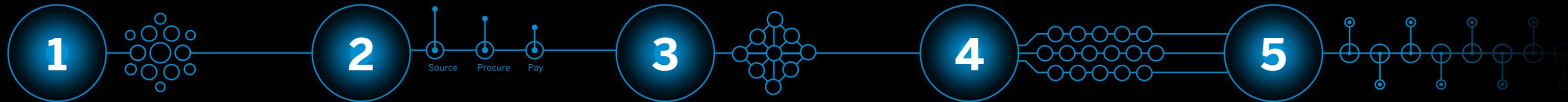


# 5 Critical Requirements for Intelligent Spend Management

To get the most impact out of intelligent technologies across the spend management process, you need the right infrastructure and systems. Here are the five must-haves to make intelligent spend management possible.



## 1 A nimble approach to managing data.

Instead of a 90s-era model that moves data from one place to the next, SAP Ariba solutions tap SAP's digital platform.

- The data stays where it is.
- The system understands how to manage it, improve and enhance it.
- The system puts it to work instantly when and where you need it.

## 2 Intelligence embedded from end-to-end.

Only SAP Ariba solutions can capitalize on technologies like AI, machine learning and blockchain across the entire source-to-settle process.

- Use data and results from each step to improve the rest of the process.
- Quickly roll out new innovations that can affect the entire process.
- See the whole picture and be able to make smart decisions at each step.

## 3 Integration across your organization.

SAP Ariba solutions integrate with the S/4 digital core and SAP manufacturing and supply chain as well as across the rest of the Intelligent Enterprise Suite.

- Keep data flowing between the systems.
- Keep the process moving—automatically.
- Quickly and continuously change, refine and improve.

## 4 Connect to data beyond your four walls.

The Ariba Network—the largest business-to-business network in the world—and a host of SAP Ariba APIs allow you to continuously build a more diverse, holistic data set.

- Benefit from insights gained from \$2+ trillion in annual transaction volume on the Ariba Network.
- Use APIs to connect to virtually any third-party sources.

## 5 Easy extensions and enhancements.

SAP Ariba solutions have the open architecture, APIs and ecosystem of developers to allow you to safely and securely tailor your solution to improve your spending control.

- Connect to targeted third-party solutions.
- Add custom extensions and functionality.
- Integrate with proprietary systems you have in place.

## Get more focused, get more effective and get more work done.

Make every step of the process faster, simpler and smarter. You'll put mountains of data to work in an instant—in real time—so you can finish the work that really matters.



## Make smarter decisions faster.

Sort through more spend, supplier, policy and risk data than any individual or team can view or manage—guiding you to the best course of action at critical points in the process.

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