



5 REASONS
to combine your
JD Edwards ERP
with no-code

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BUSINESS LEADERS TODAY face a new set of “unprecedented” challenges seemingly every week. Among them, managing your tried-and-true general ledger while adapting to swift changes in modern technology can feel like you’re being pulled in two opposite directions.

In fact, 76% of CIOs in a recent survey say it’s challenging to find the right balance between innovation and operational excellence.

While JD Edwards ERP (JDE) lives at the core of your business, there is one key capability that can help extend the life of your JDE instance and maximize your investment: no-code technology.

Enhancing your JDE environment with no-code capabilities provides a clear path forward for those looking to balance cutting-edge technologies with a legacy tech stack. Read on to discover five reasons why JDE is better than ever when combined with no-code.



CUSTOMIZE WITHOUT COMPROMISE

WHEN JDE AND ITS ERP competitors originally came on the market, they set out to prove a revolutionary concept: With one common “out-of-the-box” solution, companies of all different sizes and industries can unify disparate business processes to boost productivity.

Half a century later, we now know the truth—there is no one-size-fits-all solution because modern businesses rely on custom processes to innovate and set themselves apart.

Most companies avoid customizations within JDE because traditionally they have resulted in high costs, complexity, and risk—not to mention the headache of re-customizing with future upgrades.

Developing necessary modifications with an enterprise, no-code system lets your company create unlimited customizations without ever worrying about future technology updates or upgrades. Customize virtually anything to meet the needs of your business—add unique or custom modules to your dashboards, personalize reports, tailor business logic, and build automated workflows that legacy JDE systems don’t offer.

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MOVE FASTER TO BOOST YOUR COMPETITIVE EDGE

TRADITIONAL DEVELOPMENT DELAYS don't just cause internal frustration and bottlenecks; they can also get in the way of being first-to-market with innovative solutions. Being able to adapt and innovate quickly is more crucial than ever for maintaining a competitive edge. However, legacy solutions can often stand in the way of that innovation, rather than enabling it.

By embracing no-code development tools, your team can translate requirements into functional software without the delays of traditional programming. What used to take months to build can now be created and implemented in days.

Even better, when your needs change (and they will), applications can be easily edited or customized to fit new requirements with far less downtime.

Companies that can deliver faster are better positioned to leverage emerging trends and capitalize on new opportunities. Investing in no-code strategies to speed up development and customization is not just a matter of operational efficiency—it is a strategic imperative that can drive long-term growth.





3 ELIMINATE UNCERTAINTY IN YOUR “SOURCE OF TRUTH”

BECAUSE JDE OPERATES at the core of so many business processes, it’s crucial to preserve the system’s foundational integrity while looking for ways to modernize. Historically, this has led many companies to seek bolt-on solutions for their business needs so that their source of truth remains unaltered.

The problem with employing these individual software applications is that more solutions often lead to more license, integration, support, and training costs—plus, they are only as good as their ability to integrate with JDE as a data source.

Using a no-code platform to solve niche business problems, on the other hand, ensures JDE remains a clean and reliable source of truth while providing a consistent and centralized user experience for new applications.

What about existing and functioning third-party applications? By rebuilding them with a no-code tool, you can consolidate and centralize them. This reduces the maintenance of multiple applications and their associated costs.

Beyond point solutions, the spreadsheets being used to run or store enterprise data and transactions, too, can become enterprise applications complete with workflow, security, reporting, AI, and auditing features.

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MAKE UPGRADES LESS PAINFUL

DOES THE IDEA OF UPGRADING your JDE instance cause fear and loathing among your team? If so, you're not alone. Many JDE users feel forced to choose between upgrading, which requires a sizable added investment to rework their customizations, or maintaining the status quo and continuing to use older, often cumbersome solutions. Neither is ideal.

Moving JDE customizations to a no-code platform offers a new way forward. Applications built using no-code platforms are not affected by future JDE upgrades. Customizations continue to deliver value regardless of any changes in programming languages or other technologies used by the base software.

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REDUCE RELIANCE ON EXPERT DEVELOPERS

AS JDE'S UNDERLYING TECHNOLOGY AGES, the skilled talent pool available to modify its legacy code is dwindling. This coupled with a growing difficulty for companies across the board to recruit and retain quality tech talent drives up resource costs, creates uncertainty, and increases risk.

ENTER: THE CITIZEN DEVELOPER.

Moving from traditional programming to no-code development enables non-technical employees to create and modify applications without coding knowledge. It eliminates the need for highly specialized (and costly) expert programmers—either as direct IT employees or as technical consultants.

This helps reduce the gap between business and IT, generating new possibilities to not only keep processes running smoothly, but also innovate and adapt to change quickly.

LATIN ISN'T THE ONLY DEAD LANGUAGE

ENTIRE CAREERS and college programs used to be based on creating “native speakers” of programming languages like COBOL, RPG, and FORTRAN. (C and C++?) Although these dead and dying languages have been around for decades and are still used in some business applications today, very few people still receive training to “speak” them.

By removing the need for programming languages entirely, no-code tools and their native applications outlive coding languages.



NO-CODE QUICK WINS

REPLACING YOUR JDE INSTANCE can take years of vetting and many thousands of dollars to get up and running. Instead, layering no-code tools on top of JDE accelerates speed to value by allowing your business to address the specific pain points that align with organizational priorities.



Respond to new reporting requirements quickly and easily.



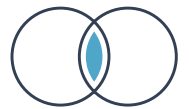
Ensure quick end-of-period closings across all business functions.



Quickly incorporate and consolidate financials from a merger or acquisition.



Customize workflows to generate approvals, notifications, and other business process functions.



Integrate JDE easily with any third-party solution.

Combining JDE with no-code capabilities enhances your company’s ability to innovate, respond to market demands, and optimize business processes. It empowers users, reduces costs, and drives faster, more flexible, and efficient operations, ultimately leading to a stronger competitive position in the market.

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OUR NO-CODE STUDIO is just one of the ways we help our customers make the most of their JD Edwards investment and extend the life of their legacy systems. We also offer a series of application suites built on our platform that can serve as a jump start to any of your custom solutions. The Nextworld platform raises the bar for business solutions by unlocking truly unlimited customizations—putting desired business outcomes at the center of software solutions, instead of the other way around.

Experience enterprise-grade capabilities with unmatched speed and efficiency, all without writing a single line of code. Discover what the No-Code Studio can do for your business.

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