

Eplan Adoption & Onboarding

A structured path to productivity

De-risk the switch, reduce complexity and accelerate your path to efficient engineering with Eplan.

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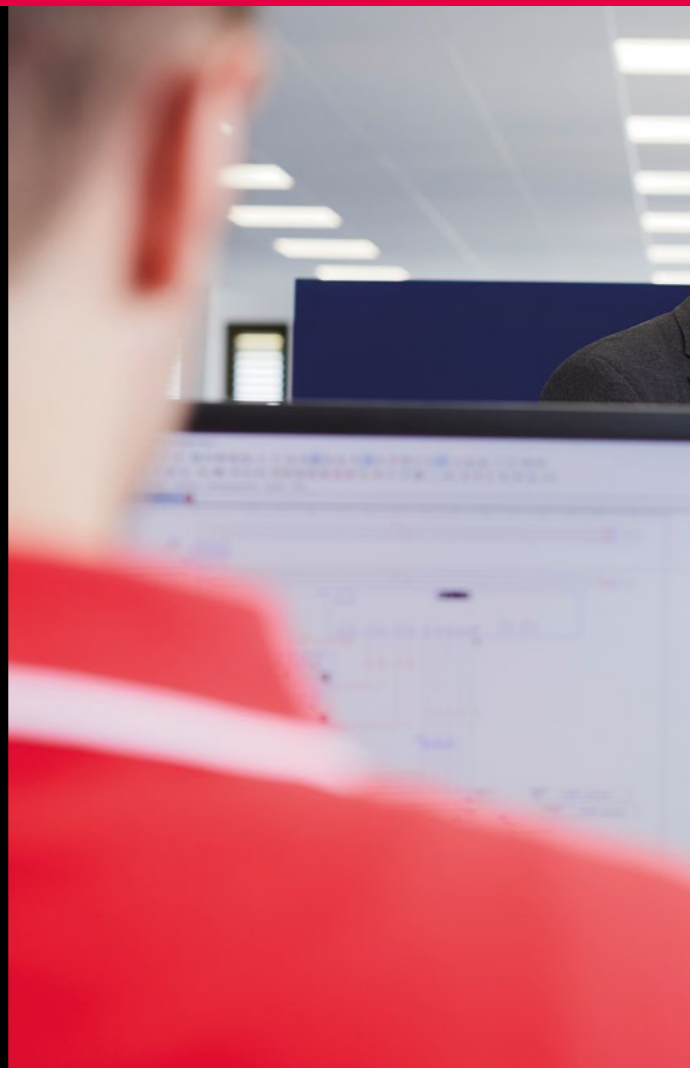
A structured approach to adopting Eplan

Adopting a new engineering platform often raises important questions. How steep is the learning curve? How complex is migration? How much disruption will it cause to ongoing projects?

Eplan is designed to address these concerns through a structured and supported adoption approach. Rather than a single step change, implementation is delivered through clearly defined phases that guide you from initial setup to productive use.

This approach allows you to maintain control, reduce risk and ensure that your teams can build capability progressively while continuing day-to-day operations.

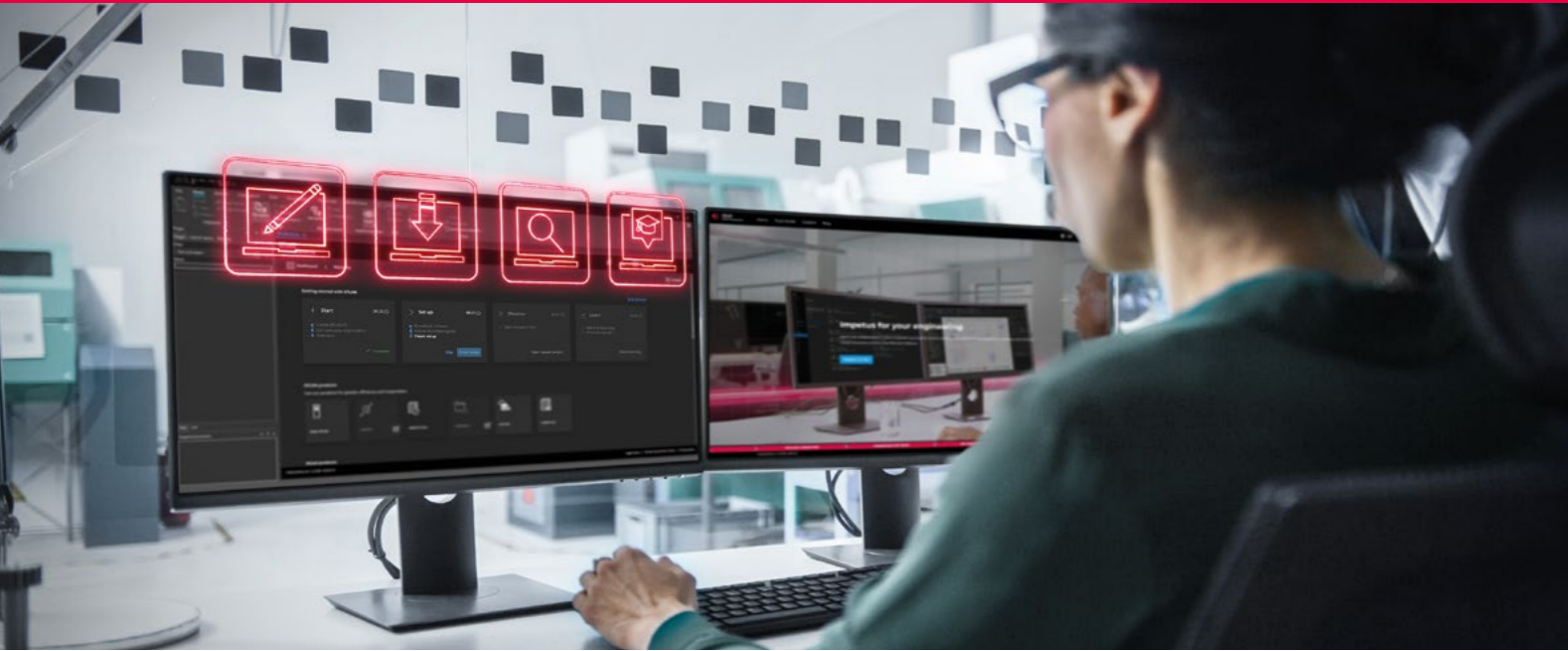
Whether you are introducing Eplan for the first time, transitioning from another system or scaling across multiple teams, the focus is always the same: a predictable, efficient path to productive engineering.



Adoption pathways: tailored to your starting point, complexity and migration needs

Every organisation starts from a different point, whether you are new to ECAD, transitioning from another system or scaling across teams. Eplan offers a range of structured adoption pathways that vary in scope, level of support and implementation complexity. Each pathway is designed to provide the right balance of guidance and speed to productivity. From self-guided onboarding to fully managed adoption and migration programmes, you can choose the approach that best fits you.

	Onboarding concepts that build on each other	Gains in efficiency			
	Project Onboarding Enterprise Adoption & Migration Programme A structured, project-based approach with planning, migration strategy and custom configuration for complex or multi-site environments.				
	Extended Onboarding Accelerated Adoption Combine training, implementation and tailored configuration to align Eplan with your workflows and reach productivity faster.				
	Basic Onboarding Guided Adoption Work with an Eplan expert to install, configure and begin using the platform effectively, with support for your first projects.				
	Digital Onboarding Self-Guided Adoption A flexible, self-paced approach using eLearning and standard templates, ideal for simple setups with minimal migration requirements.				



Structured adoption and implementation

For organisations moving from existing ECAD or legacy systems, Eplan provides a structured and supported approach. Depending on your starting point, this can be

phased, partial or fully managed. This allows you to transition at a pace that suits your business while maintaining ongoing project work. Our consultants support you with data handling, template setup and process alignment, ensuring a smooth and controlled transition to Eplan.

From implementation to productivity

Most Eplan customers reach their first productive projects within a few weeks, depending on scope and complexity. A typical adoption journey includes initial setup and training, followed by guided project work and ongoing optimisation. More advanced or multi-site implementations are delivered in structured phases to minimise disruption and ensure long-term success.

Measurable value

While implementation effort varies depending on scope, Eplan is designed to deliver measurable improvements in engineering productivity. Customers benefit from reduced design time, fewer errors and greater consistency across projects. With structured onboarding and guided migration, these improvements can be realised early, helping teams move from initial setup to efficient project delivery in a controlled and predictable way.



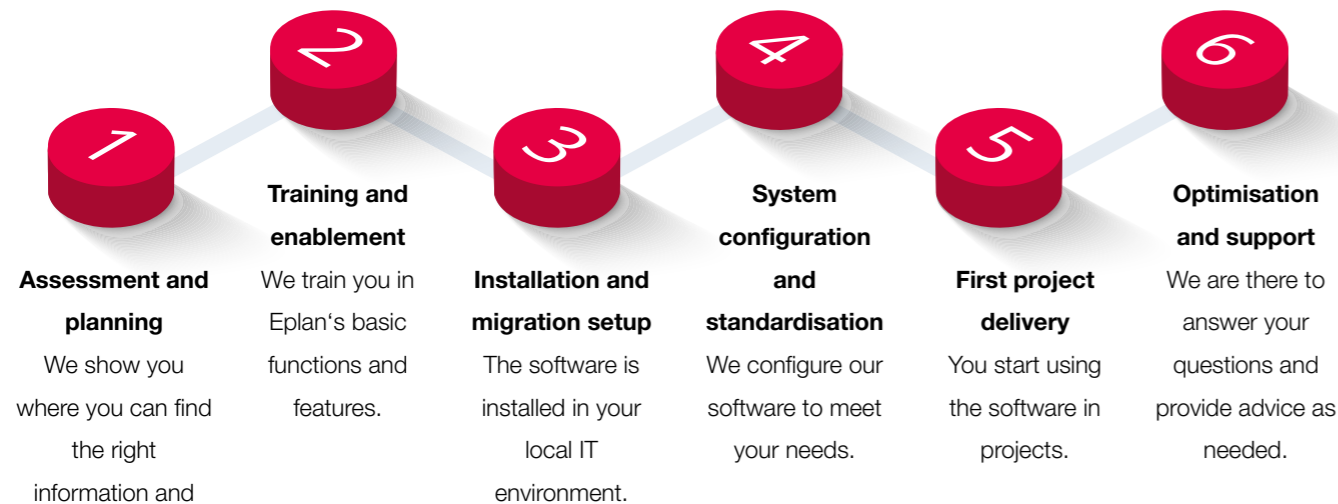
This is enabled by Eplan's data-driven engineering approach, which supports standardisation, consistency and seamless integration across your engineering processes.

“By implementing Eplan software, ADS reduced the overall project time, including design and panel building, by 59%.”

- Automated Drive Systems

Your path to productivity with Eplan

Your adoption journey is structured into clear phases that guide you from initial setup to productive use.



Structured onboarding and migration significantly reduce implementation risk and accelerate time to value.

Choose the right adoption pathway for your organisation

Everyone who is starting out has different needs, thus the onboarding programme's scope and components can vary. The differences are listed below. You can choose the suitable onboarding programme according to what is most important to you.

	Digital Onboarding	Basic Onboarding	Extended Onboarding	Project Onboarding
Training and enablement	eLearning	Instructor	Instructor	Instructor
Installation and migration	Guidelines for self-installation	Consultant installation	Consultant installation	Consultant installation
Configuration	Download the Eplan Engineering Standard	Download the Eplan Engineering Standard + small modifications	Customised	Highly customised
First project delivery	Independent	Independent	Consultant-guided	Consultant-guided
Optimisation and support	Support	Individual coach + Support	Individual coach + Support	Consultant-guided



Digital Onboarding: Self-Guided Adoption

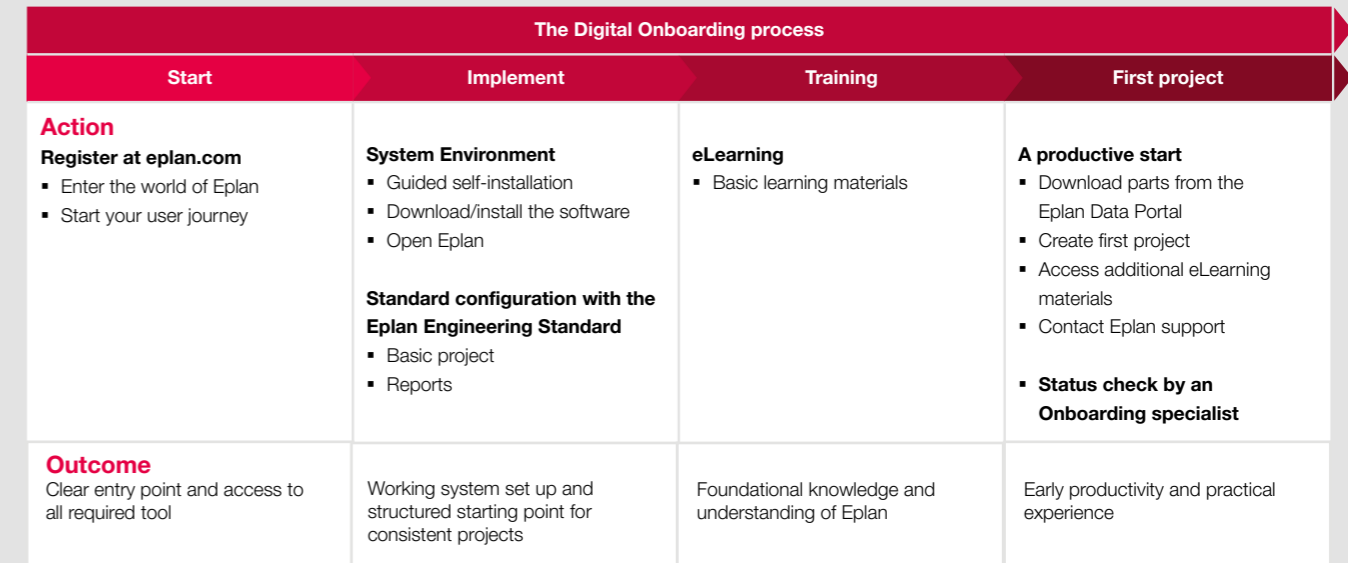
With Digital Onboarding, you follow a structured, step-by-step digital guide to get started with Eplan independently. The self-service approach supports you through installation, setup and initial use, helping you establish a standard Eplan working

environment on your local system.

You also have access to a range of learning resources, including interactive eLearning, practical templates and typical project examples based on the Eplan Engineering Standard. These resources help you build foundational knowledge and apply Eplan effectively in your day-to-day work.

Additional guidance, tips and support are available through the Eplan Help portal and other information sources. After completing Digital Onboarding, you will be able to use Eplan at

a basic level and begin working on your first projects independently.



Digital Onboarding: Learning and implementation at your own pace.



Basic Onboarding: Guided Adoption

With Basic Onboarding, one of our specialists will accompany you as your personal consultant, assisting you with installation, setup and your first steps using the software.

During in-person or online training sessions, an experienced instructor will help you build and expand your knowledge of Eplan. Your consultant will guide you through the implementation of the software in your IT environment (single user or network). Together you will also set up a standard working environment based on our Engineering Standard.

Your onboarding consultant will also provide feedback on your first Eplan engineering project and help you optimise it. The Eplan Solution Centre offers comprehensive support through

individual processing of specific questions about using the application. You will also learn how to effectively use Eplan Help and other information and data sources.

The Basic Onboarding process (one to two months depending on availability)				
Start	Training	Implement & configure	First project	Support
<p>Action</p> <p>Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order processing Start planning Check IT requirements 	<p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom or online Learn how to use the Eplan Platform 	<p>Installation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating accounts Software setup <p>System Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of the Eplan Project Choose templates <p>Eplan Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support access Introduction to eplan.com Data from the Data Portal 	<p>A productive start</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independent creation of first project by the customer Access eLearning materials Contact Eplan Support 	<p>Advice and Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the first project Recommendations for improvements Answering open questions Providing detail knowledge and industrial projects
<p>Outcome</p> <p>Clear starting point and structured approach</p>	<p>Users build confidence and core capability</p>	<p>System ready for use with structured and consistent environment</p>	<p>Early productivity and practical experience</p>	<p>Improved efficiency and continued progress</p>
	8 days (Standard training)	1 day		1 day

Guided Basic Onboarding: for customers with one to two licences, accompanied by specialists (onsite or online)



Extended Onboarding: Accelerated Adoption

With Extended Onboarding, you are supported by a dedicated Eplan consultant throughout implementation and your first steps using the software. Your consultant assists with installation, setup and configuration of your Eplan environment,

ensuring it is aligned with your specific requirements. This includes establishing a standard working environment based on the Eplan Engineering Standard, with the flexibility to adapt it to your processes.

Through instructor-led training sessions, either online or onsite,

you will build and expand your knowledge of Eplan, enabling faster and more confident use of the platform. You will also receive guidance while working on your first projects, including feedback and recommendations to help optimise your approach and improve efficiency.

Extended Onboarding is particularly suited to organisations using multiple Eplan solutions, combining structured training with deeper consulting support during implementation. You also gain access to the Eplan Solution Centre and Eplan Help, providing ongoing support and expert assistance.

Extended Onboarding process (one to three months depending on availability)				
Start	Implement	Training	Configure	First project & Support
Action Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order processing Start planning Check IT requirements 	Installation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating accounts Software installation Eplan License Manager setup Documentation Eplan Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support access Introduction to eplan.com Data from the Data Portal 	Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom or online Learn how to use the Eplan Platform 	System Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of the Eplan Project Configure templates and reports to match customer needs Creation of specific basic project Creation of macro project Creation of sample data 	A productive start guided by Eplan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are guided step by step through creating your first project Recommendation for improvements Answering open questions Providing detail knowledge and industrial projects
Outcome Clear roadmap tailored to your workflows	Fully configured system, optimised and aligned to your needs	Expanded capability and faster skill development	Faster transition to productive project work	Improved efficiency and accelerated adoption
	1 days	8 days (Standard training)	2 days	3 days

Extended Onboarding: for customers with one to two licences. An efficient combination of training and workshops – guided by experts (onsite or online).



Project Onboarding: Enterprise Adoption & Migration

With Project Onboarding, a dedicated Eplan project manager supports you throughout the entire adoption process, ensuring a structured and controlled implementation.

Following a detailed analysis of your requirements, a tailored project plan and implementation schedule are defined to align with your goals and business priorities.

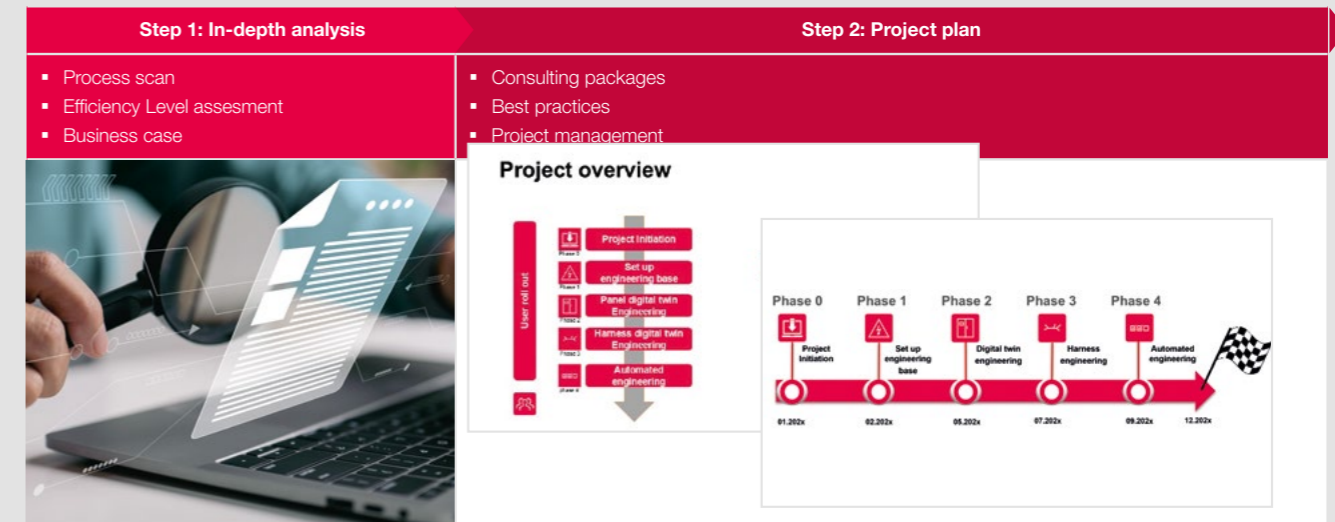
You will receive targeted training, either onsite or online, along

with expert guidance on how to apply Eplan effectively within your organisation and implement defined tasks.

The project manager coordinates all necessary resources and activities to ensure milestones are achieved on time, with regular status meetings to track progress and maintain alignment.

This approach enables close collaboration throughout the project, ensuring that your Eplan environment is configured according to your specific requirements.

Your key users are supported with focused training and coaching, allowing them to become productive quickly and enable a smooth transition into day-to-day engineering work.



Project onboarding for customers who would like to get the most out of our solutions with a customised project plan guided by our experienced consultants.



Conclusion

Eplan's structured onboarding approach is designed to help organisations adopt the platform in a controlled, low-risk way while accelerating time to productivity. By combining training, implementation, configuration and ongoing support, Eplan enables teams to build capability quickly, deliver early project success and achieve measurable gains in efficiency and consistency.

Next steps

- [Contact Eplan](#) to discuss your current setup
- Explore which pathway could best suit your business
- Together with Eplan, define your requirements and create an implementation plan

About Eplan

Eplan provides software and service solutions in the fields of electrical, automation and mechatronic engineering. The company develops one of the world's leading design software solutions for machine and panel builders. Eplan is also the ideal partner to streamline challenging engineering processes.

Both standardised as well as customised interfaces to ERP and PLM/PDM systems ensure data consistency along the whole value chain. Working with Eplan means boundless communication across all engineering disciplines. No matter whether small or large enterprises: Customers can apply their expertise more efficiently. Worldwide, Eplan supports more than 68,000 customers. Eplan wants to grow further with customers and partners and pushes integration and automation in engineering forward. Within the Eplan Partner Network, open interfaces and seamless integrations are realised together with partners. "Efficient engineerin" is the focus.

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