**ARUNKUMAR VARADHARAJU**

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**CONSULTANT SUMMARY**

12 years+ versatile SAP implementation experience: project management, change management, regional roll- out/implementation management, manufacturing and S&OP functional consulting, data conversion, and security design expertise. Have led all phases of multiple full-length implementations from Project Prep, Blueprinting, Realization, Final Prep, cut-over and Go-Live. Have also led post-live improvement and rescue efforts, focused on process improvement, process excellence, and operational discipline.

**CORE VALUES**

High energy professional with excellent communication skills, strong project management discipline honed by Management & Technology Consulting experience, and the ability to lead teams to accomplish their goals.

**Specialties:** SAP S/4HANA & ECC Implementations - Multiple projects deployment of Finance Transformation - Consolidation System Automation - Business Process Re-engineering - Operation Management, SAP FICO, FSCM, TRM, S/4 HANA Finance.

**Industry experience includes** Government, Public Sector, Life sciences, Pharma, Chemicals, Aviation & Aerospace, Sports, Media & Entertainment, CPG, Financial Services, and Manufacturing. Holds an MBA in Finance & Tech, BS in Finance.

**CONSULTING SKILLS**

* Hands-on Experienced in Agile, Activate, Launch, ASAP, and project deployment methodologies
* In-depth knowledge and experience in SAP FICO, FSCM & S/4 HANA Finance implementation encompassing Eight projects, six of which are full implementation cycles from Blue Printing to Realization and Go Live.
* Strong skills in Implementation and Configuration of New General Ledger (New GL), Accounts Receivable (AR), Accounts Payable (AP), Asset Accounting (AA), Treasury and Cash Management (TR-CM), Cost Center Accounting (CCA), Internal Orders (IO), Profit Center Accounting (PCA), Profitability Analysis (COPA), Product Costing, Project System (PS) and Investment Management (IM) Money Market, In-house Cash (IHC), Dispute Management, Biller Direct, Credit Management.
* Experience in configuration of Automatic Payment Run (APP), Lockbox, Electronic Bank Statement (EBS), (SWIFT, BAI and Multi-cash formats), SEPA, Check Printing and Cash Management including Cash Position Liquidity forecast and Cash concentration.
* Configuration and Support of Period End Activities involving Foreign Currency Valuation, Accrual, and Recurring Entries, Dunning and Depreciation Run
* Expertise in implementation of SAP Treasury - Money Market, Foreign Exchange, Derivatives, Securities, Debt Management, Market Risk Management, and Credit Risk Management, FI (PSM) FM.
* Expert in preparation of reports using SAP Query and Report writer/Report Painter.
* Strong working knowledge of Sales & Distribution - Orders, Billing, Credit Management, Revenue Recognition (RR), Plants abroad, Rebate/Sales Deals Processing & Settlement.
* Experience in Open Text Vendor Invoice Management (VIM) and Workflow set up.
* Experience in customization related to integration between FI/CO & Logistics Modules (SD, PP & MM).
* Experience in preparation of Test Plan, Test Scenarios, and Test Scripts.
* Expert in Data Migration from Legacy System to SAP R/3 using Legacy System Migration Workbench (LSMW), ECATT, EDI, and IDOC.
* Strong working experience on Reports, Interfaces, Conversions, Enhancements, Forms, and Workflows (RICEFW).

**INTEGRATION SKILLS**

* Integration of SAP FICO with Procure to Pay (P2P), Order to Cash (OTC), Plant Maintenance (PM), Payroll, Travel Management, Production Planning, etc.
* Integration with MM, PP, and SD: Integration of FI with MM, PP, and SD modules, Inventory movement-related account, Billing and Revenue account determination, Interface design, and testing.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**FUJI Vegetable Oil, (Hitachi Consulting), New York, NY Feb 2021 – Till Date Principal Consultant SAP S/4 HANA Finance & FSCM**

* Lead upgrade of S/4 HANA 1709 to 1909, SAP Fiori Analytical Apps for Treasury and Risk Management (FIN-FSCM-TRM)
* Hand’s on and lead development, implementation, of Treasury, Banking, AP and AR, GL, Assets, FSCM, and Integrations.
* Also responsible for the deployment of treasury-related custom reports and statements.
* Provide consulting solutions on how to leverage standard SAP S/4 Treasury and Risk Management functionality and how to enable requirements while maximizing the ROI.
* Banking/Treasury, Risk Management Results analysis, US GAAP, IFRS, Cash Mgmt. - Cash Position, Forecasting, Manage Bank accounts
* In-House Cash - Central Payments, Intercompany netting, and Cash Concentration
* SAP Treasury: IHC setup/Electronics bank statements, dunning, and payments
* SAP Banking: Lockbox, bank reconciliation, SWIFT, Multi-bank reporting, MT940, & Multi cash.
* Experience and Sound concepts in S4 HANA Finance.
* Involved in integrating Treasury with third-party solutions for SAP.
* Responsible for minor ABAP developments and debugging for minor customizations.
* Hands-on Experience integrating S/4 Treasury and Risk management cloud environment with other SAP (BW/4 HANA, SAP Analytics Cloud, etc.) And non-SAP products.

# UN (UNICEF), New York, NY Mar 2018 – Feb 2021

**SAP S/4 HANA Finance & FSCM Lead**

* Lead end to end implementation for SAP Fiori Analytical Apps for Treasury and Risk Management (FIN-FSCM-TRM)
* Took ownership and lead development, implementation, and the worldwide rollout for Treasury procurement card application in FIORI apps.
* Also responsible for the deployment of treasury-related custom reports and statements.
* Provide consulting solutions on how to leverage standard SAP S/4 Treasury and Risk Management functionality and how to enable requirements while maximizing the ROI.
* Banking/Treasury, Risk Management Results analysis, US GAAP, IFRS, Cash Mgmt. - Cash Position, Forecasting, Manage Bank accounts
* Treasury and Risk Management - Exposure, Quantify, Transaction Mgmt. and Hedge Accounting
* In-House Cash - Central Payments, Intercompany netting, B2B Transfers, and Cash Concentration
* SAP Treasury: IHC setup/Electronics bank statements, dunning, and payments
* SAP Banking: Lockbox, bank reconciliation, SWIFT, Multi-bank reporting, MT940, MT942 format & Multi cash.
* Hands-on Experience integrating S/4 Treasury and Risk management on-premise and cloud environment with other SAP (BW/4 HANA, SAP Analytics Cloud, etc.) And non-SAP products.
* Proven success in implementing SAP functionality in a team environment & ability to work self-sufficient.
* Experience and Sound concepts in S4 HANA Finance and Central Finance.
* Involved in integrating Treasury with third-party solutions for SAP.
* Demonstrated leadership skills (organization, manage details, communication, and manage multiple priorities)
* Responsible for minor ABAP developments and debugging for minor customizations.
* Adapts existing methods and procedures to create alternative solutions to the complex problems.
* Experience and knowledge of configuring FI (PSM) FM Funds Management/Grants Management touch points with other modules, including Financial Accounting, Controlling, Project Systems, Materials Management, and HCM (Personnel Management, Payroll, and Org Management).

# L’ORÉAL PARIS, New York, NY Nov 2017 - Mar 2018

**SAP Finance Solution Consultant**

* Understood the business, gathered the requirements, and developed Business Blueprints.
* Created Functional Specification documents for Gaps and the interfaces to different systems.
* Configured the system for Accounts Payable and Cash Management Modules.
* Worked closely with the MM team in designing the conditions on PO.
* Created functional specification documents to build the interface between banks and EDI for receiving Electronic Bank Statements and sending the EDI820 IDocs.
* Worked closely with business users to help month-end/year-end close activities and bank reconciliation processes.
* Worked with MM and SD teams in configuring the system for Make to Order and Procure to Pay scenarios
* Helped to convert the GL, AP, AR transaction balances and GL master data using LSMW and custom programs
* Designed COPA module by creating custom characteristics and value fields, derivation rules and implemented a user exit in COPA allocations
* Created assessment and distribution cycles to allocate the costs at the month-end as per the business need.

# NBA, New York, NY Feb 2017 - Nov 2017

**SAP S/4HANA Solution Lead**

* SAP S/4HANA Finance, Digital and Business Transformation Thought Leader
* Lead upgrade of S/4 HANA 1511 to 1709 currently in the assessment phase.
* Build S/4 HANA Design & Configured important S/4HANA Finance functionality.
* Migration preparation, installation, and data checks in SAP S/4HANA Finance.
* Detailed understanding and hands-on knowledge SAP Cash Management powered by SAP HANA.
* Customize SAP Integrated Business Planning for Finance and SAP Central Finance in SAP S/4 HANA.
* Lead the Implementation of S/4 HANA finance 1511 currently in the Explore phase
* Conduct demos, blueprint and requirement gathering workshops, and solution validation workshops for S/4 HANA finance.
* Project preparation and execution based on SAP Activate methodology for Finance.
* Identified delta design and development requirements.
* Identified & recommended changes & process improvements to current processes to move towards SAP standard.
* Configured SAP digital payments add-on for a central hub for payment orchestration for B2C, B2B, online shops, POS.
* Functional Configuration for SAP FI, CO, AR, AP, Cash Mgmt., Treasury, and Project Systems.
* Supported data conversion and migration efforts.

# GLATFELTER, York, PA Aug 2016 - Feb 2017

**SAP S/4HANA Finance Consultant**

* Gather requirements for S/4 HANA Finance implementation.
* Build S/4 HANA Design & Configured important S/4HANA Finance functionality.
* Migration preparation, installation, and data checks in SAP S/4HANA Finance.
* Detailed understanding and hands-on knowledge SAP Cash Management powered by SAP HANA.
* Customize SAP Integrated Business Planning for Finance and SAP Central Finance in SAP S/4 HANA.
* Up to date with the newest developments in the SAP Finance domain (S/4HANA Finance 1610).
* Configured SAP digital payments add-on for a central hub for payment orchestration for B2C, B2B, online shops, POS.
* COPC Month-end closing IT support as per the Month activities related to Product costing. Creating Costing Run, Determining Material Prices, Consumption Revaluation, Closing Postings, Confirming Costing Result, CO-PA Periodic Revaluation, Marking Material Price, Releasing Material Price.
* Troubleshoot issues with Foreign Currency Revaluations in New GL.

# FIDELITY INVESTMENTS, Boston, MA Apr 2016 - Aug 2016

**Lead SAP Consultant**

* As an IT advisory SME, I worked closely with the Financial Management team on developing high-end finance solutions and take part in a large finance transformation.
* Provide consulting expertise across the whole breadth of financial modules plus the integration points with the other non- financial modules of SAP & Third-party applications.
* Acted as liaison between the finance department and the technical BI team to design, test, and deliver required reports to the finance department.
* Conduct the validation workshops that challenge customer requirements from a business point of view and identify/record potential gaps.
* Created BW Reporting Team Guidelines and Standards documentation for all reporting functions as per SOX requirements.

# SANOFI S.A, New York, NY Dec 2014 - Mar 2016

**Lead S/4HANA Finance & SAP FICO Consultant,**

* Lead position to prepare required documents user training providing the design alternatives created prototypes of the business individuals of the business process in SAP.
* Gather requirements for S/4 HANA Finance implementation.
* Build S/4 HANA Design.
* Configured important SAP S/4HANA Finance functionality.
* Migration preparation, installation, and data checks in SAP S/4HANA Finance.
* Detailed understanding and hands-on knowledge SAP Cash Management powered by SAP HANA.
* Customize SAP Integrated Business Planning for Finance and SAP Central Finance in SAP HANA.
* Coordinate with the development team (ABAP) for the development of new functionalities and Reports.
* Troubleshoot issues with document Splitting and Profit Center Determinations in New GL and configuration/ modifications to document splitting rules according to the new business processes and postings.

# SAUDIA CATERING & PSAA (SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES), Jeddah, KSA Jul 2012 - Dec 2014

**Senior SAP FICO Consultant,**

* Review and approval of all FICO system changes.
* Responsible for leading and guiding the team on Service Improvements & Innovation proposals.
* Support users in the generation of the required reports from the SAP ECC system using standard transactions, SAP Query, and Report Painter.
* Prepared training documents for New GL, AP, AR including profitability Analysis (CO-PA) and Open Text (VIM), Asset Accounting and Period End Activities
* Working knowledge of Credit and Asset Management, Special Ledger FI-SL, New GL- Document splitting, Project Systems, Bank Accounting, Foreign Currency, Treasury.
* Worked on TRM especially Money Marker, Derivatives, Forex Hedge management.
* Intercompany Loan Manage Cash Application Auto Bank Maintain Bank Master Data.
* Worked on Treasury and SAP FSCM Biller Direct
* Manage Cash Disbursements Electronic Funds Transfer Process.
* Configured Bank Reconciliation Electronic and Manual Inbound Bank Communication BCM.

# SAUDIA CARGO & SAEI (SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES), Jeddah, KSA Jul 2010 - Jun 2012

**Senior SAP FICO Consultant,**

* Testing of all FI custom objects & standards programs for the upgrade project.
* Significantly involved in validation and application of OSS notes using ASU toolbox & SNOTE for system stabilization during various phases of the project
* Provided functional support on the issues related to GL, AP, AR, and AA.
* Understand business requirements and provide Functional specifications, Coordinate with the development team (ABAP) for the development of new functionalities and Reports.
* Post Go-Live support and provide the transition to the support team.
* Take part in a task to synch SAP instances (Development, Quality assurance, and Production)
* Treasury and Risk Management - Exposure, Quantify, Transaction Mgmt. and Hedge Accounting

# SAUDIA (SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES), Jeddah, KSA Jan 2010 - Jun 2010

**Senior SAP FICO Consultant,**

* Configure SAP FI module involving A/R, A/P, G/L, Asset accounting, and treasury
* Configure House Bank, Automatic payment program setup, lockbox, cash management, and EBS
* Perform realization and acceptance testing for interfacing FI module with CO, SD, MM, and PP
* Configure Clients organizational structure involving the company credit control area and company code
* Involved in project testing phase, knowledge transfer, and go-live process Involved in data migration from legacy systems to SAP system using LSMW.
* Integration of FI with MM, PP, and SD modules, Integrated SD and FICO with Project System.
* Rollout Investment Management and Project Systems Module) to other Co. Codes - (Create Projects and Work Break Downs Structures (WBS), Settlement Rules for CAPEX and OPEX business scenarios.

# SEVENTHSENSE TECHNOLOGIES, Chennai, IN Jan 2009 - Dec 2009

**SAP FICO Associate consultant,**

* Resolves issues related to business use of implemented systems or processes by working with systems or process owners and project teams to find acceptable solutions.
* Projection, formation rates, cost analysis, and chart of accounts, Cost control, Reconciliation, Organization, and audit tasks.
* Review of issues with the onsite team daily or as per the criticality of the issues rose.
* Developed conceptual design document for various in-house minor projects related to SAP enhancements.

# LAKSHMI GROUPS, Chennai, IN May 2006 - Aug 2007

**Finance Executive,**

* Preparation of Reconciliations like Bank Reconciliation, AR Reconciliation, AP Reconciliation, etc.
* Monthly preparation of Divisional Profit/Loss along with identification and analysis of profitability and cost factors.
* Preparation and finalization of Annual & Monthly budgets and checking for the budget concurrence.
* Preparation of MIS reports as per requirements like periodical profitability analysis, cash-flow summary, Investment schedule, etc.

**ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS**

* MBA in Finance & Technology, SRM University Chennai, India. (May 2009).
* Bachelor of Science in Finance, Accounting & Commerce, University of Madras Chennai, India. (Apr 2006).

**SAP CERTIFICATIONS**

SAP Certified Application Associate - Treasury with SAP S/4HANA, (C\_S4FTR\_1909) https://[www.youracclaim.com/badges/573c3a3f-905b-4ab0-a7a1-34d9bad7496b/public\_url](http://www.youracclaim.com/badges/573c3a3f-905b-4ab0-a7a1-34d9bad7496b/public_url)

SAP Certified Application Associate - SAP S/4HANA for Financial Accounting Associates (C\_TS4FI\_1909) https://[www.youracclaim.com/badges/fc4fb472-e119-4c75-a919-f4ed420b9907/public\_url](http://www.youracclaim.com/badges/fc4fb472-e119-4c75-a919-f4ed420b9907/public_url)