

Equans Belux: Increasing architecture management maturity for enterprise-wide IT planning

Equans Belux NV is part of the Equans Group, a world leader in multidisciplinary technical installation and maintenance services focused on optimizing the operational and energy performance of industries, buildings, transport infrastructures, and distribution networks. From 60 locations in Belgium and Luxembourg, the company works across many fields, including electrical, mechanical, and electromechanical engineering, HVAC and air treatment, safety and fire protection, and energy optimization.

To manage enterprise architecture information, Equans Belux was using ad hoc processes and spreadsheets that lacked consistency and were difficult to keep up to date. Looking to make a shift to intentional enterprise architecture management practices, Equans Belux sought a modern solution. Specifically, the company wanted a tool to help it visualize, document, and align its IT landscape with overarching strategic goals.



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Creating a central knowledge base of application landscape information with the SAP LeanIX portfolio

Before: Challenges and opportunities

- Inefficiencies and risk from a reliance on siloed and ad hoc processes and spreadsheets for managing enterprise architecture
- Need for more mature enterprise architecture management practices to realize a parent company divestment as well as a transition to the cloud using the RISE with SAP journey

Why SAP

- Modern transformation and architecture planning capabilities offered by the SAP LeanIX portfolio, including tools to visualize its application landscape and IT components, showing how they align with business capabilities
- Guidance on documenting its enterprise architecture work through a predefined meta model and functionality to keep track of application information and assess technology risk

After: Value-driven results

- Established consistent and detailed application landscape documentation, helping it smooth the divestment from its parent company and manage the migration through RISE with SAP
- Digitalized its enterprise architecture review board process, increasing efficiency and accuracy by centralizing access to up-to-date documents linked to relevant fact sheets
- Enabled its architecture team to work in a more structured, efficient, and collaborative way
- Consolidated multiple workspaces, helping eliminate redundant IT investments

“SAP LeanIX supports more collaboration, with all the diagrams created by architects, developers, and product owners **managed centrally**. Everyone at the company can benefit from the information captured in SAP LeanIX because the application portal is available for anyone with a digital identity.”

Koen Peeters, Enterprise Architect, Equans Belux NV

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Centralized space for managing its application portfolio

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Of architecture diagrams created in SAP LeanIX