

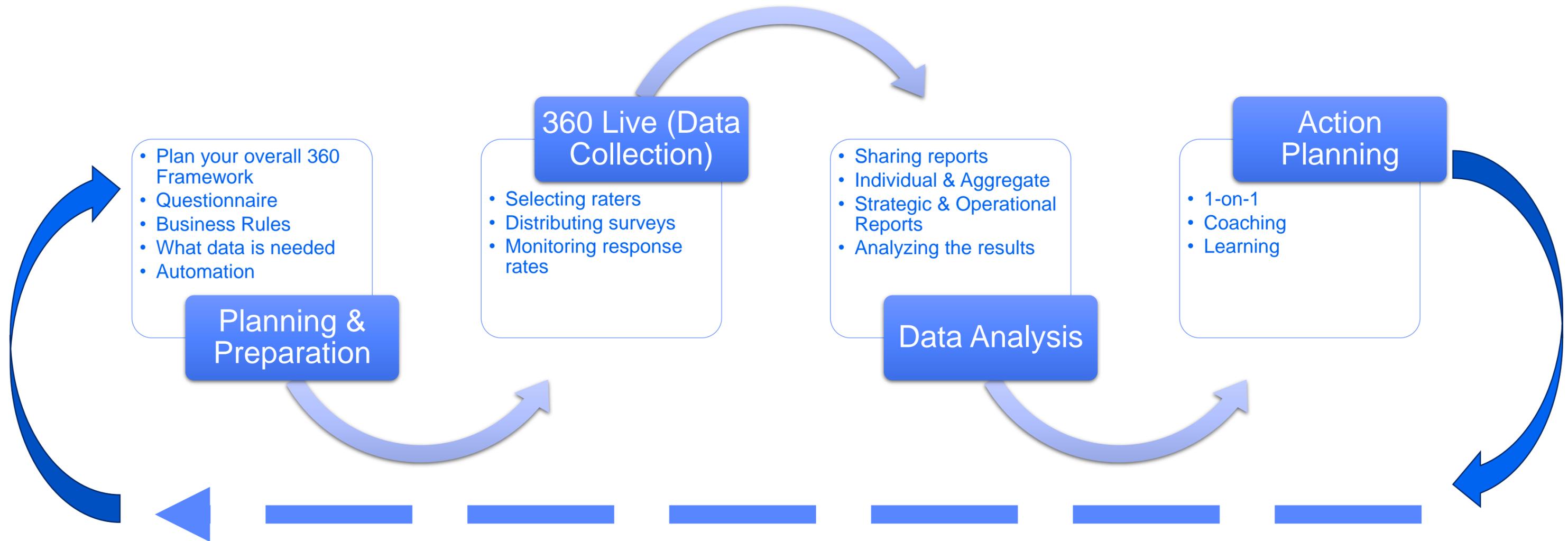
Your Journey as a Blue 360 Administrator

Managing through Automation

❖ Agenda

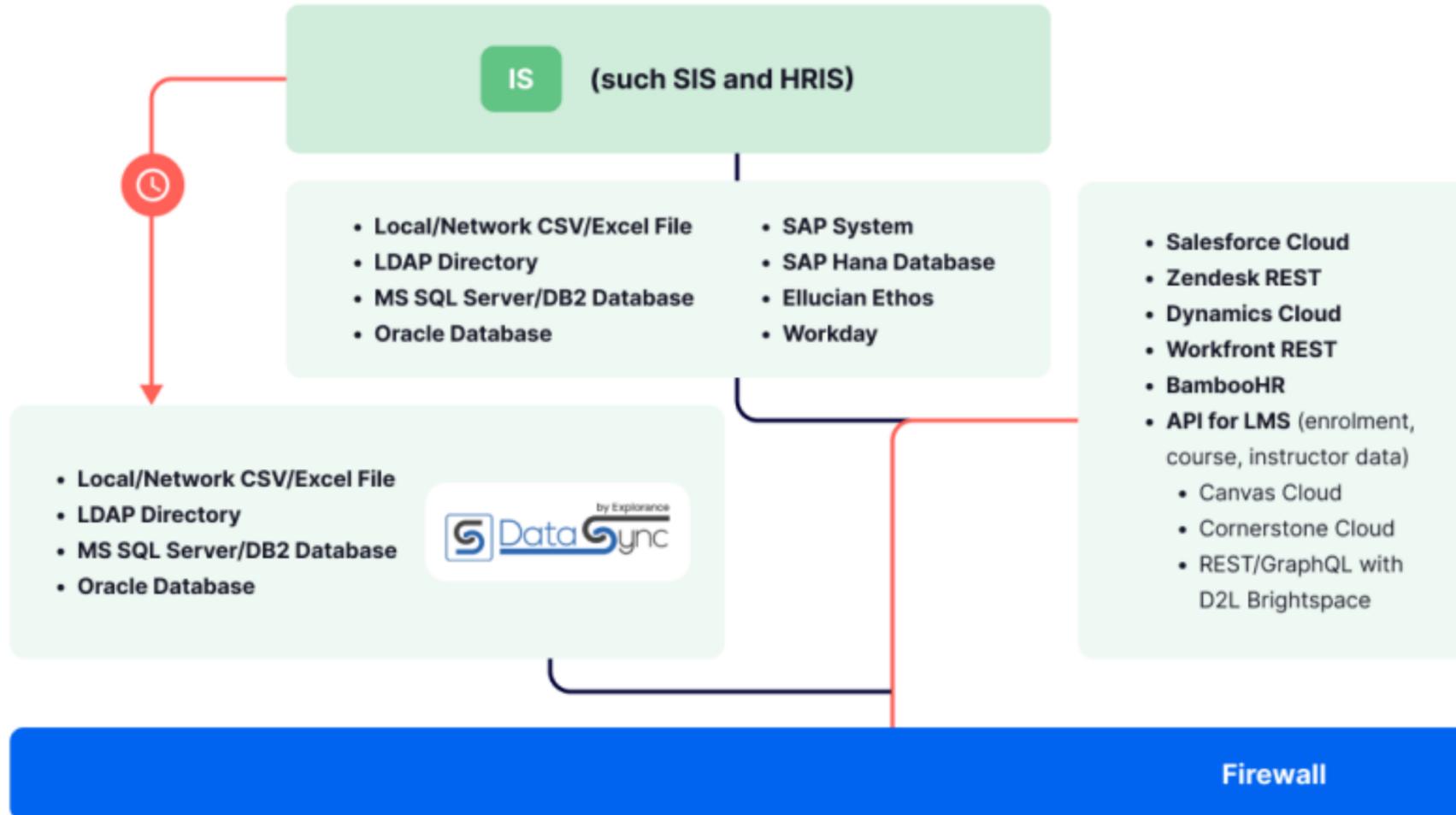
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❖ Journey of the 360 Initiative

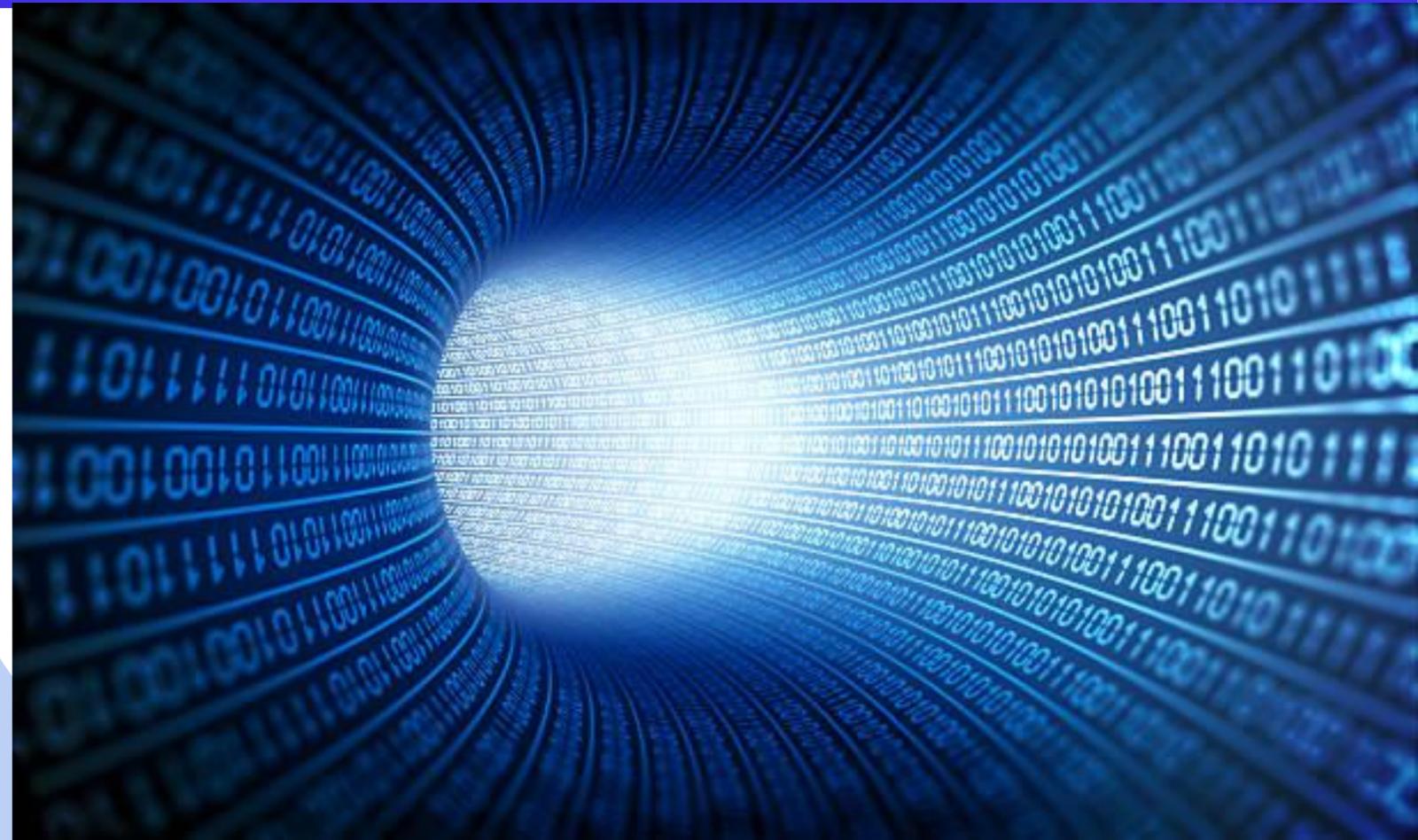


Automation reduces manual effort and accelerates the planning cycle, allowing organizations to save time and resources. Automating increases adaptability and accommodates for changes in business strategies, market conditions, or other external factors. This adaptability enhances the organization's ability to stay agile and responsive. Automation frees up employees from repetitive, time-consuming tasks, allowing them to focus on more strategic and value-added activities allowing for innovation, decision-making, and analysis.

Understanding the Ecosystem



❖ Automating the Participants' Rater Network Pool and Selection



❖ Polling Time!

YES

NO

**Are you currently
automating all of your
datasources?**

❖ Datasources

A datasource stores the data that will be used to power projects in Blue. The datasource is comprised of one or more data blocks into which your actual data will be imported into Blue.

Data Blocks allows you to establish a connection to Blue and form the data components of your Datasource.

For a User Datasource the following fields are required.

- User ID
- First Name
- Last Name
- Email
- Blue User Role - Participants or Subject need value of 23 to be evaluated

OriginalID	FullEmail	FirstName	LastName	Blue_Role
emp001	test1@explorance.com	Agnes	Au	23
emp002	test2@explorance.com	Beryl	Buckby	23
emp003	test3@explorance.com	Beth	Tinning	23
emp004	test4@explorance.com	Carolyn	Timms	23
emp005	test5@explorance.com	David	Cottrell	23
emp006	test6@explorance.com	Deborah	Graham	23
emp007	test7@explorance.com	Doug	Hunt	23
emp008	test8@explorance.com	Debra	Miles	23
emp009	test9@explorance.com	David	Mitchell	23
emp010	test10@explorance.com	Elizabeth	Howe	23
emp011	test11@explorance.com	Hayden	Lesbirel	23
emp012	test12@explorance.com	Kerry	McBain	23
emp013	test13@explorance.com	Merv	Bendle	23
emp014	test14@explorance.com	Michele	Surbey	23
emp015	test15@explorance.com	Nonie	Harris	23
emp016	test16@explorance.com	Peter	Garrity	23
emp017	test17@explorance.com	Peter	Raggatt	23
emp018	test18@explorance.com	Surin	Maisrikrod	23
emp019	test19@explorance.com	Stephen	Moston	23

❖ Extension Blocks

Extension Blocks allow you to append the data from your primary data block with additional data, usually from a different system of record or data file. This will allow you to have a complete data set to launch your 360 initiative.

Using a unique identifier that exist in both the primary block and the extension block, you can use a relationship mapping combining the data set into a single datasource.

Primary Block

OriginalID	FullEmail	FirstName	LastName	Blue_Role	ReportsTo
emp001	emp001@Agnes	Au		23	
emp002	emp002@Beryl	Buckby		23	emp001
emp003	emp003@Beth	Tinning		23	emp001
emp004	emp004@Carolyn	Timms		23	emp001
emp005	emp005@David	Cottrell		23	emp002
emp006	emp006@Deborah	Graham		23	emp002
emp007	emp007@Doug	Hunt		23	emp002
emp008	emp008@Debra	Miles		23	emp003
emp009	emp009@David	Mitchell		23	emp003

Extension Block

OriginalID	Start Date	End Dates	Departme	Region	Level_1
emp001	12/1/2023	12/14/2023	Marketing	Europe	Director
emp002	12/1/2023	12/14/2023	Marketing	LATAM	Manager
emp003	12/1/2023	12/14/2023	Operation	APAC	Sr. Manager
emp004	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Operation	North Am	Manager
emp005	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Marketing	North Am	Sr. Manager
emp006	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Marketing	Africa	Director
emp007	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Human Re	APAC	Manager
emp008	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Operation	LATAM	Director
emp009	12/4/2023	12/17/2023	Marketing	Europe	Sr. Manager

Complete Data Block

OriginalID	FullEmail	FullCell	SmsOptin	FirstName	LastName	Blue_Role	ReportsTo_1	1\$Start_Date	1\$End_Dates	1\$Department	1\$Region	1\$Level_1
emp001	emp001@explorance.com			Agnes	Au	23		12/1/2023 0:00	12/14/2023 0:00	Marketing	Europe	Director
emp002	emp002@explorance.com			Beryl	Buckby	23	emp001	12/1/2023 0:00	12/14/2023 0:00	Marketing	LATAM	Manager
emp003	emp003@explorance.com			Beth	Tinning	23	emp001	12/1/2023 0:00	12/14/2023 0:00	Operations	APAC	Sr. Manager
emp004	emp004@explorance.com			Carolyn	Timms	23	emp001	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Operations	North America	Manager
emp005	emp005@explorance.com			David	Cottrell	23	emp002	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Marketing	North America	Sr. Manager
emp006	emp006@explorance.com			Deborah	Graham	23	emp002	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Marketing	Africa	Director
emp007	emp007@explorance.com			Doug	Hunt	23	emp002	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Human Resources	APAC	Manager
emp008	emp008@explorance.com			Debra	Miles	23	emp003	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Operations	LATAM	Director
emp009	emp009@explorance.com			David	Mitchell	23	emp003	12/4/2023 0:00	12/17/2023 0:00	Marketing	Europe	Sr. Manager

❖ Polling Time!

YES

NO

Do you currently use Rater Selection as part of your 360 process?

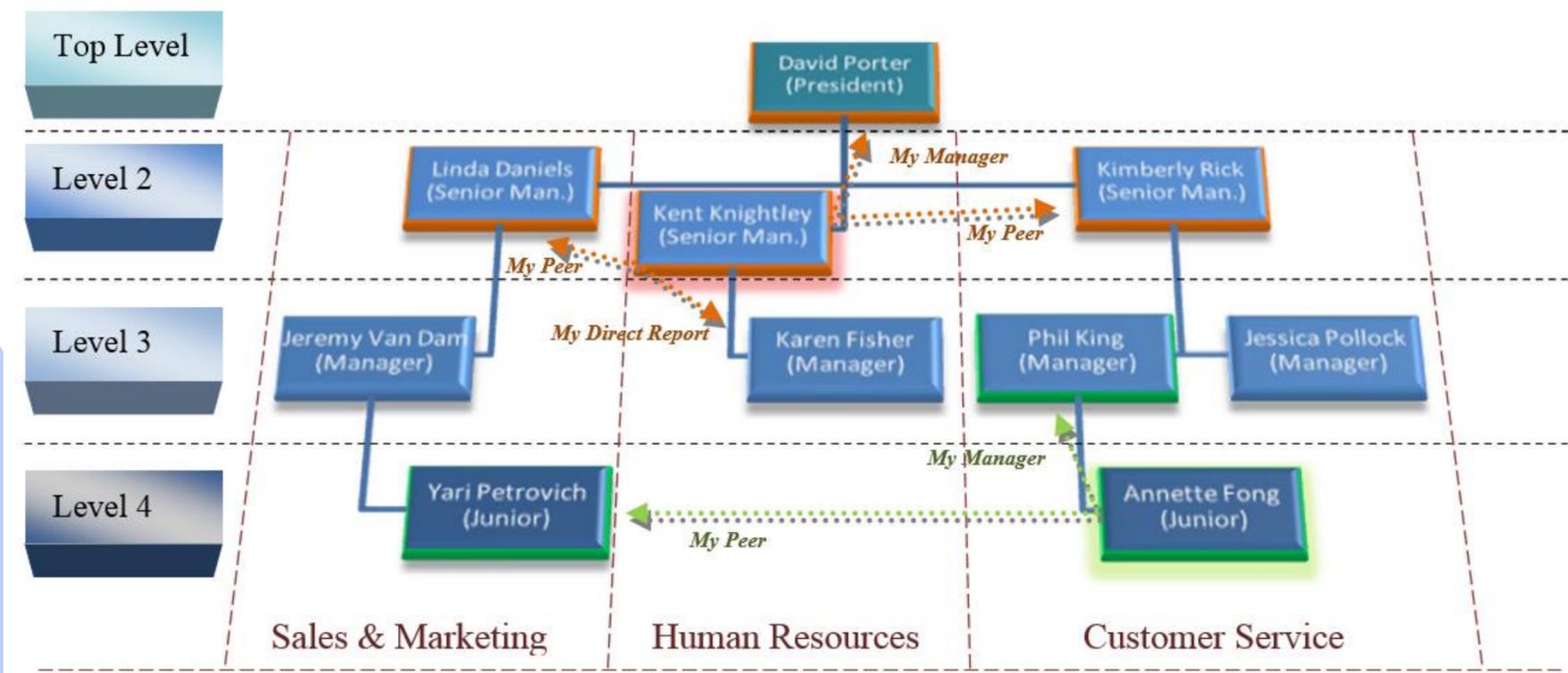
❖ Automating the Participants Rater Network

The hierarchy link type provides a simple means to identify a basic organizational hierarchy that identifies managers, peers, and direct reports. To implement this functionality, the user datasource must have a field that contains the User ID of the person that serves as the direct manager of the selected user. This differs from the Links to link type because the User ID of everyone in the hierarchy must be in the same datasource.

*Note: Hierarchical fields - are useful when creating definitions for 360 reviews. Once enabled, neither the field or the data block containing the hierarchical field can be removed.

User ID	First Name	Last Name	Email	Position	Reports To
SAF	David	Porter	blue@explorance.com	President	
SAB	Linda	Daniels	blue@explorance.com	Senior Manager - Sales & Marketing	SAF
SAD	Kimberly	Rick	blue@explorance.com	Senior Manager - Customer Service	SAF
SAL	Kent	Knightley	blue@explorance.com	Senior Manager - Human Resources	SAF
SAH	Jeremy	Van Dam	blue@explorance.com	Manager - Sales & Marketing	SAB
SAJ	Phil	King	blue@explorance.com	Manager - Customer Service	SAD
SAT	Jessica	Pollock	blue@explorance.com	Manager - Customer Service	SAD
SAR	Karen	Fisher	blue@explorance.com	Manager - Human Resources	SAL
SAN	Yari	Petrovich	blue@explorance.com	Junior - Sales & Marketing	SAH
SAP	Annette	Fong	blue@explorance.com	Junior - Customer Service	SAJ

'Reports To' references the User ID within the same Data Source



❖ Automating the Participants Rater Network

Selecting the hierarchical link field prior to importing will allow Blue to map the relationship of the raters to the participants.

Settings within the Group Details will determine how to build the rater network for each participant.

Automating this process will remove or reduce the steps needed within the Rater Selection task saving your participants time as well as alleviate the burden of them trying to determine who belongs in which rater group.

Available fields

Field Name	Linkable	Hierarchical
ReportsTo_1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1\$Start_D [Group Details]

1\$End_D

1\$Depart

1\$Region

1\$Level_

Group Name: Manager [en] ★

Link Type: Hierarchy

Group Name: Peer [en] ★

Link Type: Group Details

Dataso: Group Name: Direct Reports [en] ★

Hierarc: Link Type: Hierarchy

Datasource: DGC360test ★

Hierarchy Info: Hierarchy ID field: ReportsTo_1

Privileg: Select: Direct Reports, 1 level down

Include levels in between

Privileges:

- Rater Selection [RS]
- Rater Selection Signing [RSS]
- Question Personalization [QP]
- Question Personalization Signing [QPS]
- Form Fill Out [FO]
- Form Fill Out Signing [FOS]
- Report Creation [RC]
- Report Viewing [RV]
- Subject View [SV]
- Subject Management [SM]

❖ Subject and Dynamic Group Filters

Filter allow you to include or exclude specific sets of data from your overall project. Filters are managed in the definition and can be created for subjects, and group members. There are two main types of filters that can be created for subjects and groups. A demographics based filter or a date based filter. Additionally, dynamic member filters can be created for groups.

Subject Filter (Participant)

Select Subject Source Add Filter () And Or Not

Apply Filter to People Managers only, based on Hierarchy Field

Filter your 360 participants based on a user demographic field

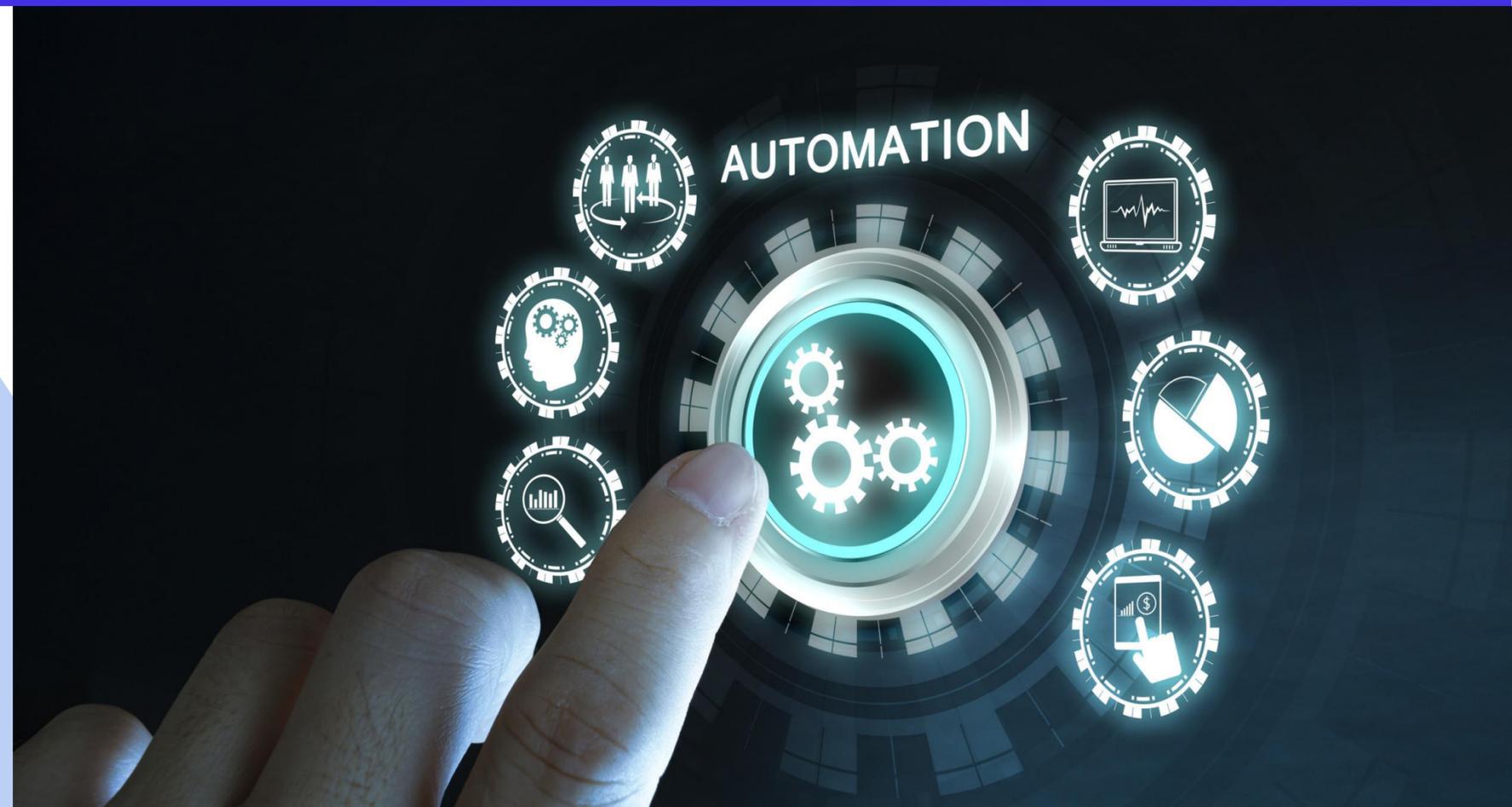
Filter your 360 participants based on a date field

Group Filter

Select Group Add Filter () And Or Not

A Dynamic Member group filter is able to filter the members based on particular data that the group members have in common with the subjects. For example, the list of available members may be filtered by department where the group member and the subject must be part of the same department.

❖ Automating your Survey Instrument and Schedule Assignment



❖ Polling Time!

YES

NO

Do you use triggers within your questionnaire to display questions for a specific population?

❖ Relative Dates to Automate Survey and Communication Schedule

Relative date - is dependent on a date that is specific to this task or subject and there are a number of relative dates that allow for highly flexible schedules. Relative dates include:

- **From date field**
- **From date range**
- **When subject is added (start date only)**
- **From start condition (start date only)**
- **From start date (end date and reminders)**
- **From end date (reminders only)**

Define start date

Based on	Condition	Field
Relative date	From date field	Participant.1\$Anniversary_Date
0	From date field	Participant.1\$Anniversary_Date
Days	From date range	
After	When subject is added	
	From start condition	

Set time: Fixed time 00:00

- **From date field** - the number of days after a date that is available in a field of the datasource for that subject.
- **From date range** - the date range is established by selecting two different date fields from the datasource and then entering a percentage before or after one of the date fields available in the datasource.
- **When subject is added** - (start date only) the number of days after a subject has been added to the project.
- **From start condition** - (start date only) the number of days after all the start conditions have been met for that subject.

Reminder 1 | Remove

Based on	Condition
Relative date	From start date

Set date: 0 Days after start conditions are met

Set time: 00:00 Time

- **From start date** - (end date and reminders only) the number of days after the start date of the task.
- **From end date** - (reminders only) the number of days after the end date of the task.

❖ Deadline Settings - Soft and Hard Deadlines

The project can also be configured so that the start and end dates of a fillout task change if certain criteria have not been met. For example, if insufficient responses have been received by a certain date, you can extend the deadlines to receive further responses.

The start date and end date of a fillout task can be changed if the number of completed fillout tasks (or a percentage of them) is less than a specified amount, by a specified date.

Automating this feature would alleviate some of the administrative burden of manually extending task end dates for participants or respondents who need more time.

The screenshot displays the 'Advanced Settings' page for a project, with a navigation bar at the top containing 'Info', 'Questionnaire', 'Definition', 'Subjects', 'Members', and 'Triggers'. Below the navigation bar are tabs for 'Content', 'Options', and 'Advanced Settings'. The main content area is titled 'Advanced Settings' and contains several sections for configuring evaluation and fillout settings.

Evaluation timing condition
 Deadline setting
If the number of completed fillout tasks is less than in
By the following date

 days from

then set the evaluation to launch automatically within the following time frame:

Fillout start date
 Project default
 Start date
is
 Start date is days from

days from

Start time
 Fixed time Based on time field

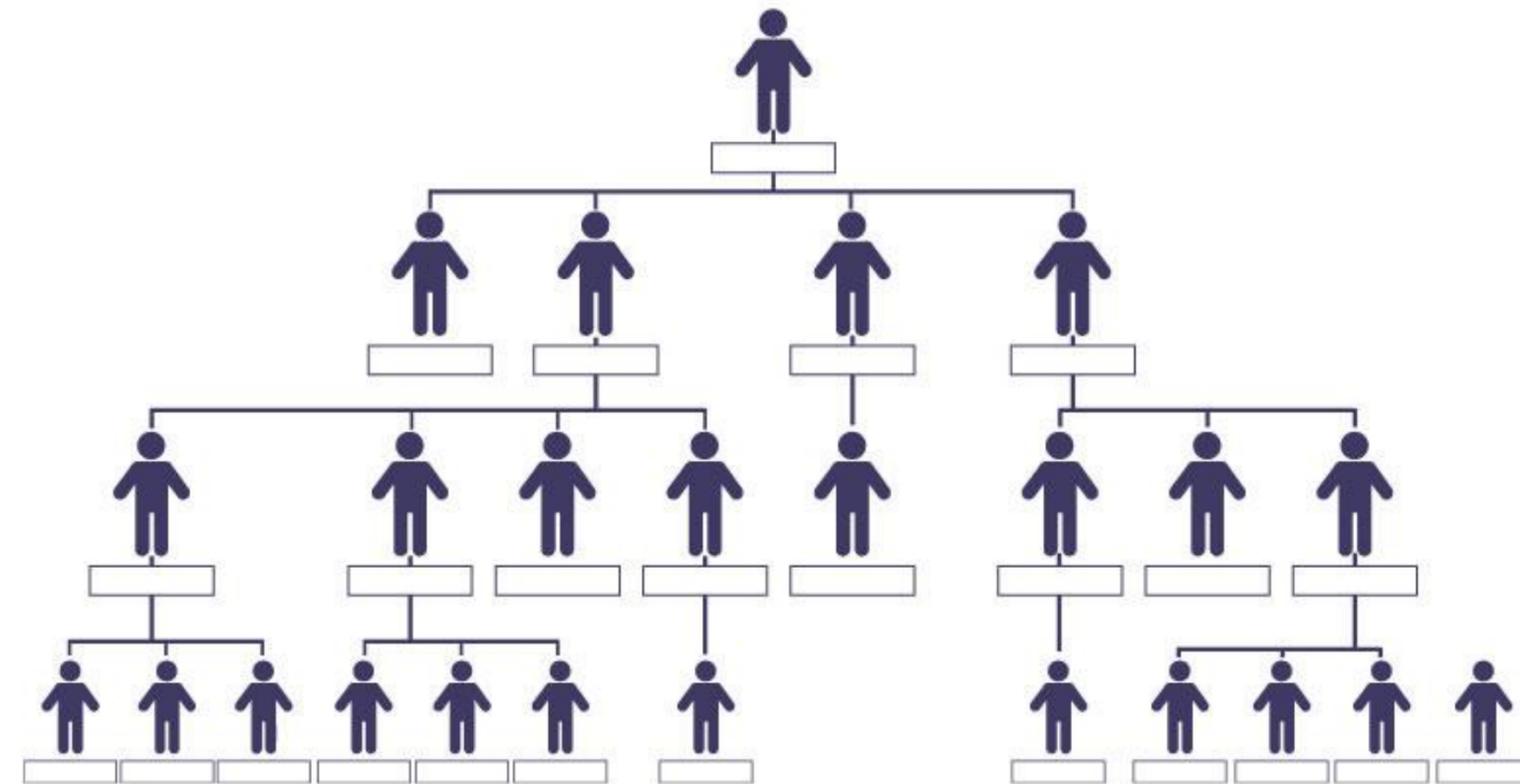
Fillout end date
 Project default
 End date
is
 End date is days from

days from

End time
 Fixed time Based on time field

❖ Dynamic Role Access

Hierarchical Organizational Structure



❖ Polling Time!

YES

NO

Do you experience turnover at your organization where you need to provide both past reports and new reports to leaders by role?

❖ Field Synchronization after Publishing

When a project is published, it captures the current datasource data to which it is connected. Any modifications to the datasource does not update in a published or expired project.

To update project demographic data automatically after a project has been published this can be accomplished through a feature called **Automatic Field Synchronization**.

When data changes occur during or after a project has launch it may be important to update this information for data accuracy.

Project Fields

Results: 1 - 10 of 36 Item(s) 1 2 3 4

<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Field Name</u>	<u>Automatic Sync</u>	<u>Added Date</u>	<u>Last Updated</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	AgeGroup	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Company	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Datasource_Access_Key	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Department	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Division	No	10/1/2023 10:24:04 PM	10/1/2023 10:42:36 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	EducationLevel	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Employee_StartDate	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Employment_Status	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	First Name	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Full_Name	No	9/20/2022 2:42:05 PM	

1 2 3 4

[Update Data](#) [Update All Data](#) [Enable Automatic Sync](#) [Disable Automatic Sync](#)

Note: When you Update Data, all existing demographics for selected fields will be overwritten by the current demographic information.

❖ Dynamic Role Access

Dynamic Role Access (DRA) is a tool that helps you manage report access for your organizations leadership, such as CEO, VPs, Directors and Managers. You can easily assign or change access rights for these users based on their roles and responsibilities. Instead of manually updating each report, DRA can automatically synchronize with your organizational hierarchy and grant access accordingly. This automation saves you time and effort, and ensures that business leaders can access the reports they need.

Org Hierarchy

Node Id	Node Caption	Parent Node Id	Parent NodeCaption	Level
Company	Company			1
Finance	Finance	Company	Company	2
Operations	Operations	Company	Company	2
Product	Product	Company	Company	2
R&D	R&D	Company	Company	2
Sales	Sales	Company	Company	2
Accounts Payable	Accounts Payable	Finance	Finance	3
Accounts Recievable	Accounts Recievable	Finance	Finance	3
Payrole	Payrole	Finance	Finance	3
Taxes	Taxes	Finance	Finance	3

Hierarchy to Role Relationship

Source	Target	Target_type
Company	hcanedo	CEO/President
Finance	dsmith	VP
Operations	jdoe	VP
Product	bhayder	VP
R&D	smitchell	VP
Sales	hcleugher	VP
Accounts Payable	cdavis	Director
Accounts Recievable	bwhite	Director
Payrole	ehansen	Director
Taxes	kphillips	Director

❖ Automate Projects and Reports for DRA

Organizational links represent the hierarchical structure of an organization. The links created on this page will be used to set up dynamic groups.

Create Dynamic groups that will be used in your reports. Create groups that are one-to-one with the roles you created (VP = VP role only), or you may combine several roles together (Division = both VP + Director roles).

Now that your organizational groups have been created, they will be available to activate (“connect”) in a special section of your report called Dynamic Viewers. Here you will see a listing of all the organizational groups you have configured for the project associated with this report.

The screenshot displays the 'Edit Organizational Links' interface. At the top, there are three main configuration fields: 'Organizational Link' (set to 'RV'), 'Hierarchy' (set to 'EXM-DeptHierarchy'), and 'Link to Subject' (set to 'Employees'). Below these is a 'Group Details' section with a 'Relationship to' dropdown. The 'Map the subject' section includes 'Link Type' (set to 'Organization'), 'Organization' (set to 'RV'), 'Datasource' (set to 'EXM-Users'), and 'Level' (set to 'Department'). There are also checkboxes for 'Organizational Roles' such as 'CEO/President' and 'CHRO'. A navigation bar at the bottom includes tabs for 'Info', 'Content', 'Filters', 'Subjects', 'Viewers', 'Access', 'Project Mapping', 'Distribution', 'Language', and 'Publish'. Under the 'Viewers' tab, there are sub-tabs for 'Static Viewers', 'Dynamic Viewers', and 'Static Viewers Export / Import'. The 'Dynamic Viewers' sub-tab is active, showing a table of 'Dynamic Group Connections' with columns for group name, connection status, and notification preferences.

Dynamic Group Connections	Connected	Receive notification emails
CEO DRA Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
VP DRA Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director DRA Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

❖ Community Resources

Community Discussion Forums



360-Degree Reviews
Community of Practice



Webinar and Conference Discussion

Q&A



❖ **Thank you!**

