



SAP Ariba 

Feature at a Glance

Multiple Views for Planning Processes

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Introducing: Multiple Views for Planning Processes

Ease of implementation



Low touch / simple

Geographic relevance



Global

Customer challenge

The Ariba Network allows buyers to define only one specific set of key figures for each planning process type. This makes the planning collaboration inefficient as buyers have to educate their suppliers to ignore key figures that are not relevant for certain planning records on a case by case basis.

For example, forecast records that pertain to Wholesale might need to show a different set of key figures than Retail. But currently there can only be one forecast view which gets assigned to all forecast records.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Supply Chain Collaboration

Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

This feature allows buyers to create views, referred to as custom views, for planning processes and set conditions for their display. Prior to this feature, only one view, the standard view, was available for all planning items in a planning process.

Implementation information

This feature is **automatically on** for all customers with the applicable solutions and is ready for immediate use.

Experience key benefits

Increases planning collaboration efficiency by:

- Defining multiple planning views to fit specific business needs
- Assigning the most appropriate view to each planning record

This ensures easier adoption for suppliers by minimizing errors and improving communication between trading partners.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

- User must be a buyer administrator or a buyer with the Planning Collaboration Visibility permission to create custom views.
- User must be enabled for either the inventory collaboration component or the forecast collaboration component

Restriction – The aggregated forecast across locations view cannot be duplicated

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The screenshot shows the SAP Ariba Network interface. The top navigation bar includes 'SAP Ariba Network', 'TEST MODE', and a 'Back to classic view' button. The main navigation menu has 'Home', 'Planning', 'Orders', 'Fulfillment', 'Quality', 'Invoices', 'Payments', 'Catalogs', 'Supplier Enablement', and 'More'. A 'Quick links' button is also present. The 'Planning settings' section is active, with the 'Manage views' tab selected. A table lists existing views, and a 'Duplicate view' pop-up is shown over the 'Forecast view' row.

View name	View type	Process type	UI enabled	Excel enabled	Actions
Capacity View	Standard	Capacity	✓		...
Aggregated forecast across locations	Standard	Forecast			...
Forecast view		Forecast	✓	✓	... Duplicate ...
External manufacturing visibility view			✓		...

Duplicate view pop-up details:

- Original view: Forecast view
- New view name*: Alternative forecast view
- Process type: Forecast
- Buttons: Cancel, Save

Customers can create new views (content templates) by duplicating existing standard views.

The following steps must be done by a Buyer Administrator or a user with **Planning Collaboration Visibility** permission to create custom views.

1. Navigate to **Planning > Settings > Manage views**.
2. Select the process type view that you want to copy and select **Duplicate**.
3. In the **Duplicate** pop-up, provide the view with a new name (this will be visible to suppliers). Note that the **Process Type** is the same as the view you are duplicating. Click **Save** to persist the view.

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The new view was created. Now you can customize its key figures and attributes.

Key figures Attributes Conditions

+ Add key figure

Key figures	Configuration ID	Expression	Data source	Type	Visibility	Actions
Forecast	ORDER_FORECAST		Network	Standard	Visible	Read only
Cumulative forecast	CUMULATIVE_FORECAST	$i==0 ? ORDER_FORECAST[i] : result[i-1] + ORDER_FORECAST[i]$	Network	Calculated	Visible	Read only
Forecast commit	FORECAST_COMMIT		Network	Standard	Visible	Editable
Cumulative commit	CUMULATIVE_FORECAST_COMMIT					

In the View edit page you can execute all configurations that are available for standard view configuration.

1. Create and add new customer-defined key figures.
2. Edit standard key figures.
3. Add customer-defined attributes.

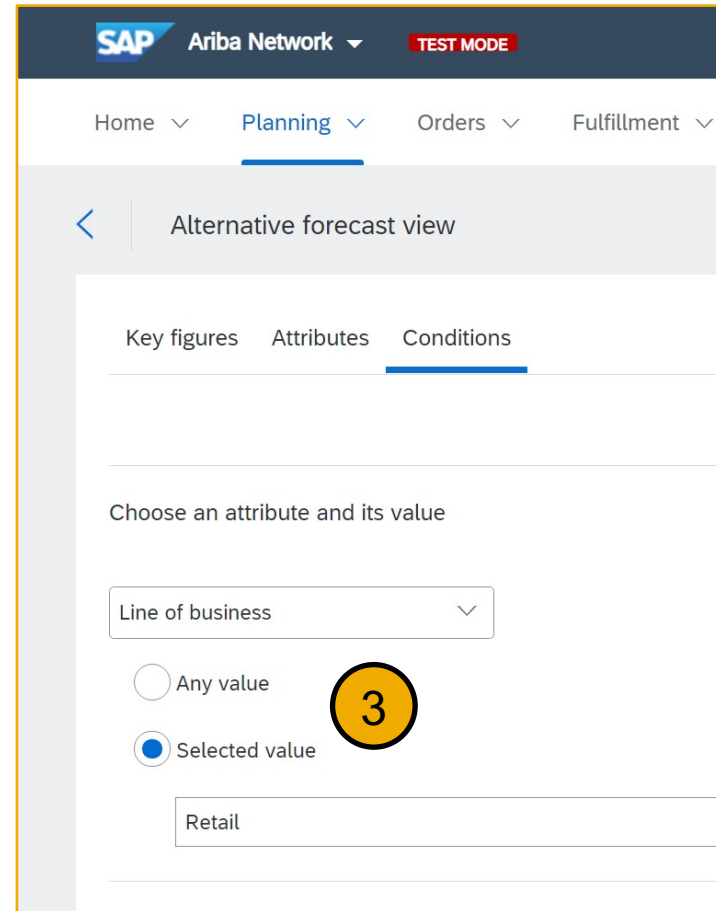
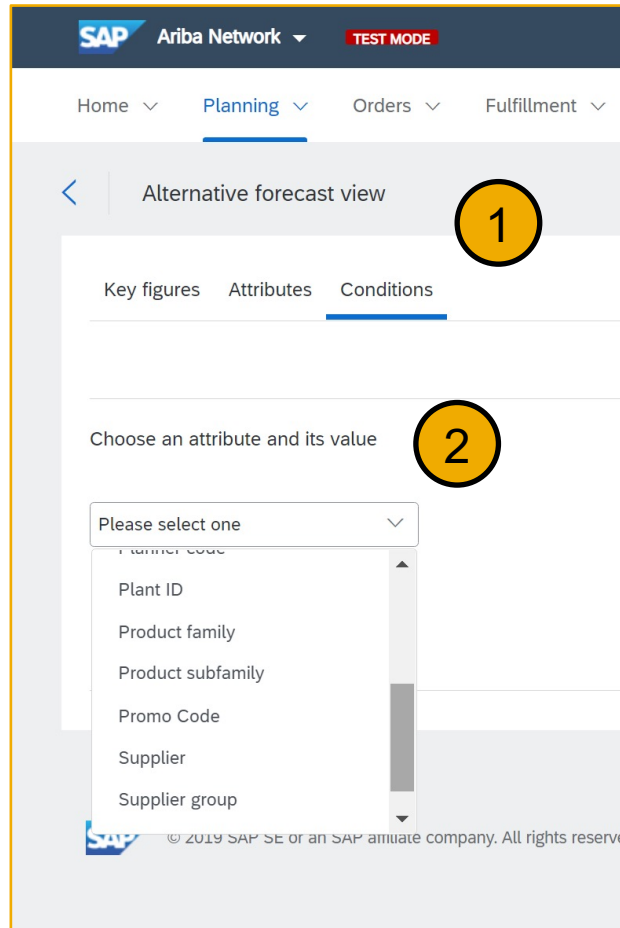
Attributes Conditions

+ Add attribute

Attributes	Expression	Root attribute	Actions
Promo Code	promo	Yes	

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The conditions defined for custom views are evaluated to determine which view to use for a planning item. All conditions must be met for a planning item to use a view.

1. Navigate to [Planning > Settings > Manage views](#), select a view, and choose the [Conditions](#) tab and click [Add Condition](#)
2. Choose an attribute from the [Choose an attribute and its properties](#) dropdown.
3. Choose a value for the attribute. It can be one of the following:
 - **Any value** - The condition is met if the attribute's value is not null, and will simply return true for any planning record in which your attribute of choice is populated.
 - **Selected value** - Enter the value. The condition is met if the attribute's value is equal to it.

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