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# Business Driven Modeling and Hierarchy Management





### Agenda

- Business modeling challenges organizations face today
- The Performance Management System Business Modeling layer
- Business Viewpoint What is it and how it helps
- Demonstration of Business Viewpoint
- Summary
- Where to find more information





### What is today's reality?

### It is a fact that:

- Business users want to be self sufficient when it comes to getting the data they need
- Not all of the data business users need exists in IT systems
- Business thought moves faster than the typical IT process hard to keep up
- No-one in IT knows the business like the business does IT just wants to do their job
- Who better to know what information they need than the people who need it – namely the business users



### So the question is...

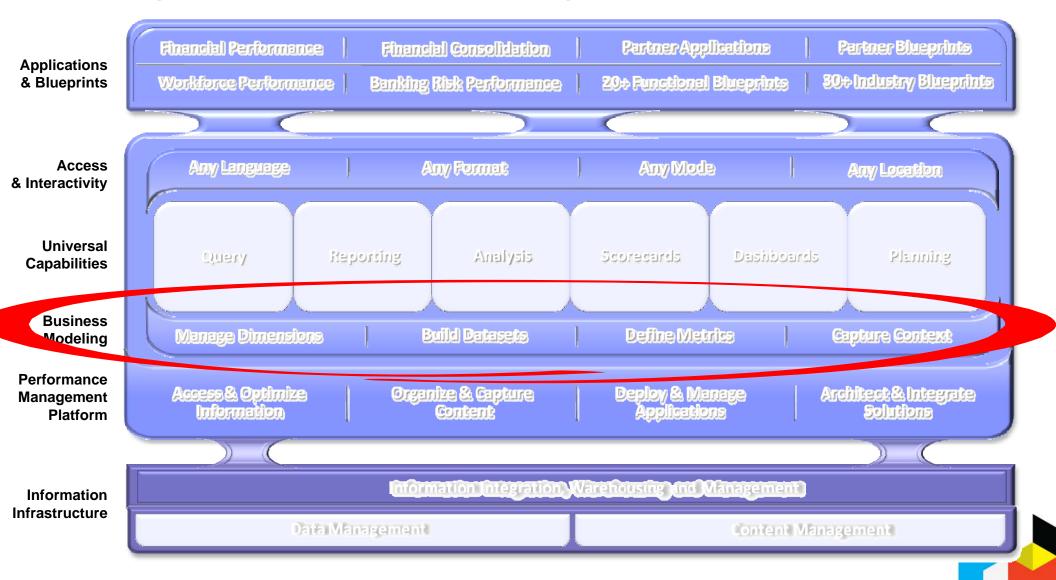


When it comes to information needed to drive performance....

- Does the business have to behave like mavericks and continue to work outside of the IT systems?
- Or can we create the world where business can work WITH IT?



## IBM Cognos Performance Management System





## Business Modeling is Increasingly Important to Engage Users

"I wish the sales hierarchy reflected the latest re-organization so I could see regional revenue against goal." VP of Operations

"I want to combine these 2 data sources and aggregate by week, and then model various pricing adjustments." Financial Analyst

"I need to define market effectiveness to track campaign spend." Marketing Manager

"Is local marketing spend included in total product line P&L, or not."
Brand Manager

## **CUSTOMER PAINS**

- Information just isn't organized the way the business needs it to be
- Each person works individually on their own version and find it hard to share and keep up to date
- Sources just don't provide the metrics and thresholds I need to measure
- Individuals don't know how to interpret what they see, and can't help each other





### Business Modeling Enables the Business User to Shape Their World...without relying on IT but with IT governance



### **Business Modeling**

**Business Activity** 

**Business** Content

**Business Process** 

**Organize** & Capture Content



AND

**TERMS** 

MANAGE DIMENSIONS |

**DIMENSIONS AGGREGATES AND CALCULATED VIEWS**  **INITATIVES AND METRICS** 

**BUILD DATASETS | DEFINE METRICS** 

**ATTACHMENTS AND ANNOTATIONS** 

**CAPTU** 

CREATE AND MAINTAIN | COLLABORATE AND GOVERN | **SYCHRONIZE** 



#### **Dimension Store**

Shared, multicontribution engine with open interfaces



#### TM1

64-bit, in-memory, instant calculation engine



#### PowerCubes/ Transformer

High performance cube and cache

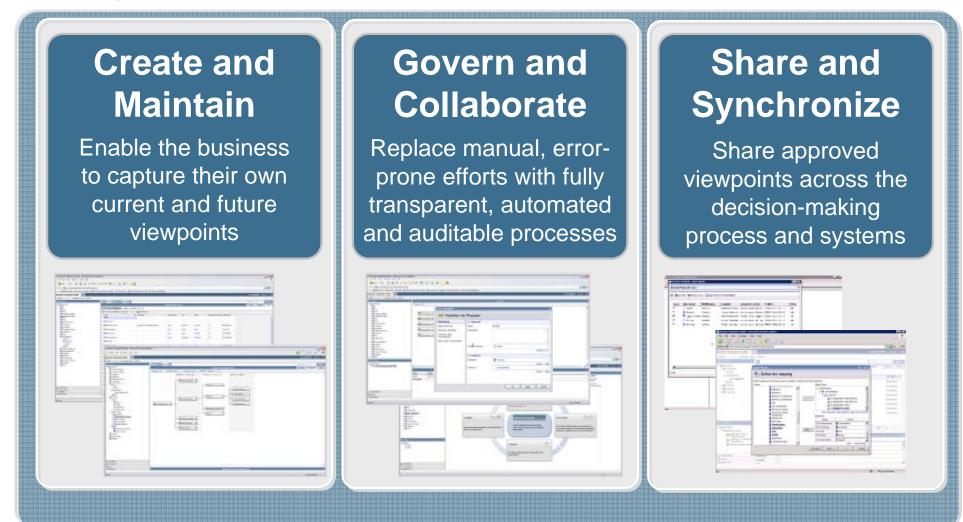


#### **Content Store**

Repository for saved metadata objects and documents



## IBM Cognos 8 Business Viewpoint



Helps business shape information in a way that makes sense to them without sacrificing IT governance and control



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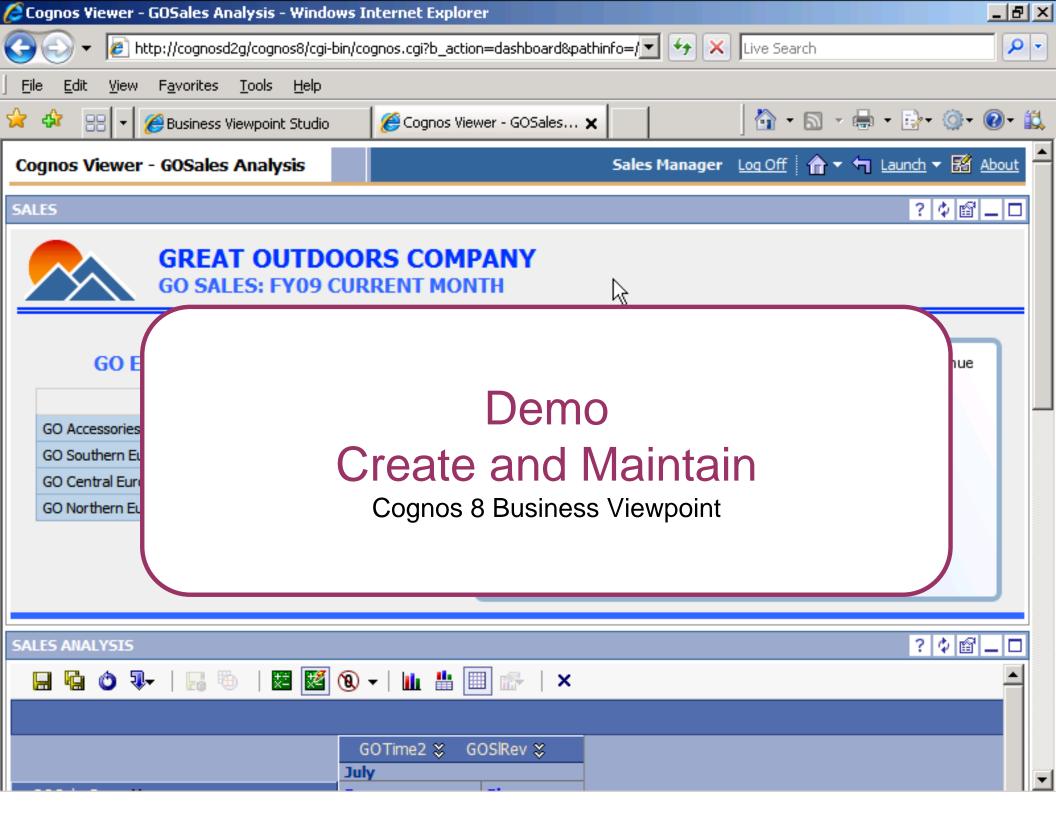
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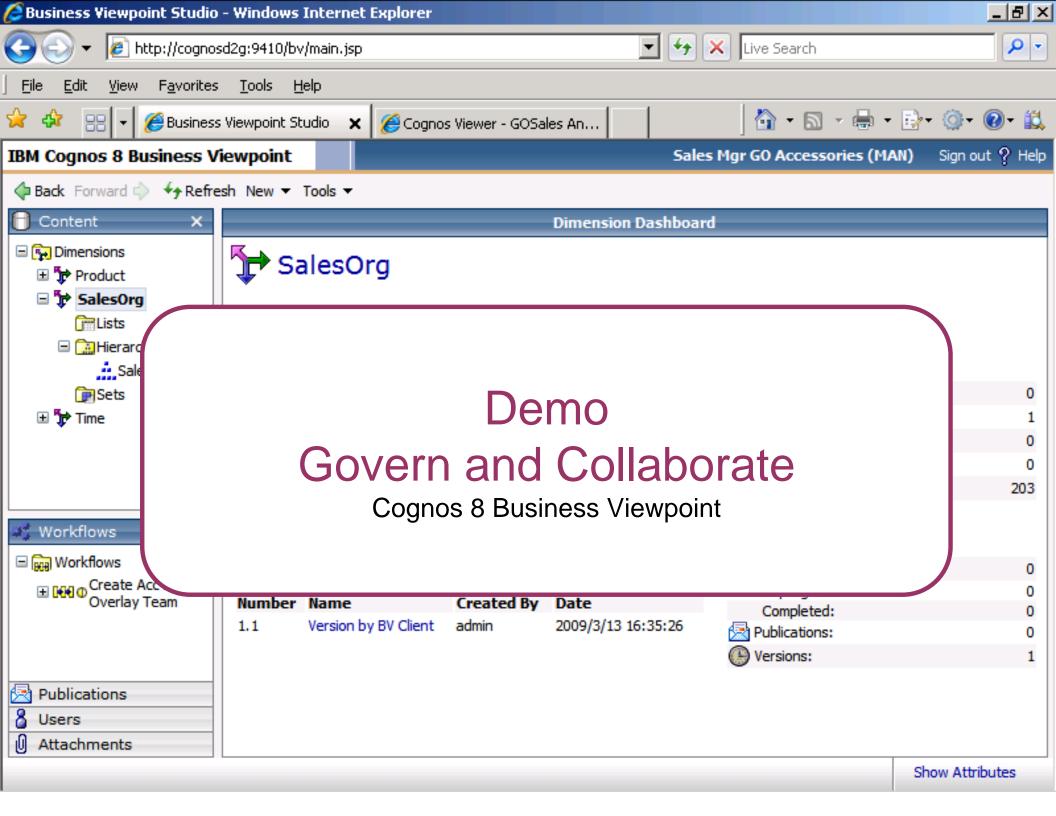
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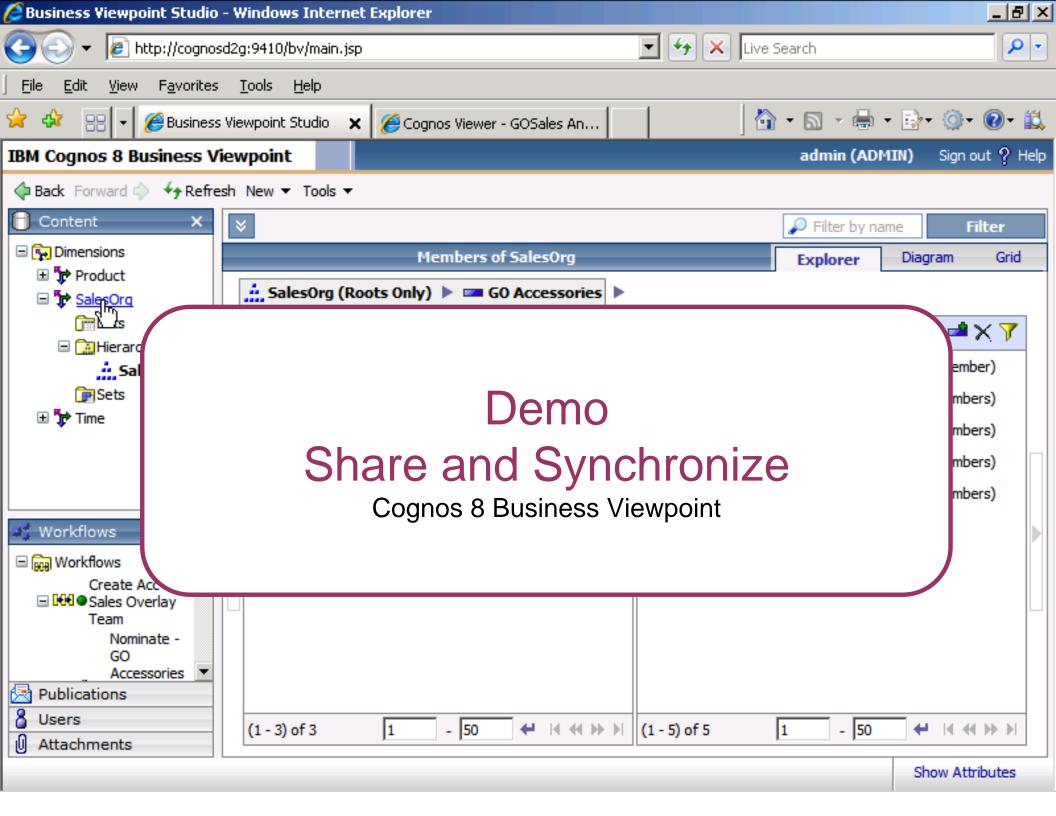
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## Business Viewpoint Ensures Ownership is in the Right Hands



#### Business Viewpoint in Business Hands

- Ensures business own the definition and use of common dimensions for common use across the organization
- Fuels decision making with the business Modify or maintain dimensions, hierarchies or financial metadata structures (e.g. cost center hierarchies) etc.
- Provides a rich environment for business users to own and collaborate across the organization



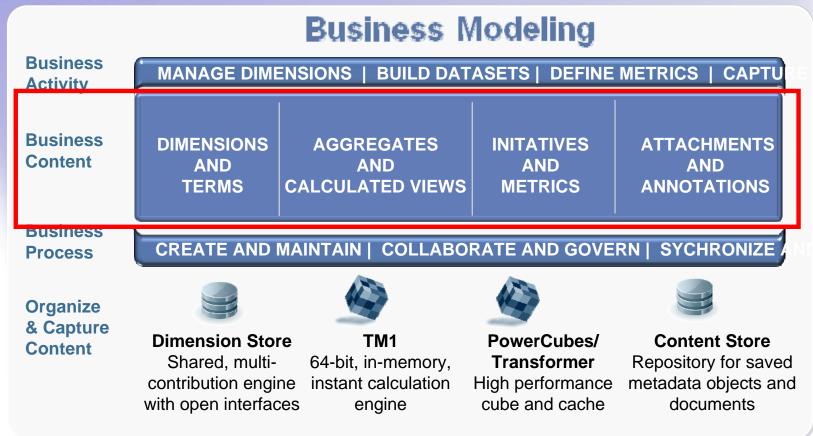
#### Framework Manager in IT Hands

- Ensures IT owns the platform to fuel a complete, consistent and accurate view of information
- Drives the platform's common metadata model and single query service
- Delivers data in terms business users understand and can use



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## Business Modeling: Business Content

## Dimensions and Terms

- Capture the knowledge to build into the system
  - Enable business to structure dimension how they want to view and use them

# Aggregates and Calculated Views

- Construct own slice of data
  - Enables the business to derive new insight for what-if scenario modeling or planning

## Initiatives and Metrics

- Define metrics and thresholds
  - Enables the business to communicate the objectives and goals by which the business will be measured

## Attachments and Annotations

- Capture the context
  - Enables business users to communicate understanding and add color to share across the business



#### It can be done...

The business does want access to IT-managed corporate information

...and the ability to contribute their information into that world

...with the independence to move fast without reliance on IT

...and work together in a governed fashion

...so they can drive the business forward



# Where to go for more information on Business Viewpoint

- Talk to your Account Representative
- Check out IBM.com
  - http://www-01.ibm.com/software/data/cognos/products/cognos-8-business-viewpoint/features-and-benefits.html?S\_CMP=wspace
  - Business Viewpoint Demo
  - Business Viewpoint Whitepaper "Dimension Management at the Speed of Business"
  - Business Viewpoint Fact Sheet
  - Business Viewpoint Performance Days 2009 Presentation
    - Coming soon

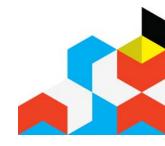




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