Solution highlight: User Interface Logging and Field Masking Solutions by SAP

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Key Takeaways

• Understand why data masking plays a key part in an overall data security strategy.

• Discover how the UI masking solution can help protect data based on configurable attributes and rules.

• Learn how the UI logging solution complements the UI masking solution by providing a way to record and analyze data that has been displayed in SAP.
Security challenges are evolving

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<th>Today’s Leading Cybersecurity Insights</th>
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<td>Spans your interconnected global and business ecosystem</td>
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<td>Limited to your “four walls” and extended to the enterprise</td>
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<td><strong>Ownership and Accountability</strong></td>
<td>Business-aligned and owned; CEO and board driven</td>
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<td><strong>Adversaries’ Characteristics</strong></td>
<td>Organized, funded and targeted; motivated by economic, monetary and political gain</td>
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<td>One-off and opportunistic; motivated by notoriety, technical challenge and individual gain</td>
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<td>One-size-fits-all approach</td>
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<td><strong>Defense Posture</strong></td>
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Global data protection regulations are expanding
Data protection regulations vary globally and are extending their reach

Global data protection regulations impact cloud vendors and customers

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SAP helps build Digital Trust in digital transformation
Effectively manage cybersecurity and data protection risk

Digital transformation requires security to be smarter, automated, and embedded

1. **Security role design and governance** must be considered early on to minimize cross-system risk and insider threats.

2. **Systems and applications** must be monitored and maintained to minimize vulnerabilities and protect against data loss.

3. **Manual controls and checks** must be replaced with smarter, AI-driven controls to identify anomalies and potential issues early on.

4. **Digital automation** requires even more reliable and effective monitoring of transactions and processes as human intervention is minimized.
Data security: What it’s all about
Privacy controls and security should be baked in

Privacy by design

- Include privacy risk in security risk assessments
- Incorporate data privacy in information security policies
- Maintain procedures to restrict access to personal data – segregation of duties and roles
- Enable identity management and customer identity management processes

Data security

- Maintain technical security measures
- Maintain measures to encrypt personal data
- Secure and track access to specific application fields

Data loss prevention

- Maintain a data loss prevention strategy
- Classify and distribute policies
- Conduct testing of security posture
- Maintain security certification
- Maintain business continuity plans
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Key business requirements

1. Reliable control who gets sensitive information displayed in SAP transactions and applications, in a quick and low-effort fashion

2. Introduce a *dynamic* determination of data access authorizations based on the context, at runtime

3. Increase protection of sensitive data against theft and abuse where access must be provided to privileged insiders

4. Detect potentially problematic access to sensitive data rapidly (in near-real time), and conduct a meaningful analysis in order to take the right actions

5. Better comply with business or legal requirements for tracking who accessed sensitive data (PII, BOMs, prices, customer information)
UI Data Security: two step approach to protect data from insiders

UI Masking

to conceal specific data (values in fields/columns) – unless required for tasks

The solution masks sensitive (configured) values per default; unmasking requires explicit access rights (on top of existing role/authorization setup)

➔ make data elements unavailable for data abuse (opportunistic and targeted)

“the speed limiter”

UI Logging

to keep data accessible, but log & analyze access, to identify adequate path of action

The solution provides a detailed, structured data access log and allows for analysis who exactly received which data (output), how (input), and in which context (IP…)?

➔ prevent illegitimate data access and theft by inducing compliant behavior

➔ identify & prove irregular data access

“the speed camera”

• awareness for data security (“human firewall”) ➔ protect employees by decreasing inadvertent breaches

• top-of-class protection measures ➔ trust (employees, customers, and investors)
Sample use cases

• **Prevent theft of massive amounts of data** by masking mass access (e.g. from SE16n, and similar transactions, reports)

• **Protect IP in BOMs** (=recipes)

• **Mask specific fields in HR** to protect sensitive private data; specifically Social Security Number

• Mask **pricing/costing information** (conditions, end prices, resulting price list) to avoid leaking to customers/vendors

• **Mask customer data & pricing/costing information** (conditions, end prices, resulting price list) for 3rd parties (usually partners/vendors) working in the system

• “**Divestiture**” – company split of spin offs: virtually segregate data access until systems are physically separated/split

• **Mask data for external/temporary roles** (e.g. call center: show only what is required for the task; e.g. only last names, only parts of identifying numbers like bank accounts, telephone and customer numbers)
UI Masking

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Data masking at the UI layer on server side
- data pseudonymization and anonymization
- business and technical transactions
- restriction of data processing (display, change)
- Compliant data transfers (download, export, print)

Highly configurable – define:
- Which screen fields will appear masked to unauthorized users
- Which users should receive unmasked data for a given field
- When an access trace will be written on access
- Additional logic through BADIs provided by the solution

Based on SAP NetWeaver releases 7.00 – 7.50

Maintenance: planned until 31.12.2025
Role based masking
UI Masking
Example: Role based masking

1. Define fields to be masked, and rules
   • Define which field are masked.
   • Configure on field level how a field is displayed. Define on digit base whether and how data are masked.

2. Register authorized users per field
   • In transaction PFCG, assign users to the UI Masking authorization a role.
   • Users assigned to these roles will be able to see unmasked values for the applicable fields
   • BAdIs available to introduce customized business logic determining who has access
UI Masking
Example: Role based masking

3. Result: data masking

Data is masked in GUI transaction display for un-authorized users.

This also affects high-level “admin” system users (in dynamic transactions, e.g. SE11, SE12, SE16, SE16n) – unless they are explicitly authorized for a field

UI Masking also protects data during download, export, and print.
UI Masking trace functionality gives an overview which data were requested per user, and what information was actually displayed.

Always, never, only if unmasked.

UIM trace functionality is not comparable to the UI Logging log file. UI Logging is far more detailed, contains context and meta data of the access, and thus is an excellent basis for meaningful analysis of data access.
Attribute based masking
UI Masking
Example: Attribute based

The state of the attribute “marital status” (“family status” determines whether and how the place of birth value is treated.

The logic is configured in “policies”, which are highly versatile and enable more differentiated treatment of field values based on additional attributes – pertaining to the user (e.g. HR employee associated to the company code), the data object (e.g. employee older than 65 years), or other system-borne as well as external variables.
UI Masking
Example: Attribute based
UI Masking: “Reveal on Demand”

UI Masking introduces an intercept point for a user’s access to data based on a determination of authorization. “Reveal on Demand” constitutes a second intercept, refining and basing authorization on additional conditions.

In an RoD scenario, data are always protected initially. A user action triggers an additional determination of authorization including a bespoke trace of the event and result.

RoD authorization could be based e.g. on approval, additional authentication or, in a case the data subject of PII has given her consent for her data to be used under the given conditions.
UI Masking: “Reveal on Demand”
UI Logging
UI Logging: configurable logging of data access in SAP UIs

- configurable scope of data to be protected on transaction/application/service level
- configurable list of users subjected to logging
- configurable alerts on specific (critical) data accesses
- configurable log reasons and retention time
- Log Analyser UI for researching the log file
- Integration with SAP Enterprise Threat Detection
UI Logging: Log access, get notified, take action

1. Log data access

2. Automatic alert

3. In-depth analysis

4. Aggregate & detect (SAP ETD)
UI Logging
Analysis Apps Screen View
“Security personnel” (e.g., security office, data protection officer running UI Logging and working on its logs) leverage Fiori apps for keeping an overview, conducting deep dive analysis into data usage, and managing lists of users whose data access they have identified as noteworthy.
UI Logging: Fiori Applications for the DPO (Data Protection Officer)

Security personnel can get an overview of system status as well as statistics concerning data usage (top n logged users, top n accessed critical data fields (data types), top n triggered actions, and more)
Security personnel can conduct exploratory analysis of access to data types. They gain a comprehensive view on data usage as multiple screen fields of the same type (e.g., social security number) can be aggregated or grouped by “tags”. Filter criteria allow for a more granular display of accessed data objects, and accessing users.
UI Logging: Fiori Applications for the DPO (Data Protection Officer)

Analysis of UI Logs

Security personnel can analyze deeper into access and behavior of specific users, through a list of applications in which they accessed critical objects, and more in detail also into the sequence of activities.

For deeper research on more detailed level, jump points are provided into SAP GUI analysis applications.
UI Logging: Fiori Applications for the DPO (Data Protection Officer)
Analysis of UI Logs

Security personnel can identify users whose data access and actions are worth noting, and can add them to a list of “users of interest” which can be edited until it is “published” (for handing over to other departments who may take additional steps).
In addition to the Fiori based analysis apps, analysis can be conducted through the classical tools if desired. Relevant roundtrips are grouped by user sessions (Extended Passport). Per roundtrip, the relevant log data is displayed in the bottom left section, and additional data fields that may be assigned to tags are specified in the top right section. Technical field names are enhanced by more telling labels where available.
UI Logging

Classic Analysis: LogAnalyzing

On roundtrip basis, a report can be accessed that renders logged data in a more readable way, with non-technical labels where available.
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High level solution architecture

- UI Masking and UI Logging can be used individually or jointly, depending on the required functionality.
- Add-ons to SAP NetWeaver – modification free installation, secure server-based functionality with minimal performance impact.

**SAP Backend System**

- SAP UI (user)
- SAP Backend System
- SAP Enterprise Threat Detection (separate offering)

**Dynpro Processor**

- Request
- Response
- Original data
- Masked data
- Apply masking rules
- Configuration & BAdIs
- Access Trace

**Business Logic**

- Observed data traffic
- Temporary log
- Asynchronous call of log & filtering service

**Database Layer**

- Log storage (Repository)
- Alert (e.g. email)
- Log Analyzer

- UI Masking
- UI Logging

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Coverage is based on UI technologies

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- Available for ECC, HEC, Suite on HANA, S/4HANA
- Enhancements and adaptations can be delivered on request
## UI Masking: Classic vs. S/4HANA offering

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Reality and Vision: Protecting the Intelligent Enterprise: A Data Protection “Suite”

1) mask/obfuscate what *can be masked*: with UI Masking
2) Log what *can NOT be masked*: with UI Logging
3) Automatically correlate and analyze the log with Enterprise Threat Detection
SAP Enterprise Threat Detection
Refine algorithms to better detect threats

Leverage machine learning to refine anomaly detection methods such as statistical methods, one-time behavior, and potential malicious sites

- Analyze and correlate logs
- High-volume processing of security events
- Evaluate attack detection patterns
- Perform forensic investigations and discover new patterns

Keep systems secure in a continuously changing cybersecurity threat environment
Leverage powerful and flexible monitoring, detection, and response capabilities
Receive actionable alerts in time to neutralize threats to your business-critical asset
Help prevent damage to your business and reputation
Summary

Where do we go from here?
Upcoming ASUG webinars
Solution deep dives

First Half Webinars

- March 24: What You Need to Know About SAP’s Offerings for Data Protection and Privacy (recording available)
- April 14: Solution highlight: SAP Privacy Management by BigID (recording available)
- April 28: Solution highlight: SAP Privacy Governance (recording available)
- May 19: Solution highlight: User interface logging and field masking solutions by SAP
- June 2: Solution highlight: SAP Enterprise Threat Detection

Second Half Webinars – dates to be confirmed

- Cloud Security Considerations
- Managing the identity lifecycle in hybrid landscapes
- Solution highlight: SAP Cloud Identity Access Governance
- Solution Highlight: Authentication scenarios
- Solution Highlight: Authorization scenarios
- Solution highlight: SAP Data Custodian
More information for SAP GRC and Security solutions
Select the area of interest below

**SAP solutions for GRC & Security**

Cybersecurity and Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC)

Protect your business and bottom line with smart GRC and security tools

**Practical Tools and Approach**

Gain one view of risk with smart GRC and security tools

Improve your business and bottom line

**SAP Cloud Trust Center**

Security, privacy, and compliance in the cloud – we keep your data safe

**News Release:** SAP Receives Global Certification of Data Protection and Privacy from British Standards Institution (BSI)

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