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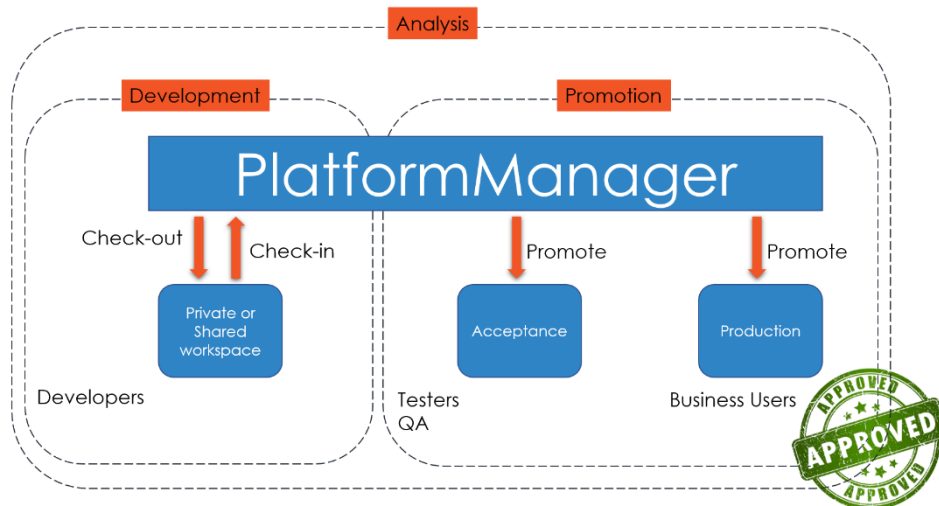


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## Feature Overview

PlatformManager is the market leader when it comes to Version control integrated with Qlik. PlatformManager is Qlik Technology partner and has been recognized by Qlik as preferred provider for Application Governance.



## Explore version control

With PlatformManager it's easy to keep all versions of your Qlik apps. The integrated version control system allows you to restore, publish, change and archive your changes. Seamlessly integrating with Qlik Sense and QlikView.

## Automated Documentation

Save hours and hours of creating documentation by rather generating it on the fly. Always up to date, always accessible. With the press of a button you can view and report on what the app looked like 6 months ago for example.

## Governance and Compliance

The lifecycle report shows the entire lifecycle of each individual app providing insights on changes, deployment, approval and publication to your business users. No manual intervention required, it's generated in seconds and auditors love it.

## Easy Deployment

App deployments should be easy and reliable regardless of whether you deploy a single app or an entire release, to a single server or multiple geographical locations whilst preserving existing reload schedules and related objects.

## Customized Workflows

Each company is different, with its own test and approval policy. That's why we align to your Workflows for deploying apps to production, providing you to enforce governance.

## Track Changes

Testing changes can be a real challenge. Change request are functional and do not describe what has to be changed in the app. Save time and focus your test efforts only on the changes made highlighted in the Difference report.

## PlatformManager Business Cases

### Controlled Development

PlatformManager regulates that only one developer can work on the same app at the same time. For Qlik Sense you have an option to let multiple developers work on an app. Either way, you can enforce that changes are not lost during development.

### Keep depending apps together

When QVD generators are changed and new data in QVD's is used in Frontend apps it's wise to keep these together using the Release management feature. This enables you to publish and rollback sets of apps that need to stay together resulting in less issues in your Production server.

### Quick fix an issue in production by 2 click rollback

We all make mistakes and testing a Qlik app for 100% is impossible. So you might still publish apps with issues to your Business users. However, when a bug has been found It takes 2 clicks to restore the previous published version directly in Production.

### Impact of related items

Making sure a Qlik app works in production can be challenging. Are all QVD's in place, do we have the extensions available? PlatformManager visualizes all dependencies so you can easily check if they exist in Production. And if an extension is not available we will warn you during promotion of the app.

### Developing in Production? No way!

Qlik customers are used to developing Reload tasks in their Production environment. That's why we developed our Reload task support so that you can develop your tasks in Development and let PlatformManager handle deployment to Production. Causing less disturbance for your Business Users.

### Understanding your QVD structure?

Data is one of the most important ingredients for good decisions. The other one is your app. You want to make sure you're using the right data. PlatformManager visualizes your Data sources and their Destination. This enables you to see where the QVD's are created and where they are being used. QlikView and Qlik Sense combined.

Global search enables you to search for all apps that use a specific QVD file. Thus the impact of a QVD file change can be determined.

### Is this everything...?

No for sure! We can think of many more scenario's where we can help you to be more successful with deploying and using Qlik in a controlled and cost-effective manner.

## Key Highlights:

- Trusted and Governed Qlik Sense applications for your business users.
- PlatformManager enforces your Development and Promotion process resulting in less errors ending up in your Production environment.
- Qlik Sense servers are automatically synchronized by PlatformManager, making the latest version of your apps directly accessible to testers and Business users with access.
- PlatformManager visualizes dependencies (TXT, XLSX, QVD, QVX) used by your Qlik Sense apps. This helps you to make sure all required components exist in your Production server to enable you to reload your Qlik Sense apps.
- Release Management allows you to group your Qlik Sense apps and their dependencies and migrate them as a Release package. The benefit of this is that you can now migrate and restore an entire package of dependent items that have been tested together. This ensures consistency for your Business users and can save you a lot of time.
- Making every change traceable to who, when and what; PlatformManager assists in being compliant with Regulations. The complete Lifecycle of every Qlik Sense app that ever existed can be visualized and this is valuable information for auditors.
- The Global Search enables you to search across all PlatformManager Metadata. This helps you to determine the impact of a change in the database or a QVD file.
- Testers can use the Difference Analyses reports to understand new versions and focus their Test effort on the changes that were made to a Qlik Sense app. It helps them to work more efficient and be more productive.
- The ability to change, version and deploy your Qlik Sense extensions and having the ability to view all relations to your Qlik Sense apps and vice versa is another valuable feature in PlatformManager.
- PlatformManager allows you to import and publish the Reload Tasks of all of your Qlik Sense servers.

## Additional Benefits:

- Better collaboration between developers through version control and change management.
- Less downtime from errors as previous versions are restored within seconds.
- Application lifecycle management is now managed in one platform for both Qlik & SAP BO.
- Cost saving achieved due to a reduction in production errors.
- More insight on changes via difference analyses.
- Estimated time savings of over 60% per year.
- More reliable dashboards for business users.
- Time saved in test project scoping due to efficient impact analysis in advance.
- Reduction in the number of overall incidents through improved testing analysis capabilities.

- Quicker incident resolution thanks to release management capabilities.
- Close collaboration between internal and external developers via change management.
- Enforced usage of PM by revocation of server access.

## PlatformManager for Qlik Sense

### Manage Reload Tasks

With complexity comes additional challenges when managing reloads; having to recreate them on every individual server. With PlatformManager, simply import the reload tasks from your Qlik server and publish them to all servers. Use PlatformManager Viewer to view all the relationships and dependencies.

### Visualizing app Dependencies

You want to reload your apps in production but don't always want to keep track of app dependencies such as QVD files, Databases, Excel sheets etc. PlatformManager generates your dependency overview in development, is fully automatic and integrated with QlikView and Qlik Sense. Always up- to-date and no logging is required.

### Manage your Extensions, Mashups and Widgets

PlatformManager manages your Extensions, Mashups and Widgets and only publishes apps to Production when Extensions exist on that Qlik Sense Server. So there won't be any of those annoying blank grey areas showing up in apps where visualization from extensions have failed.

### Release Management

Move apps that Store and Load your QVDs together as a Package in order to keep your production environment consistent i.e. when an App needs to be restored. Our Release Management functionality enables you to restore an entire package of apps and its related files. It just takes 2 clicks and every change is synchronized your Qlik Sense server. Powerful, Easy and Reliable.

## Benefits summary for Qlik Sense

- ✓ Easily Manage and Publish Reload Tasks.
- ✓ Compare 2 dashboards versions.
- ✓ Visualize dependencies.
- ✓ Build Releases including dependencies.
- ✓ Search metadata across all Qlik Sense apps.
- ✓ Change Data Connections during deployment.
- ✓ Synchronization of Qlik Sense servers.
- ✓ Easy Deployment using Auto Promote.
- ✓ All changes and actions are audited.
- A single solution for Qlik Sense and QlikView.

## PlatformManager for QlikView

### QlikView Dependencies

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### Impact Analyses

Searching for a QVD is a reality. With PlatformManager you'll be able to search across the metadata and find it, along with Server names, Expressions, Variables and much more. Always know where a QVD was created and where its being used.

### Use Compare Function to focus Testing

When testing a change made by a developer, it's critical that you know exactly what has changed. Use our comparison functions to visualize all changes made to scripts, sheets, expressions etc.

## Benefits Summary for QlikView

- Compare 2 dashboards versions.
- Visualize dependencies.
- Release Management.
- Search metadata across QlikView apps.
- Single click rollback, in Development and Production.
- Synchronization of QlikView servers.
- Integrated Version Control.
- All changes and actions are audited.
- Compare Excel and Text based files.

## PlatformManager Viewer

Ever had to find the tasks that are reloading your Qlik Sense app? How long did that take you?

### Visualizing Qlik Sense Apps

When a new app is created a developer will want to have a reload task that runs immediately after the QVD's have been populated. It's then very important to be able to quickly and easily identify which reload task takes care of that. Hmm, maybe you should have listed all tasks in a hierarchical overview with their dependencies. No worries, PlatformManager Viewer will visualize your Qlik Sense apps and all Reload tasks. Now you can easily see how they are related and their Reload Tasks.

### Directly from your Qlik Sense server

PlatformManager Viewer directly connects to your Qlik Sense server and visualizes all Qlik Sense apps that have Reload tasks attached. Also looking for ways to publish tasks to other Qlik Sense Servers? Look what our PlatformManager solution has to offer.

### Benefits Summary for PlatformManager Viewer

- Easy to use and easy to install, with immediate results.
- Web Interface for seamless Qlik Sense integration.
- Difference and Impact analyses.
- Supports Qlik Sense Extensions, Mashups and Widgets.
- Data Lineage.
- Release management.
- Seamless integration with Qlik Sense and QlikView.
- Customizable Workflow.
- Metadata of all items.

