

## Data Access Enforcer for SAP Analytics Cloud (SAC)

Control Global Data Access from Anywhere



### OVERVIEW

SAP Analytics Cloud (SAC) is an analytics and planning solution that integrates into an organization's SAP business applications and data sources and supports enterprise-wide analytics and planning. With SAP Analytics Cloud, data can be incorporated from all an organization's SAP applications, across the entire enterprise, to produce comprehensive reports and dashboards and allow organizations to make robust decisions based on that data. The chances for business success are greatly improved by leveraging planning and analytics solutions like SAC to use data from all an organization's SAP business applications to drive decisions. However, challenges abound when striking a balance between incorporating sensitive data from many sources into the analytics and reporting while not overlooking the need to protect business critical data while adhering to applicable compliance requirements.

### THE SOLUTION

NextLabs Data Access Enforcer for SAP Analytics Cloud (DAE for SAC) provides dynamic data-centric security controls and fine-grained data access governance for SAC. Through NextLabs' patented Dynamic Authorization platform, organizations can leverage attribute-based policies that are business process-aware and centralized policy management to improve their security and compliance posture for the data in SAC from all SAP business applications. DAE for SAC enforces data-level security controls - such as field-level data masking and record level data segregation and monitors data access activity directly from within the data access layer of SAP business applications.

DAE for SAC prevents unauthorized access to sensitive data through fine-grained data-level security controls, protecting data and addressing compliance requirements at the same time. DAE for SAC enables employees and external partners to share critical information and collaborate in business processes to improve workforce productivity and business agility. The Out of the Box (OOTB) integration with SAP Analytics Cloud makes data policy enforcement completely transparent to business users, requiring no changes to business processes.

### THE BENEFITS

DAE for SAC provides the following benefits:

- Externalize authorization management to simplify and reduce the time spent on administering access control policies
- React more rapidly to changes in business requirements, market conditions, or regulatory environment with policy changes that can be made without code changes or application downtime
- Lower your total cost of ownership by leveraging your existing investment in the NextLabs platform
- Reduce the cost of compliance through more efficient and cost-effective monitoring and auditing of your data

## Key Features

Feature	Detail
Real-time enforcement of attribute-based access policies	Access to data based on policies that examine attributes of the data being accessed, the context of the request, and user identity. DAE dynamically applies the relevant policies, factoring in changes in the attributes of data or the user to enforce fine-grained entitlement and security controls to data regardless of business transaction. Rules are validated in real-time when a user attempts to access data, only then granting access.
Field-Level Data Masking	Given the growing importance of data privacy and the various requirements mandating the protection of sensitive data, such as personally identifiable information (PII), customer data, technical data, financial data, etc., the need for data masking is as crucial as ever. DAE ensures that users can only view the fields on the record to which they have been granted access, the value of the field will be masked for those fields that users are not authorized. It uses policy-driven approach to mask the data in the unauthorized fields based on attributes. These centrally manage policies define masking patterns and rules to determine who, what, when, where, and why to mask field(s) in real-time.
Format Preserving Encryption (FPE) Data Masking	Elements in the DB data store can be masked at rest such that the masked data preserves the length and format of the original data, making the masking non-obvious to unauthorized users and maintaining application dependencies. Masking can be reversed to allow authorized users to view the original data. DAE for SAP Analytics Cloud includes a built-in FPE library or can integrate with 3rd party encryption tools. DAE's Bulk Obfuscation Tool (BOT) makes applying FPE masking at rest consistent and straightforward across all affected tables and fields pre- and post-implementation of DAE.
Record-level Data Segregation and Filtering	DAE ensures that users can only view records or other data to which they have been granted access. Authorization can be determined based on the industry, location, department, position, project assignment, or any other attribute of the user, which can then be compared against other attributes of an entity or record such as sensitivity level, type of transaction, etc. For example, reports can be filtered to only show inventory data for a particular user's location.
Centrally Managed Policies	Authorization policies can be centrally managed and reviewed across all an organization's applications, substantially reducing administration costs.
Centralized Monitoring and Auditing	DAE tracks and stores user activities and data access across all applications in a central audit server, simplifying compliance management. Analytics for user behavior and access patterns are provided via dashboards, reports, and automated monitoring facilities.
Out of the Box Integration	DAE is deployed at the data access layer between SAP Analytics Cloud and an SAP HANA database, allowing SAP Analytics Cloud instances connecting to SAP HANA databases to use DAE without any custom code required. Application specific data models enable rapid deployment of policies and fast time to value.

## ABOUT NEXTLABS

NextLabs®, Inc. provides zero trust data-centric security software to protect business critical data and applications. Our patented dynamic authorization technology and industry leading attribute-based zero trust policy platform helps enterprises identify and protect sensitive data, monitor and control access to the data, and prevent regulatory violations – whether in the cloud or on premises. The software automates enforcement of security controls and compliance policies to enable secure information sharing across the extended enterprise. NextLabs has some of the largest global enterprises as customers and has strategic relationships with industry leaders such as SAP, Siemens, Microsoft, AWS, Accenture, Deloitte, Infosys, and IBM. For more information on NextLabs, please visit <http://www.nextlabs.com>.