

MIS 5121: Business Processes, ERP Systems & Controls  
Week 11: *Change Management, IT Controls Framework*

# Video: Record the Class





# Discussion

❖ Something really new, different you learned in this course in last week

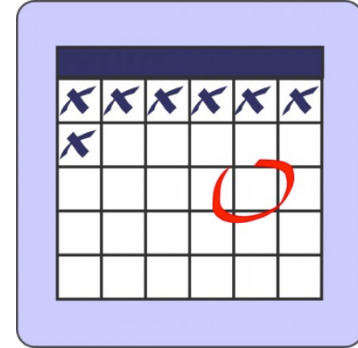
**YOU LEARN  
SOMETHING NEW  
EVERY DAY**

❖ Questions you have about this week's content (readings, videos, links, ...)?



❖ Question still in your mind, something not adequately answered in prior readings or classes?

# MIS 5121: Upcoming Events



- Guest Moderator: Auditor's Perspective - *Week 12??*
- Guest Moderator: SAP Futures - *Week 13??*
- Final Exercise (Risk Control Matrix)-*Due: December 15*



# Change Management

## SAP: Transport Management



# Key Information Technology Risks

- System Security
- Information Security Administration
- Data Migration
- Data Interface
- Instance Profile Security
- **Change Management**
- **Transport Security**
- Table Security
- Data Dictionary, Program and Development Security
- Logs and Traces
- Firefighter access
- Powerful User ID's and Profiles
- Background Processing (Batch vs. foreground: real-time)



# Typical SAP Landscape

## Development System

**Type of users:**  
Developers,  
Consultants,  
Key Users

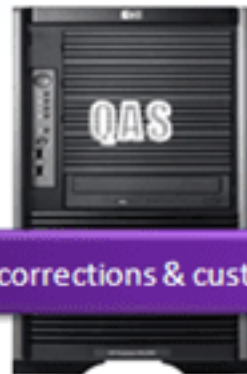
**Type of work:**  
Customizing,  
Development,  
Unit Testing



## Quality-Assurance System

**Type of users:**  
Developers,  
Consultants,  
Key Users

**Type of work:**  
Integration and  
Quality testing



## Production System

**Type of users:**  
End users

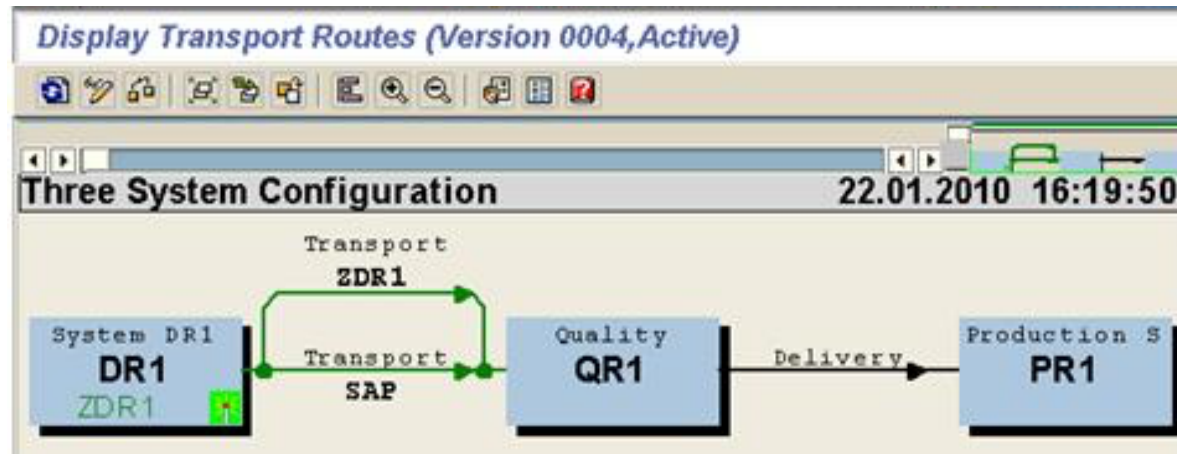
**Type of work:**  
Productive  
execution of  
transactions  
with real  
business data



Developments, corrections & customizing settings

# SAP Change Management

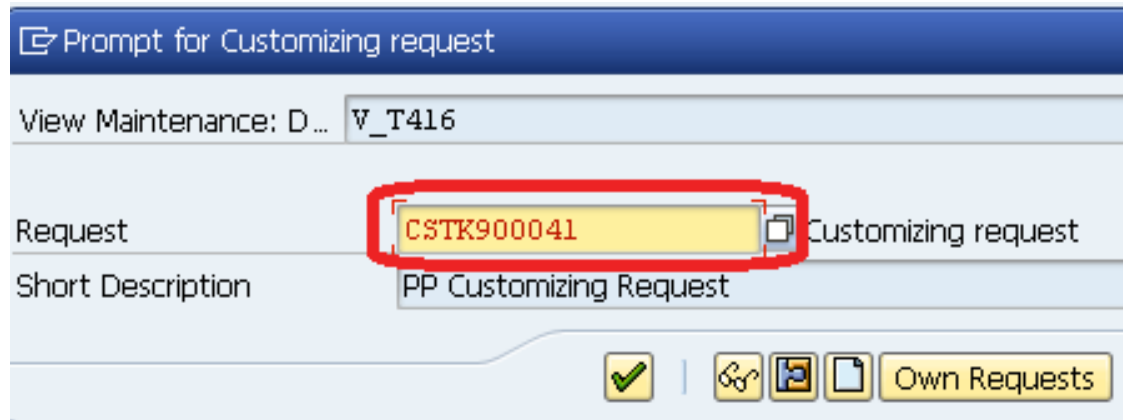
- SAP's Correction and Transport System (CTS) provides framework for proper change control process
- SAP's TMS (Transport Management System) is subset of CTS
- TMS Transport Routes / Paths (transaction STMS) move changes between Clients / Instances (e.g. to test, Production)
- Transaction STMS





# SAP Change Management

- System changes on save Prompt for Transport Request (New or include in prior 'open' request)
- Transport in addition to change meta data (creator, create date/time) includes details of the change
  - Configuration table entries (changes)
  - Development object (code change)
- Assigns unique transport Number



Request	Customizing request
CSTK900041	
Short Description	PP Customizing Request

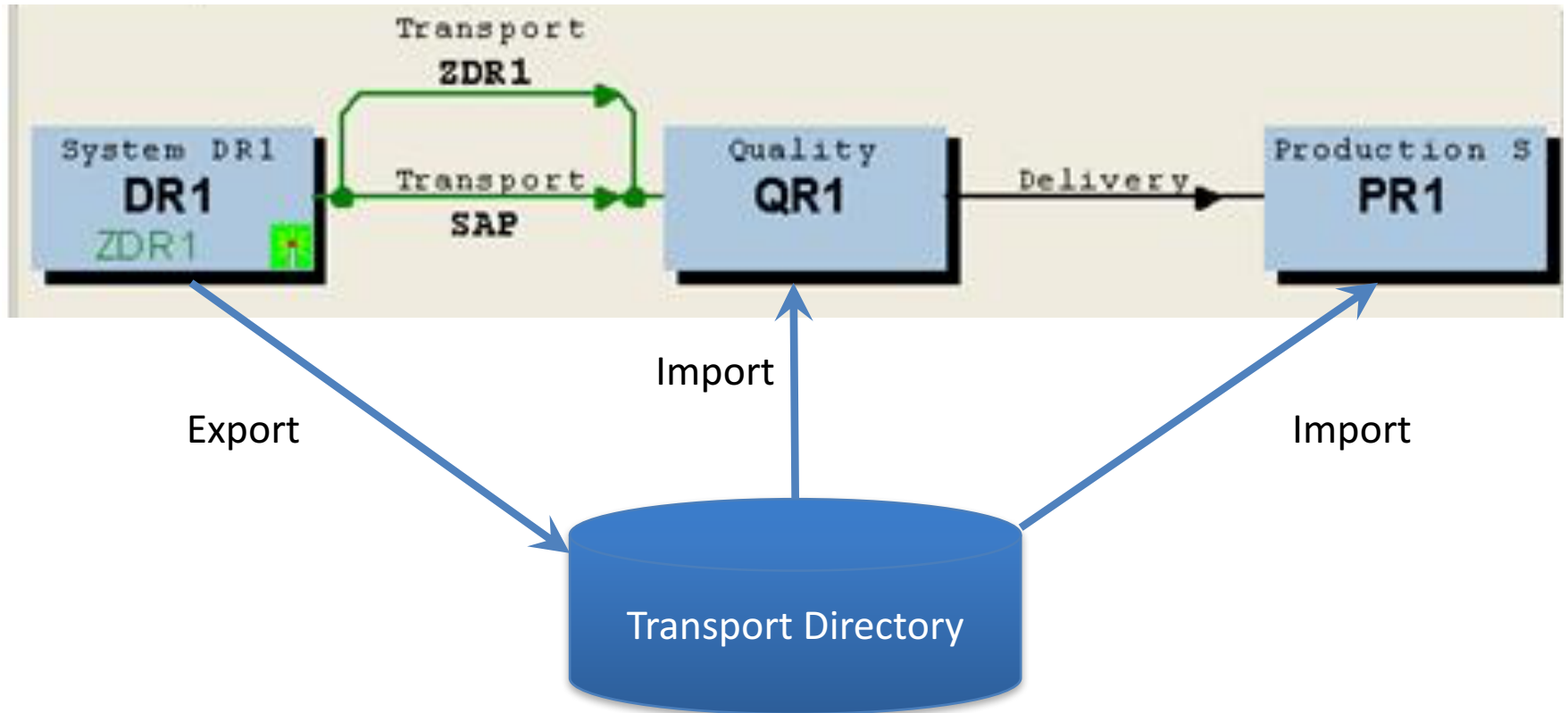


# TMS Terminology

- Transport (the truck icon): contains the changes (including role changes) moved from client to client and system to system per transport path
- User 'owns' the change request and it's details.
- User must 'release' transport prior to migration



# Transport Process

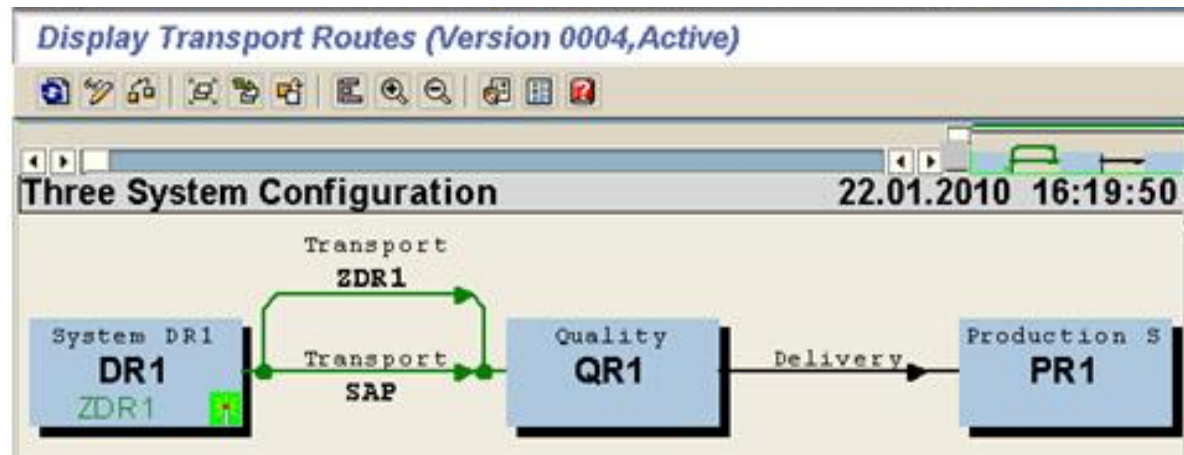


Note: For any given change, the **same** change is moved / migrated to **each** system. Changes are not moved from system to system.



# Transport Paths

- TMS Transport Routes / Paths define logical connections between the different systems in an environment
- System changes moved to systems along these pre-defined transport paths
- Paths typically defined during initial landscape design and implementation



# Transport Process

- Actual import occurs at the operating system level (SAP Basis)
- Administrator defines start time
- Defined start time (midnight? 4 pm, ??)
- Defined Procedure for administrator to choose requests (based on testing status, approvals, etc.)
- All transport errors must be reviewed and corrected if necessary



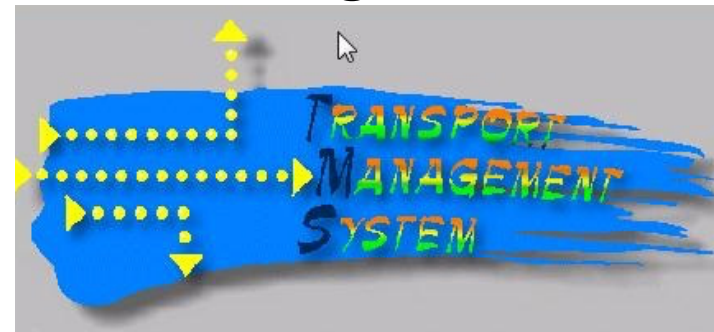
# Transport Security

- Access to TMS highly restricted to system administrators
- Development classes can be associated with transports
- Segregation of duties
  - Ability to change vs. release transports
  - Ability to change / release vs. migration



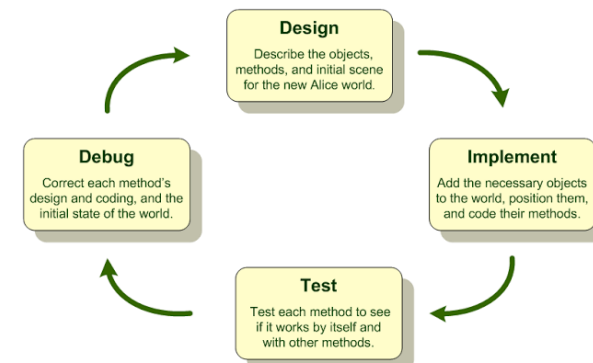
# Transport Controls

- Transporting changes into production access is restricted to authorized personnel via SAP Security
- All changes entering production environment adequately supported by:
  - Change approvals by appropriate personnel
  - Documentation of change (e.g. SAP Solution Manager)
  - Test results
- Review transport paths and related procedures to ensure appropriate change controls are designed and used to modify them



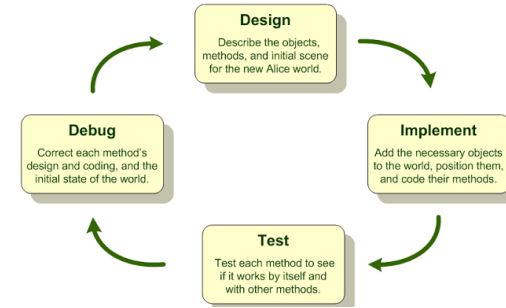
# Program & Development Security

- Types of Development Objects (FRICE)
  - ✧ Forms – outputs (invoices, Purchase orders, ...)
  - ✧ Reports – custom reports
  - ✧ Interfaces – SAP to other systems
  - ✧ Conversions – Data migration
  - ✧ Enhancements – Change system logic, use additional fields, etc.
    - User-Exits: defined SAP branches to custom code (lower risk)
    - Change SAP code (high risk, long term extra maintenance)
  - ✧ Workflow – non-config components, logic
- Development: custom programs
  - ✧ Typically ABAP (SAP SQL extension programming language)



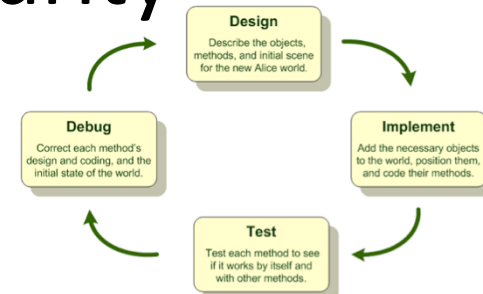


# Program & Development



- ABAP can be a 'black box' – Control Concerns
  - Unauthorized execution of Business Logic – bypassing security and SOD design.
  - Unauthorized read access to business and configuration data – Could allow theft of critical data (e.g. credit card info) and be illegal
  - Unauthorized modification of business and configuration data
    - Violate principal of change documents (**Unalterable - not able to be changed or deleted**)
    - Deletion of data can be illegal
  - Repudiation of Business Process (denial of the truth or validity of something) – Legal requirements require non-repudiation regarding creation of and change to business transaction and master data.
  - Identity Theft – Unauthorized access to customer master data could lead to identity theft and impact the data privacy and even criminal laws.
  - Denial of Service – Auditors must communicate questionable findings to protect the investors and stakeholders and where violation is intentional criminal law is invoked.

# Program & Development Security



## ➤ Is program code 'good'

- ✧ Does what it's supposed to do
- ✧ Limited to requirements only (not branch off to perform other nefarious actions)
- ✧ Well-behaved: doesn't mess up other programs, logic, operation of ERP system

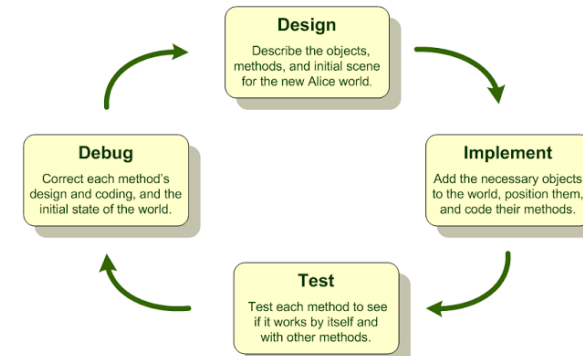
## ➤ Good Development Practices

- ✧ Clear, documented, approved requirements defined before coding
- ✧ Define Requirements, Design Logic before major coding (e.g. use of function modules for common logic)
- ✧ Peer Code Reviews
- ✧ Experienced development leadership
- ✧ Test, Test, retest **BEFORE** moving to PRD (strong change management governance)

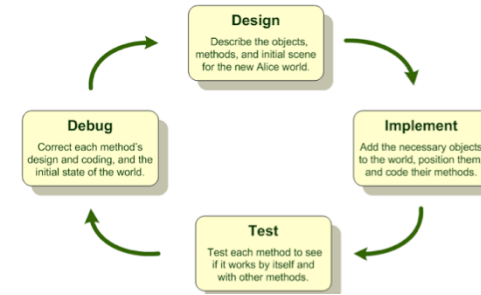
# Program & Development

## ➤ Other Control Concerns

- ✧ Access to run ALL programs granted rarely and appropriately
- ✧ Secure Programs
  - 'Authority Check' inside the Code
  - Authorization Group assigned to program
- ✧ Development access (developers 'key') granted only in DEV
  - ✧ Programs unit tested in DEV, integration tested in QA and migrated to PRD per change management process
- ✧ Limit Development and Debug access in PRD
  - Debug access can provide unsecured view of tables
  - Debug access also can compromise 'un-alterability' via allowing deleting of table entries.



# *Risk and Recommendation* Program Security



## *Risks:*

- Unintended, nefarious uses of program code
- Users capable of executing programs directly can compromise standard controls (access security, audit trails)
- Users with access to run ALL programs are allowed to run all executable programs (note not all programs are executed directly)
- Display access to ABAP code gives backdoor access to program execution
- Debug authority provides unsecured table viewing and table change

## *Recommendations:*

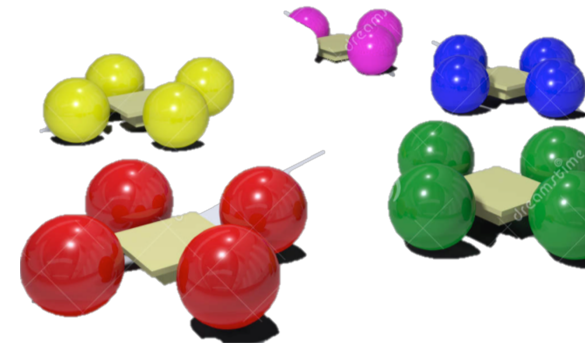
- Active review, manage program code details
- Access to run programs restricted via SAP Security / Authorizations
- Further secure programs via assignment to authorization groups
- Basis Admin no Display access to ABAP code (prevent backdoor access)
- Debug authority restricted to effectively monitored 'emergency users'

# Change Management / Transport Management Overview

- Transport Process
  - Transports
  - Transport Paths
  - Activities
  - Controls
- Program Development
  - What is Development
  - Good Development Practices (Few)
  - Risks (few) and Recommendations (Few)



# Breakout Activity – Rules



- Break into teams – max of 5 people / team
  - Diversity a must.
- Assignment – return via WebEx Notes or Word Document
- How: WebEx breakout?
- Time: assigned today 20 min (including break)
  - Start back **on-time**

# Breakout Question



## Change Management - Answer one of these Questions

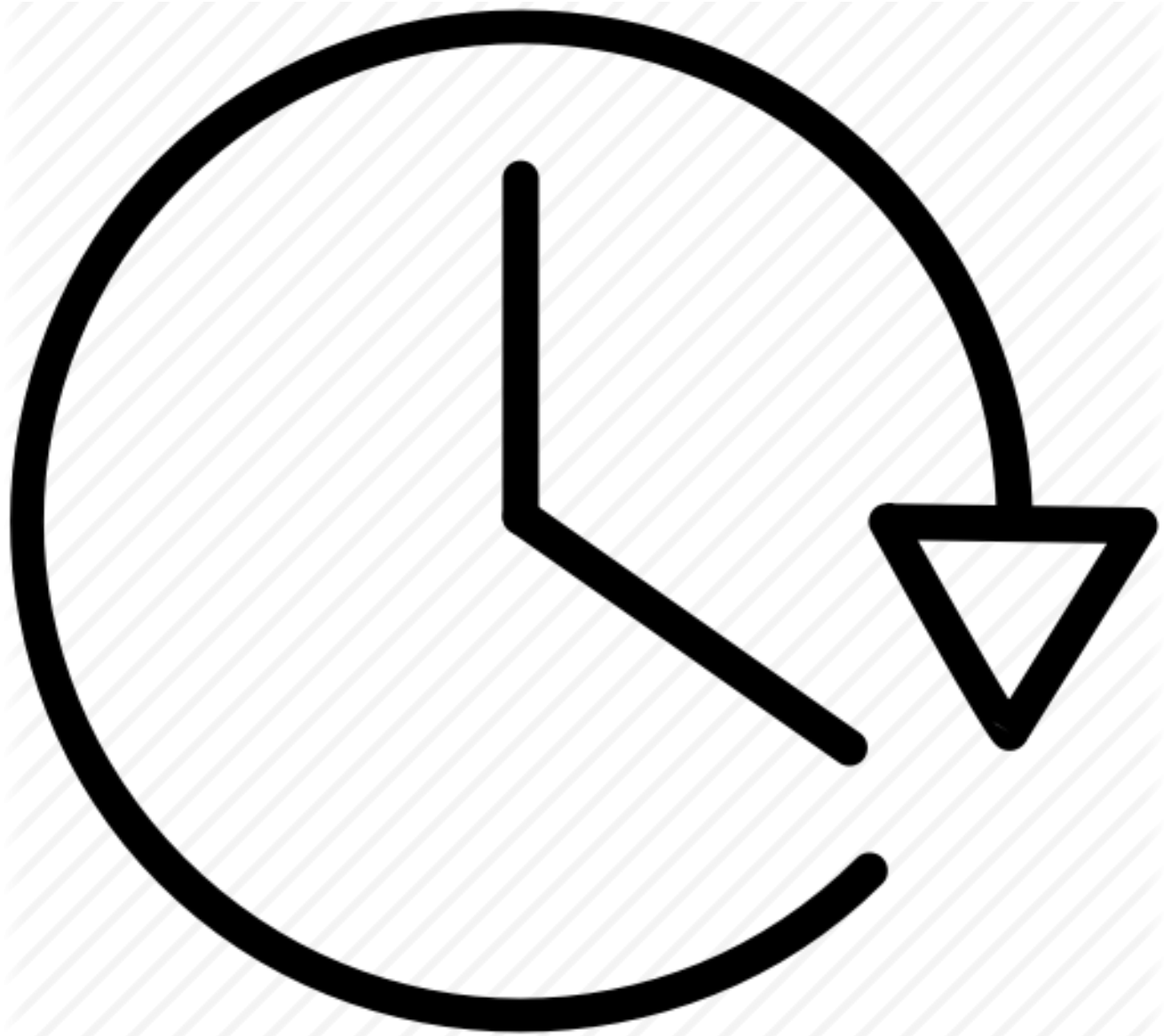
Change Management practices may seem bureaucratic and time consuming. How do you manage the trade-off of added work vs. needed controls?

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

What are the ramifications of managing change management in the scenario where the changes (e.g. development, etc.) are outsourced?

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_







# Report Back

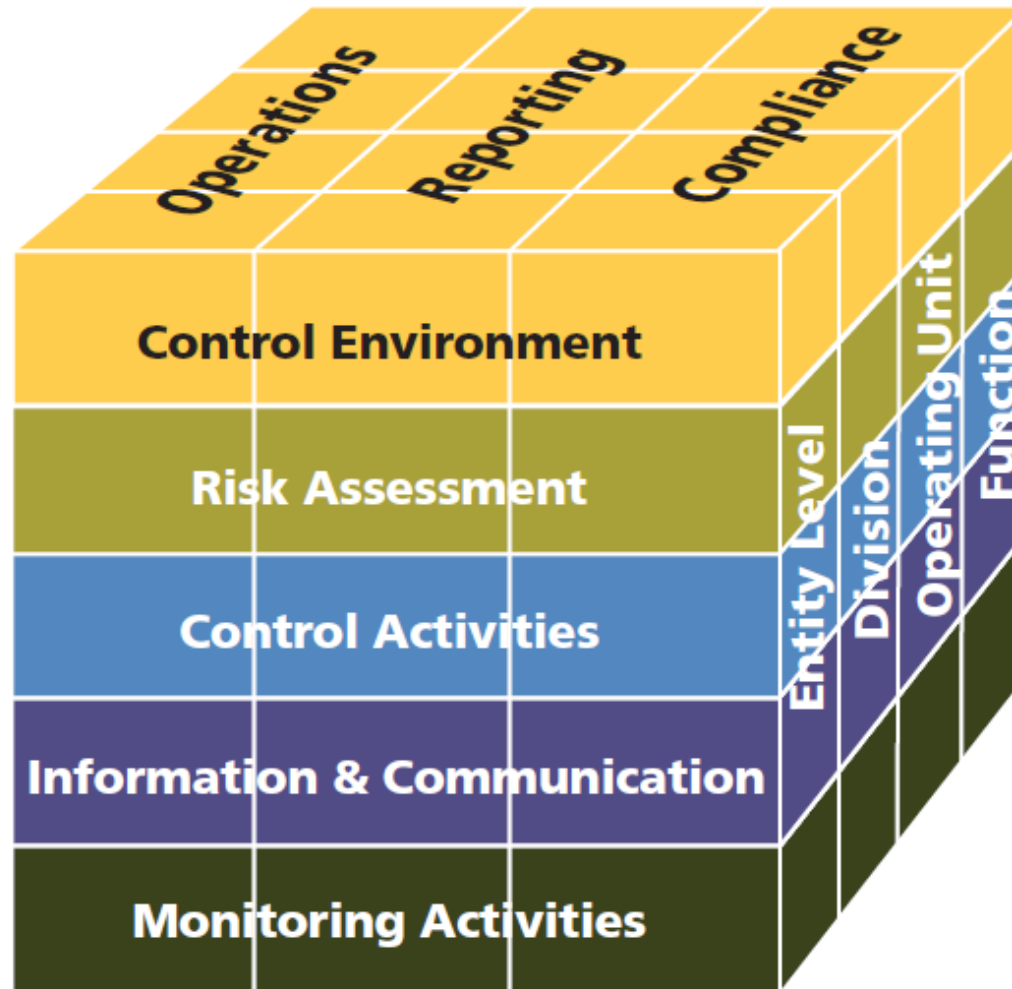




# Risk / Control Matrix

## Final Exercise

# COSO Framework (2013)



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Codification of 17 principles embedded in the original Framework

## Control Environment

1. Demonstrates commitment to integrity and ethical values
2. Exercises oversight responsibility
3. Establishes structure, authority and responsibility
4. Demonstrates commitment to competence
5. Enforces accountability

## Risk Assessment

6. Specifies relevant objectives
7. Identifies and analyzes risk
8. Assesses fraud risk
9. Identifies and analyzes significant change

## Control Activities

10. Selects and develops control activities
11. Selects and develops general controls over technology
12. Deploys through policies and procedures

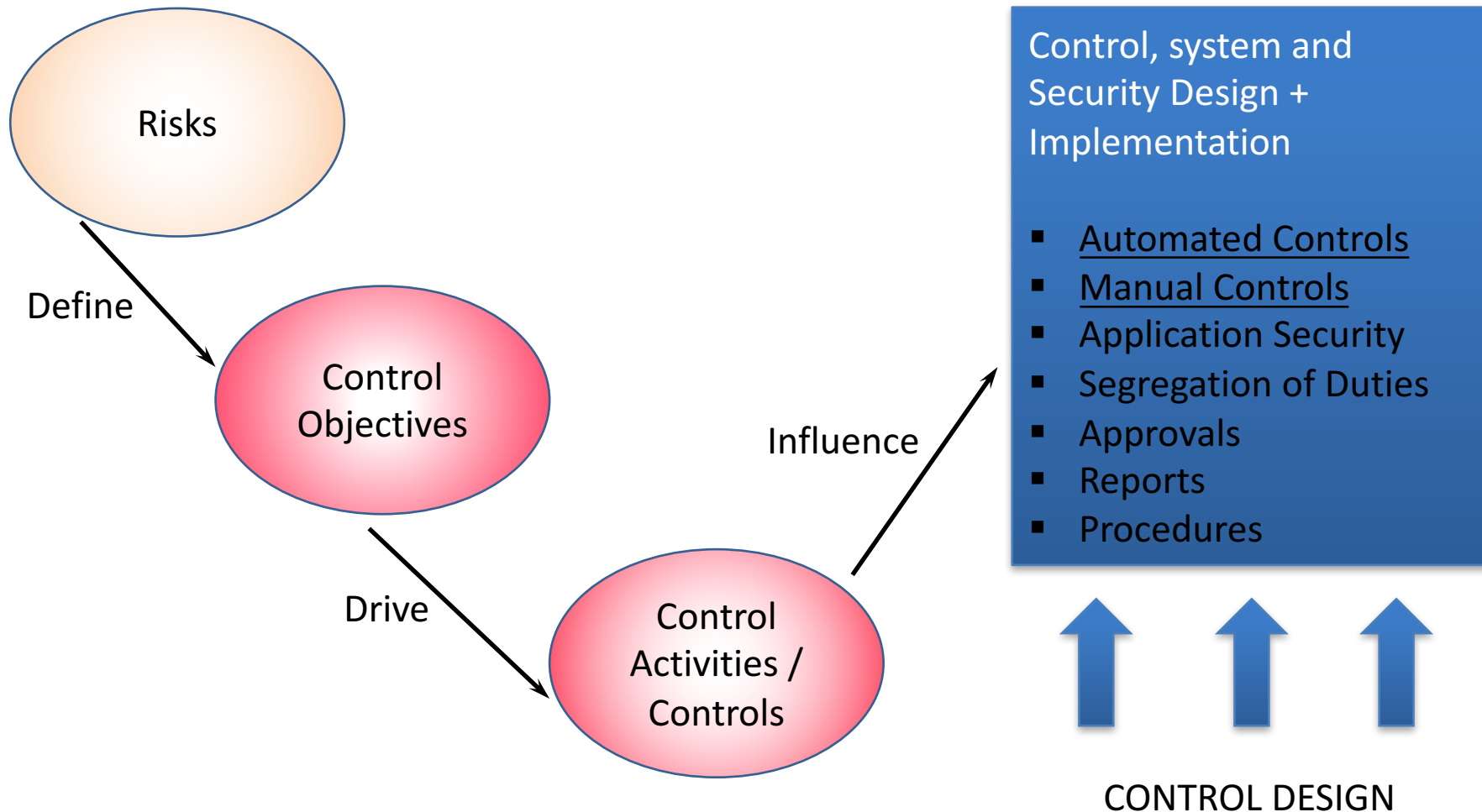
## Information & Communication

13. Uses relevant information
14. Communicates internally
15. Communicates externally

## Monitoring Activities

16. Conducts ongoing and/or separate evaluations
17. Evaluates and communicates deficiencies

# Risk / Control Matrix: Design Approach





# Risk / Control Matrix: Final Exercise



## Parts

1. Analyze and define the key risks that exist for the Order to Cash (OTC) process at GBI
2. Guided by the risks you identified (esp. the High Severity and High Likelihood / Frequency risks) identify the key controls that will be used in the OTC process.
3. Link the Risks from Part 1 to the controls in Part 2.
4. Complete definition of the controls (classifications, links to assertions, etc.)
5. Write auditable control process documentation for 1 manual and 1 automated (configuration) control identified.
6. (Individual vs. Team submission): Couple questions about your work as a team to complete this and other exercises. (Optional)  
*Details will be announced via a blog post in last couple weeks of class.*



# Risk / Control Matrix: Final Exercise



- Agenda
  - **This Class (*November 14*): Part 1 (Identify Risks)**
  - Future Class (*November 28*): Part 2, 3 (Identify Controls, Link Controls to Risks)
  - Future Class (*December 5*): Part 4 (Complete Control Definitions)
  - Future Class (*December 12*): Part 5, 6 (Control Process / Audit Details; Personal Questions)
  - *Due December 15 11:59 PM*: Assignment Submission

# Risk / Control Matrix: Final Exercise



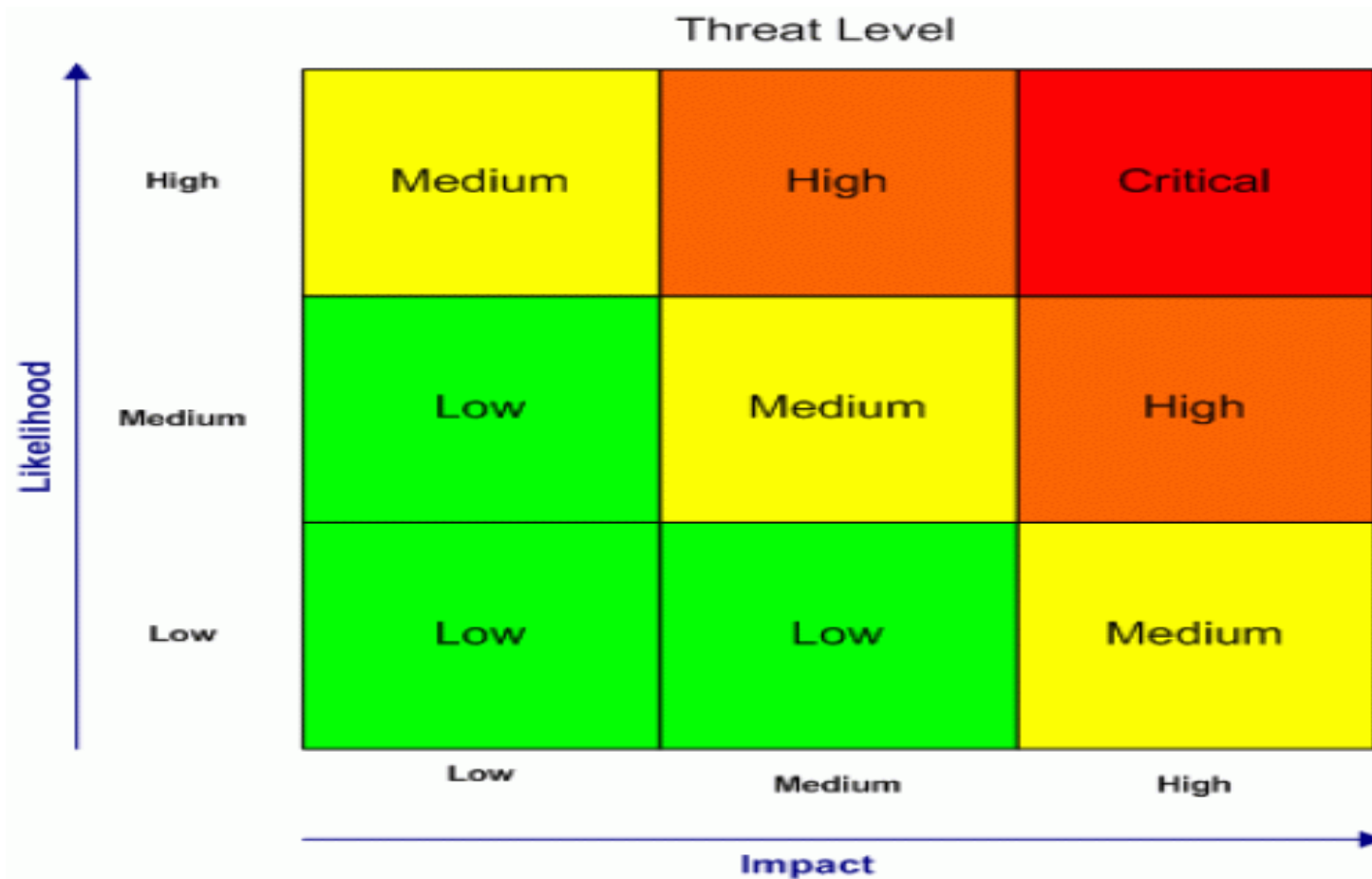
## Part 1:

- a) Analyze the key risks that exist for the Order to Cash (OTC) process at GBI
- b) Define and document the key risks that exist for the Order to Cash (OTC) process at GBI
  - Tab: Part 1 – GBI Risks
  - Identify at minimum 25 risks in the process
  - Identify a minimum 4 risks in each of the OTC sub-processes:
    - ✓ **OR&H:** Order Receipt and Handling
    - ✓ **MF:** Material Flow (shipping)
    - ✓ **CI:** Customer Invoicing
    - ✓ **PR&H:** Payment Receipt and Handling



# Extra Slides

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# Risk Assessment



# Change Documents

- Change 'log' stores information on changes made to master data and transaction data via standard transactions (Miss direct table maintenance changes)
- Permanent record and audit trail for transactions executed in SAP

The screenshot displays the SAP 'Changes in Order 1' interface. At the top, there is a title bar 'Changes in Order 1' and a menu bar with buttons for 'Menu', 'Back', 'Exit', 'Cancel', and 'System'. Below the menu bar is the 'DocHeader' section. The main content area shows a table with the following data:

ID	Time	Sales Promotion	Old value	New value
<input type="checkbox"/>	16:48:45	Incoterms (Part 2) change	Miami	Tampa

Below this table, there is a pop-up window titled 'Changes in Order 1' with a 'DocHeader' section. This pop-up window contains a table with the following data:

Table	Field	User	TCode	Date	Time
VBKD	INCO2	GBI-002	VA02	04/03/2015	16:48:45

# *Risk and Recommendation*

## Change Documents

### ***Risks:***

If users are not restricted from maintaining change documents, the system audit trail from changes documents could be deleted accidentally or via malicious intent

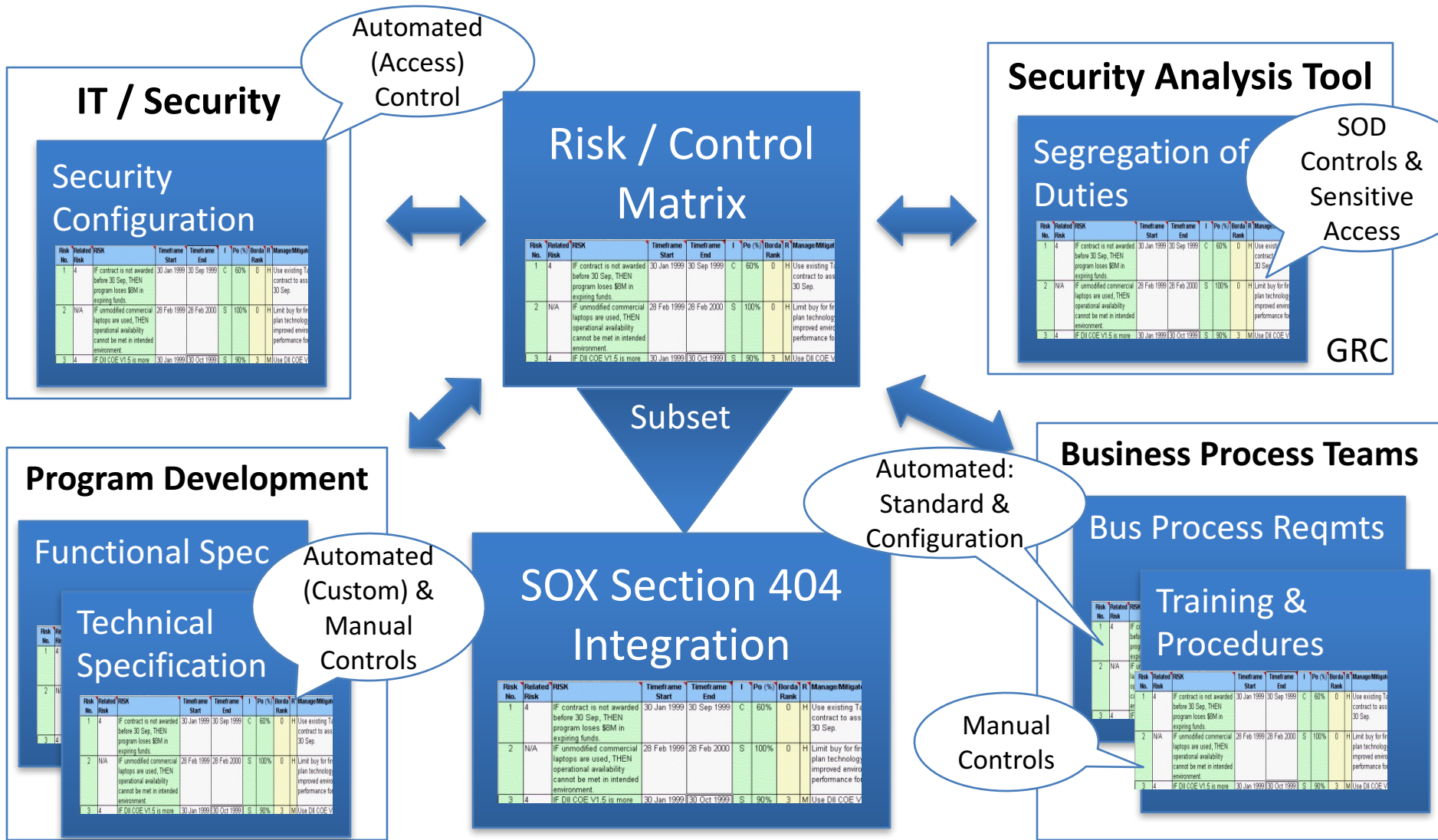
### ***Recommendations:***

Users in production have activity level of security object S\_SCD0 set to '08' (Display Change Documents).

Investigate ways access to maintenance of change documents could be further restricted (locking transaction)

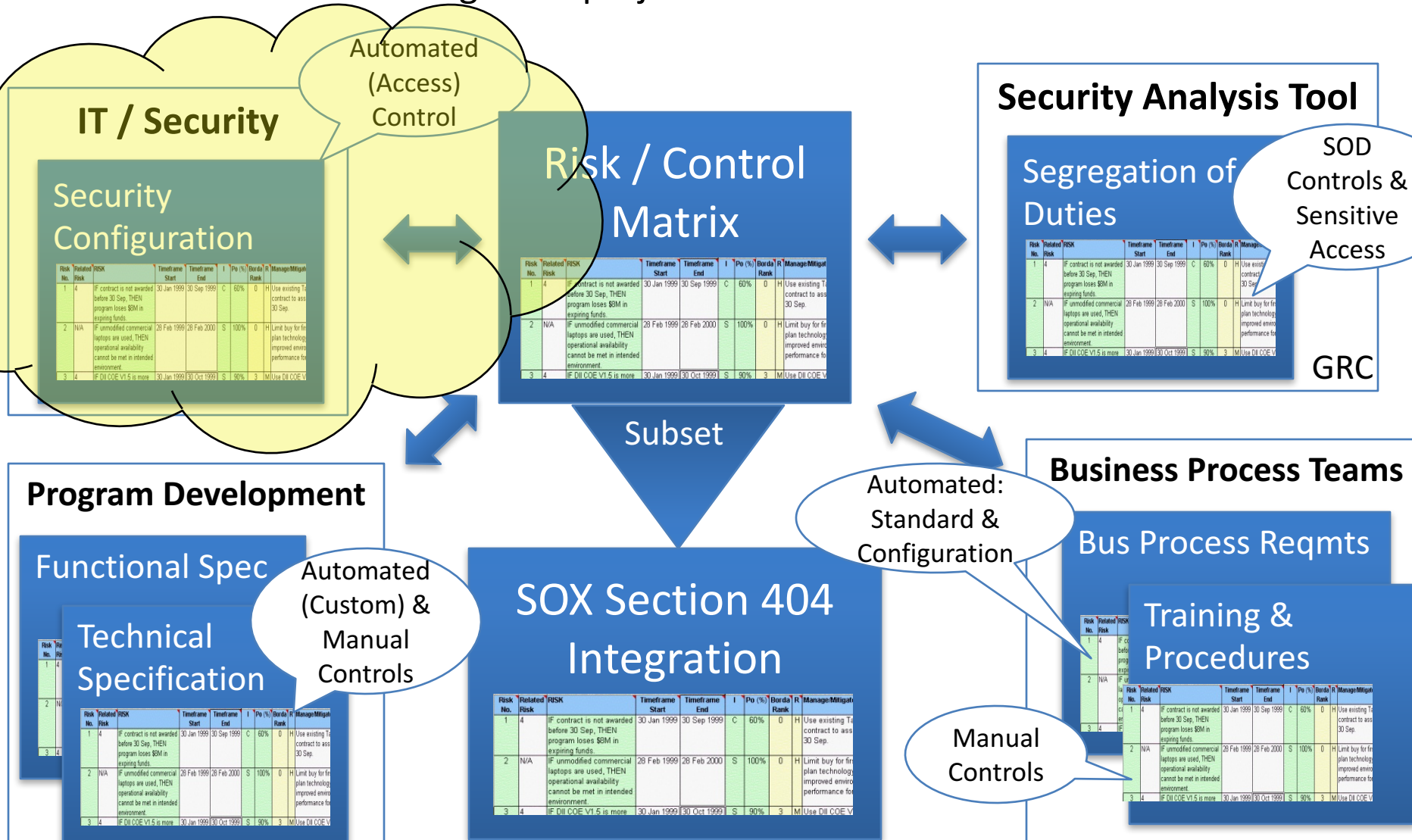
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# Setting System Change Options

- Client Independent Object Modifiable if these parameters are 'Modifiable'

– Global Setting

– Software component of object

– Namespace or Name Range

Software Component	Technical Name	Modifiable
SAP Enterprise Extension PLM, SCM, Fin. ...	EA-APPL	Modifiable
SAP Enterprise Extension Defense Forces. ...	EA-DFPS	Modifiable
EA-FIN	EA-FIN	Modifiable
SAP Enterprise Extension Financial Services	EA-FINSERV	Modifiable
SAP Enterprise Extension Global Trade	EA-GLTRADE	Modifiable
SAP Enterprise Extension HR	EA-HR	Modifiable
Sub component EA-HRCAR of EA-HR	EA-HRCAR	Modifiable

Namespace/Name Range	Prefix	*Modifiable
Customer Name Range		Modifiable
General SAP Name Range		Modifiable
IS-M: CH Version		Modifiable



# Setting System Change Options

- Transaction: SE06

		Software Component		
		Modifiable	Restricted	Not Modifiable
Namespace	Modifiable	Existing Objects can be changed	Existing objects can be repaired	
	Modifiable	New objects have SAP System ID of original System	New objects have SAP System ID of original System	
Not Modifiable	<i>No Changes Possible</i>			