



Case study

Decommissioning legacy SAP systems with Proceed Cella Cloud

About OCI Global

OCI Global is a leading European producer and distributor of ammonia, nitrate fertilizers, and hydrogen products and solutions. With a 30-year history of building and scaling sector-leading businesses, OCI has returned \$7 billion to shareholders since 2022.

The challenge:

Following several divestments, OCI needed a dependable way to retain and access historical business data for legal, tax, audit, and ongoing business needs. The organisation had previously worked across multiple SAP ECC systems before moving to SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition in 2021 and later transitioned to SAP S/4HANA Cloud Public Edition. However, critical historical data remained in SAP ECC and SAP S/4HANA Cloud Private Edition which needed to be retained securely in line with OCI's business requirements and compliance obligations.

A critical element of this requirement was finding a solution that would lower cost by removing the need to maintain legacy systems and their ongoing licences. SAP Netherlands recommended Proceed Cella Cloud, which aligned well with OCI's need for long term access to their data without maintaining old systems.

The solution:

Proceed Group worked closely with OCI to design a clear and structured approach to decommissioning and data retention using Proceed Cella Cloud.

Action taken:

- All legacy data from the S/4HANA production system and company code specific data from the ECC systems were extracted and migrated into Proceed Cella
- Alongside the standard reporting available in Cella, additional custom reports were defined and created to support OCI's teams across both geographies and business lines
- A 5 year retention model was set up within Proceed Cella to support compliance



Industry:

Chemicals and related products

Service:

System decommissioning

Product:



At a glance:

- ⚡ Legacy SAP systems retired and all required historical data securely retained
- ⚡ Unified access to records previously split across ECC and S/4HANA environments
- ⚡ 5 year retention model established to stay compliant
- ⚡ Significant savings achieved by moving to Proceed Cella Cloud

The impact:

With their legacy data now hosted and managed in Proceed Cella Cloud, OCI has a stable and compliant solution in place. The organisation no longer needs to maintain legacy SAP systems, which has removed both cost and complexity.

OCI confirmed that the savings achieved were significant, making the move to Proceed Cella Cloud a straightforward business choice.

System decommissioning defined:

System decommissioning is about keeping long term access to the data that still matters once a legacy system has been switched off. It allows organisations to remove the cost and effort of maintaining old applications while keeping important information secure and easy to reach. This is often needed during mergers and acquisitions, business divestments, moves to new cloud applications, or an S/4HANA greenfield migration where only current data is taken forward. In these situations, older systems are left holding records that still need to be retained, so having a clear and structured approach to managing that data becomes essential.

About Proceed Cella Cloud:

Proceed Cella Cloud is an all in one SaaS solution that extracts and stores legacy data securely, offers comprehensive reporting, and includes retention management with options for legal holds. It has been widely adopted and is now recognised by customers and partners as a preferred way to retire legacy systems while retaining important data accessible.



Thank you to all those involved from both Proceed and OCI. The project was delivered with precision and supported by a highly professional, well led team focused on delivery excellence and strong project controls. The savings achieved were significant, which made the decision to use Proceed Cella Cloud an easy one.

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