R/3® SYSTEM

BM's latest AS/400 server operating system OS/400 V3R6 is now available as a platform for SAP®'s System R/3. The availability of OS/400 as platform for System R/3 represents an important addition to the current range of available platforms.

SYSTEM R/3 ON IBM'S OS/400

A NEW PLATFORM FOR SYSTEM R/3

Organizations new to the AS/400 will appreciate the ease with which OS/400 and its built-in database DB2/400 can be setup and managed. Those new to System R/3 will find an unrivaled level of integration, depth of functionality and flexibility of business process configuration.

LEADING CLIENT/SERVER TECHNOLOGY ON THE PREMIER BUSINESS APPLICATION SYSTEM

Since its release in 1987, the IBM AS/400 has proven to be one of the best values on the market for business computing. The low cost of ownership and high system reliability stem from the OS/400 operating system. AS/400 owners have been long accustomed to the intergrated database and systems tools that have always been a part of the OS/400. The OS/400 has roots all the way back to the very early days of midrange systems: It has had many years to mature into a world class operating system and integrated database for business users.

OS/400 CLIENT/SERVER SUPPORT

The OS/400's new support for the client/server environment, coupled with the performance of the new RISC based PowerPC processor, provides a backbone for enterprise-wide corporate computing. The AS/400 offers a high level of scalability, supporting nearly every possible configuration. It ranges from a central R/3 implementation on a single CPU server right through to an extended three-tier-client-server implementation on various AS/400 symmetric multiprocessors. This flexibility allows organizations to grow in their new R/3 on AS/400 environment.

R/3 on OS/400 delivers:

- A performance optimized native 64 bit implementation

- The highly integrated DB2/400 as a data base for System R/3

- Tightly coupled system management features of OS/400, DB2/400 and System R/3
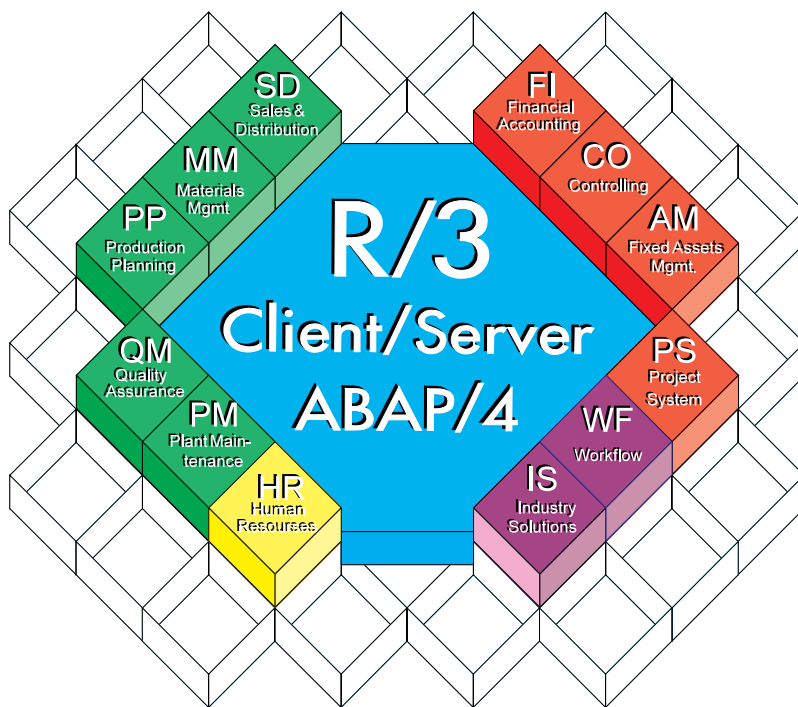

IBM AS/400 Advanced Series

- Investment protection through upgrade paths from an existing AS/400 to the new PowerPC based AS/400

- Limited additional investment in systems management training, as OS/400 and DB2/400 are known for years

SYSTEM R/3

System R/3 is the defacto standard of client/server technology in the implementation of mission-critical business solutions:

- Integrated: The R/3 applications satisfy organizational demands for integrated solutions. R/3 integrates all processes within the logistics chain and the entire managerial processes of finance, controlling and human resources.

- Transparent: The planning, control and management of business processes reach a new level of performance. Integrated processes running throughout organizational functions replace traditional organizational forms.

- Flexible: The flexibility of System R/3 contributes towards obtaining an individual implementation by allowing you to customize it to include your business process characteristics. System R/3 is rich in functionality; data and process models clearly display all information and allow you to tailor the system to your business needs.

R/3 Client/Server ABAP/4 — SD Sales & Distribution, MM Materials Mgmt., PP Production Planning, QM Quality Assurance, PM Plant Maintenance, HR Human Resources, FI Financial Accounting, CO Controlling, AM Fixed Assets Mgmt., PS Project System, WF Workflow, IS Industry Solutions

- International: System R/3's comprehensive business processes are engineered to meet any international requirements. It supports all major business languages, taxation schemes and multi currency operations. Today, SAP is present in more than 30 countries of the world.

- Visionary: The visionary orientation of System R/3 is based on the technological scope of an open systems architecture. Your investments in System R/3 on OS/400 are protected and continous enhancements to the system are guaranteed.

SERVICES AND EARLYWATCH® FOR SYSTEM R/3 ON AS/400

Direct hotline support is offered by SAP with integrated support from IBM specialists. EarlyWatch provides a preventive maintenance concept through continious monitoring of relevant system parameters. This service is also offered jointly by SAP and IBM. Besides these services SAP offers a complete range of professional consulting services in organizational and technical issues, ranging from project planning to system implementation as well as qualified staff training.

Find out more. Call or write to us.