

Finance Excellence Services Overview

Capgemini enables financial institutions to address finance costs, finance efficiency/effectiveness and overall regulatory reform



As the global economy stabilizes and recovers from the financial crisis, lawmakers around the world are instituting new regulations to better manage financial markets. The crisis has brought home the importance of regulations to help banks, insurers and capital markets firms manage the business through difficult times. Finance organizations are facing an unprecedented focus on finance costs, finance effectiveness and new regulations around:

- Performance management
- Process, reporting and controls
- Risk management
- Technology re-implementations
- Decision management

With sweeping changes expected, most financial institutions are rethinking their systems and processes with an eye towards transformation. New financial systems must work together seamlessly to provide flexibility and transparency to adapt to changing regulatory trends.

Capgemini's Approach Using Finance Excellence Services and Tools

To meet these challenges, Capgemini has combined the knowledge and experience of some of its' key finance practitioners to put together five specific offerings to address the full spectrum of Finance Excellence.

1. Financial Roadmap: Review of the Finance System

Capgemini's Financial Roadmap is tailored to meet your company's unique requirements and can focus on one specific Finance area or look at the bigger picture. Our team of finance specialists works collaboratively with your finance and IT teams to identify areas of improvement, produce a report of findings, and prioritize recommendations. A roadmap review typically takes 4-6 weeks.

Through regular reviews of your financial systems and processes, we can help you build a solid foundation for the future.

2. Integrated Finance & Risk Architecture

Finance and risk data is typically held redundantly in fragmented data silos which often make reconciliation, data integration, management and financial accounting, and regulatory reporting extremely complex. The introduction of an Integrated Finance and Risk Architecture (IFRA) can significantly reduce this complexity. Using our experience with key vendor solutions and supported by Capgemini's proven methodology, our risk and compliance specialists can deliver an Integrated Finance and Risk Architecture to meet your accounting and reporting requirements

We begin engagements with a 2-3 month review of existing systems and processes that results in a series of recommendations. Using the Capgemini Model Office, we conceptualize the end state, and deliver recommendations through to production.

3. Subledger Accounting

Finance organizations often fail to follow a standardized accounting process across the enterprise. Capgemini has experience establishing accounting rules that are based on a single source of truth that enforces common global standards while allowing regional variations to meet local accounting requirements. We work collaboratively with our clients to carry out a review of existing systems and plan the implementation.

Our subledger accounting solution uses Capgemini's proven methodology from initial design through to go-live and beyond.

4. Finance Reporting and Analytics

Finance staff are often engaged in non value-add activities during Period close and the manipulation of data using spreadsheets.

Capgemini will introduce new ways of working and utilizing system features, to reduce the time taken for month-end close and thereby allowing finance staff to focus on analytical activities.

Budgeting and forecasting is one area of the business that is typically extremely inefficient and time consuming. Over reliance on spreadsheets and re-keying of data results in lengthy cycles and wasted time.

Working to proven methodologies and using our experienced finance professionals, Capgemini will introduce new processes and software to transform this area of the business.

5. Finance Supply Chain Management for Treasury

Financial organizations must streamline financial processes across organizational boundaries and international borders while managing cash positions and liquidity with greater vigilance. This is especially relevant for organizations where the increase in global subsidiaries brings with it the challenge of managing liquidity due to fragmented cash balances and payment processes.

Cappgemini has significant experience implementing finance supply chain treasury solutions across global organizations to address these challenges. Our end-to-end approach helps you plan from strategic design to implementation using our proven methodology. Our solutions address:

- In-house cash management
- Cash and liquidity management
- Treasury and risk management
- Streamlined payment processing

The Benefits

All of the above services are designed to deliver, either individually or as a whole the following key benefits to any financial institution seeking to transform its' financial landscape:

- Reduce financial and risk transaction processing costs
- Reduce data exchanges and manipulations (inefficient, ineffective and costly)
- Shift resources from transaction processing to forward-looking business support activities
- Provide real-time financial and operational information to support management decisions
- Potential cost reductions due to elimination of shadow finance activities in the business units
- Reduce costs due to the elimination of disconnected, finance-related technology projects
- Ability to create a centralized/shared services finance organization
- Flexible, Adaptable Finance Organization and Technology
- Provide compliance to major regulatory requirements
- Common, global business processes
- Support Business transformation by providing focused and relevant business analysis
- Provide accurate information to react/recover more quickly from economic challenges and opportunities
- Understand how to combine cost cutting efforts with effectiveness improvement efforts
- Evolve to a business partnering model between finance and risk organization and operating units

Capgemini's Offerings for Finance Excellence

Financial Roadmap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Application Architecture • Roadmap • Business Strategy • Technology and Platform Strategy • Target Operating Model
Integrated Finance & Risk Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Profitability Analysis • Credit, Market and Operational Risk • Financial Accounting • Liquidity Risk • Asset & Liability Management • Regulatory Compliance
Subledger Accounting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valuation for Financial Instruments • Multi GAAP • Hedge Management • General Ledger Integration
Finance Reporting & Analytics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation • Planning & Budgeting • Strategic Planning • Regulatory & Compliance
Finance Supply Chain Management for Treasury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Straight Through Processing and Automation • Bank Communication Management • Corporate Connectivity

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