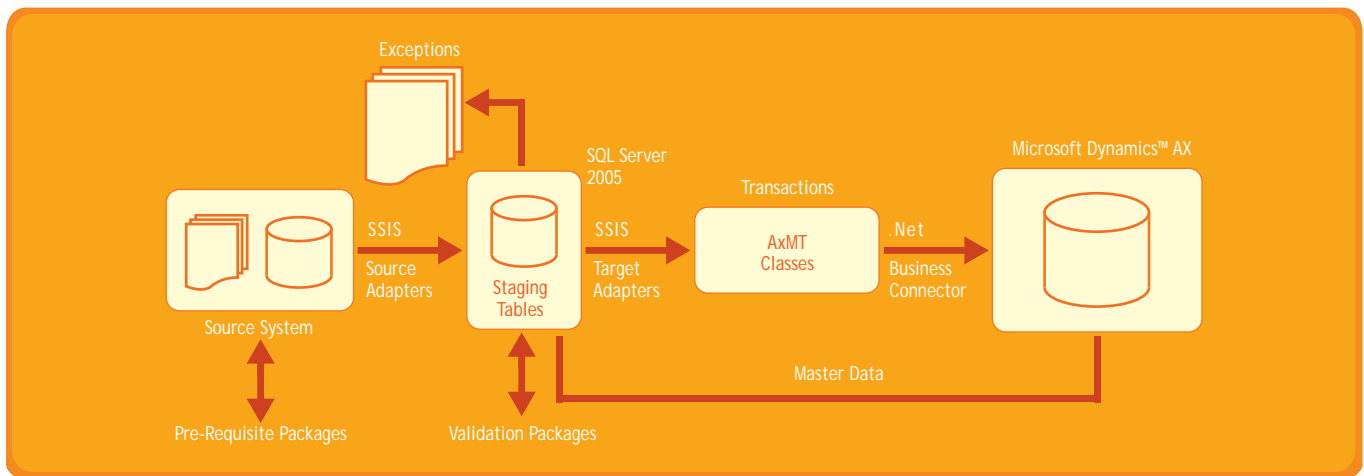
- ✓ Standardised, repeatable migration methodology (use with other clients)
- ✓ Extensible framework to add specialised rules or expand scope of data conversion
- ✓ Substantially less code and scripts to write than standard data conversion methods
- ✓ Ability to use the framework with any source system (legacy, competitor, other Microsoft Dynamics™ products) by just adding new source adapters



The Result:

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Sure Step Migration Tool for Microsoft Dynamics™ AX



Future Source Adapters

Systems Advisers Group is planning development on additional source adapters for:

- ✓ Microsoft Dynamics™ GP
- ✓ Microsoft Dynamics™ NAV
- ✓ JBA Software
- ✓ Infor SunSystems

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