

Ten Key Benefits of ARM 10.1 'Agora'

Advanced Requisition Management has long been regarded as a powerful, intuitive, easy-to-use requisition tool, providing best-in-class procurement controls, collaboration workflow and management visibility. However, as reliable and functional as it is, ARM has started to look a bit dated by web application standards - And that's because it IS old... A "classic" as the marketing folks would say.

While pouring effort into making the ARM application even richer in functionality, we have also been quietly working away at ARM's next generation of technology platform. We are very proud to announce the general availability of ARM 10.1, codename "Agora" - featuring some of the most significant design & functional enhancements since the inception of the software.

The below article gives an overview of some of these new features and highlights ten key benefits to upgrading your current version of ARM to the all-new 'Agora' 10.1.

1. Agora is 'Browser Agnostic'

Previous versions of ARM were written in html 4 and subsequently would only work in conjunction with one browser—Internet Explorer. But what if you prefer to use Chrome, or Firefox? What about Safari? With ARM 10.1 this is no longer an issue. Agora is written in html5 which effectively solves this problem and opens the product up to be truly browser agnostic. Compatibility with Safari also means that Agora will now run on an iPad and other Apple devices.

2. Agora utilizes a 'Responsive Design'

Agora has been designed to seamlessly resize to accommodate the many display sizes and resolutions available today. Regardless of your screen, Agora will resize to suit.

3. Agora uses the Latest Reporting Tools

Previous versions of ARM used Crystal Reports, considered the "go-to" for reporting for many years due to its stability and popularity. Unfortunately, the technology was becoming quite dated, making it more difficult to deploy and maintain. Agora now uses SQL Server Reporting Services, (SSRS) - A modern and flexible server-based reporting system.

4. Agora Has the Tightest Security

Because Agora was written to incorporate the latest technology, it no longer relies on VB6/html and as such, offers the tightest security of all ARM releases.

5. Agora is Faster

Agora is now 64-bit compatible, so it is able to take advantage of multiple parallel threads and perform significantly faster than previous ARM releases.

6. Agora Works on the Latest Platforms

Agora has been designed to work on the latest Windows platforms and also takes advantage of new features within IIS.

7. Agora is Instantly Familiar

There's no need to re-train your staff. Agora retains the same winning workflow that users have become accustomed to in previous ARM releases. Existing ARM users can get excited about Agora's sleek new look, yet still find it instantly familiar and logical in its layout and workflow.

8. Agora Lets you Keep Your Existing Data

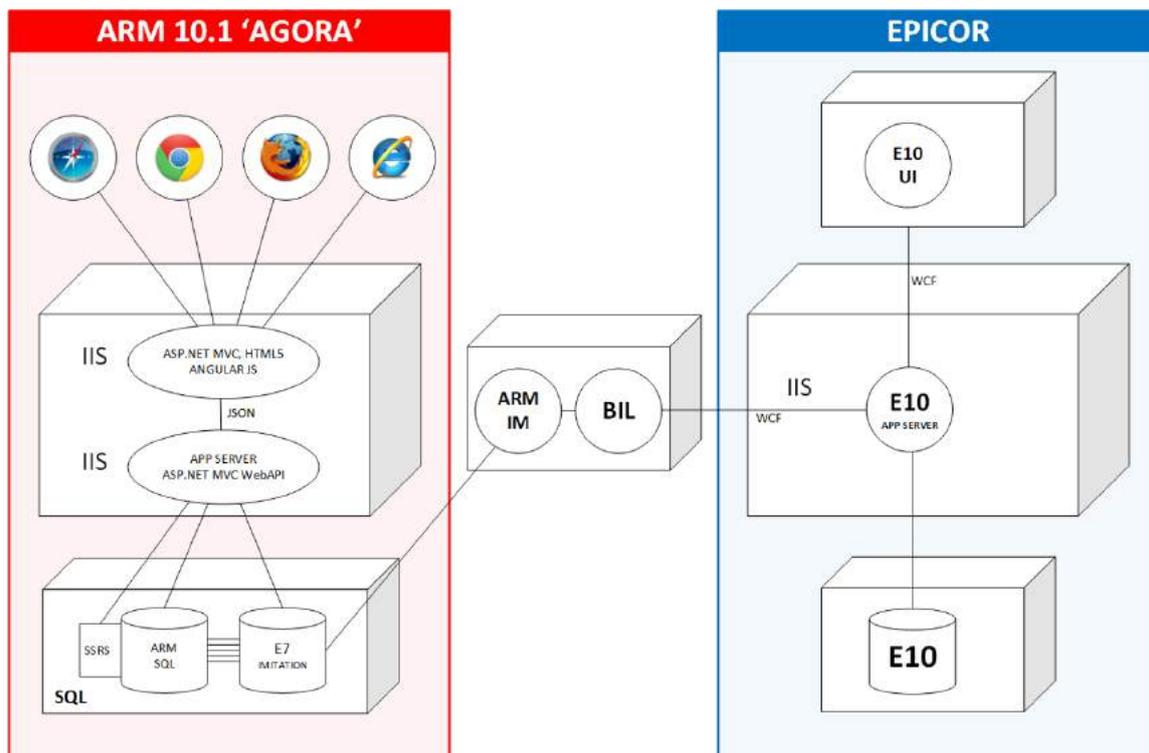
Because Agora is an upgrade, your existing ARM data remains in-tact and transfers directly across to it. Customers can upgrade to Agora directly from ARM 10.0.x without the need for a costly reimplementatation.

9. Agora is Affordable

Agora is available to existing ARM customers as part of your current maintenance, and the services required for the upgrade are much less than a full implementation of a new procurement product.

10. Agora is Easier to Theme

Agora's redesigned Client UI means it is now easier to create your own colour and design themes.



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