# Future and next steps of SAP Cloud ALM Configuration & Security Analysis

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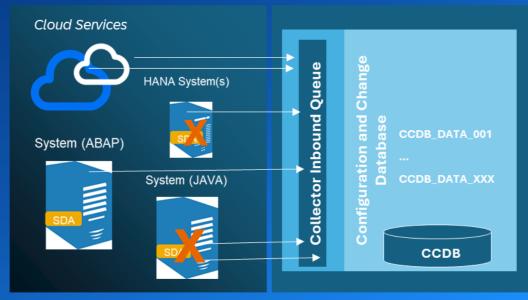
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# 1. Status Quo – What can you already do today?

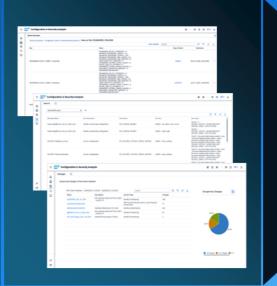
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#### From Data to Dashboards





Config Stores & Change History



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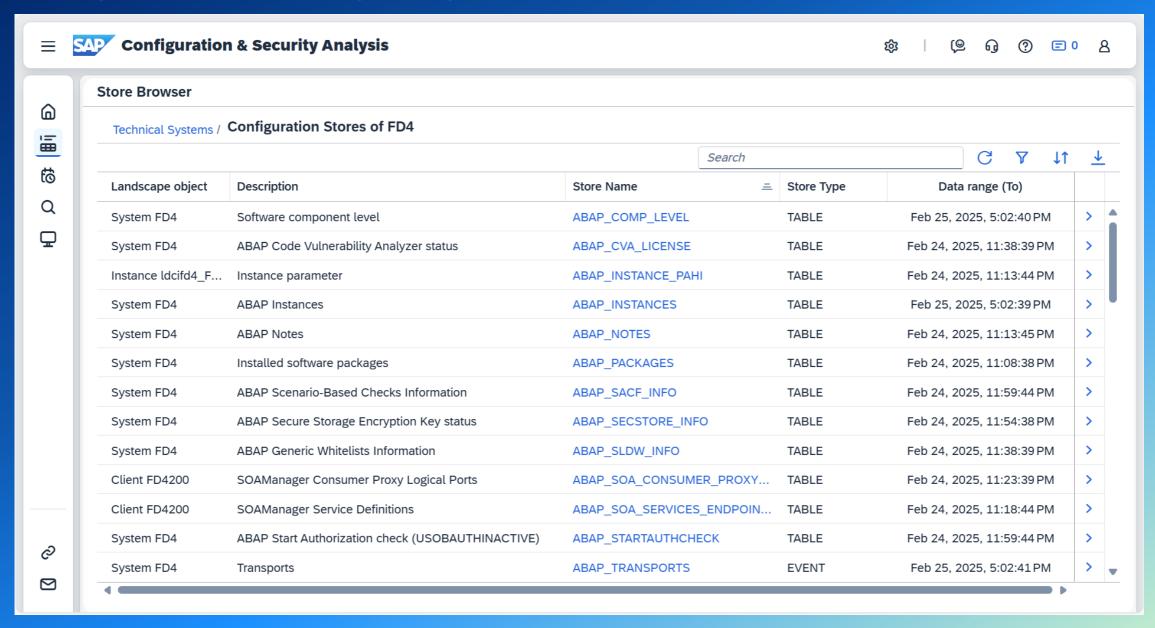
Search Change Analysis Pre-validated Data



Outhound API



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### 2. Next steps and customer involvement

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## Shape the Future of SAP Cloud ALM Configuration & Security Analysis Customer Engagement Initiative Project



#### **Project Goal**

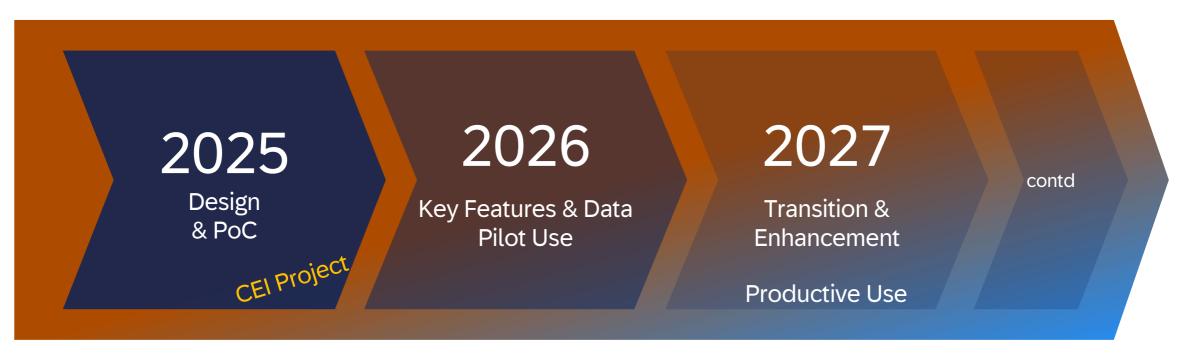
- ☐ Involve Customers into Applications-Design (Features, UX) and Implementation Priorities.
- ☐ Implementation of most essential Feature Scope achieved by End of 2026.
- ☐ Transparency on SAP Plans and Progress.
- ☐ Duration approx. **1 year**

Registration Period: 24<sup>th</sup> Feb – 30<sup>th</sup> Mar 2025

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- How are you currently working with Config Val (SAP Solution Manager)?
- How would you want to work with CSA (SAP Cloud ALM)?
- Essentials for Transitioning completed
- Left-overs
- Migration Support
- Feature Enhancement

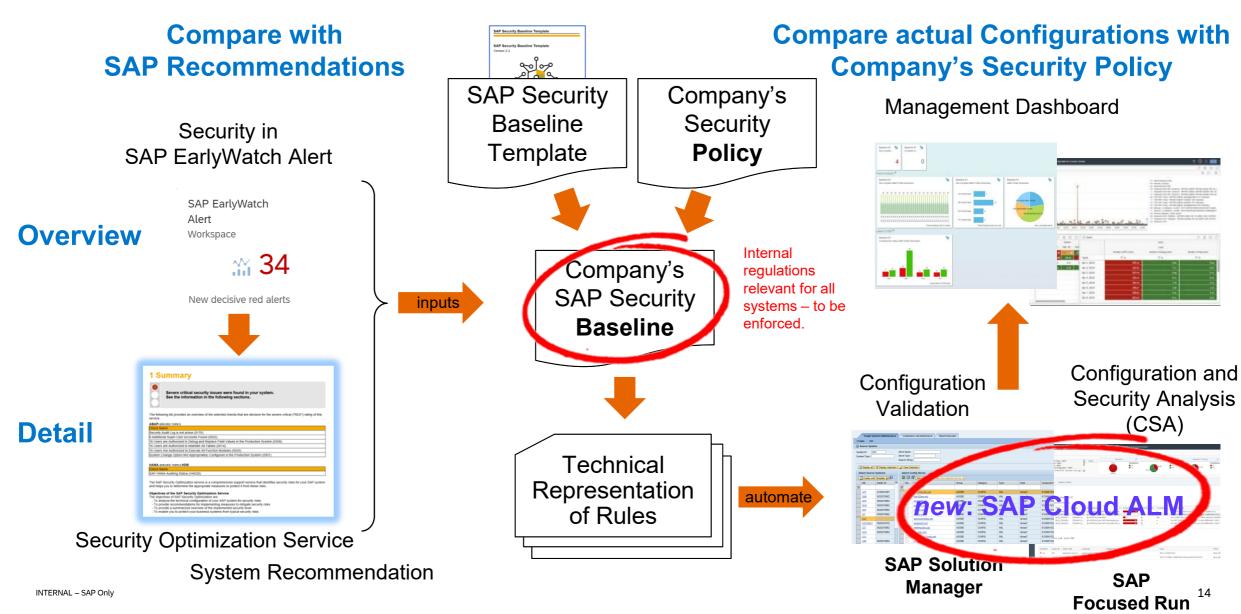
Further Evolution

# In parallel we work on the strategy and direction of Configuration and Security Analysis in SAP Focused Run.

More info towards end of this year / early 2026

### 3. Outlook

## Configuration Validation in IT Operations of Hybrid SAP Landscapes Typical Use



#### **Key Personas and Tasks**



**ETHAN SHIELD** 

**Role: Security Officer** 

#### **ABOUT**

As Security Officer, I am responsible for keeping the security posture of our SAP Solutions (and the business on top) at an acceptable level and lead us through successful audits...

In my role I deliver reporting, analysis results and change requests to a wide range of stakeholders, from technical expert to C-level executives



**JACOB TAYLOR** 

**Role: Technical Administrator** 

#### **ABOUT**

As a technical Administrator I am responsible for setup, regular maintenance and daily operation of the services and systems in our hybrid SAP landscape.

I also support central teams in external Audits and in project work.



**VICKY LEE** 

**Role: General Manager** 

#### **ABOUT**

As a general manager of my business unit I am responsible for the stable, secure and compliant daily operation of services and systems and the core business processes operated with them.

I also support my teams to set priorities and get their job done.

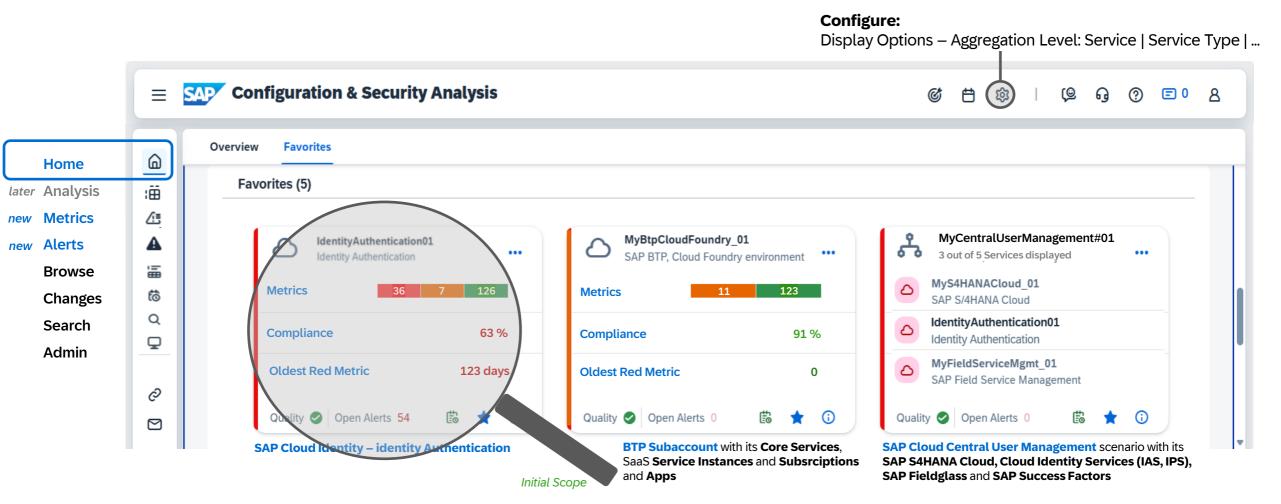
# Security Dashboards

and Reports ...

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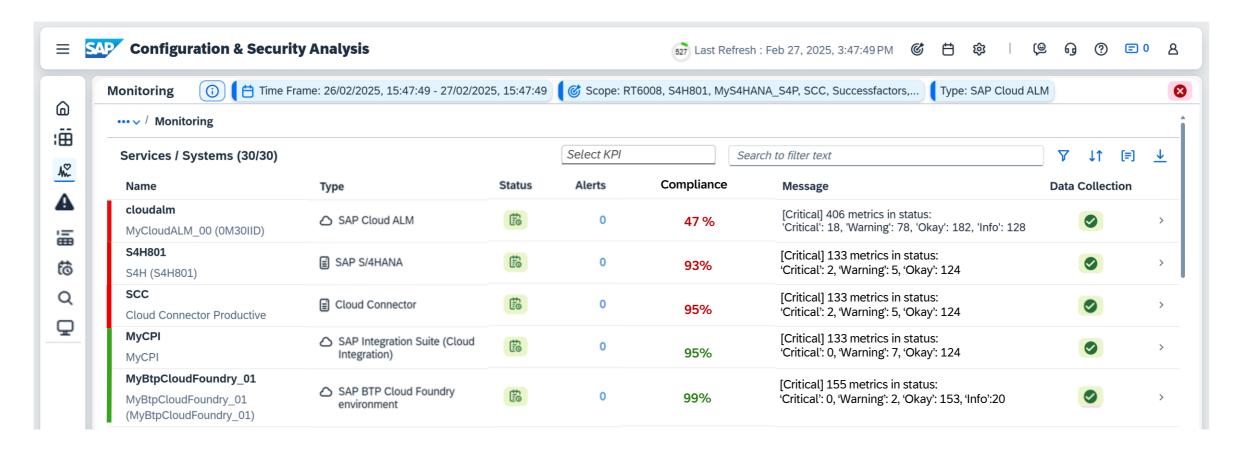
Security relevant Data (Static & Runtime)
On-premise and Cloud

#### *new* HOME Screen – Dashboard View (Vision)



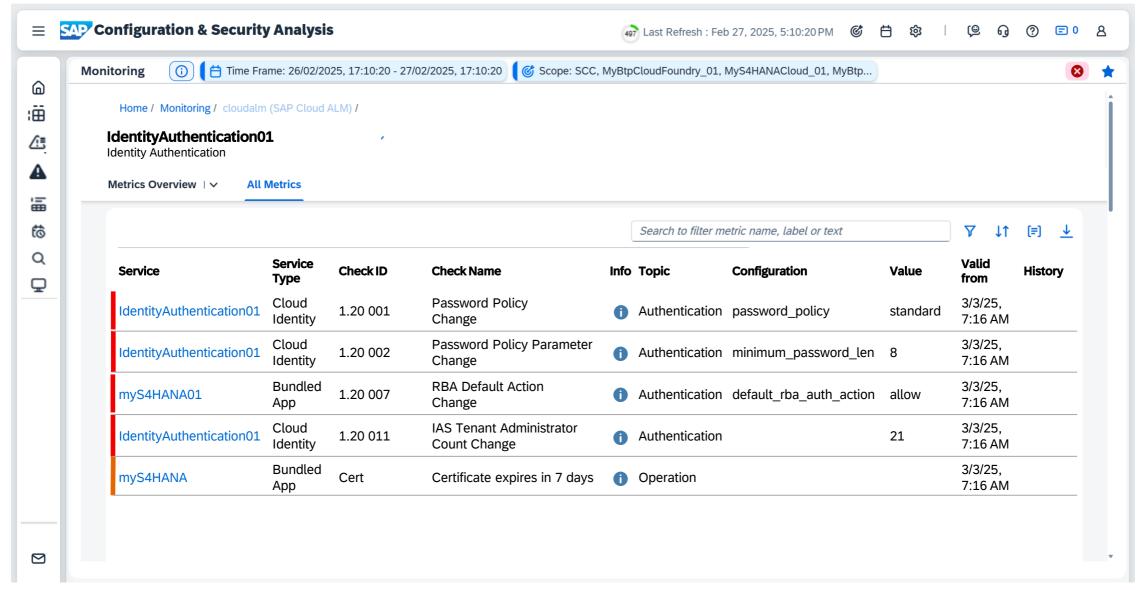
Configuration & Security Status for Systems, Services, BTP Subaccounts and Business Services

#### **Metric Status – Overview**



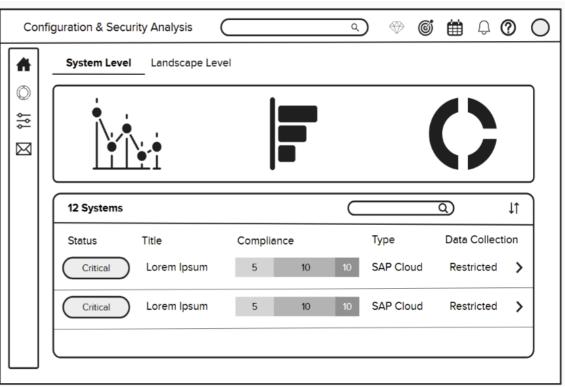
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#### **Metric Status – Detail View**



#### How do you want to work with your Data? – Prepare for thinking out of the box





- □ Home Screen Analysis by System / Landscape Analysis by Check Analysis of Data Quality & Processing
- □ Alerts Reporting Pages & Notifications Ad hoc Analysis
- □ Configuration of automated custom-tailored analysis Configuration of Landscape Representation

# Pre-configured and easily adaptable Validation Rules

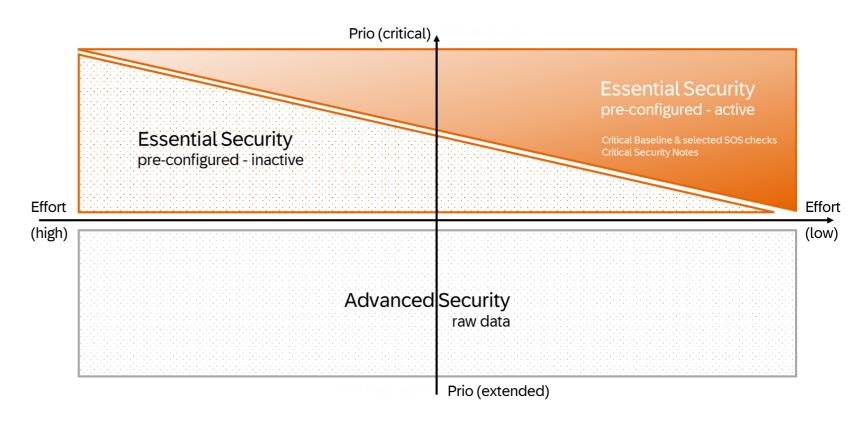
Copy & Aadapt from Check Catalog (= 1. Step)
Versioning of Validation Rules (Option for later)
Release Management of SAP Recommendations (!?)

#### 2025 likely only examples

#### **Pre-configured Validation Rules**

- **A.** SAP Security Recommendations SAP Trust Center | Help Portal
- **B.** SAP Security Baseline Template Support Services Portfolio Page
- **C.** Recommendations of Cloud Services e.g. System Assistant ?
- **D.** SAP Security Optimization Service Cloud on-premise
- **E.** Selected Example Checks

Know the status of critical security measures – right from the start

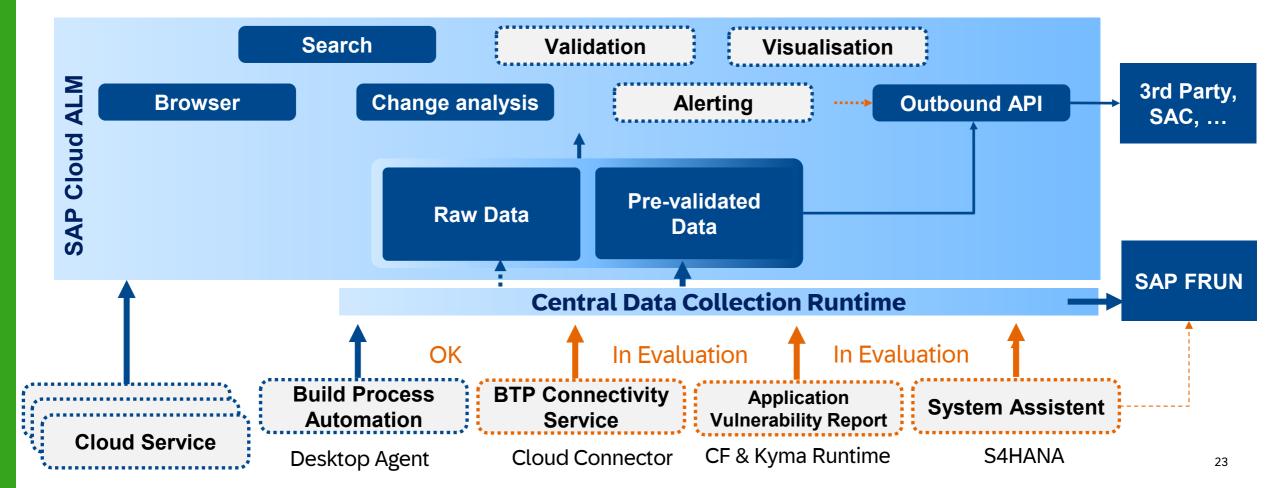


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$$A + B + C + ...?$$

# Pre-configured Validation Rules ... Proposed Strategy for SAP Notes Analysis @ SAP Cloud ALM

- Cloud Products, send (when feasible) their vulnerability status to SAP Cloud ALM.
- Central Cloud Services (e.g. System Assistant, Application Vulnerability Report, ... send analysis results to SAP Cloud ALM.
- Implementation status of SAP Notes can be validated and reported with standard functionality of SAP Cloud ALM CSA.





# More complete CCDB Data

Add missing Stores for AS ABAP (SEC\_INFO, ...) + HANA DB + critical Authorizations (from SAP SOS Service)

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Add more Cloud Services with pre-validated recommendations and raw data

No customizable stores. Only standardised stores for all customers Count of records per store much more restricted than in FRUN

# Validation

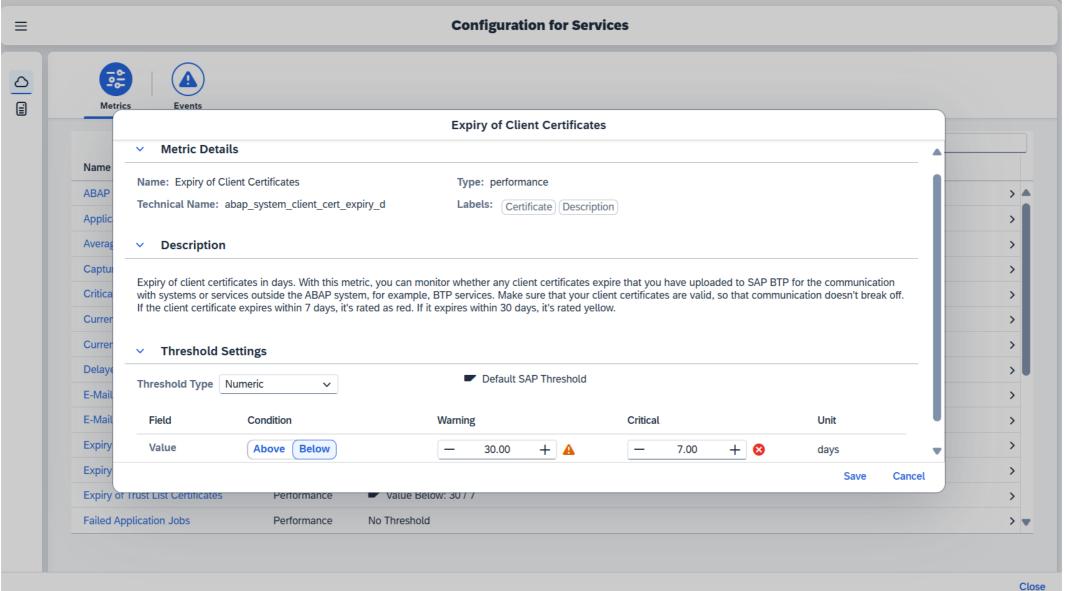
static > selectable > adaptable > free-style

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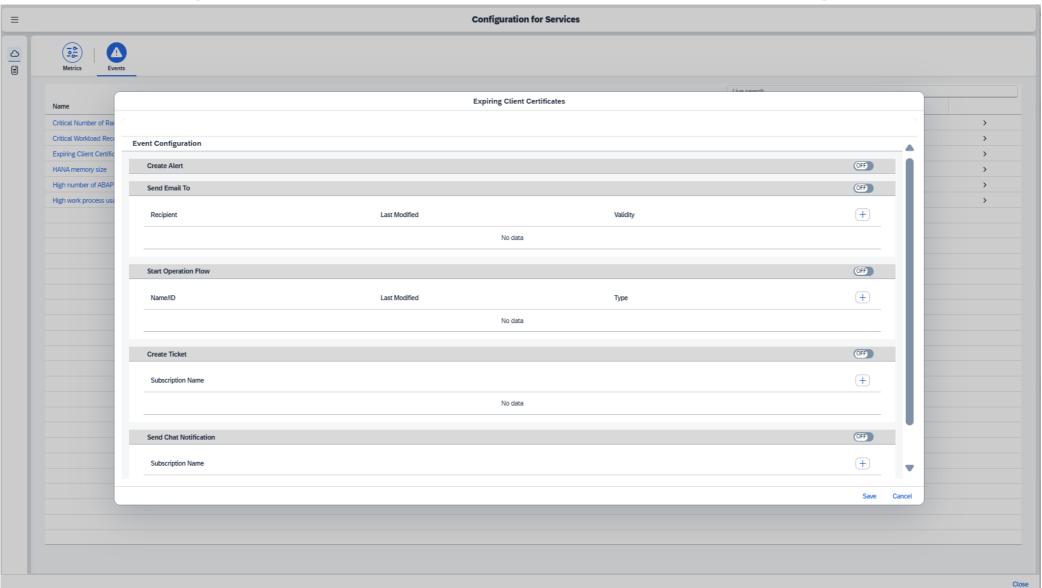
Check catalog – Definition of checks (with priority)
Group Checks in "Policies"
SQL and SQL Script

Result per System | per Landscape and per Metric

#### Simple Configuration of Metrics (like in Health Monitoring)



#### Simple Configuration of Events (like in Health Monitoring)

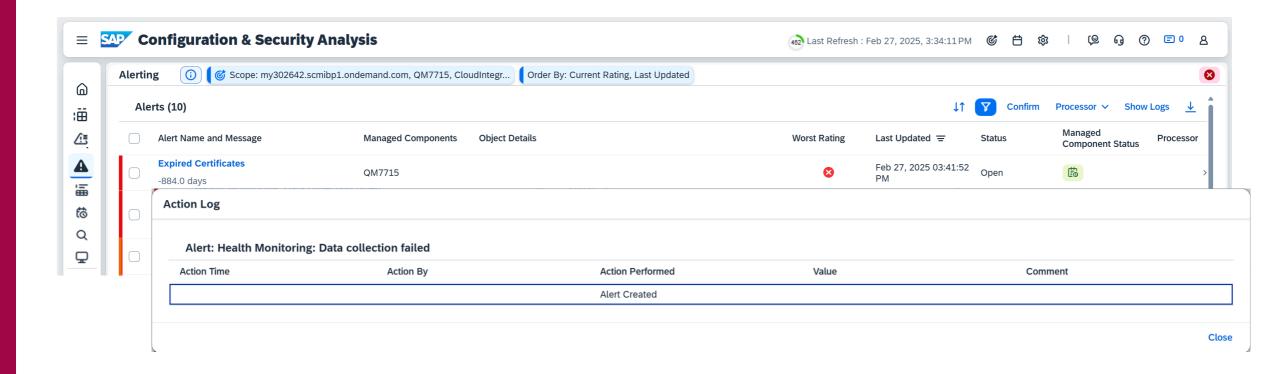


# Alerts

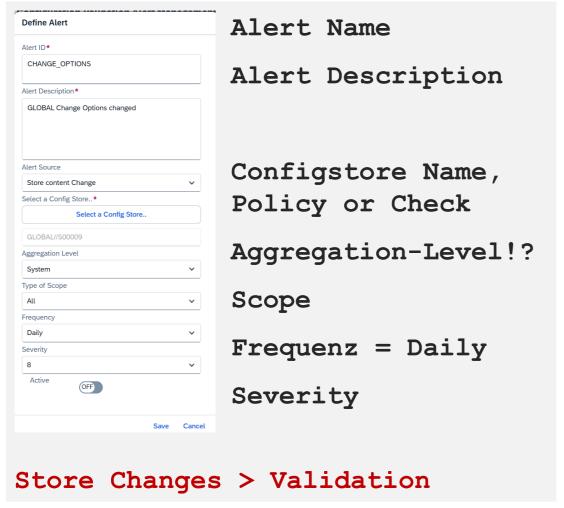
Store Changes > Custom Validations

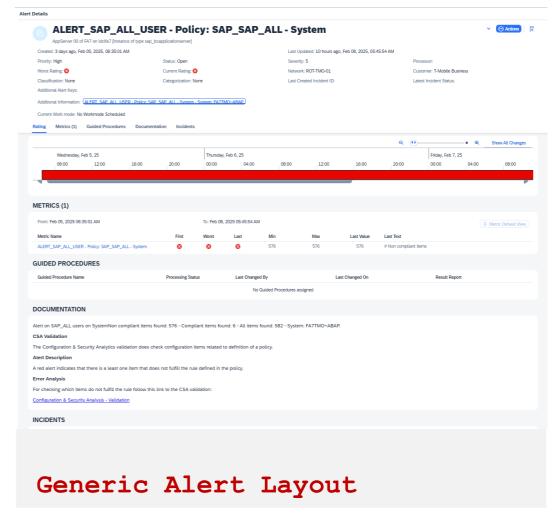
Apply common SAP Cloud ALM Features for Alert processing APIs (Ticket creation, Alert closing)
flexible Aggregation!?

#### **Alerts and Notifications**



#### Alerts – Current realization in SAP Focused Run





### 4. Summary and Q & A

#### **Product Vision**

Every SAP Cloud customer can easily create and maintain a consistent baseline of the essential cybersecurity measures in their responsibility right after onboarding to SAP Cloud ALM with lowest implementation effort.

Relevant configurations and runtime data are collected with harmonized semantics into SAP Cloud ALM as the central SAP operation platform and get externally exposed via API.

FRUN Customers shall get all Data from SAP Cloud ALM CSA latest with next feasible Feature Pack.

#### Configuration & Security Analysis – Summary / Outlook

Time Frame **Build-in Support & Help** Scope Configure **Configuration & Security Analysis** Overview **Favorites** re-newed Home Favorites (5) later Analysis new Metrics ₫ new Alerts As-is / To-be Comparison of basically static Data ("Configurations") **Browse** - not necessarily just for Security (but Security as initial Default Analysis Scope). Changes Preconfigured Validations (as Metric) based on SAP Recommendations Search Q Admin 모 Active by Default: Critical Security Measures Select | de-select | adapt Checks. Create custom-tailored Checks. ළ Checks with Priority: CRITICAL | WARNING | INFO. Grouping of Checks in Policies. Services can be exempted from Checks (Attribut-based). Data and Validation Results shall be easily used for essential tasks and Automation Alerts/Tickets, Notifications, Reporting Mails, Dashboards, Ad-hoc Analysis Realisation (Plan) Available (UX t) Favourites support user-spezific work 2025 SAP-managed Connectivity for all Cloud Services 2026

Build from UX perspective and for PoC – then for transition away from SAP Solution Manager

## Customer Involvement – Summary / OutlookShape the Future of SAP Cloud ALM Configuration and Security Analysis



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