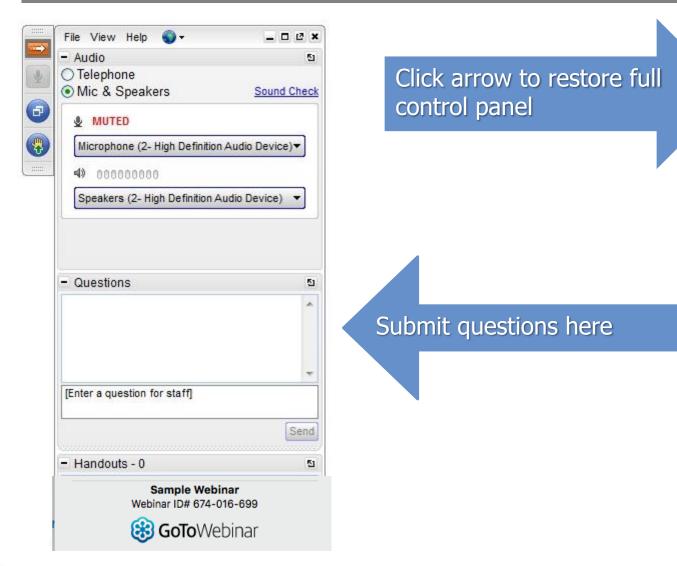




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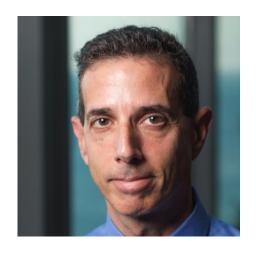


## Agenda

- Introductions
- Overview of Senturus Analytics Connector
- Senturus @ Northwestern
- Demo
- FAQs
- Senturus Overview
- Additional Resources
- Q&A



# Introducing...Today's Presenters



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Willie the Wildcat



## Poll

Why are you interested in the Senturus Analytics Connector?

- Leverage existing metadata business rules/security
- Eliminate export/import from Cognos/MSTR into Tableau
- Leverage for migrating from Cognos/MSTR to Tableau
- Leverage corporate data only accessible via Cognos/MSTR
- Other



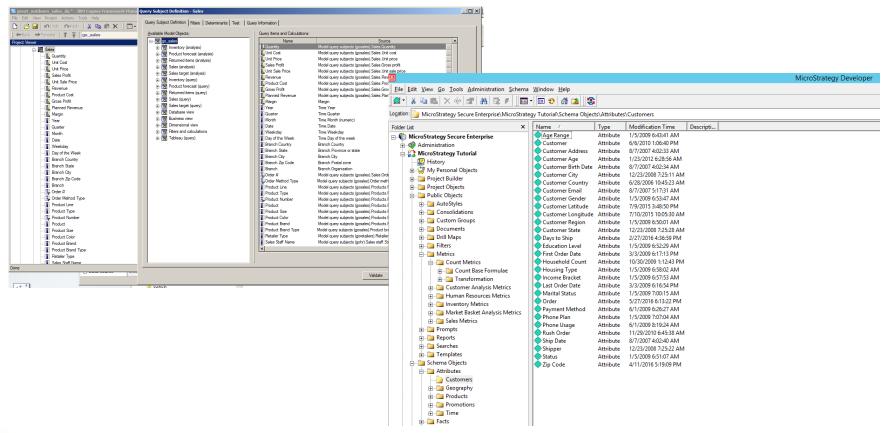


## **OVERVIEW OF ANALYTICS CONNECTOR**



## Huge Value in Existing BI Models

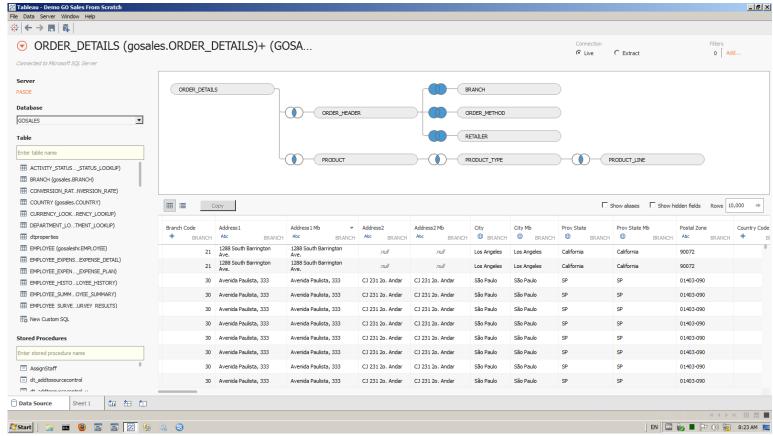
Organizations have invested heavily in existing models that provide governed, secure, business-friendly, performant results





### **BUT...Tableau Users Circumvent Them!**

Using BI tools as ETL and/or recreating models in Tableau's data prep pane wastes time and compromises integrity





# Why You Shouldn't (Re)-Create Metadata



#### **Time Consuming**

- · 100s or 1000s of tables to sift through
- · Business users have little/no knowledge of key joins or join type



#### **Compromises Data Integrity**

- · Multiple metadata layers cause change management nightmares
- · Performance suffers as you add joins/data sources
- · Limited audit trail, lineage, calculations or friendly table names
- · Lack of data quality
- · Incorrect data types
- · Limited ability to restrict access to data by user security level



#### **Compromises Data Security**

- · No ability to leverage robust security at enterprise BI layer
- Users rely on non-secure data extracts or waste time and create potential mistakes attempting to replicate existing security measures



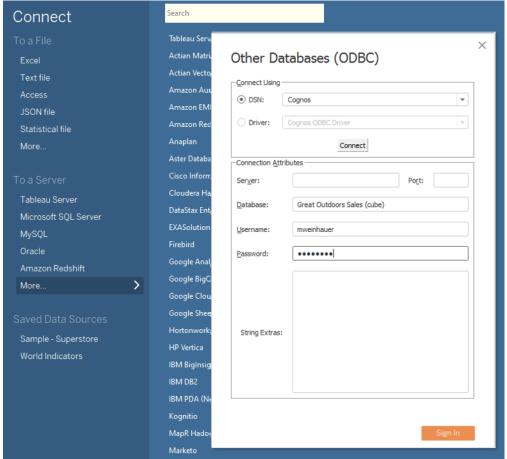
#### **Creates Data Silos**

· Having no single source of the truth means numbers don't align across workbooks



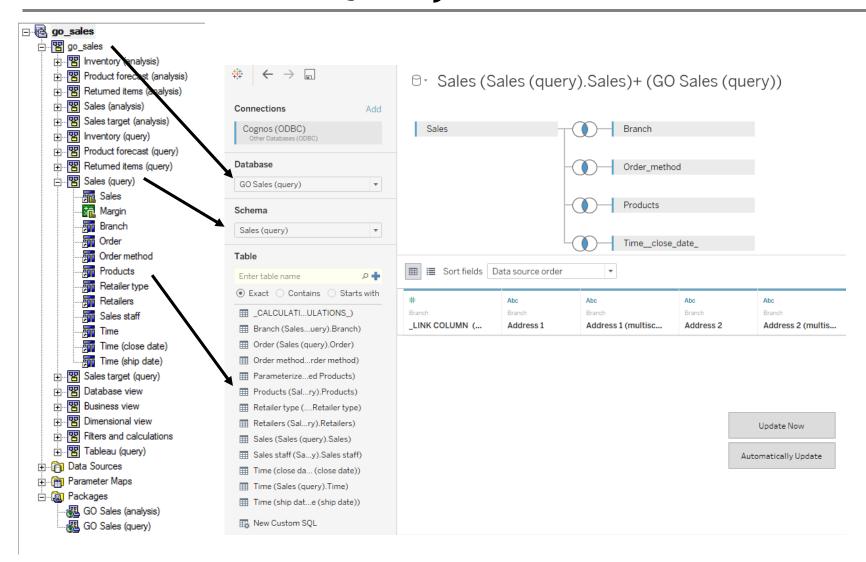
# The Solution? The Senturus Analytics Connector!

Tableau users can connect directly to the BI application layers, giving them instant access to high quality data

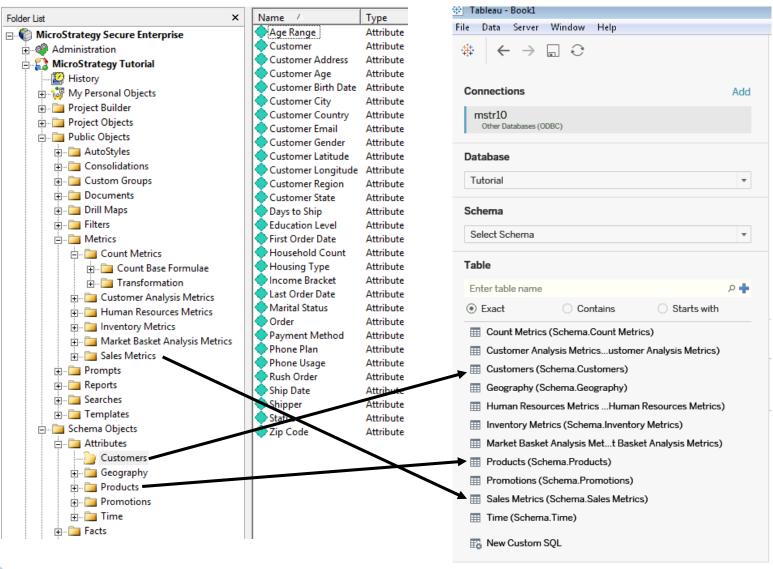




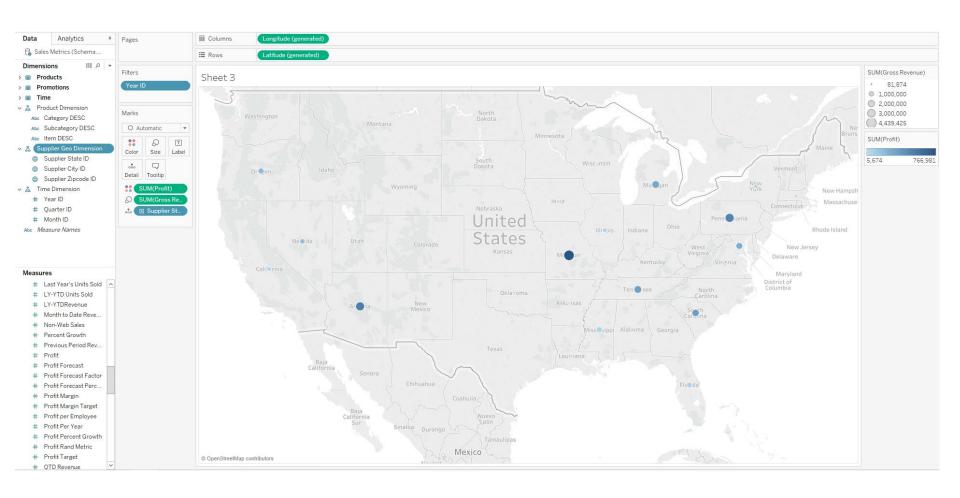




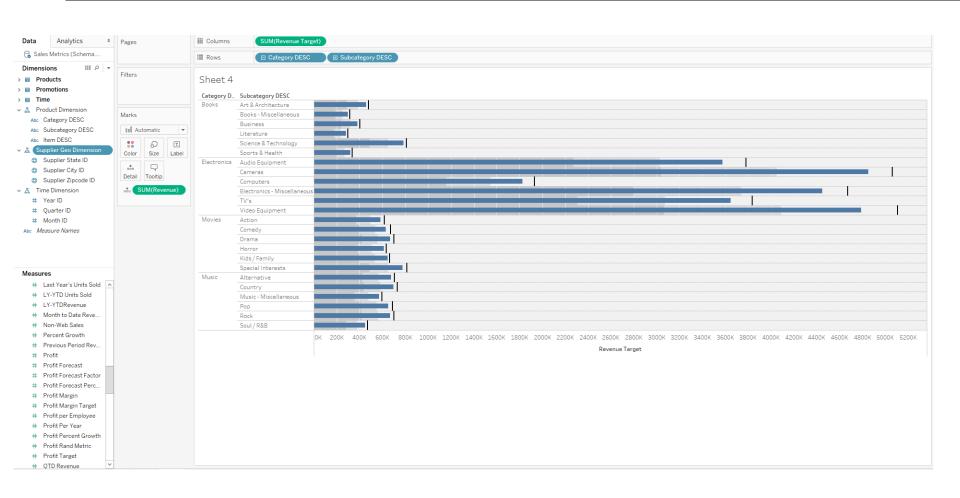




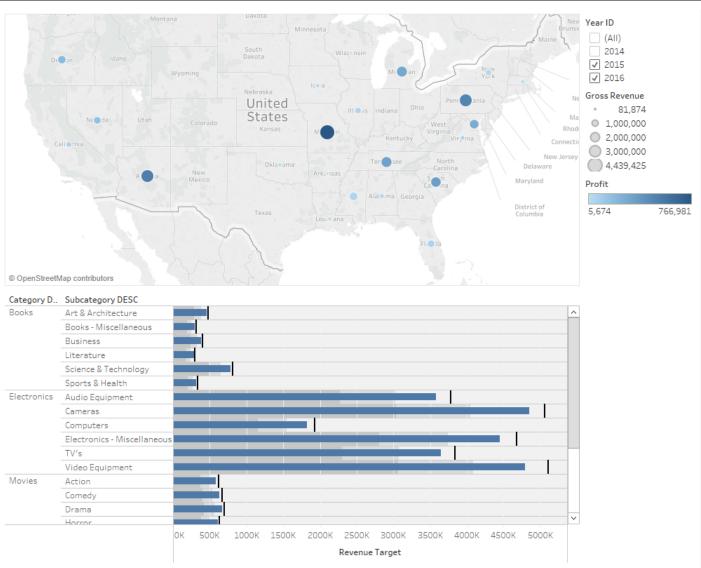






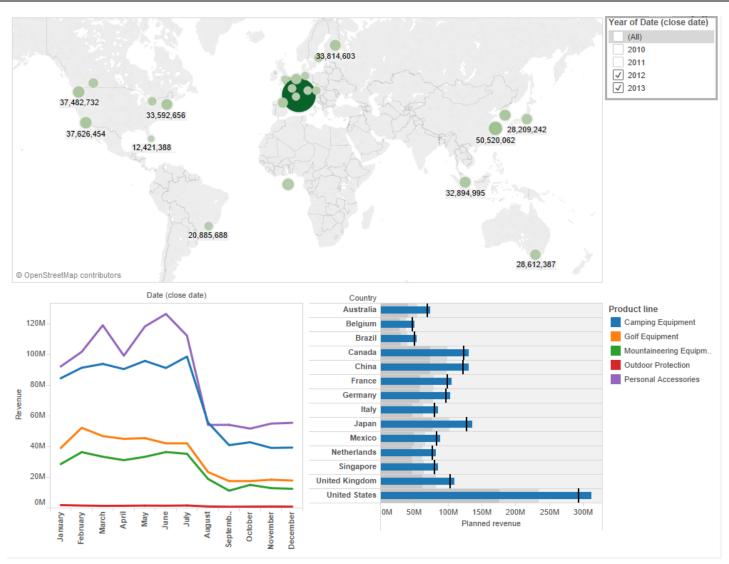








# Don't Sacrifice Integrity for Agility!





# The Senturus Analytics Connector Gives You



### Faster, more accurate reporting

Tableau users spend less time in data prep and more time conducting real analysis. No need to remodel the data since Tableau can now access the rich semantic layers and business-friendly data in your enterprise BI system.



### Reduces change management

Changes to the metadata layer are automatically picked up by the Connector, eliminating the need to chase down individually curated workbooks.



#### Trust in the data

Users access a "single version of the truth," using data that is secure, auditable, compliant and governed.



#### **Improves security**

Eliminates redundant replication efforts, reduces risks associated with the use of non-secure data and allows appropriate guardrails to be set up around data access.



### **Superior Tableau performance**

Poorly modeled data in Tableau can dramatically decrease performance. Data modeled in the enterprise BI platform has been optimized.



# The Senturus Analytics Connector - What's New?





### What's New?

- Support for TM1
- Support for MicroStrategy
- Custom join support
- Client-server support
- Local cache for metadata improves performance
- Support for Cognos 10.2.0 and 11.0.6
- Support for multiple dispatchers and fail over
- 32 bit ODBC driver on Windows 64 bit OS
- Automatically install documentation with Connector
- DSN modification via Windows ODBC Administrator
- Improved troubleshooting via new batch script (diagnosis.bat)
- Configuration GUI
- Simplified installation process for Tableau Server no post-installation file copying required
- Support silent installation
- Support IIS/Windows authentication
- Increased the length limit of character data types
- Support sort on min/max value of PowerCube and Dynamic Cube levels
- Support Top N in filter
- Support for SiteMinder SSO



## **About Northwestern**



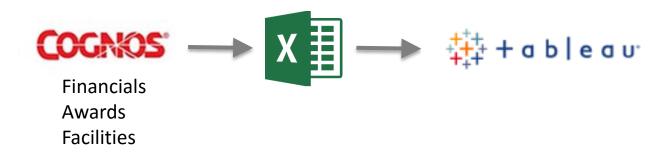
Northwestern has two campuses in the Chicagoland area, ~12 miles apart in Evanston and Chicago In FY ©2018 the University received over \$675 million in sponsored awards



### Northwestern - Past State

## Manual, Slow, Error Prone, Stale

- Run Cognos queries and export to Excel
- Merge with local data from other sources using elaborate templates
- Merge data sources for Tableau visualizations
- Manually update data at defined intervals (weekly/monthly/quarterly)





### Senturus @ Northwestern - Current State

### Automated, Fast, Accurate, and Fresh!

- Senturus Analytics Connector allows Tableau reports to query data directly from Cognos
- Joins with local data done in Tableau; no more staging in Excel
- Time to update reports cut drastically





### **Business Value**

- Senior leadership has direct access to key performance metrics
- Departmental administrators have access to the underlying data used to track their activity and progress
- Different administrative units (e.g. OSR and FSM) can base analyses on common data sets, increasing consistency in reporting



### **Technical Benefits**

- Cognos security is maintained automatically, no additional work for the Tableau authors
- Cognos package updates flow through without additional Tableau work
- Complicated business logic does not need to be reproduced in Tableau, just pulled from existing verified Cognos packages





## **DEMO**

## **Summary**

- (Re)-creation of metadata is slow, challenging and risky
- The Senturus Analytics Connector delivers agility and integrity
- Spend your time doing analysis, not prepping data that's already curated elsewhere



### Live vs. Extract

Both methods are supported

### Supported BI Platforms and Versions

- IBM Cognos 10.1.x/11.0.6 and higher
- MicroStrategy 10.2 and higher

### **Supported Data Sources**

- Cognos Relational, PowerCubes, DMR, Dynamic Cubes, TM1
- MicroStrategy Relational and Intelligent Cubes
- Cognos and MicroStrategy Reports

### Release Date

The product was released on 11/7/16



### **Supported Versions / Platforms**

- Tableau 9.x/10.x
- Microsoft Windows operating system (Windows 7, 8, 10, Windows Server 2008 R2, 2012, 2012 R2)

#### Software Installation Location

- Wherever connectivity to Enterprise BI is required (Desktop or Server)
- Nothing installed on Cognos/MicroStrategy servers

### Minimum Software Requirements

Similar to those for any other typical ODBC driver

### Cognos/MicroStrategy Environment Impact

 Tableau users leveraging the Connector will generate load on the Cognos/MicroStrategy servers similar to an interactive report user on those systems.



### Licensing / Pricing - Perpetual





Subscription pricing also available

\$85/year desktop, \$45/year server



### **Licensing Requirements - Cognos**

- Extracts: Cognos BI analytics user or equivalent to allow extraction creation. Cognos license not required to connect to extracts, just Senturus Connector license
- <u>Live Connect</u>: Cognos BI analytics user or equivalent

### Licensing Requirements - MicroStrategy

- Extracts: Project access and reporter role to allow creation of extracts. MicroStrategy license not required to connect to extracts, just Senturus Connector license
- Live Connect: Project access and reporter role required



### Security

Enforces security applied within the Enterprise BI environment

### Metadata Modeling Requirements

- No special modeling requirements for the Connector
- Tableau requires that joins are created between query subjects/attributes/metric views
- Supports Cognos CQM & DQM

### Method for Accessing Tableau

ODBC connection

### Support

Provided by Senturus and included in the price of the product



# **ROI** for the Senturus Analytics Connector

- Time and money required to create metadata from scratch in Tableau - ranges from a few days to several weeks depending on the complexity of packages/projects
- Risk of not having proper data security (PII, HIPPA)
- Time saved converting reports to Tableau
- Time wasted by different analyst groups maintaining multiple metadata layers between Enterprise BI and Tableau
- Time wasted, cost and potential risk of having inaccurate/misaligned business metrics



### **Connector Test Drive**

- Two week proof of concept
- Includes installation, configuration and testing in your environment

### Register to request a test drive:

http://www.senturus.com/enterprise-bi-connectortableau/



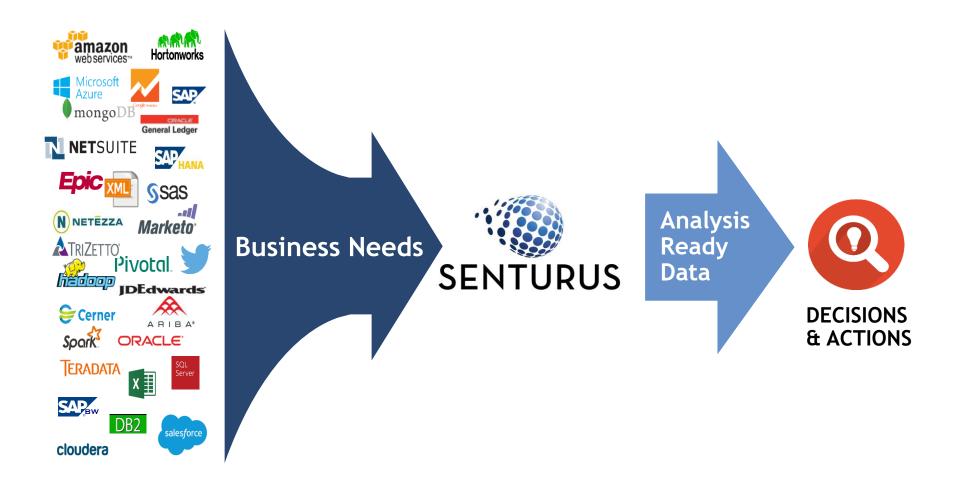




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#### TABLEAU LIKE A PRO IN HALF A DAY

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Wednesday, February 28, 2018 - 8:30am - 12:30pm - 4 hours



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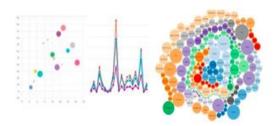


USING TABLEAU AND SALESFORCE TO IMPROVE SALES & MARKETING

MAKING RELEVANT DATA AVAILABLE TO YOUR TEAM Thursday, March 1, 2018 - 11am PT (2pm ET) - 60 minutes



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# INTRODUCTION TO COGNOS ANALYTICS V11

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP IN COSTA MESA, CA Wednesday, March 7, 2018 - 10:00am – 2:30pm - 4 hours 30 minutes



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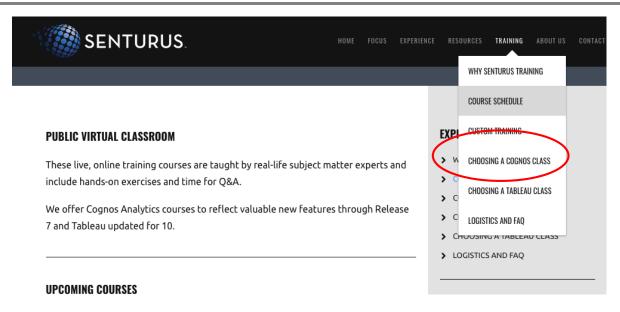


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IBM COGNOS	10.2.2	CAFE	CAFE FOR BUSINESS USERS	маг 13	<b>→</b>
IBM COGNOS	11.0.7	FRAMEWORK MANAGER	METADATA MODELING BEST PRACTICES	маг - маг 13 15	<b>→</b>
TABLEAU	10	DESKTOP	INTERMEDIATE DATA VISUALIZATION AND DASHBOARDING	MAR 16	<b>→</b>
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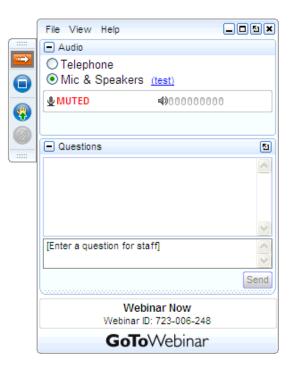


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