

Avanade Intelligent Data Manager User Guide

Microsoft Dynamics 365 for Finance and Operations

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1 Introduction

Application

Avanade Intelligent Data Manager is supported for below version.

Dynamics 365 for Operations	Avanade Intelligent Data Manager

Applicable Version

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1.1 Context

This document describes the process for setting up the Avanade Intelligent Data Manager within Dynamics 365 for operations.



2 Audience

This document is intended for use by technical/functional consultants, business analysts and clients implementing the Avanade Intelligent Data Manager (AIDM) tool for Microsoft Dynamics 365 for Finance and Operations version and for first time users who will be utilizing the application for both implementation and operational purposes.

In this document, we would provide you with the detailed steps on how to perform the above-mentioned functionality using the Avanade Intelligent Data Manager tool.

3 Configure Avanade Intelligent Data Manager

The Avanade Intelligent Data Manager is useful in roll out phase of project; where user wants to move the configuration data of Gold company into multiple role out entities.

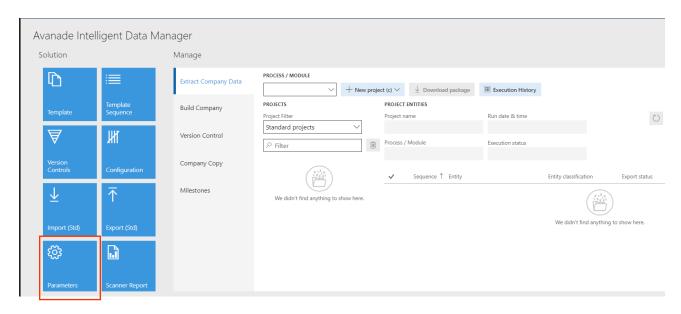
This flow explains how to configure the Avanade Intelligent Data Manager in Dynamics 365 for Operation environment. Below steps to be followed once the tool is deployed in Dynamics 365 environment.

Kindly refer the steps in sequence as mentioned below:

3.1.1 Run Configuration Script

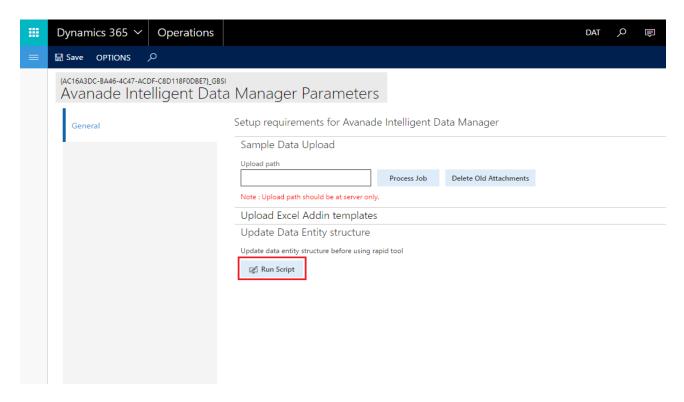
This script is use to run while configuring the tool first time in an environment.

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click Parameters.

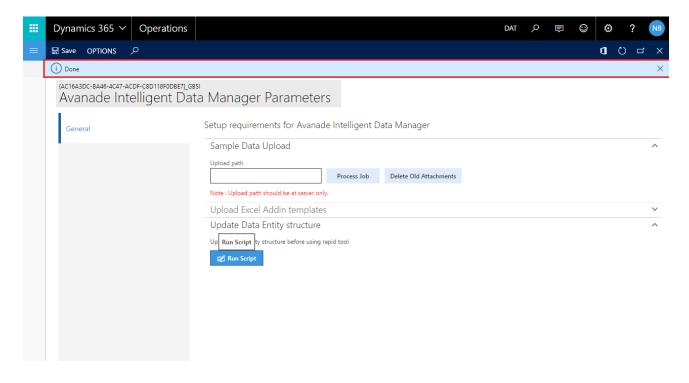




3. Open fast tab 'Update Data Entity structure' and Click 'Run Script'



4. After script gets completed, the info message would be displayed below action pane.



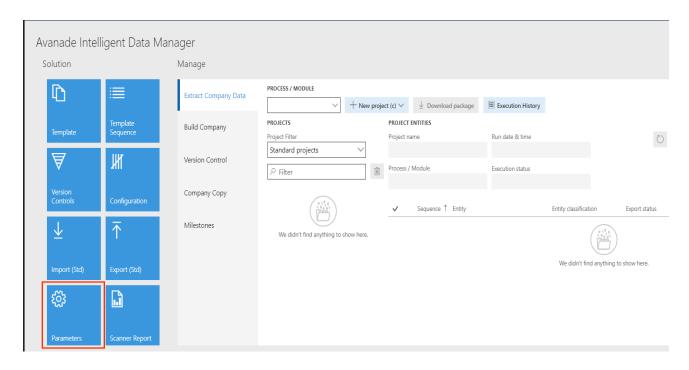


3.1.2 Upload Excel Add-In Template

To successfully use the excel add-in in staging tables before importing the final target data, we must load the newly created excel add-in template which is specific to Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.

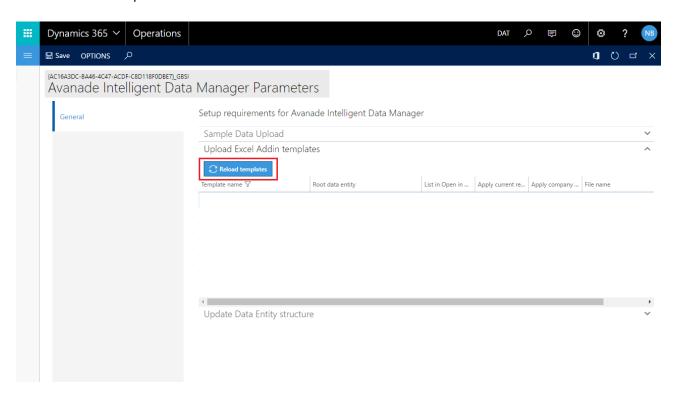
Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click Parameters.

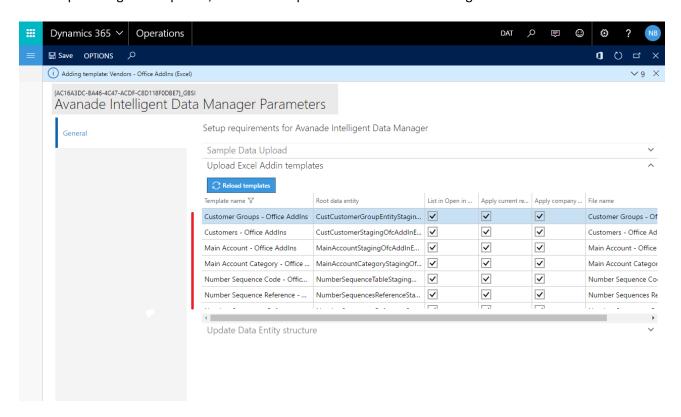




3. Click 'Reload template'.



4. Once process gets completed, the excel templates will be showed in the grid.



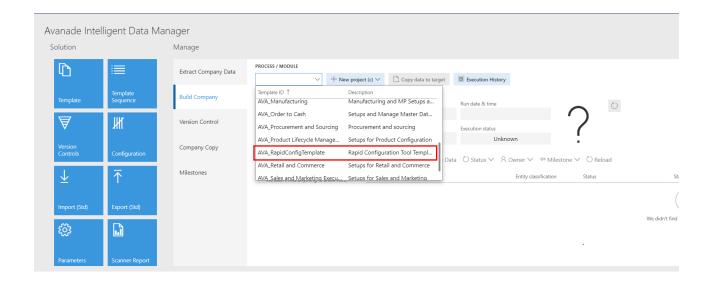


3.1.3 Import Configuration Data Package

The configuration data i.e. "**Templates**" and "**Shared entity field list**" must be imported into the tool so that the tool can be used for importing target data in a Legal Entity.

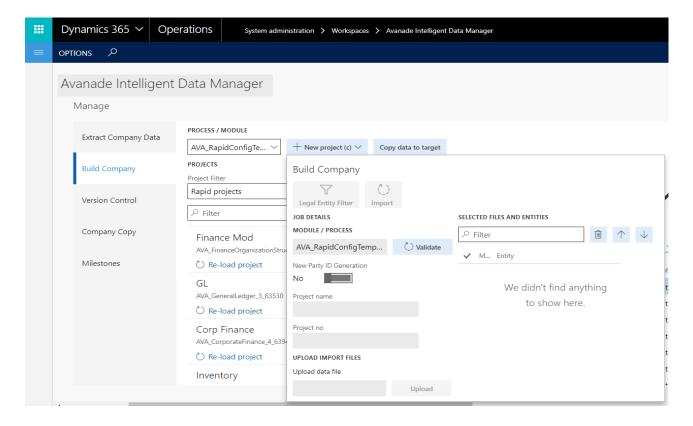
Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click 'Build Company'. Select the 'AVA_RapidConfigTemplate' from the lookup and click the 'New project' button.

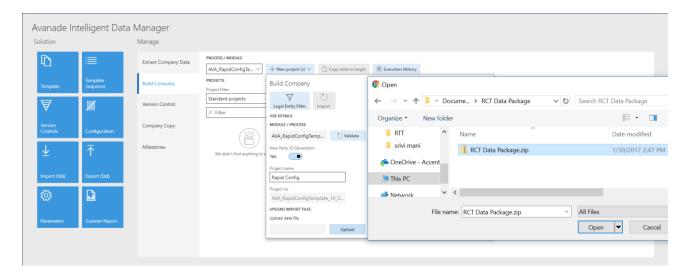




3. Click "Validate"

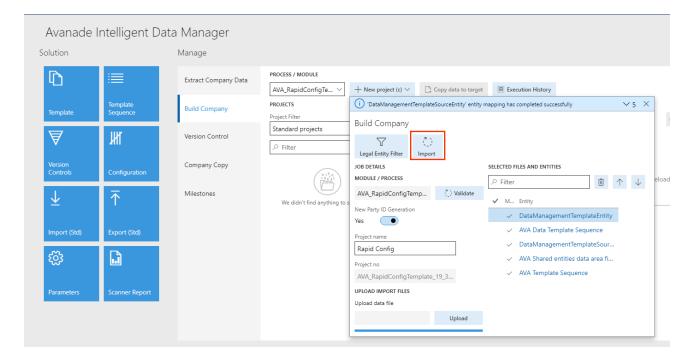


4. Click on "Upload" button and select the "Data package" as shared.

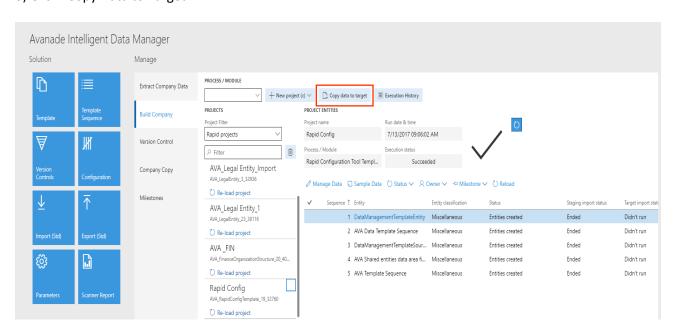




5) Click "Import".



6) Click "Copy Data to Target"





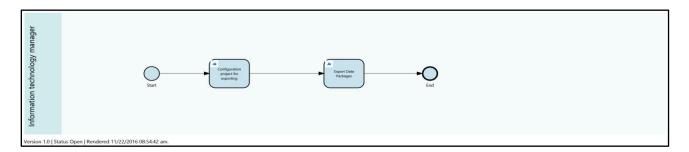
4 Extract Company Data

"Extract company Data" tab provides the functionality to select a template and export the data in the form of a Data Package. A Data Package is a collection of Data entities with a specified order. The output of Data packages is a ZIP file containing both Excel and XML files. User can verify the existing data in an excel sheet before importing the same. Also, can both Edit/Add existing/new data in the excel sheet as required.

This flow covers the functionality related to extraction of data from Source Company. While doing extraction user should access the source company. All data entities related to the selected Template Id can be seen in the "Project Entities" section.

Extract company data process is explained as below:

- 1. Once a Template is selected, user must click on "New Project" to initiate the export process. A new window will open u
- 2. Click on "Apply" button. All entities related to the selected "Template ID" will be added in the entity section of new window. Click on "Export" button.
- 3. Once the Export Process is completed successfully user must download the data package.



4.1.1 Configuration project for exporting

A Data Package is a collection of Data entities with a specified order

"Extract company Data" tab provides the functionality to select a template and export the data in the form of a Data Package. All data entities related to the selected Template Id can be seen in the "Project Entities" section.

Note: Extract one package at a time, do not extract multiple packages at the same time.

Once a Template is selected, user must click on "New Project" to initiate the export process. After this tool creates a "New Project"

After creation of project user needs to click on apply button

User should make sure the pop-up blocker is disabled



Then click on "Export" button. The output of Data packages is a ZIP file containing both Excel and XML files. User can verify the existing data in an excel sheet before importing the same.

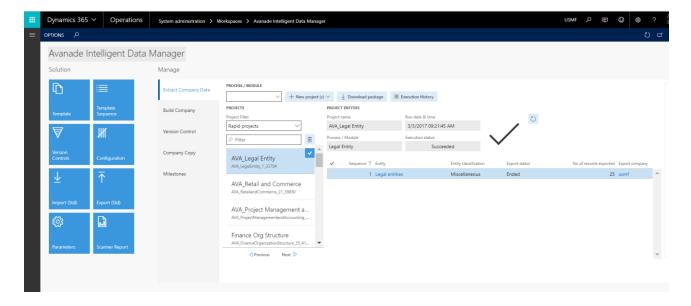
Also, can both Edit/Add existing/new data in the excel sheet as required.

4.1.2 Export Data Packages

A single compressed file that contains a data project manifest and/or data files. This is generated from a data job and used for import or export of multiple files with the manifest.

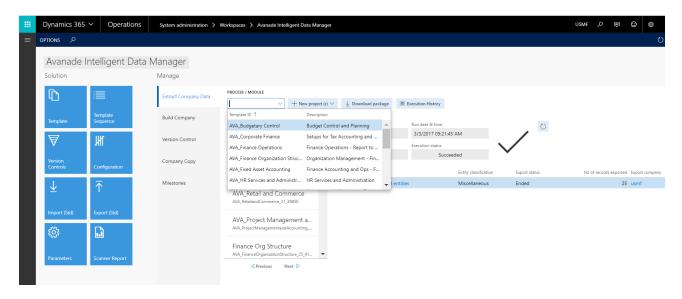
Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click the Extract Company tab.

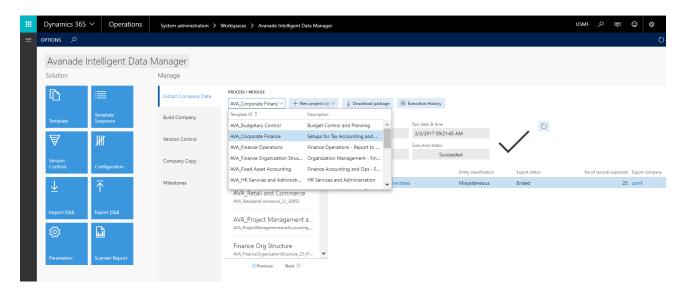




3. In the DataTemplateLookup field, enter or select a value.

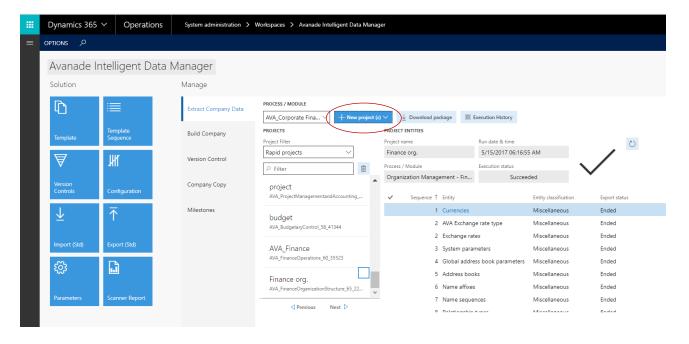


4. In the list, click the link in the selected row.

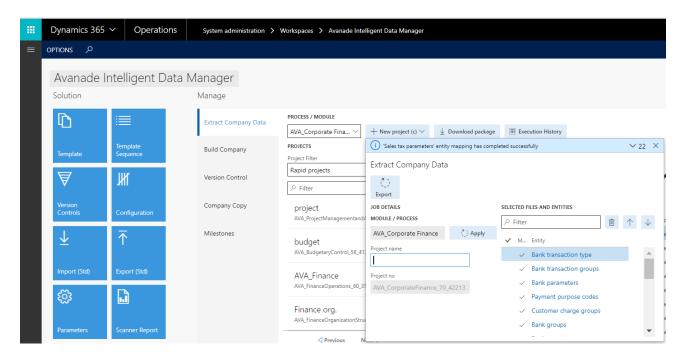




5. Click New project (c) to open the drop dialog.

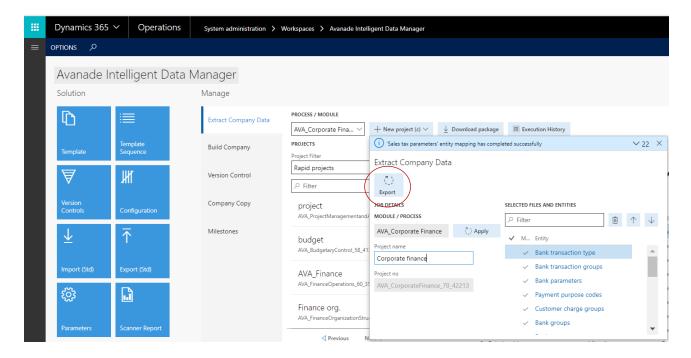


6. Click Apply and enter Project name.

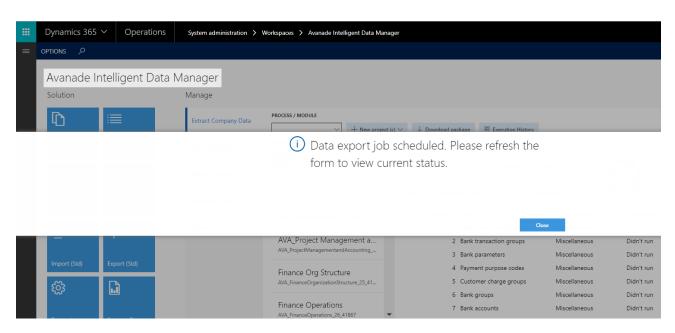




7. Click Export.

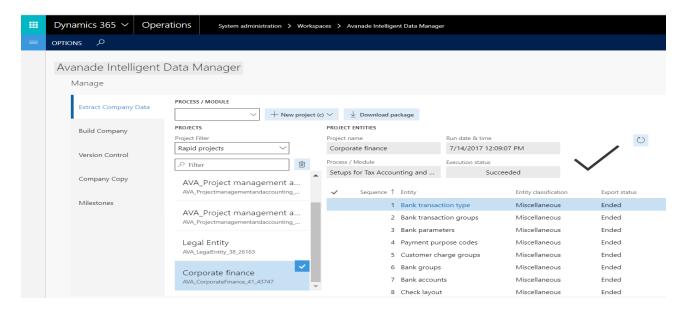


8. Click Close.

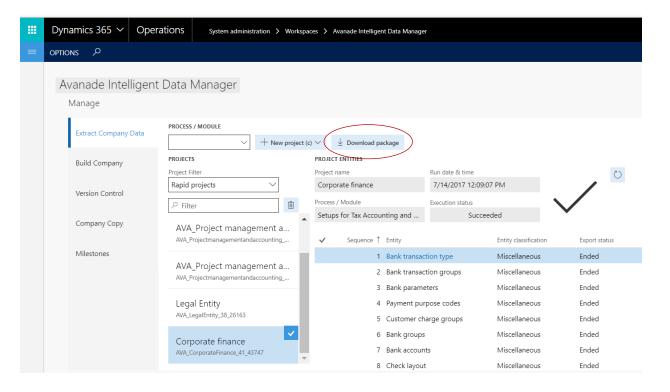




9. Refresh the page.



10. Click Download package.



Note: Extract one package at a time, do not extract multiple packages at the same time.



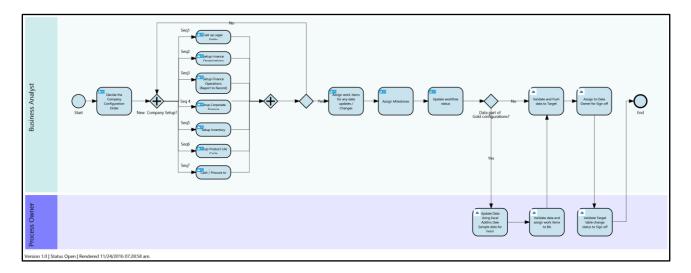
5 Build Company

Build Company tab provides the functionality to import data into a target entity.

The Avanade Intelligent Data Manager is useful in roll out phase of project; where user wants to move the configuration of Gold Company to the target companies.

This flow explains how the golden company configurations are migrated from the source to the target tables using templates/data packages. This tool also has features to set and assign milestones during import process to fix the responsibility of import process between various team members and after review user can move it to Target environment.

For initiating import of data user must go to the "Target Company" & then access the Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.



5.1 Decide the Company Configuration Order

Before updating data, it is important to maintain the sequence of data packages in template. As various masters are interlinked with each other.

Hence user should ensure that the below recommended sequence of templates is followed.

- 1) Setup Legal Entity
- 2) Setup Finance Organization
- 3) Setup Finance Operations (Report to Records)
- 4) Setup Corporate Finance
- 5) Setup Inventory



- 6) Setup Product Life Cycle
- 7) Setup Order to Cash / Procurement and Sourcing
- 8) Setup HR Services and Administration
- 9) Setup Sales and Marketing
- 10) Setup Fixed Asset and Accounting

Note: 1) In case if the sequence is not correct then tool will issue the error messages and error logs due to the dependent data.

2) Import one package at a time, do not import multiple packages at the same time.

5.1.1 Import Data Packages

User must select the same template as exported earlier and initiate the import process.

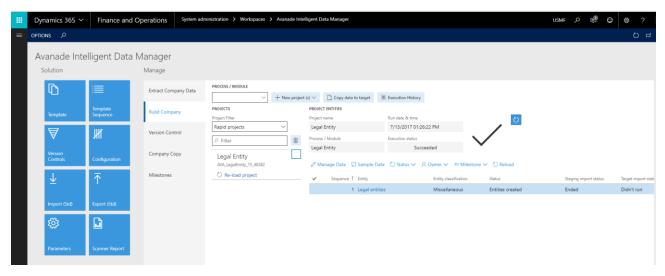
At the start of import process, user must validate the Template Id, upload the Data package (exported earlier) and import.

System will show a message ""X" entity mapping is done successfully.

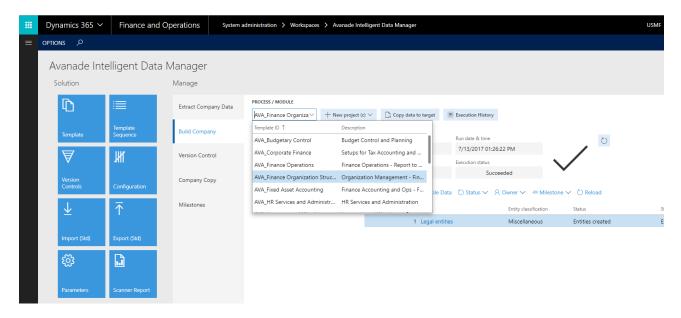
Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click the Build Company tab.
- 3. In the Data Template Lookup field, enter or select a value.



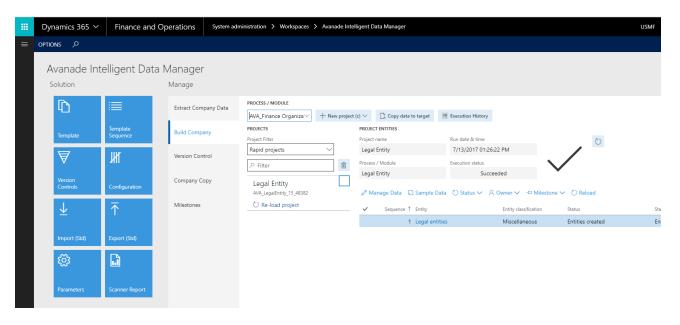


4. In the list, click the link in the selected row.

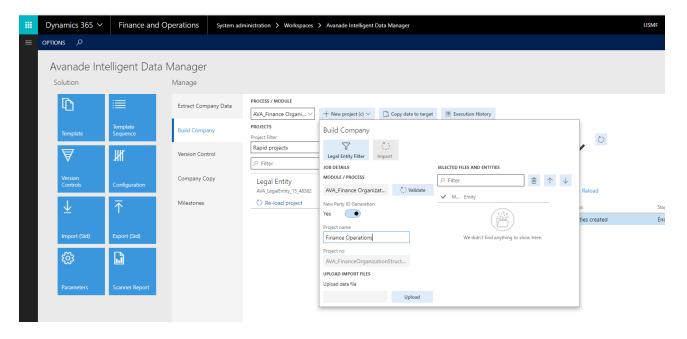




5. Click New project (c) to open the drop dialog.

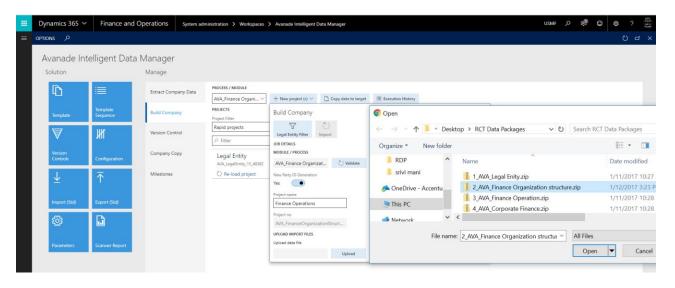


6. Click Validate and enter project Name

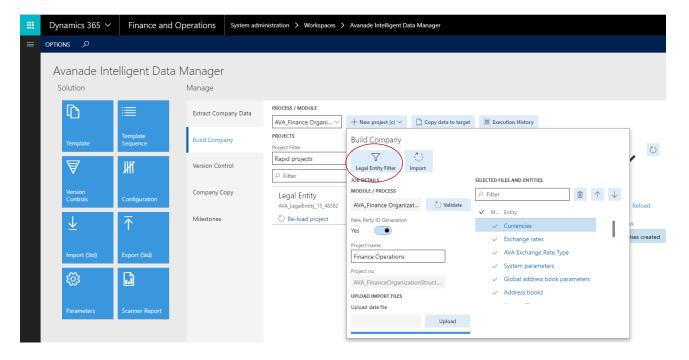




7.Click on "Upload" button and select the "Data package" as shared

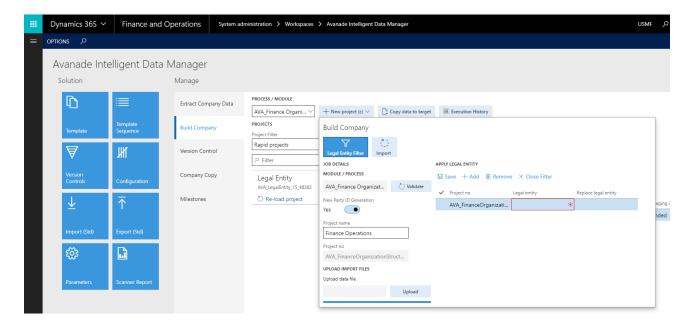


8. Click Legal Entity Filter.

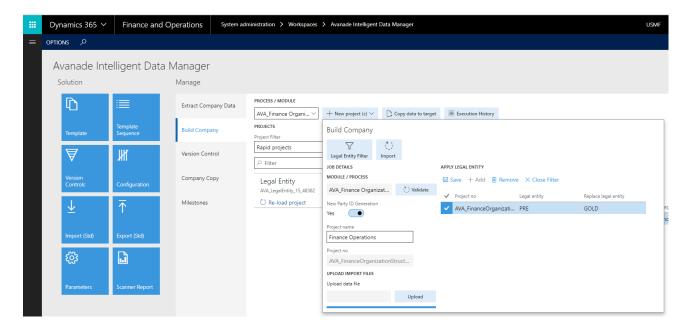




9. Click Add.

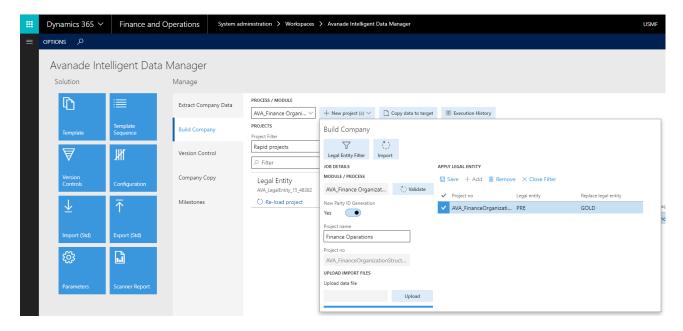


- 10. In the Legal entity field, type a Source company value.
- 11. In the Replace legal entity field, type target company value.
- 12. Click Save.

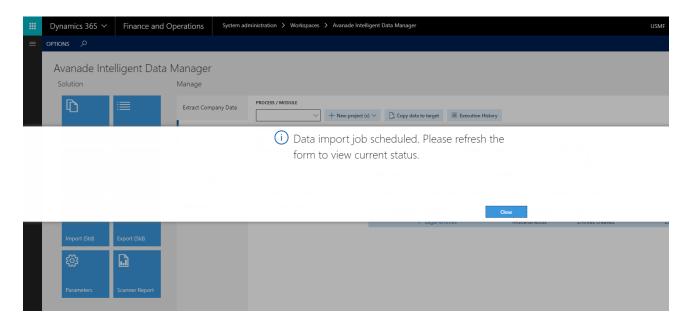




13. Click Import.

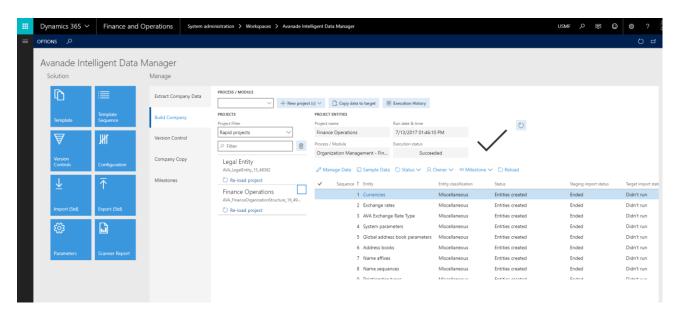


14. Click Close.

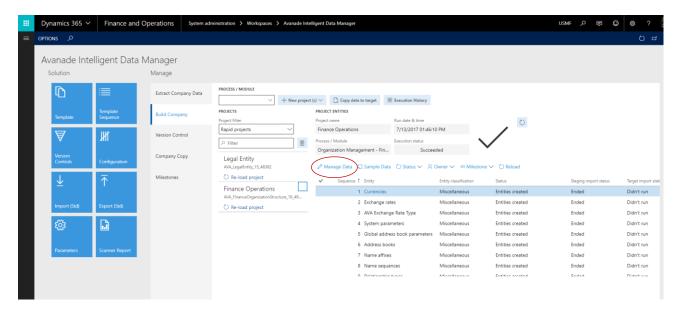




15. In the list, mark the selected row.

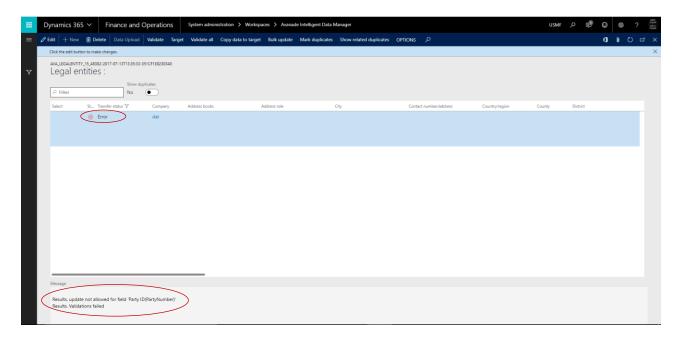


16. Click on Manage data to Validate the data migrated to staging tables





17. Validate and take correctives on the errors messages mentioned in error logs

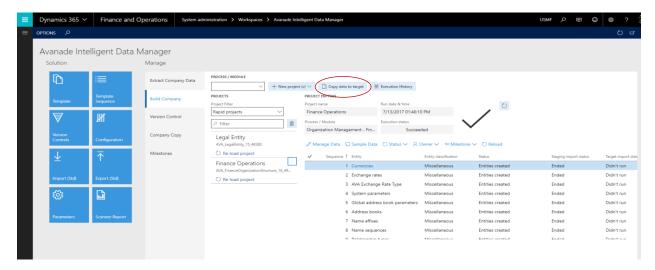


Most of the time error message encountered is because of the following reasons:

Errors	Correctives
Sequence mismatch - Data dependencies of	Import the parent entity first and
an entity on parent entity	correct the sequence
Incorrect Data in excel files	Validate and correct the data
	While applying legal entity filter put
Incorrect Legal entity references	correct source and target entities.



18. Push the data to the target and validate (Refer "Validate and Push data to target "section for more details)

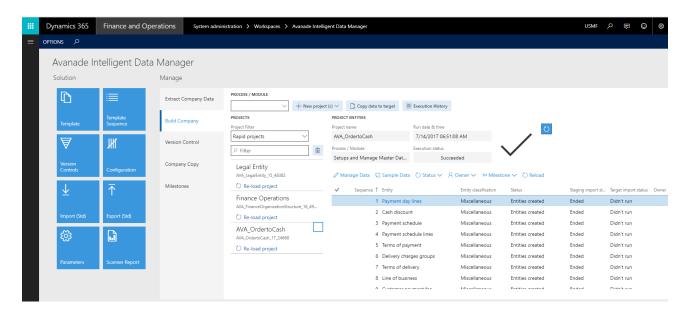


5.1.2 Update Data Using Excel Add-ins (See Sample data for help)

By performing this activity user can modify the data either in **D365 application** itself or he can use **"Excel Add-ins"** functionality to add / remove the data and then push it back to Staging table

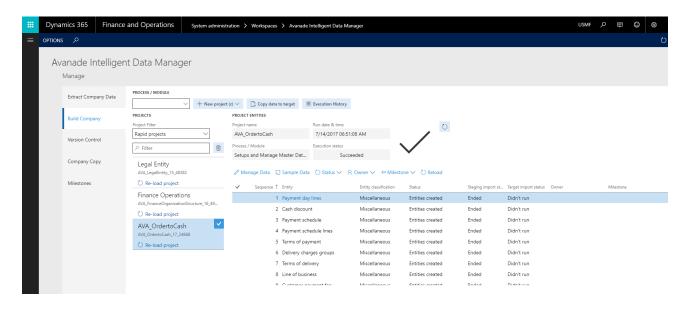
Steps:

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- 2. Click the Build Company tab.

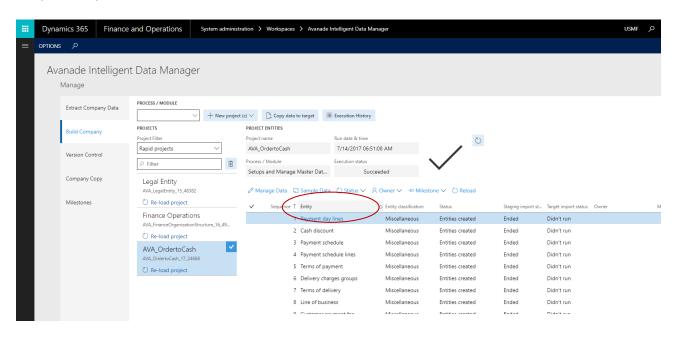




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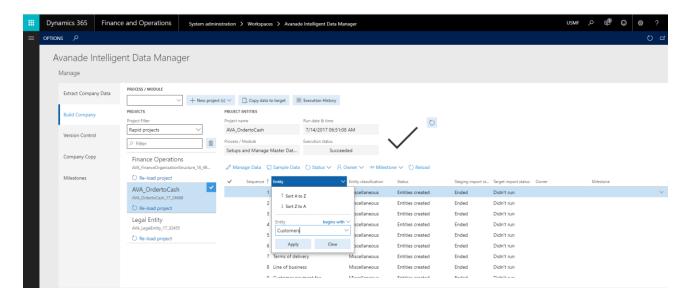


4. Open Entity column filter.

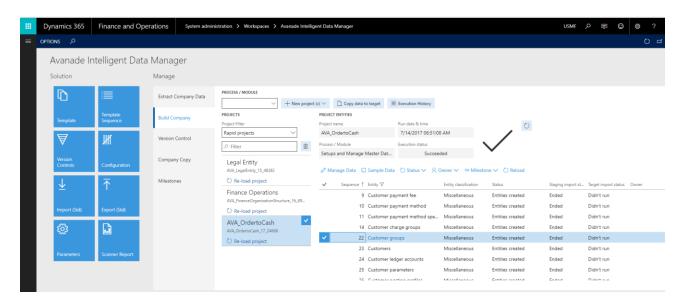




5. Enter a filter value of "customer" on the "Entity" field using the "begins with" filter operator.

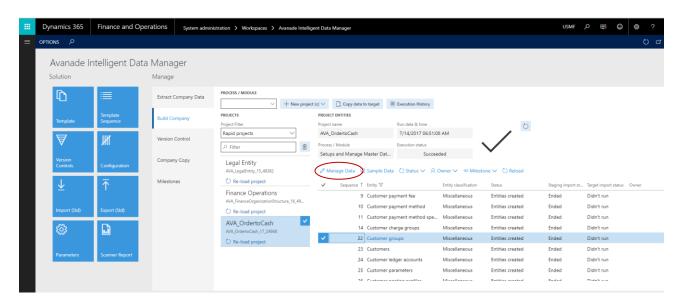


6. In the list, find and select the desired record.

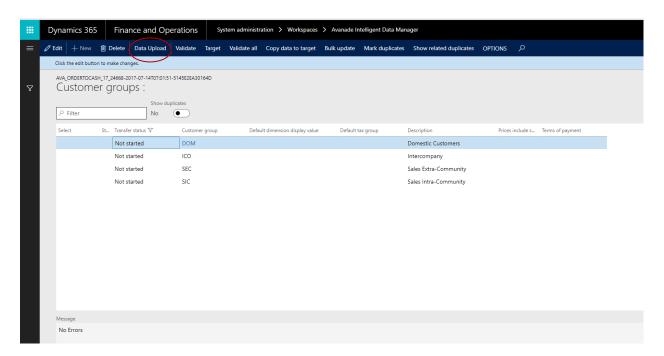




7. Click Manage Data.

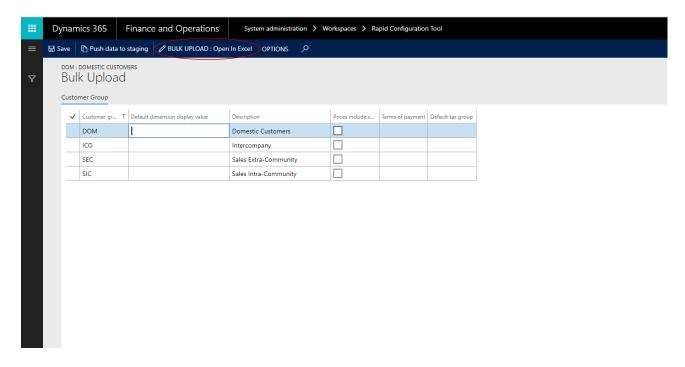


8. Click Data Upload.

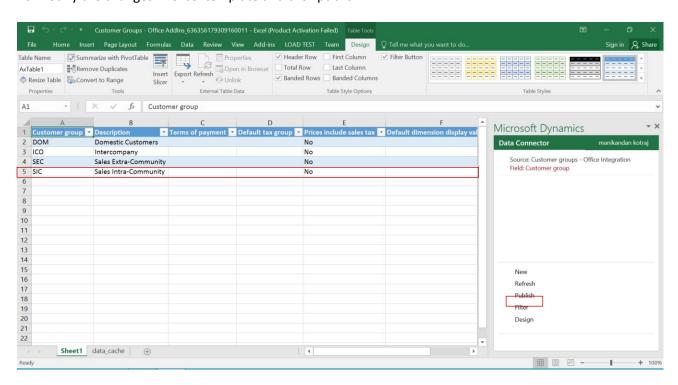




9. Click BULK UPLOAD: Open in Excel and modify the changes in excel template and click publish.

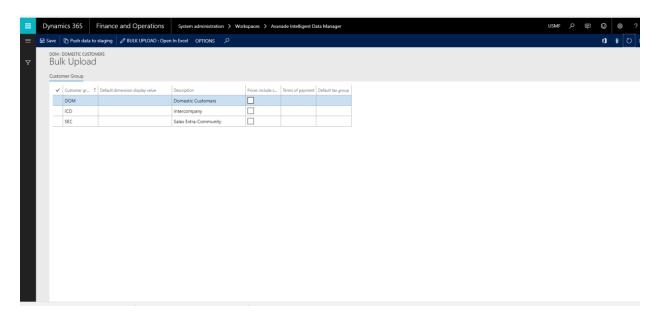


10. Modify the changes in excel template and click publish.

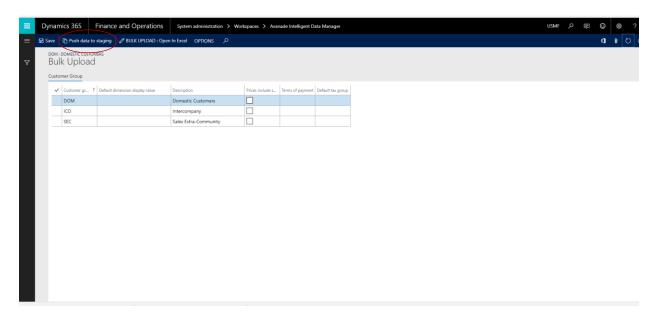




11. Refresh the page.

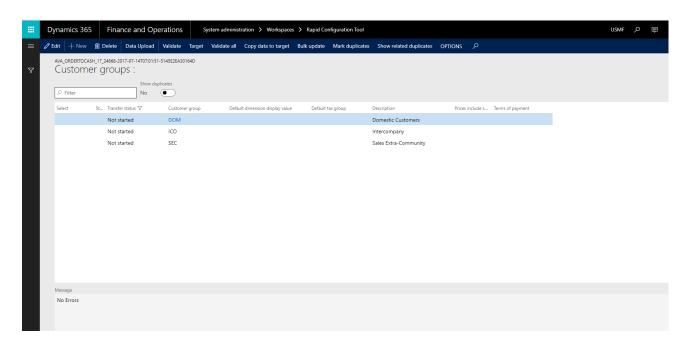


12. Click Save and Push data to staging button.





13. Close the page.



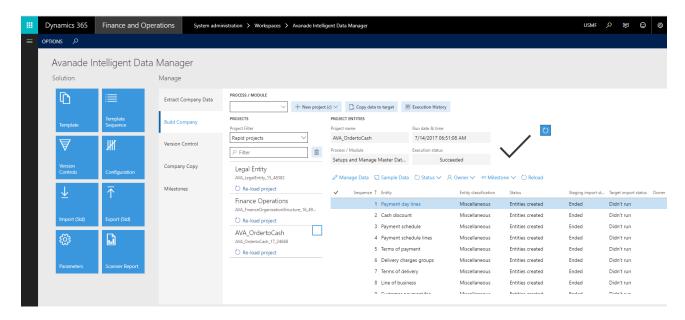


5.1.3 Validate and Push data to Target

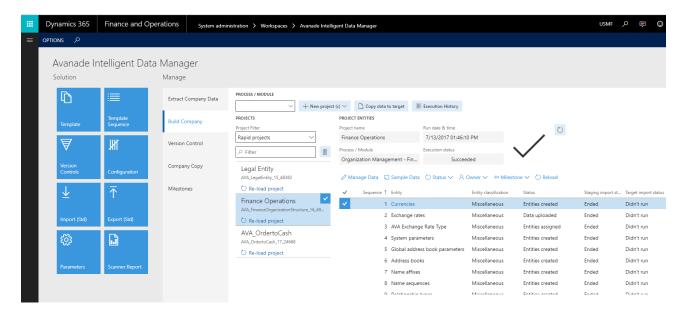
By performing this activity, it is expected from user that he has validated the data present in staging and he is migrating data to Target table from Staging tables

Steps:

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- 2. Click the Build Company tab.

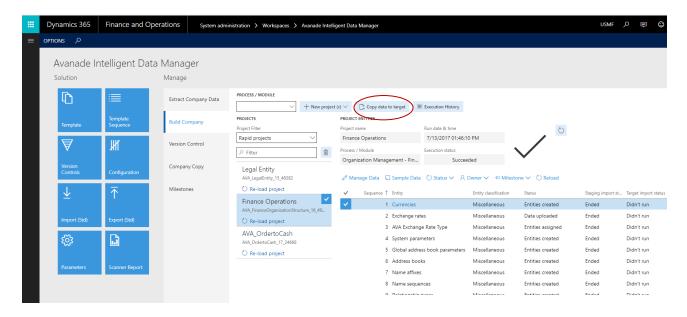


3. In the list, find and select the desired record.

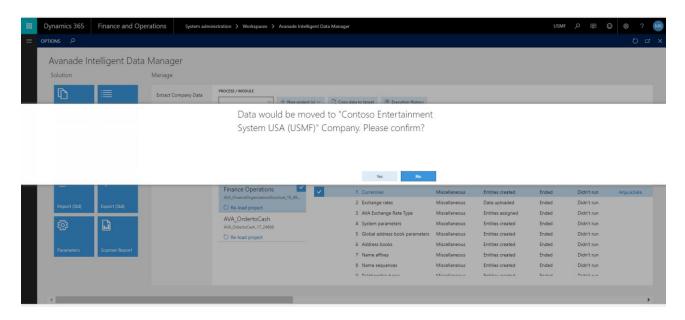




4. Click Copy data to target.

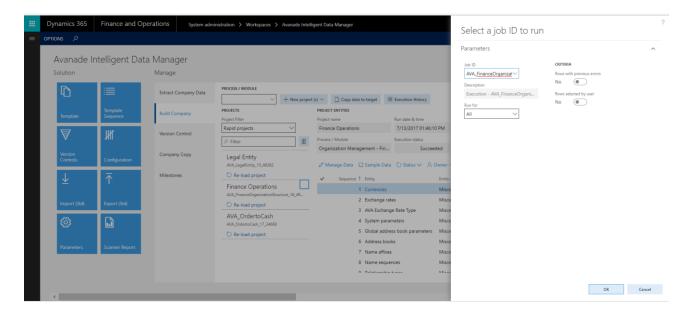


5. Click Yes.

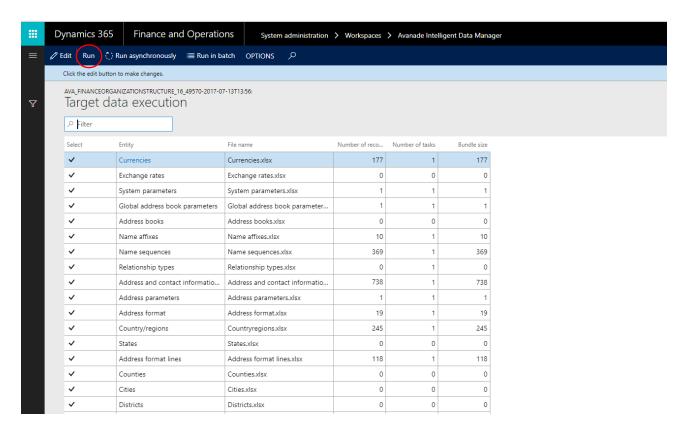




6. Click OK



7. Click Run.





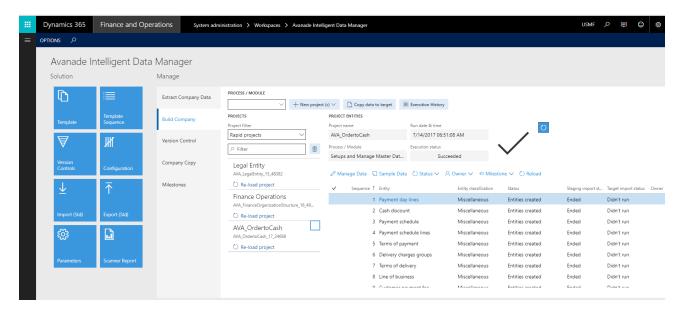
5.1.4 Assign to Data Owner for Sign off

This activity helps business analyst to assign process owners to take the ownership of particular entities and be responsible for the data validation and upload for their entity for signoff.

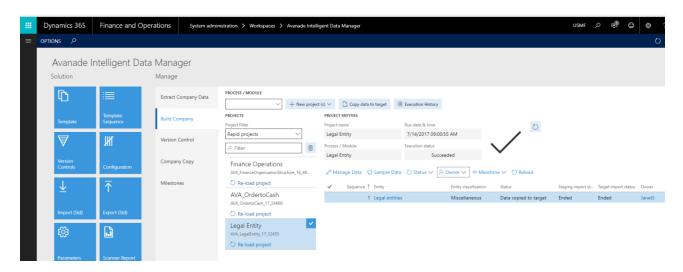
Activity also serves an audit purpose with the help of which a project manager can find out who is responsible for the signoff of each entity.

Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click the Build Company tab.

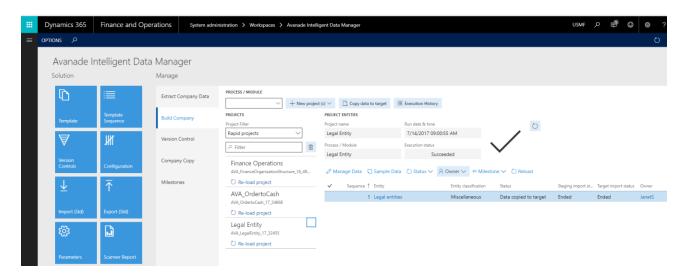


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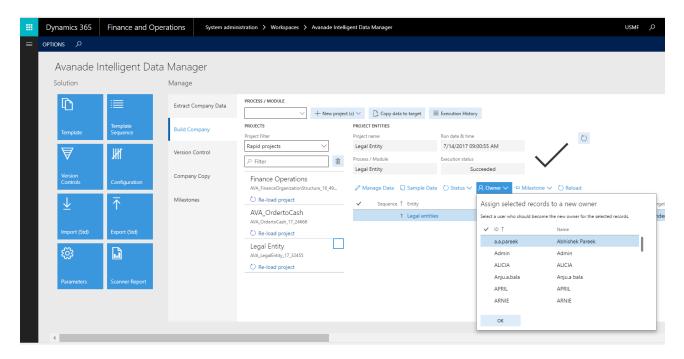




4. Click Owner to open the drop dialog.

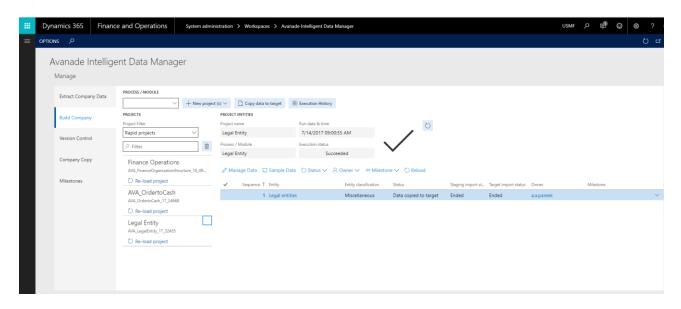


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6. Click OK.

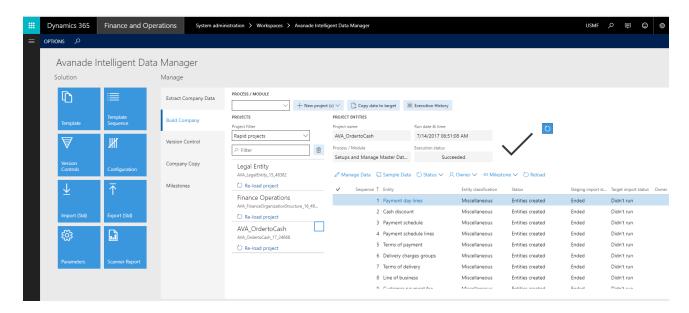


5.1.5 Validate Target table change status to Sign off

By performing this activity "Process Owner" confirms that he has validated data in the Target Company and he is giving "Sign Off" as an acceptance of data migration in Target entity

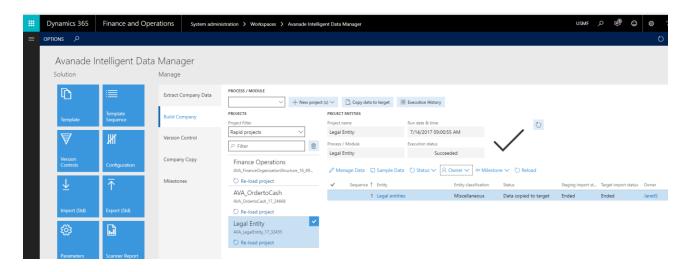
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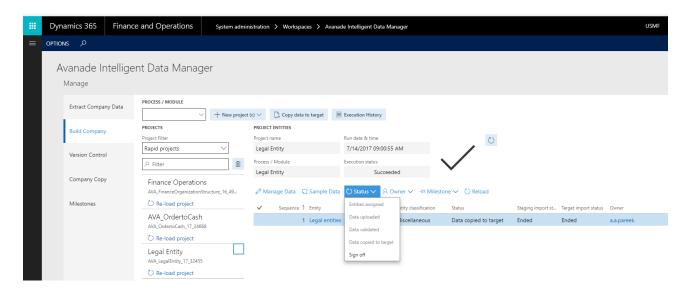




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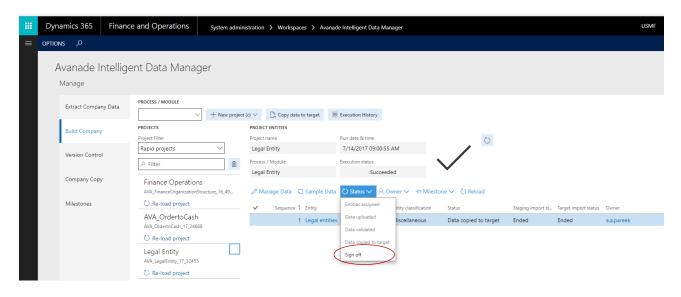


4. Click Status.

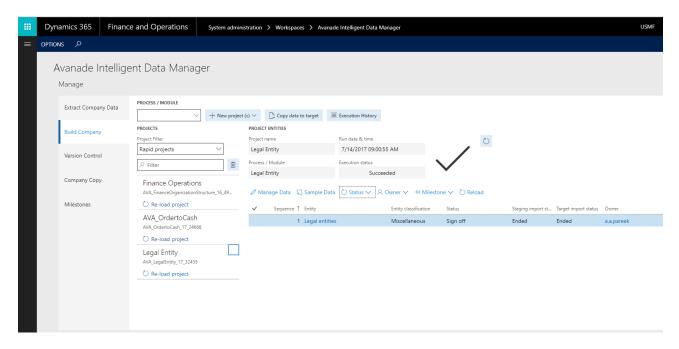




5. Click Sign off.



6. Click Refresh.





5.1.6 Assign Milestones

Milestones are provided for tracking purposes.

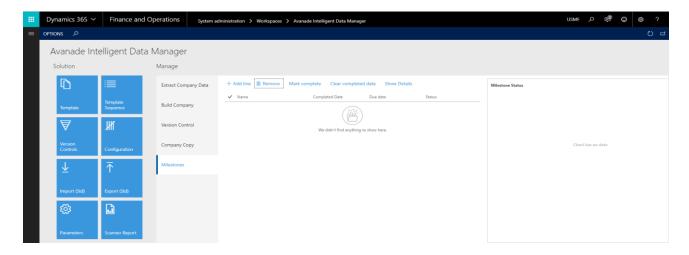
It helps to ensure that a importing task is completed within a specified due date.

It provides a Graphical representation of "Import Status".

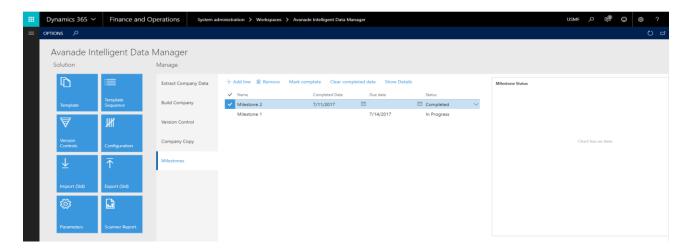
This serves an audit purpose with the help of which a project manager can find out who is responsible for the upload of each entity.

Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click the Milestones tab.

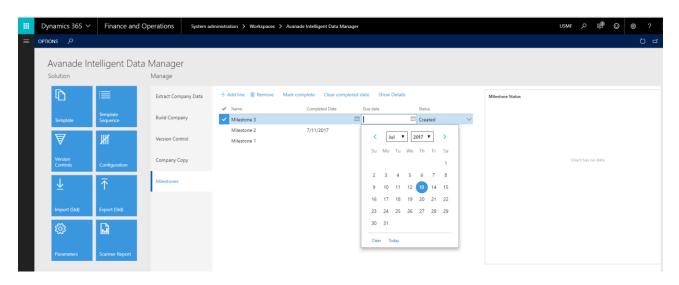


3. Click Add line.

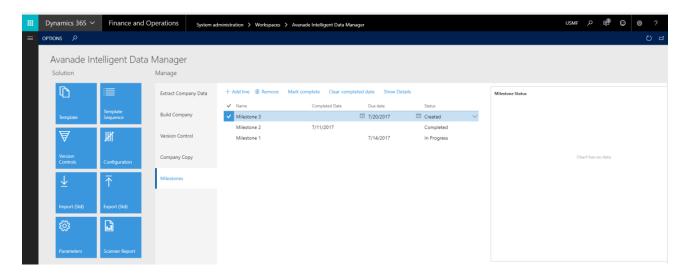




- 4. In the Name field, type a value.
- 5. In the list, mark the selected row.

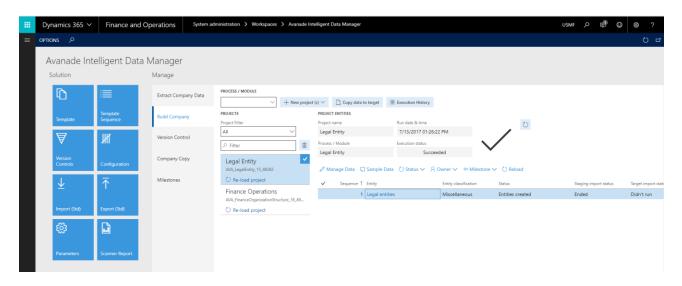


- 6. In the Due date field, enter a date.
- 7. Use the shortcut for saving a record.

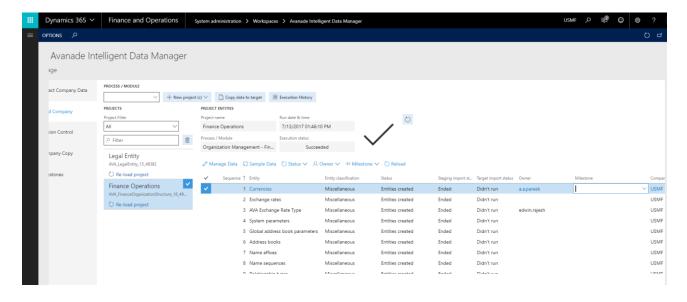




8. Click the Build Company tab.

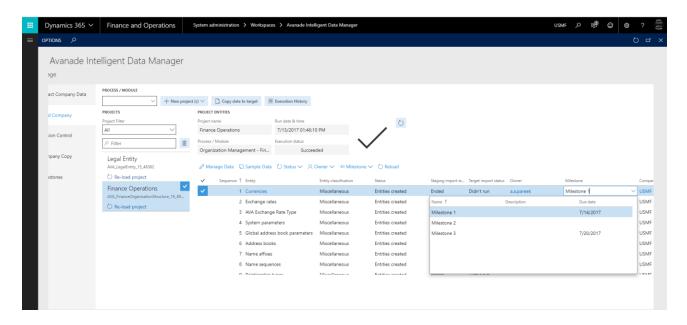


9. In the list, find and select the desired record.

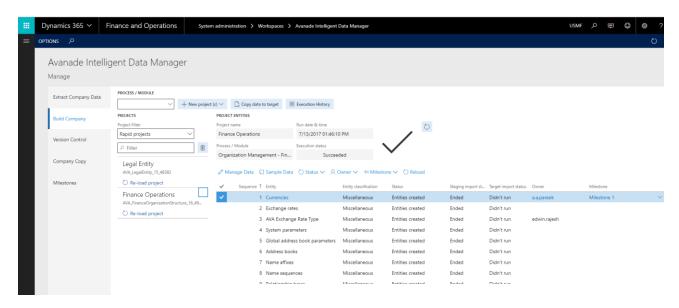




10. In the Milestone field, enter or select a value.



12. Close the page.



5.1.7 Update workflow status

While importing data, we can update the progress of work with the help of different statuses like " Entities Assigned" "Data Uploaded"

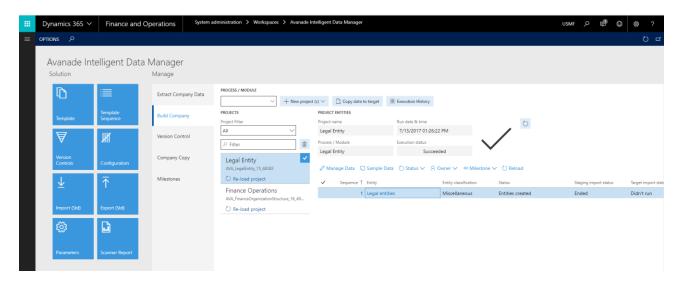
[&]quot; Data Validated" and " Data copied to Target"



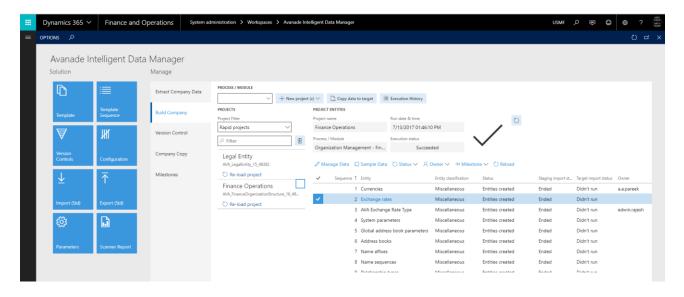
This serves an audit purpose with the help of which a project manager can find out what is the current status of work.

Steps:

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click the Build Company tab.

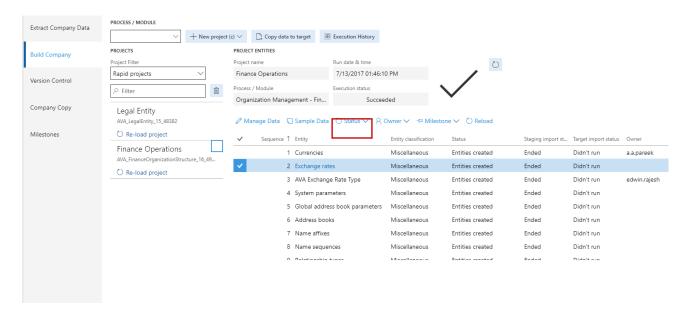


3. In the list, find and select the desired record.

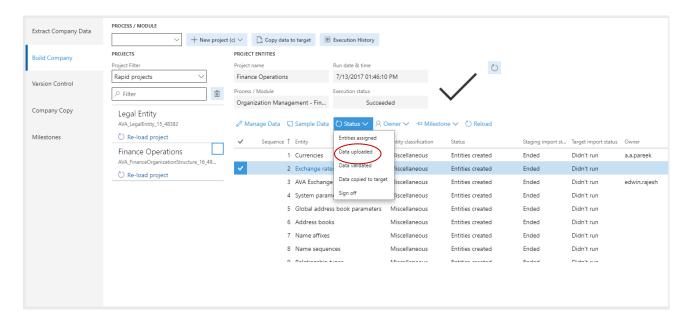




4. Click Status.

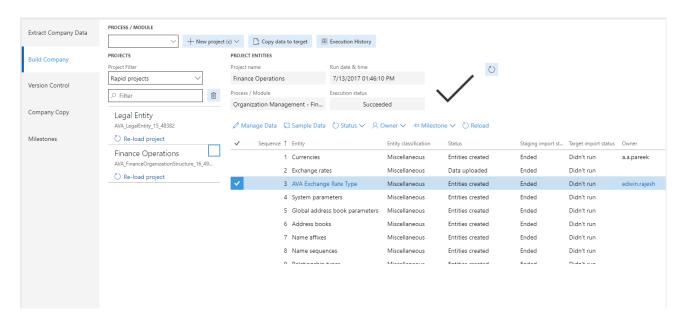


5. Click Data uploaded.

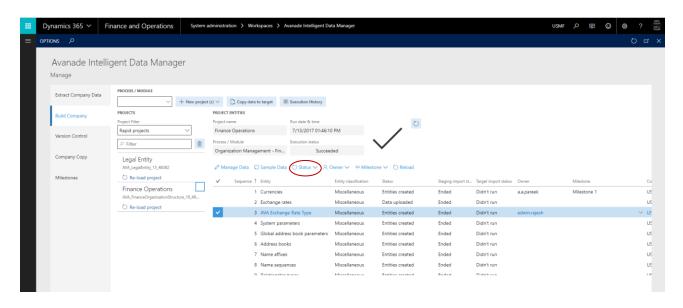




6. In the list, find and select the desired record.

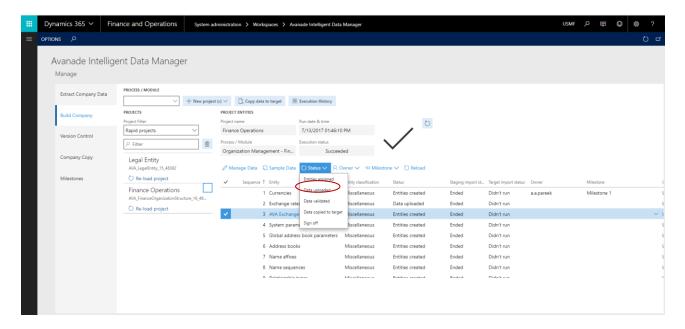


7. Click Status.

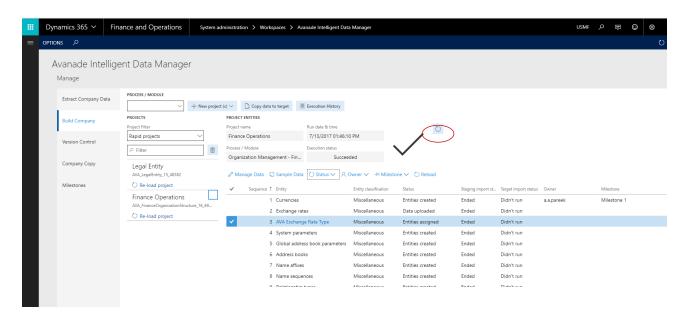




8. Click Entities assigned.



9. Click Refresh.



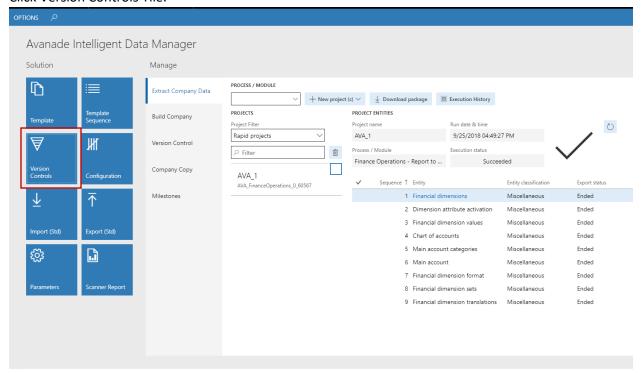


6 Version Control

Verson control is used to compare entity data between companies or legal entities.

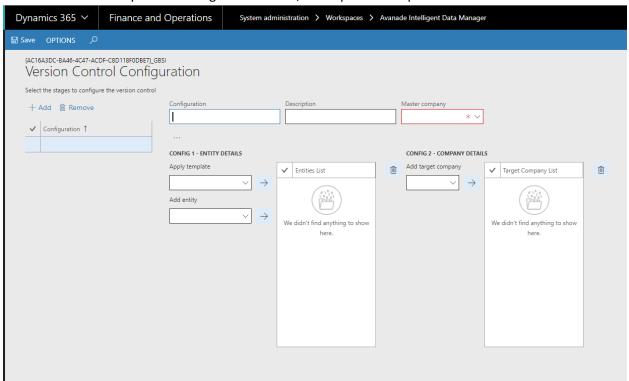
6.1.1 Version Control Configuration

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click Version Controls Tile.

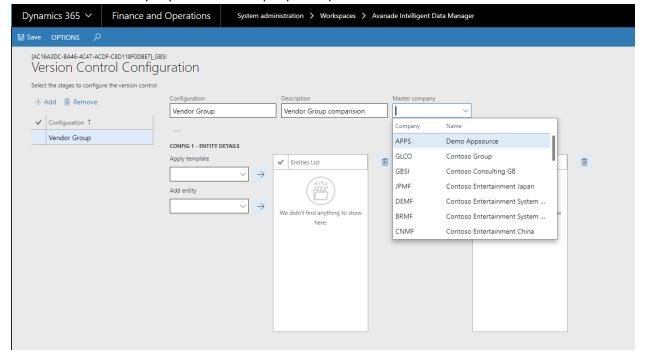




3. Click Add button and provide configuration name, Description in respective fields.

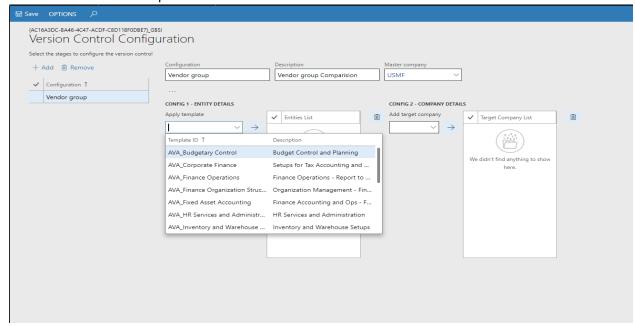


4. Select one source company in master company lookup.

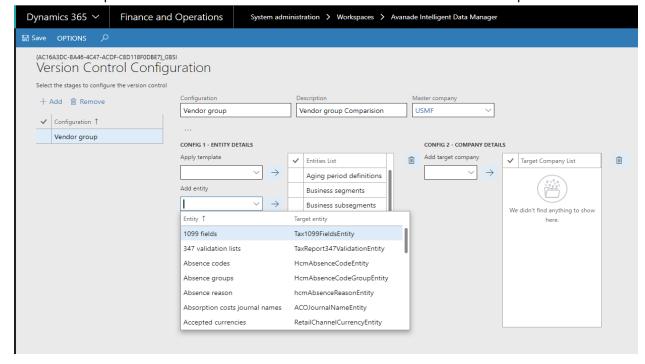




5. Select Template from Apply template lookup field and Click → to add the selected template to the list of entities to compare.



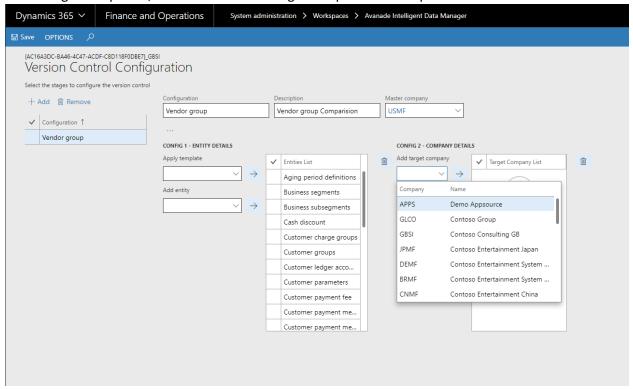
6. Select entities to compare page, in the list of available entities, select one or more source entities to compare. Click → to add the selected entities to the list of entities to compare



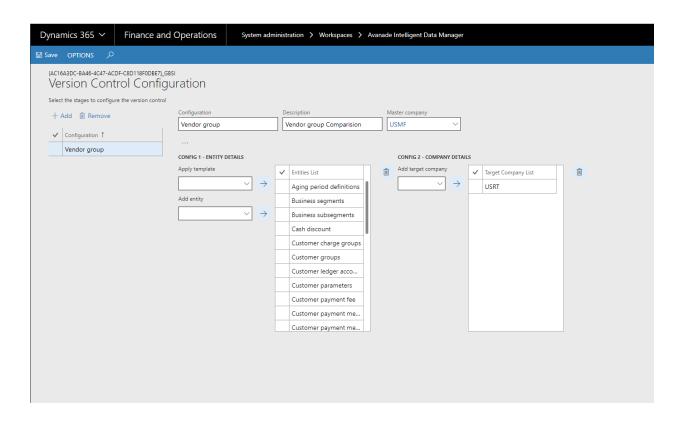
Note: Template or Entities can be selected together to compare data



7. Select target companies, select one or more target companies to compare the data.



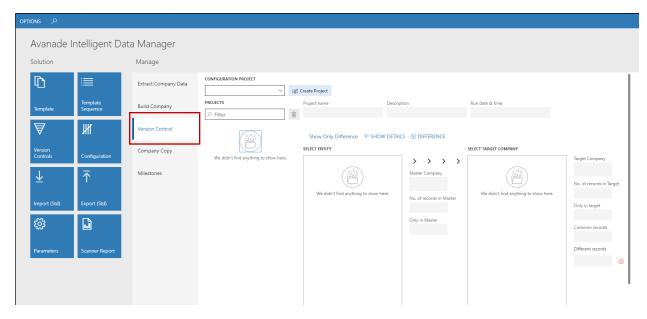
8. Click save



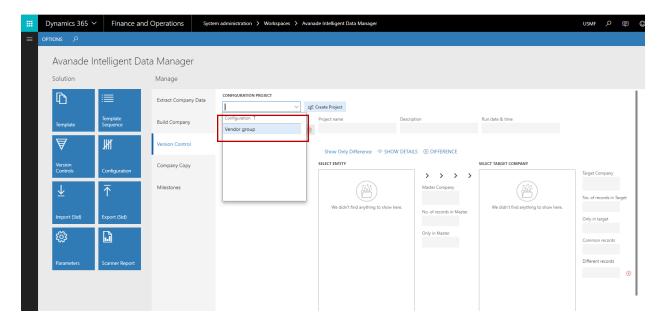


6.1.2 Compare data between companies

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click Version Controls Tile.

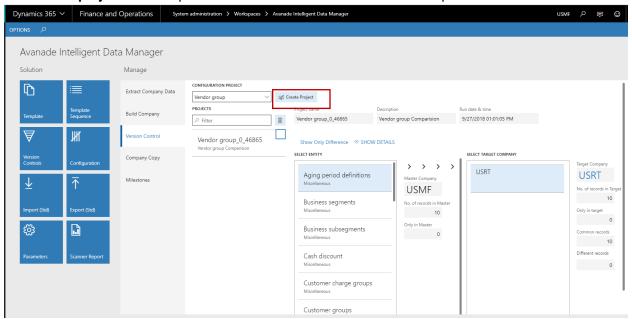


3. Select the configuration from lookup

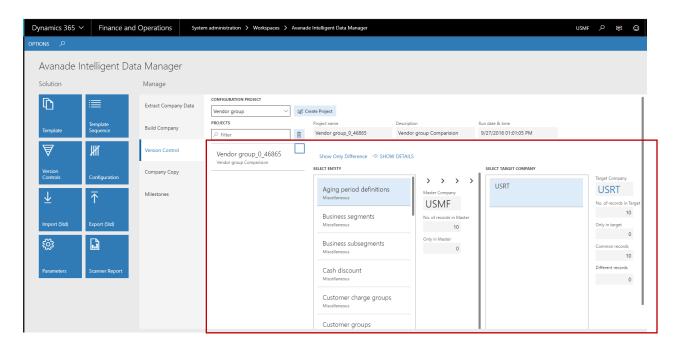




4. Click Create project that compares the data information in the other companies

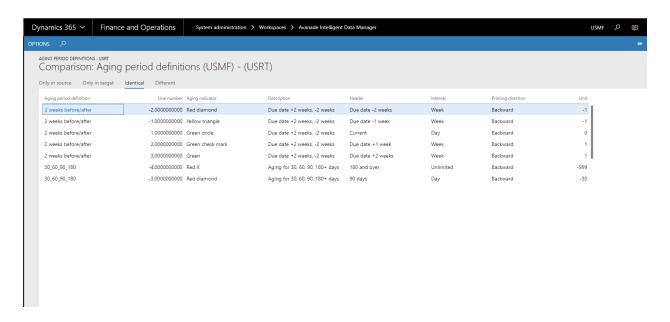


5. The Results form lists the source company and the entities that were compared and indicates whether data appears only in the source or only in the target, and whether identical values exist or different values exist.





6. click **Show Details**. The **Comparison** form opens. It lists the entities being compared in the title, and has **Only in source**, **Only in target**, **Identical**, and **Different** tabs. On the Different tab, each column in the entity is listed twice. Data from the source system is on the Up, and data from the target system is on the down.



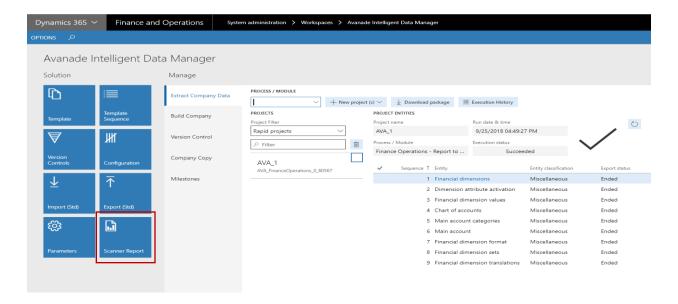


7 Scanner

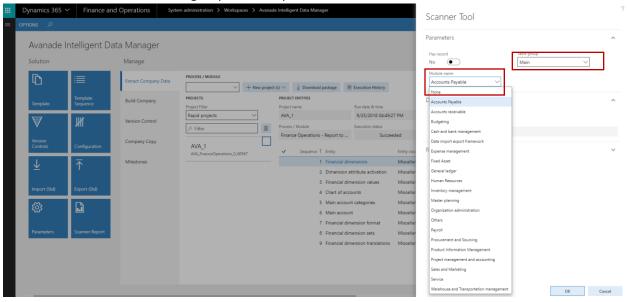
Scanner function is used to view table record counts and entities in any environment.

7.1.1 Analyze Data

- 1. Go to System administration > Workspaces > Avanade Intelligent Data Manager.
- 2. Click Scanner Tile.



3. Select Module name and Table group from dropdown.





4. Click OK to execute report.

