

What's New

Blueprint v6.3

This document describes the enhancements and new features introduced in Blueprint v6.3.

For more detailed information about Blueprint, please refer to the Blueprint product documentation accessible through the product's user interface under "Blueprint Help".

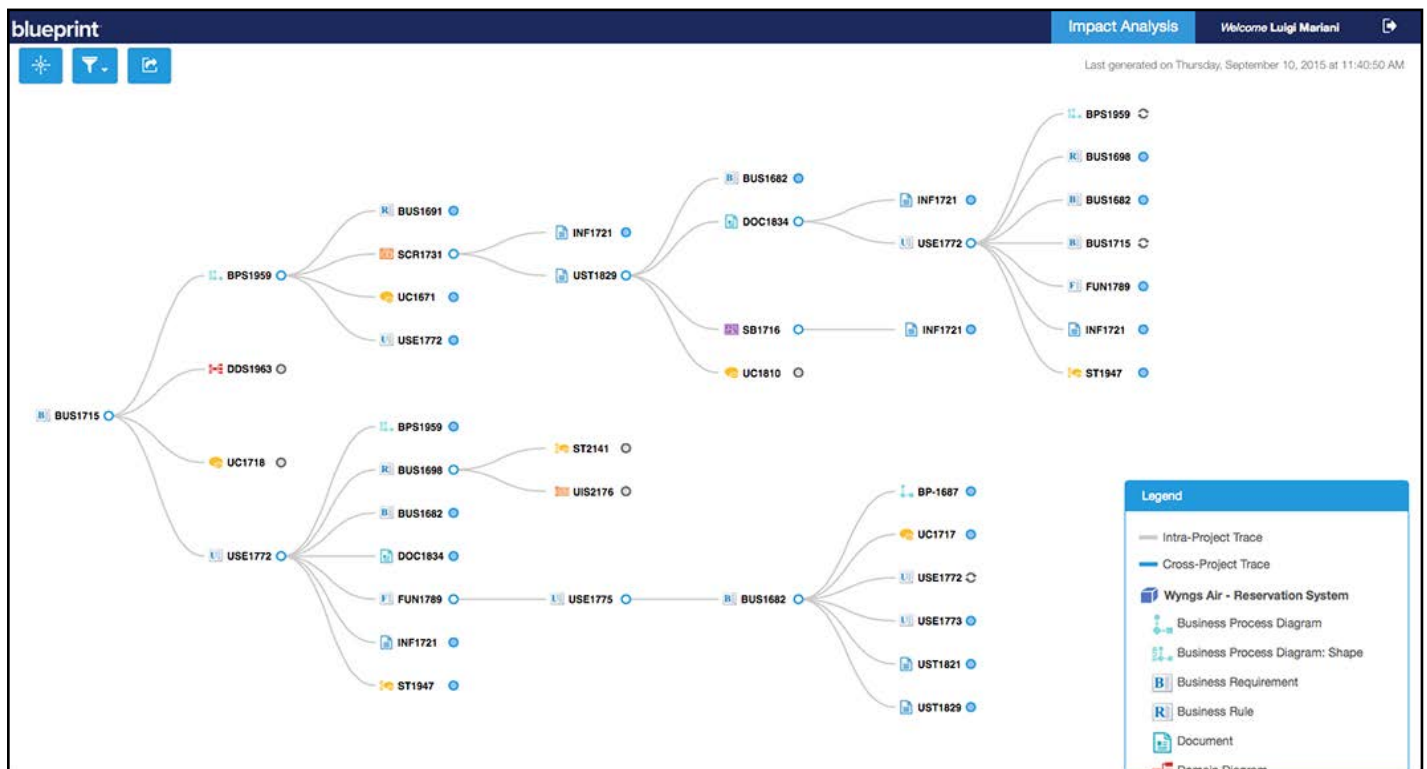
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New Features

Impact Analysis

With the release of Blueprint 6.3 comes a new feature: Impact Analysis. Impact Analysis illustrates the effect of change within requirements. In a visual tree format, Impact Analysis allows a user to choose an Artifact and view the impacts of a change made to it.



In Impact Analysis users have the option of viewing an Artifact's properties, as well as making a comment to it to provide real-time feedback. The filter options allow users to show only specific Artifact types, helping to give a targeted view of how change affects those specific requirements. Users also have the option of exporting the Impact Analysis to Microsoft Excel™ for further analysis. Each branch can be exported to a unique line in Excel, the Artifact's key properties will be exported as cell notes for reference.

Key Enhancements

This section lists the key enhancements to existing features and functionality that are found in Blueprint v6.3

Blueprint Integrations

Blueprint has expanded its current integration footprint to incorporate some of the market's top choices for ALM integrations. With the addition of Tasktop as a new integration partner, Blueprint now offers integrations to over 20 of the most popular ALM systems such as: HP ALM, Jira, Rally, TFS, Version One, and Clarity. For a complete listing, reference the Blueprint Supported Integrations datasheet found at <http://documentation.blueprintcloud.com>.

Enhanced User/Group Management

Blueprint customers have requested the ability to manage groups and users independently in the Instance Administration Management console. Some users could be part of groups but, on account of security requirements, certain administrator roles need permissions to manage groups and not users, or vice versa. With this enhancement, you can customize the administrator user's role for Users and Groups as follows:

^ Users and Groups		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	View Users	View a list of all users, including user information.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Manage Users	Create, edit, and delete users.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	View Groups	View a list of all groups, including group membership.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Manage Groups	Create, edit, and delete groups.

Enhanced LDAP User Creation

Previously, Blueprint would query the Windows Active Directory for a user and create that user within Blueprint. This could potentially create duplicate users in Blueprint and lead to unnecessary use of licenses. With Blueprint 6.3, administrators now have the option to enable the import from an LDAP server to check for the uniqueness of a user's email in the Active Directory and, if duplicates are found, Blueprint will only import one instance of that user, thus removing the potential for duplicate users.

Enable Active Directory Integration

- Check for User's Email Uniqueness
- Use default connection on identity (BLUEPRINT\tfsbuild)
- Use custom Active Directory integration

Supported Technology Changes

This section outlines changes with respect to the support of third-party technologies related to the operation of Blueprint.

Termination of Support with Blueprint v6.3

Support for the following technologies ceases with the release of Blueprint v6.3:

- Internet Explorer 8
- Google Chrome v42 (and later)
(https://na13.salesforce.com/articles/KB_FAQ/Silverlight-support-in-Google-Chrome?popup=true)

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