

Best-of-breed CMMS vs. Maintenance Module within an ERP system

Enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems have their place – a mission-critical system used to collect, store, manage and interpret data from several business processes. The challenge is maintenance management is often an afterthought for an ERP. While your ERP system may be highly customizable, is the effort and cost worth it?

When you compare a best-of-breed computerized maintenance management system (CMMS) to a maintenance module within an ERP system, here's what you should consider.

See the differences to help decide what's best for your organization

CMMS



CORE ABILITIES

- > Best-of-breed CMMS out-of-the-box will satisfy majority of maintenance organizations with fit-for-purpose core capabilities
- > Quick ramp-up time

CONFIGURABILITY

- > Built specifically for maintenance and operations professionals
- > Designed with out-of-the-box features and functionality to streamline operations workflow
- > Examples: Dynamic PM capabilities addressing meter-reading (usage-based), possibly for multiple assets with flexible part consumption. Specific KPIs, reporting and analytics built for maintenance professionals

EASE OF USE

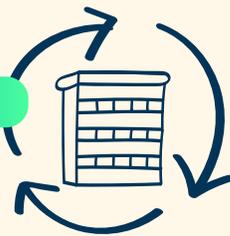
- > Cloud-based system is designed to be easy to use, implement and access (on any mobile device or browser)

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI)

- > See quick efficiencies and productivity gains with a faster and simpler implementation and easy adoption

vs.

ERP



CORE ABILITIES

- > Out-of-the-box, ERP's version of CMMS will be extremely limited
- > Slow ramp-up time

CONFIGURABILITY

- > Need custom configurations to meet functionality beyond basic maintenance needs
- > Extra capabilities take time and money to build out/add on

EASE OF USE

- > Generic and basic abilities make working within the system more difficult for users
- > Complex system that is difficult to learn and configure from a generic, on-premise platform

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI)

- > More difficult, slow and costly implementation process (especially when looking for a tight integration), which can lead to lower adoption

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