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FIET
FMMI Intelligent Enterprise Transformation

The Monthly Momentum

April 2024 | All the latest scoop on the FIET Project...

📰 Welcome Back, FIET Stakeholders!

The Monthly Momentum is your monthly update on the FMMI Intelligent Enterprise Transformation (FIET) Project progress.

This month, we're talking "all things change." Three key changes you can expect to see in the upgraded version of FMMI include: 1) a new user interface called Fiori, 2) a Simplified Data Model, and 3) the Integration of Customers and Vendors.

Read about these changes, as well as what is *not* changing, below!

WHAT'S NOT CHANGING

End users will not experience changes related to the following processes and systems as a result of the FMMI upgrade. While there will be back-end changes to tables and applications, users will not see any changes from a front-end perspective:

- **HANA BusinessObjects (BOBJ) Reports** – Centralized data visualization, reporting, and decision-making support system will all remain in the FMMI Portal.
- **ezFedGrants and FNS Grantor** – End users will not experience changes related to ezFedGrants, FNS Grantor, Pega, or Customer Relationship Management (CRM).
- **Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC)** – The risk and compliance monitoring system will not be impacted by the FMMI upgrade.

WHAT IS CHANGING

The most notable changes to FMMI can be grouped into three categories: Fiori, Simplified Data Model, and Customer-Vendor Integration (CVI). Read more about each of these categories below.

✨ **Fiori**: The fresh, new user interface with a modern look and feel.

Fiori will be the biggest, most noticeable change that FMMI end users will experience, and it will also bring the biggest benefits. Fiori will serve as the new primary User Interface (UI) for most business transactions and will be accessed via the Portal. Key benefits of Fiori include:

- Modern, intuitive interface
- Personalization options
- Improved productivity
- Operational metrics, enabling data-driven decision-making
- Embedded analytics

To learn more about Fiori, watch this video.

Simplified Data Model: S/4HANA will combine data tables into a single Universal Journal to improve performance and data accuracy.

This will also combine ledgers, thus simplifying the data model and improving system performance and data accuracy. Benefits of this change include:

- Eliminating redundant data
- Reducing database size, improving performance
- Introducing a single source of information in the Universal Journal

📊 **Customer-Vendor Integration (CVI)**: With the launch of FIET, we will introduce Business Partner records to FMMI. Business Partner records will serve as an umbrella that captures data for related Customer and Vendor records.

This change means that end users will view Business Partner records for information on customers and vendors and may experience minor changes that look and feel different from what they are familiar with today.

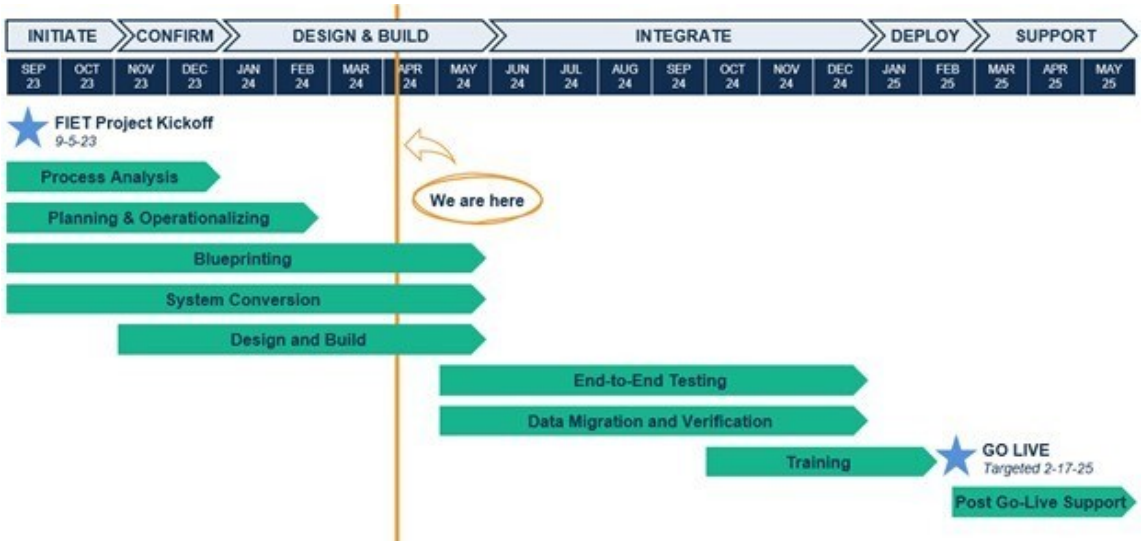
More details on each of these changes will be shared between now and February 2025, as we get closer to go-live. In the meantime, as you have questions, please submit them here.

THE FUTURE OF FIET: Roadmap & Vision Updates

As we navigate the dynamic landscape of the FIET Project, this monthly roadmap is designed to provide you with a clear view of what we are currently focused on, and where we plan to go in the coming weeks and months.

Transparency and Collaboration: We encourage each team member to review the roadmap and ask questions to help ensure we are sharing the right level of detail for our FIET stakeholders.

Follow our progress with the FIET Project Roadmap:



Key upcoming dates and milestones to pay special attention to include:

- **Available now!** – Take the FIET Survey sent out on April 1st.
- **May 2024** – Super Users will be involved in test script development review and will be available for consultation and questions as System Integration Testing 1 (SIT 1) begins.
- **July 2024** – Virtual FIET informational sessions will be held over the summer during the Financial Training Forum.
- **Winter 2024** – We will begin to launch training in Winter 2024 to provide a couple of months for end users to review training before go-live.
- **February 2025** – FIET go-live!

FACES OF FIET: Key Player Spotlight

Each month, get to know the devoted minds driving FIET's success. Each edition will spotlight one of the individuals who make our team extraordinary. Learn about their roles, experiences, and what fuels their excitement for FIET.

Meet FIET Project key player, *Arianne Edward*!

How long have you been with USDA/FMS? I've been with Financial Management Services (FMS) for 9 years. As an intern for the first five years, and as a project manager in the Program Management Office since April 2020.

What is your role in FMS? My role as a Project Manager is to oversee a project from inception to closeout. I also lead the project teams to ensure that they carry out the vision of the project successfully.

What is your role on the FIET Project? As the Program Manager, I monitor the program's progress, ensuring the milestones are being met across the various workstreams.

What are you most excited about regarding FIET or S/4HANA? I am most excited about implementing a successful program that encompasses the vision and satisfies the end user's needs.

How would your best friend describe you in three words? Determined, loyal, and brutally honest.

What does your ideal weekend look like? Spending quality time with family and friends.

What advice would you give your 20-year-old self? Ask the question "why?" more often until you know the full process of any and everything.

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