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processes and Lotus Notes

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"Atlantic" is the code name for a planned future software product from IBM® and SAP®. This new solution will add significant value to our joint customers by presenting relevant business information from the SAP Business Suite in the familiar IBM Lotus Notes® desktop.

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A new style of application will result that will help make it easier for users to do their jobs, minimize training costs and greatly enhance the return on investment that companies have made in their SAP applications. This demonstration shows how "Atlantic" will help facilitate employee requests for business travel.

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The actions that users need to take to complete a trip request are presented in an easy-to-follow set of steps using the familiar Lotus Notes interface. The travel costing and scheduling data, as well as approval workflow processes are seamlessly provided to the user from the corporate policies that have been implemented in the SAP Business Suite.

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Travel request documents will be routed to the appropriate person responsible for approving the request, for example, a manager. The manager can run a report to view other trip requests from the department and examine their costs to date, helping him to arrive at a business decision.

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Finally, he can approve the request, which will be routed back to the employee.

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Providing workers with access to critical business information in this intuitive, easy-to-use interface will enable timely, and more informed business decisions. All types of managers and employees can benefit from the ability to run their business operations directly from their Lotus Notes desktop.

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