

CRYSTAL REPORTSFor SAP Business One

Crystal Reports for SAP Business One

Version 8.8 family, 9.0 family, and beyond

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Section 1



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Introductions and Course Overview







Introduction



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Session Objectives & Assumptions



Course Objective

An introductory course in building and modifying Crystal reports in the SAP Business One environment. This instructor led course will provide you with the core skills, tools and examples to start building your own SAP Business One reports and layouts within SAP Business One.

Assumptions

- You an experienced SAP Business One user
- You have a basic understanding of the SAP Business One database
- You are comfortable and may have used other report writing tools against a database
- You are not an expert but are open to learning more about it
- You want to
 - Write your own reports
- Customize existing reports to meet your specific needs





Course Agenda



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- Section 3 Overview of Crystal Reports in Business One 8.8
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Section 2



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Your Crystal Reports Designer Environment (basics)







Basic Installation and Setup of Crystal Reports Designer

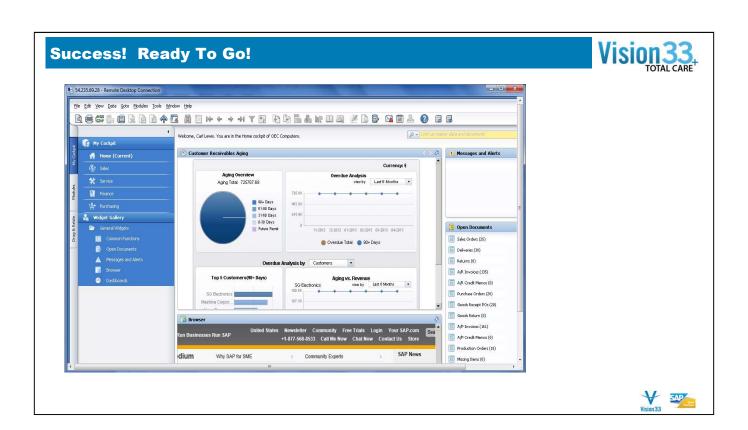


It is typical for Crystal Reports Designer to be installed and operationally validated by your implementation and consulting team. However, if you do not have Crystal Reports Designer installed the following are the basic steps. It is my recommendation that certified SAP Business One consultant perform these tasks. Procedures and processes change from time to time. Certified SAP Business One professionals are best equipped and informed to perform these tasks.

- Validate that SAP Business One is operational.
- Crystal Reports Designer is a separate installation (it has it's own exe file for install purposes) and is not part of the SAP Business One Wizard. Locate this Crystal Reports Designer exe.
- Execute the install exe file. It is recommended that this been done on your Remote Desktop Server in Administrative mode.
- 4. The program will check for these pre-requisites. If one or more are not found the install will fail. Please be certain all pre-requisites have been installed and repeat the installation process.
- 5. Install Crustal Reports Designer
- Install the SAP Business One CR Addin (this is found in the packages folder of the expanded SAP Business One rar file (compression software).
- 7. Install the B1 Integration Component. (also found in the packages folder).
- 8. Make certain that the SAP Business One 32 bit DIAPI has been installed also.
- 9. Testing the install
 - 1. Open Crystal Reports Designer
 - 2. Obtain ab SAP Business One Connection
 - 3. Validate that the CR Addin is operational







Section 3



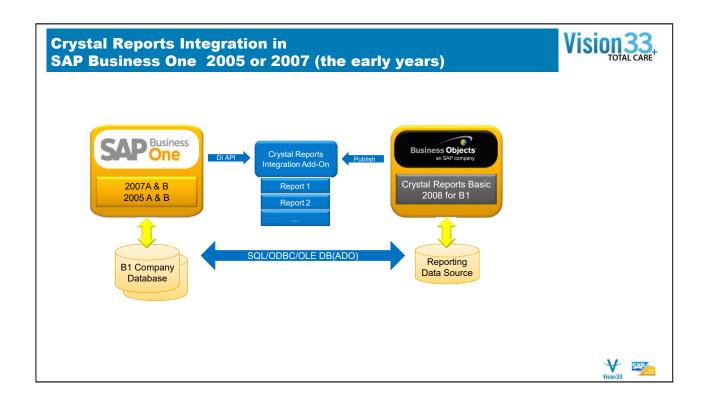
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Overview of Crystal Reports in Business One Along with some history...

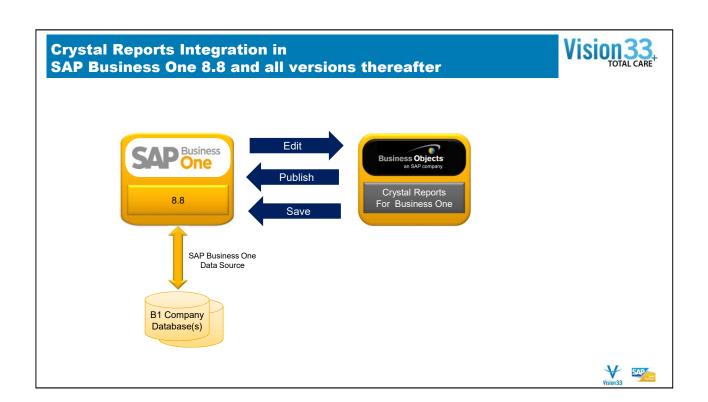






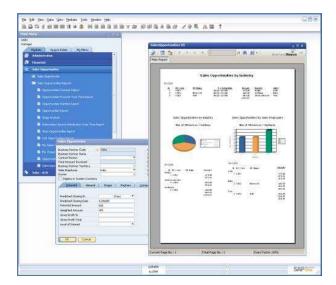


- You may have seen this picture before, which presents the typical user scenarios of designing, publishing and using Crystal Reports designed reports in Business One.
- 1. To design reports, report designers need Crystal Reports software installed. Last year, SAP offered one free Crystal Reports 2008 basic license for each Business One customers. Either with basic license or standard CR license, report designer can connect Crystal Reports to Business One database through standard data source types, such as OLE DB. The final deliverable of report designing stage, is one or several RPT files.
- 2. While from end user side, after receiving PRT files from report designer, users need to use Crystal Reports Integration add-on to import RPT files, to publish reports, and to run the reports inside B1 application environment. This integration add-on is free for download on SDN. There are also several 3rd party integration solutions on the market.



Enhanced Integration with Crystal Reports



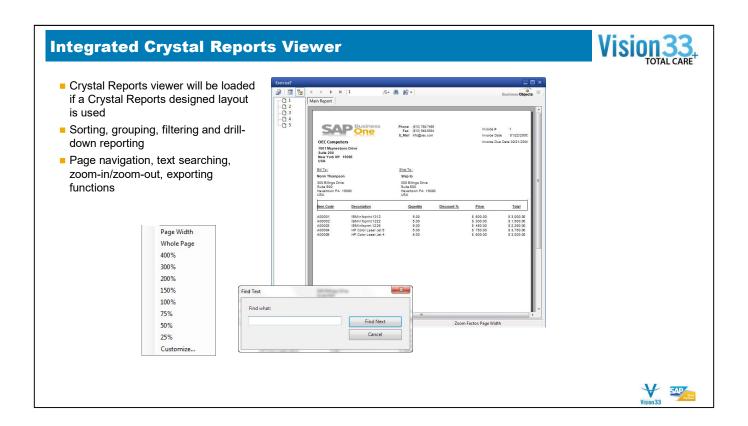


Enhancements:

- Fully integrated in core application (No Add-on administration)
- Support marketing document print layouts
- SAP PLD is still compatible so migration to Crystal Reports is at your pace
- Report and Layout Management combined in one place
- Business One specific data source for Crystal Reports Designer (SAP Business One)
- Familiar selection criteria for users
- Drill down from reports to Business One data/transactions







- As I mentioned, in 8.8, Crystal Reports can be used to design print layout for marketing documents. We are going to check how to use these Crystal Report designed layouts from the users perspective.
- First, the process of printing marketing document in 8.8 is very similar to the way it is done in current B1 releases. CR and PLD can be used in parallel with the same user interface. The way to check available print layouts, the way to do print and print preview are the same as current releases.
- If a Crystal Report designed layout is used, a Crystal Reports viewer will be loaded inside Business One. The viewer will display the final printout preview.
- In this viewer, you can do several actions like page navigation, text searching, zoom-in/zoom-out, export to static report.

Menus & Report Parameter Selection Report Selection Criteria OEC Computers Modules Drag & Relate My Menu Date Posting Date 🔻 From 06/08/2009 04/01/2006 Purchase Order Date Posting Date 🔻 Goods Receipt PO То General: Money ■ A/P Down Payment Invoice DateTime A/P Invoice Int String Country

State Business Parnter:

Single BP

Multi Items

Accounts:

Sales(A/R)

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OK Cancel

G/L Accounts Multi Account

Item Range List Multi Warehouse

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■ A/P Reserve Invoice

Document Printing

Purchasing Reports

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Document Drafts Report

Locate Exceptional Discount in Invo

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Purchase Order Linked to Deposit

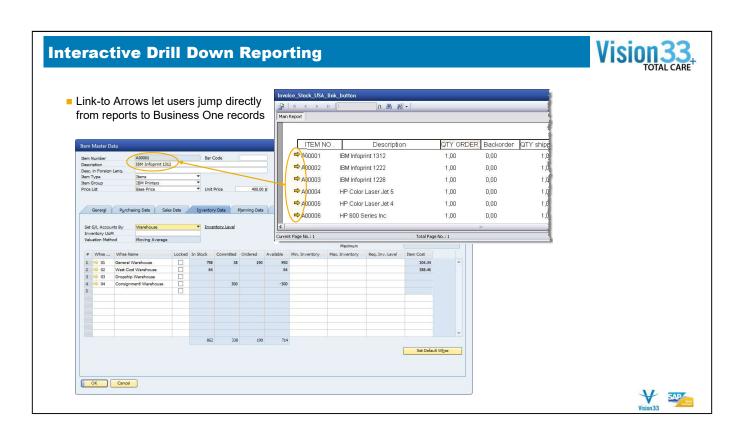
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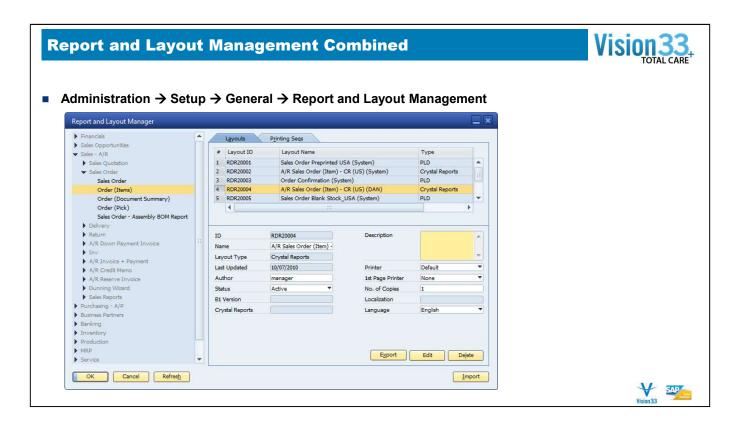
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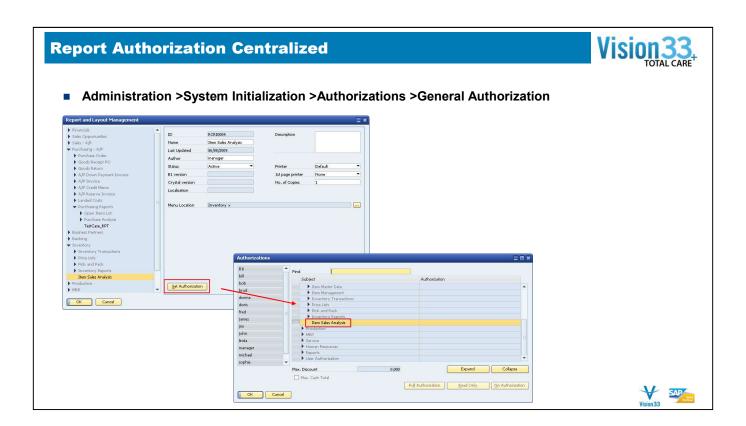




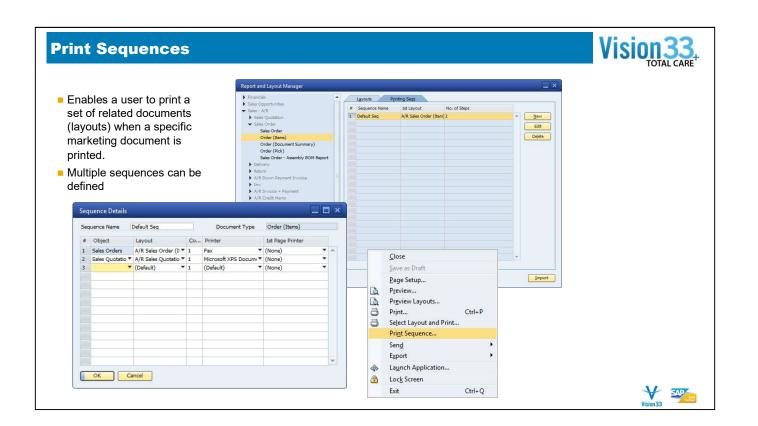


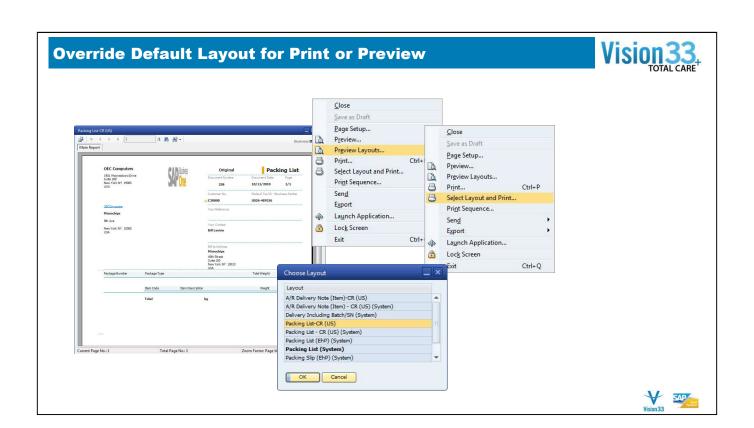


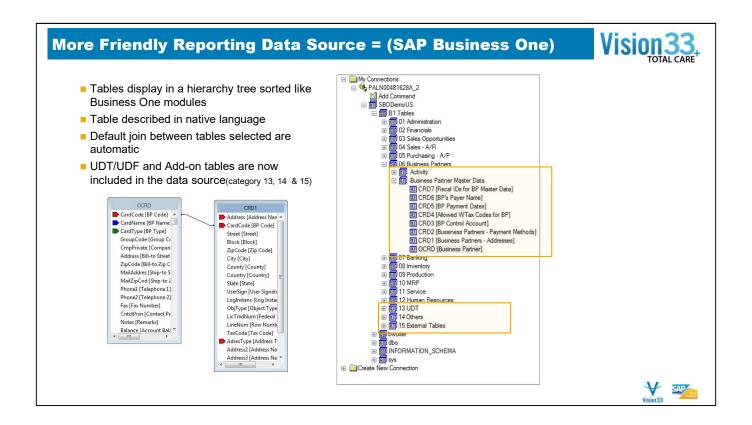
- In 8.8, we use "Report and Layout Management" window to manage all reports and layouts, either in Crystal Reports format or PLD format.
- You can access this window following menu path...
- With this central interface, you can perform various administrator tasks, such as:
- Import and export report and layout
- 2. Publish report to certain menu path
- 3. Active or de-active report or layouts
- 4. Set user access permission for reports
- 5. Set default printer and number of copies for each report or layouts
- Define printing sequences



Once a report has been published, the system will automatically add a corresponding entry in General Authorization form. The same menu path and name will be used. From here, administrator can set which users can access certain reports.

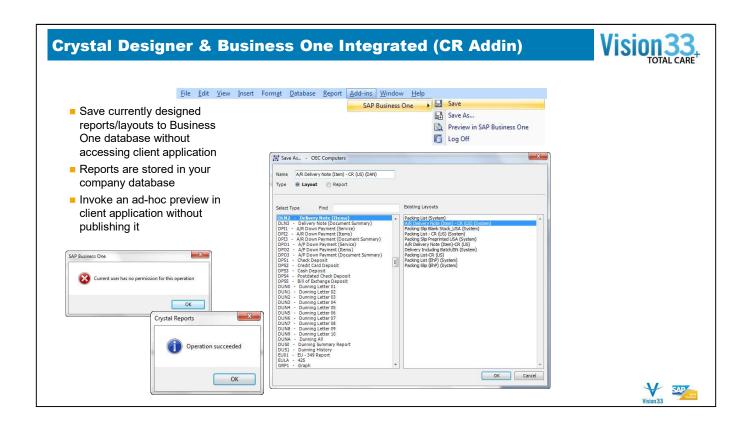




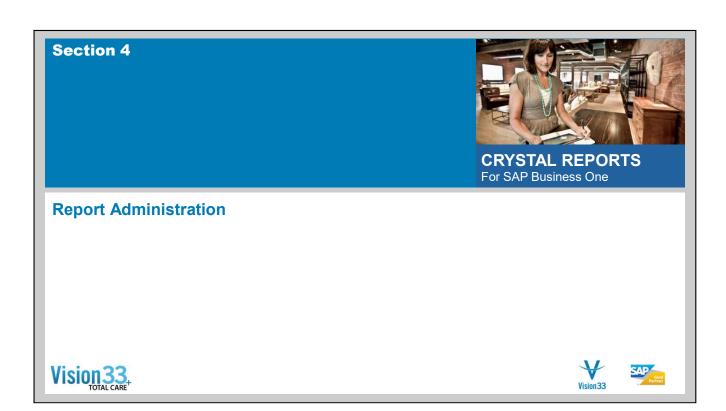


- If you are familiar with using Crystal Reports, you should know Crystal Reports designer connects to database via supported data source.
- To work with current B1 releases, report designers normally use OLE DB/ADO data source to connect Crystal Report designer with b1 database. You need to have a good knowledge on Business One database schema since under ADO data view, all B1 database tables are listed and sorted by alphabetic order. If your report involves multiple tables, you also need to understand the underlying relationships among tables.
- Now in 8.8, report designers have a new option to connect CR with B1 database a new Data Source specific for SAP Business One is provided. Once you connect CR data expert with B1 database by using this data source, the B1 tables will be displayed by functional modules, which is quite similar to the main menu structure in B1 application.
- Table description in native languages are also used to help report designer to recognize the tables much more easier.
- Another nice feature is the default join. If you select several tables in CR data expert, SAP Business One data source will make default foreign key joins between tables.

•	For SSP/ISV partners, UDT and ISV tables can be located t	under category 13 and 15.	



- In the CR designer, there is a new add-in for SAP Business One.
- The "save" and "save as..." function can help you save the report you've designed to SAP Business One database. In the previous administrator perspective section, we discussed how to publish Crystal Report designed reports in Business One by using "Report and Layout Management" interface. This add-in provides an alternative way of publishing report. And it doesn't require B1 client up and running.
- If you have B1 client running, the "Preview in SAP Business One" function can help execute the report you're currently designing inside SAP Business One client environment, it will save your time for importing and publishing RPT files inside Business One.

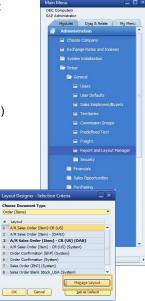


Report & Layout Manager Functions



- Administration>Setup>General>Report and Layout Manager
 - Run Crystal reports
 - Import Crystal reports and Crystal layouts
 - Export Crystal reports and Crystal layouts
 - Create report folders in the Business One Main Menu
 - Create and manage report printing sequences (*Mktg Docs)
 - Set user authorizations for running Crystal reports
 - Set printing options for Crystal reports and Crystal layouts
 - View print settings for "standard" reports and layouts (PLD)
 - Delete Crystal reports and layouts *
 - Launch the Crystal designer to create and edit reports
 - Launch the Print Layout Designer to edit standard reports







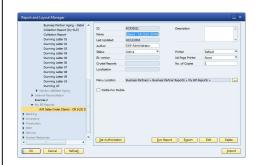


Reports vs. Layouts



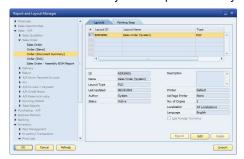
Report

- Must be a Crystal report
- Imported to Business One as a "report"
- Not "linked" to a Business One screen
- Can prompt for report parameters
- Cannot have a print sequence defined



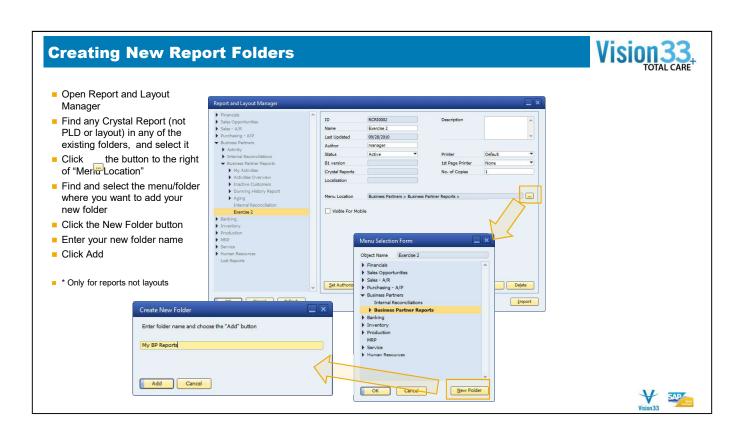
Layout

- Can be a Crystal or PLD report
- Imported into Business One as a "Layout"
- Must be assigned to a Business One document type (Menu Option)
- Get their primary source data from that Business One screen/document
- Before Crystal all reports were layouts









Importing Crystal Reports into Business One



Report & Layout Import Wizard

- Click on the Import button from Report and Layout Manager
- Select at File Location to import from (Local or Network)
- Select a Package or Report file
 .b1p report package contains multiple .rpt files
- .rpt Crystal reports definition file
- Select the report Content Type
 Layout Report linked to a Business
 One Document or Screen
 - Report Standalone report
- For Reports select a Folder destination in Business One
- For Layouts select the document type
- If the report has already been imported you have the chance to overwrite or rename
- Import summary give final status and details of the import





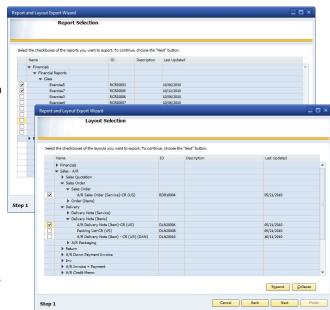


Exporting Crystal Reports from Business One



Report & Layout Export Wizard

- Select a Crystal report in the Report and Layout Manager
- Click the Export button
- Depending on what report was highlighted when you started, you either get the Layout Selection or the Report Selection screen next. (Note: You can't export both types of reports (layouts & reports) in one wizard run)
- Select one or more Crystal Layouts or Reports to export
- Click the Next button
- Enter a name for the Report Package you will be creating
- Select a folder location to save the Report Package.
- Click Finish
- The Export summary screen will give final status and details of the export



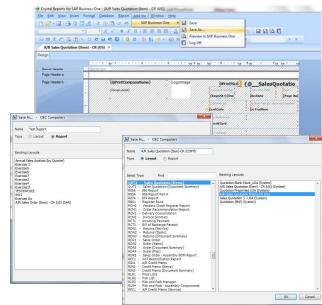




"Copy" a Crystal Report?



- No "Copy "function or button
- Select the Crystal report or Crystal Layout you want to copy in the Report and Layout Manager
- Click the Edit button
- This will launch the Crystal Designer in a new window
- From the Add-Ins menu select SAP Business One>Save As
- Enter the new name in the name field and Hit OK
- The Type radio selector will be set based on the type of report (report or layout) you selected to edit
- This will save the report or layout back to the Business One database.
- Hit the Refresh button in the Report and Layout Manager and you will see the report with your new name









Exercise 1 – Report & Layout Manager Import & Export



Exercise Objectives

- Import reports and Business One Report Packages into the SAP Business One main menu
- Move a report to a different folder
- Change document name and more
- Create new Report folders
- Export Crystal Reports
- Run Crystal reports from SAP Business One
- · "Copy" a System Crystal reports layout





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