# International Financial Management (IFM) For Accounting Management Users

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## **IFM Comparison for AM Users**

- IFM Features Compared to AM
- IFM user interface and examples
- Enterprise General Ledger considerations
- Implementation considerations



### IFM vs AM



#### Accounting Mgt

- Fixed Period Close
- Transaction DataMoves
- GL Close Generates
   Reports That You
   Have To Keep Track
   Of
- Hold New YearPeriod Close For Year-end
- No Fiscal Calendar
- No Trial Balance

#### • IFM

- Soft Period Closes
- Secured Close
- Report vs Closing
- Detailed GL Reporting
   Whenever Needed
- Cannot Reopen A
   Period Mistakenly
- User Defined Calendar
   For Reporting Periods
- Re-close Year AsNeeded



## Accounting Management

- Journal Entries
  - All in Batches
  - Manual
  - Application
- Batch
- Data Is Not Signed
  - DR / CR

- Short Entry Method
- Individual or Batch
- Repeating Journal Entries
- Batch Or Individual
- Transaction Level Balancing
- On Line Approvals
- Copy Reverse
- Signed Values



#### **Accounting Management**

- Transaction Type
  - GJ
  - PJ
  - CR
  - CD
- Balance
- Separate Screens For Summary And Detail

- User Defined Transaction Types
  - COS
  - MJE
  - PR
  - PJ
  - ETC...
- G/L Inquiry Including:
  - Period Summary
  - Accumulated Balance
  - Drill Down to Source



#### **Accounting Management**

- Trial Balance
- No Detail After Close
- 10 Financial Statements
- Departmental Reports
- One Budget (keyed)

- Trial Balance Any Time
- Unlimited Years
- Unlimited Budgets
- Budget development engine
- Account detail reports
- G/L IM Transaction Report



#### **Accounting Management**

- Multiple Open Periods
- Reverse Transactions
- Repeating Batches
- You Can Open Periods By Accident
- GLI Data Difficult To Review

- Multiple Open Periods
- Auto Accrual
- Prepayments
- Auto Reversal
- Apportionments
- FA Integration
- IM, PCC, COM GLI Drill Back

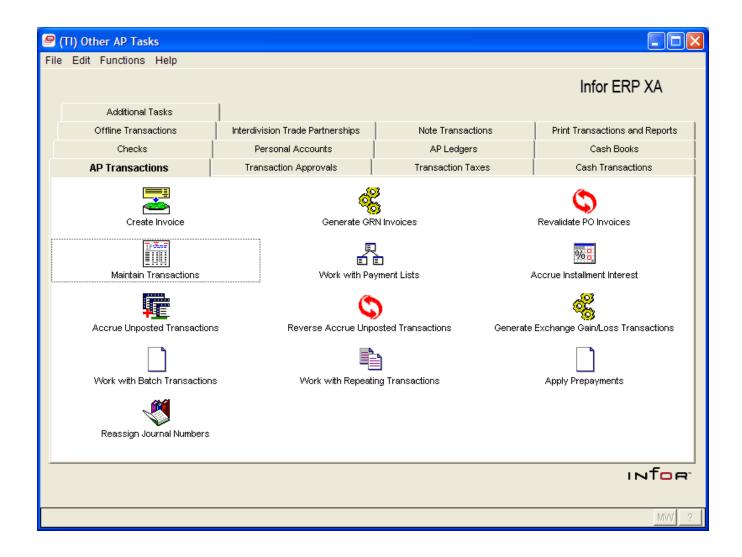


## **GL Summary**

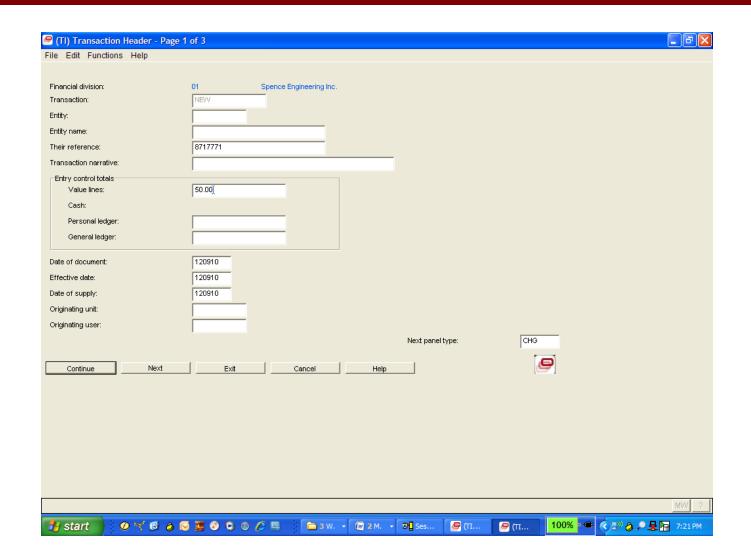
- Closing Enhancements
- Calendar
- Account Allocations
- Repeating Transactions
- History
- Trial Balance
- Inquiries
- Transaction Drill Back





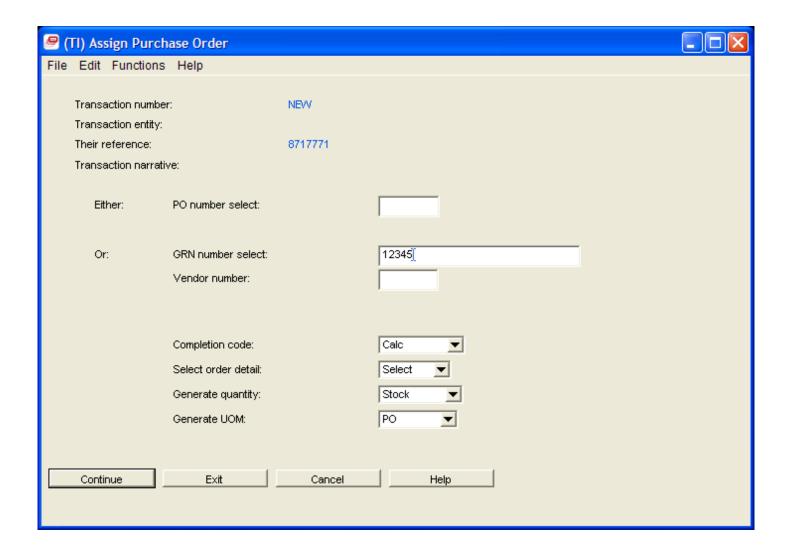


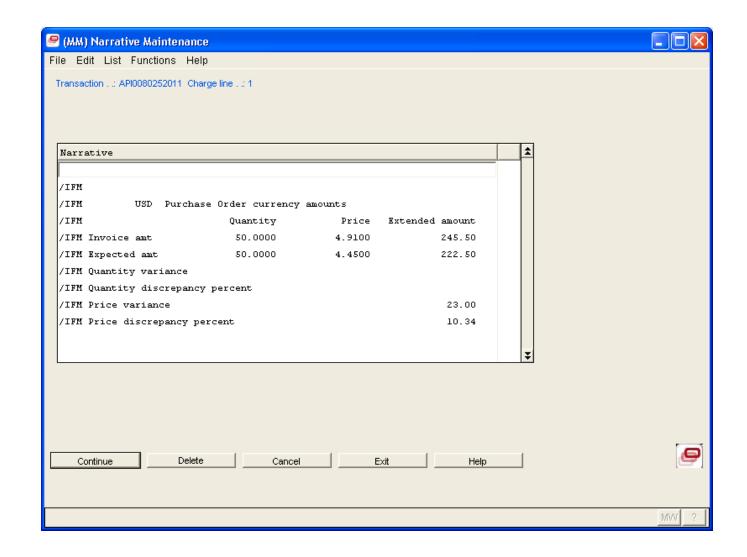




- Manual Entry
- 3/Way Match on Receipt
- 3/Way Match on PO line
- Invoice on Receipt
- Legacy Bridge







#### **Accounting Management**

- AP Ledger
- Invoice Entry
- 3 Way Match (PO)
- Halt Codes
- Payment Processing
  - (Checks Manual Selection)
- Payment History
- Check Reconciliation

- Many AP Ledgers
- Secure Batch Control
- Pay on receipt
- 3 Way Match (Receipts)
  - Electronic Approval
- Vendor Balances
- Multiple Payment Methods
- Drill Back to PO
- Cash Management
- Bank Account Reconciliation
- EFT Banking Capable



#### **Accounting Management**

- Inquiries
- Aging Report at month end only
- Open Payables reports
- Terms
  - Simple Discounting

- User Defined Aging
- Aging report As of date/period
- Expense Apportionment
- Repeating Invoices
- Advanced Payment Terms
- Installments
- Inquiries



# Accounting Management

- No Period Close
- User Driven Tax Accrual
- Tax Fields
  - Indicator
  - Suffix

- Secure Close
- Hands Off Tax Accrual
- Tax Fields
  - Zip
  - State
  - Country
  - Warehouse
  - Indicator
  - Suffix
  - Item Tax Class
  - Tax Transaction



## A/P Summary

- Processing Enhancements
- Better Matching
- Invoice on Receipt
- Detailed Reporting
- Terms Enhancements
- Multiple ledgers
- Repeating Invoices
- Electronic Banking



#### **IFM Accounts Receivable**



### **IFM / COM Credit Information**

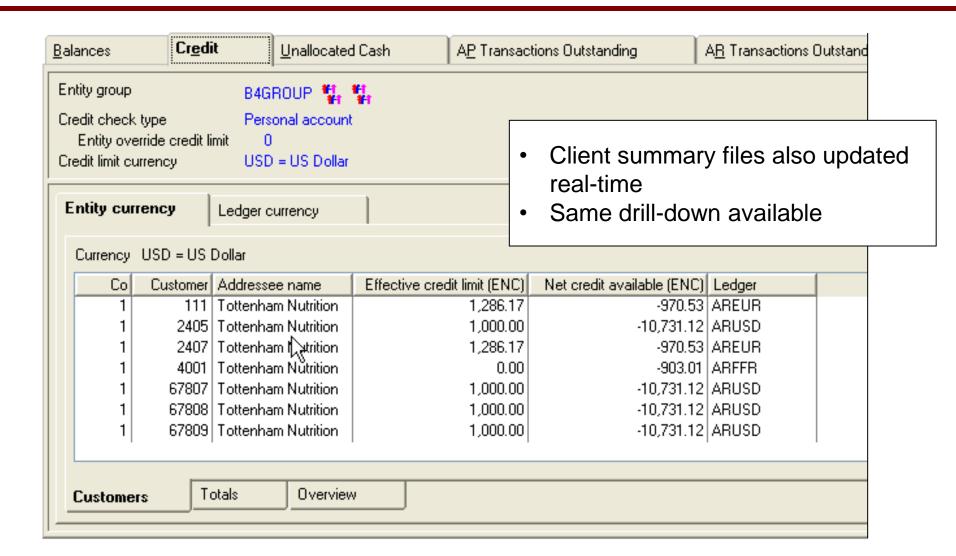


#### **Credit Information**

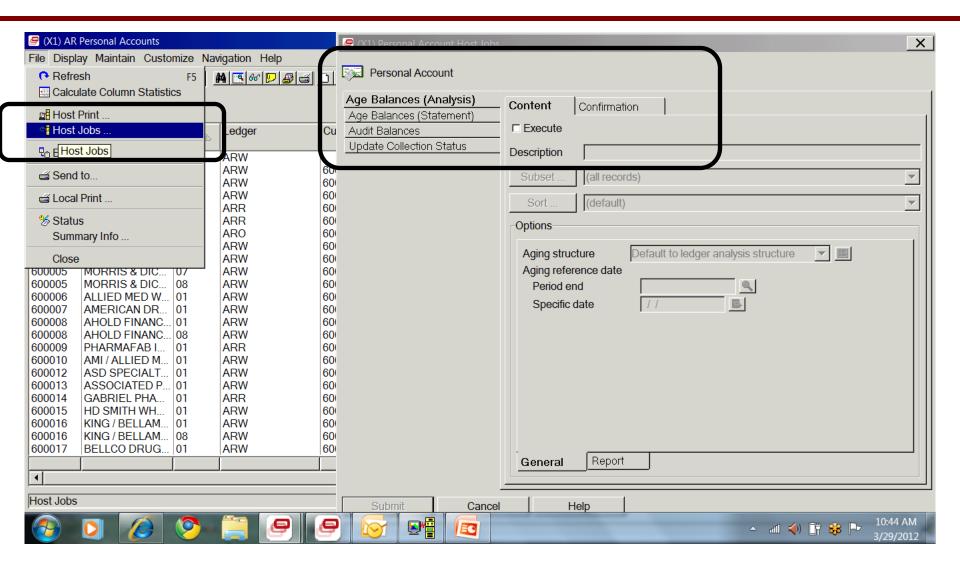
- IFMCRDUPD
- Combines A/R & COM
- Real Time



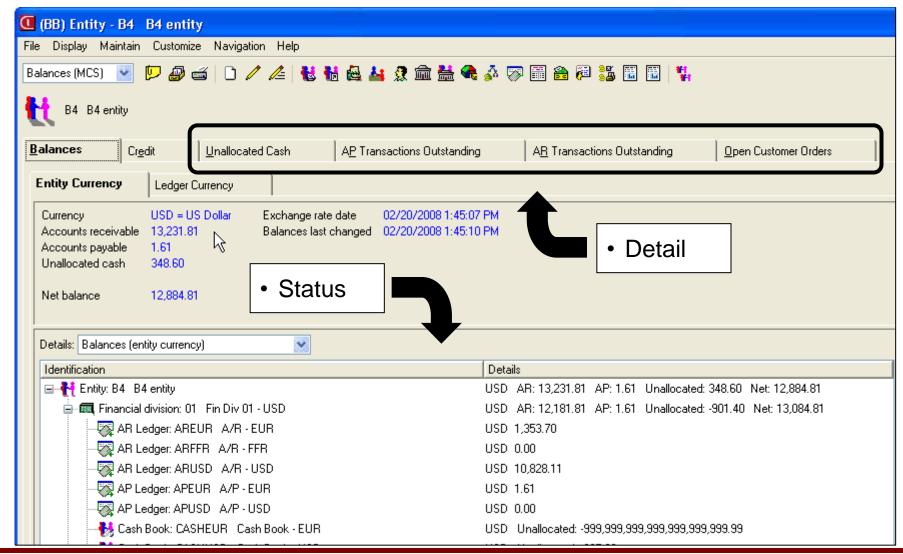
## **Credit improvements**



#### XA R9 – AR Personal Acct Host Jobs



#### **Balances**



#### **Accounts Receivable**

# Accounting Management

- Statements
- Aging Reports
- AM+ for Due Date Aging
- Cannot reverse cash receipt

- User Defined Aging
- Group aging
- Collection Letters
- Payment History
- Statements
- Detailed Payment records
- Reverse any transaction
- Payment Statistics
- Allocation Entities



#### **Accounts Receivable**

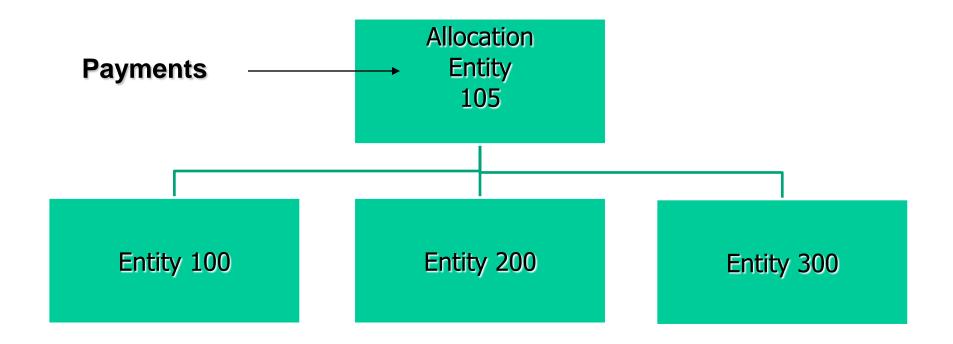
#### **Accounting Management**

 Open & History Inquiries

- Inquiries
  - Open, closed
  - Drill to
    - Invoice
    - Order
    - Item
    - Special Charge
  - Customer Statistics
  - Online Individual Aging
  - Contact Info
  - Customer Balances



#### **Benefit of Allocation Entities**



## A/R Summary

- Enhanced Cash Application
- User Defined Aging Reports
- Collections
- Customer Statistics
- Cash Flow Analysis
- Electronic Banking



#### **IFM R9 Enhancements**

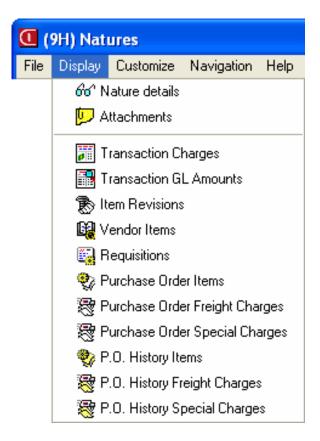
- PowerLink + IDF Level 1-All functions in one place!
- Usability enhancements reorganize client screens so it is easier to find information.
- Maintain Entities in PowerLink
- New summary levels and analytical functions
- Credit information is updated in real time
- IFM client security is now managed in CAS in the same way as the other XA applications. Additional security controls are available.
- New user fields are available for customization of maintainable objects.
- Inquiry performance is improved.



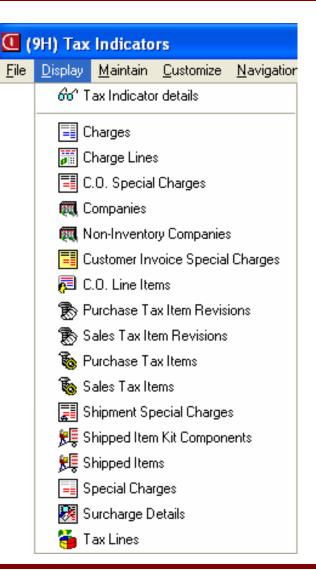
## **User Interface Improvements**



## Where are things used?

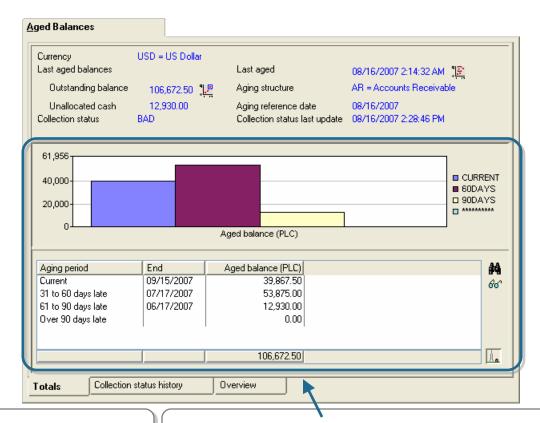








## **Aging**





Aged balances shown in both graph and table form



### **IFM Transaction**



#### **IFM Transaction**

- PowerLink Objects
  - Transactions
  - Charges
  - Taxes
  - Cash
  - Amounts Due
  - Allocations
  - General Ledger Amounts
  - Approvals



## **Transactions & IFM Workspaces**

#### **Accounts Payable**

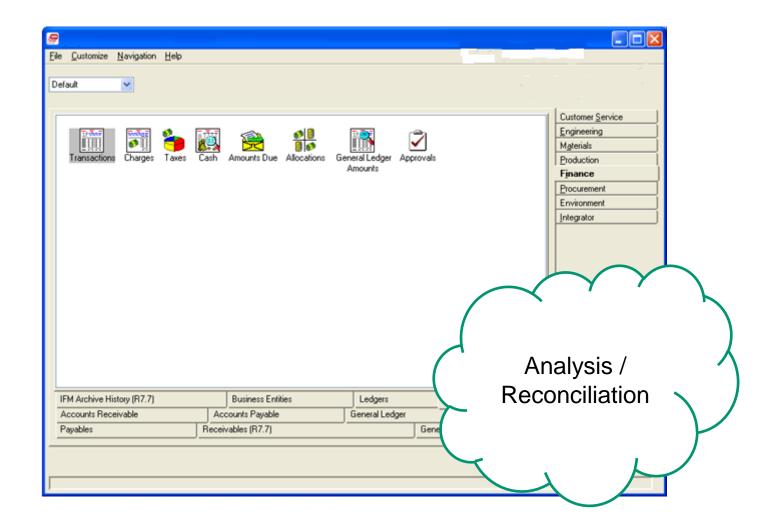
- PowerLink Objects
  - AP Transactions
  - AP Charges
  - AP Tax Transactions
  - AP Cash
  - AP Amounts Due
  - Allocations To AP
  - AP Approvals

#### **Accounts Receivable**

- PowerLink Objects
  - AR Transactions
  - AR Charges
  - AR Tax Transactions
  - AR Cash
  - AR Amounts Due
  - Allocations To AR
  - AR Approvals



#### **IFM Transaction**

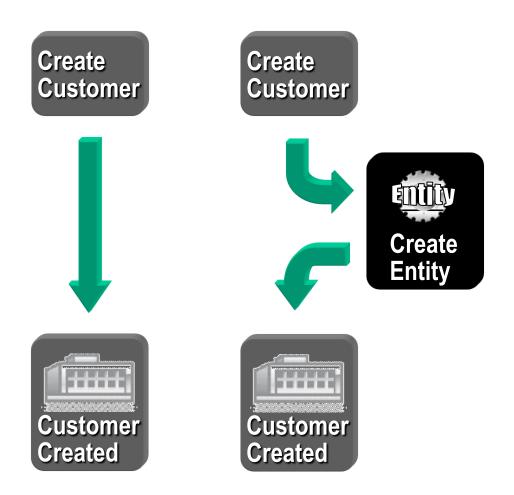


#### **Table Maintenance**

- PowerLink
  - Entities
  - Personal Accounts
  - Customers / Vendors
- IDF Level 1
  - All others
    - Eg... Units, Natures, Transaction Types, Terms



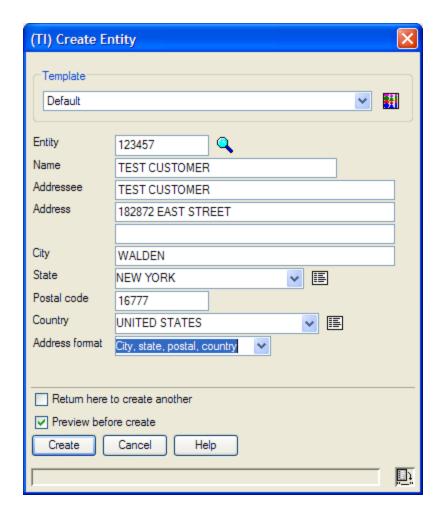
# **ERP XA Entity Maintenance: Create customer**





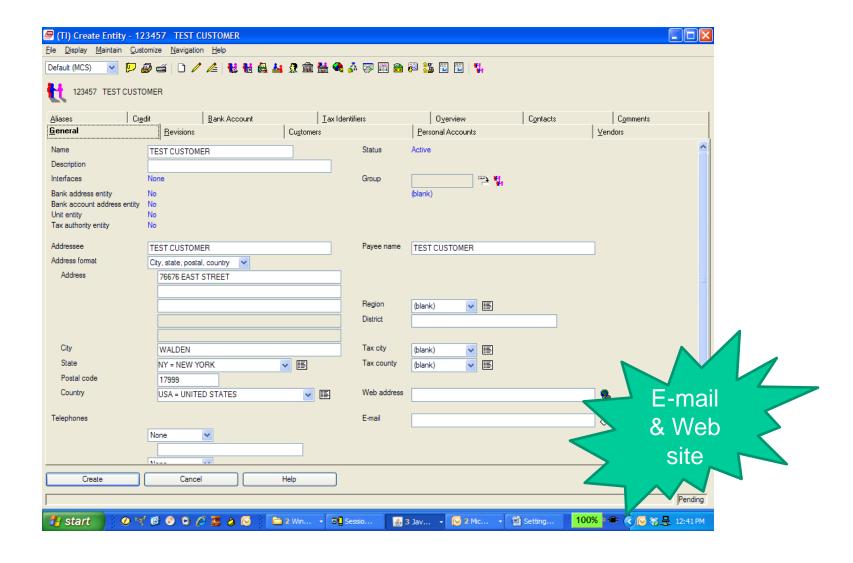


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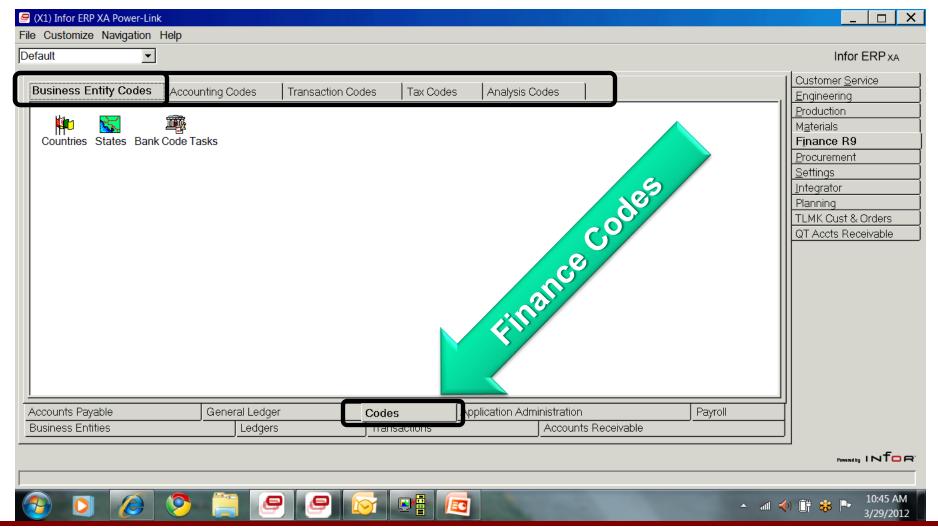


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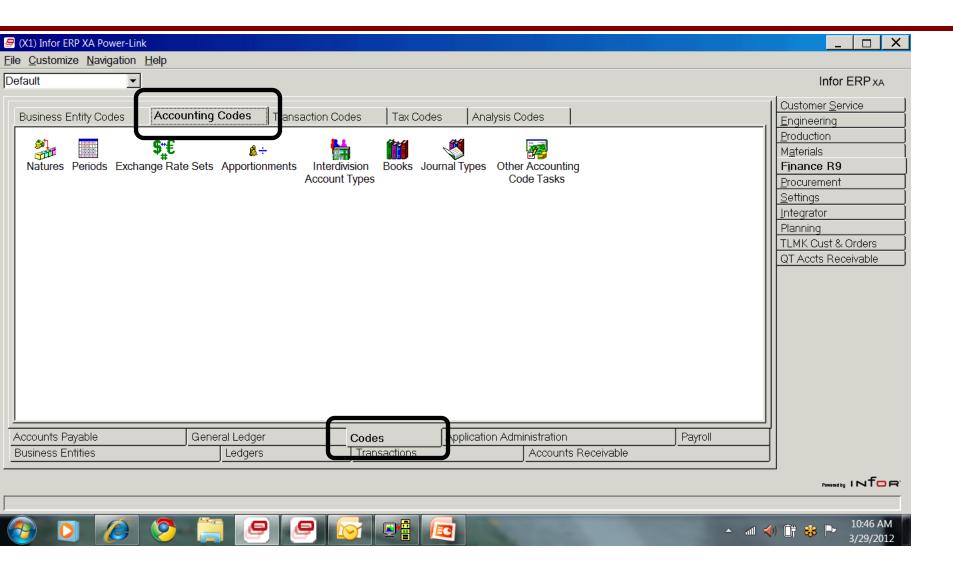




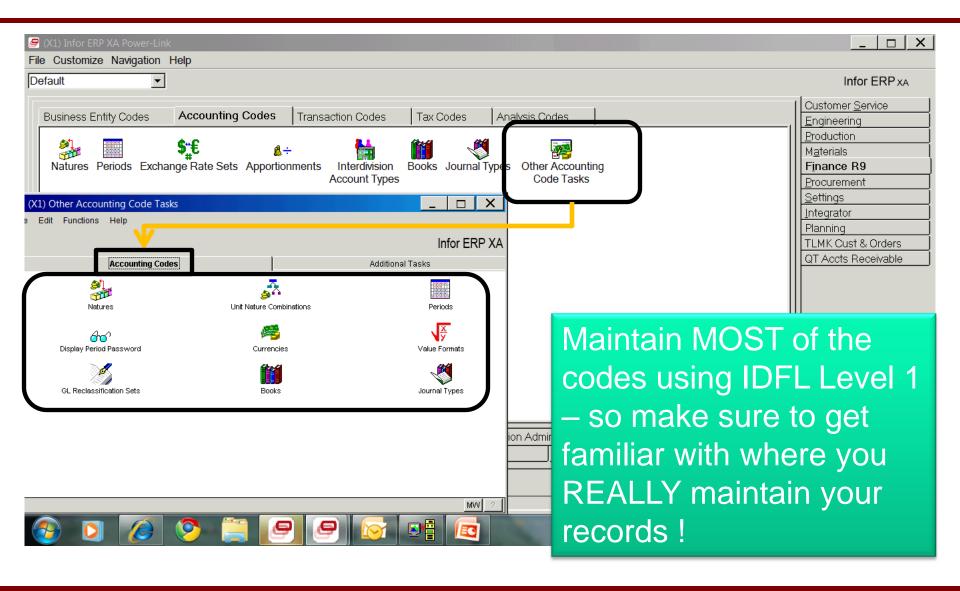
#### **XA R9 IFM Code Files**



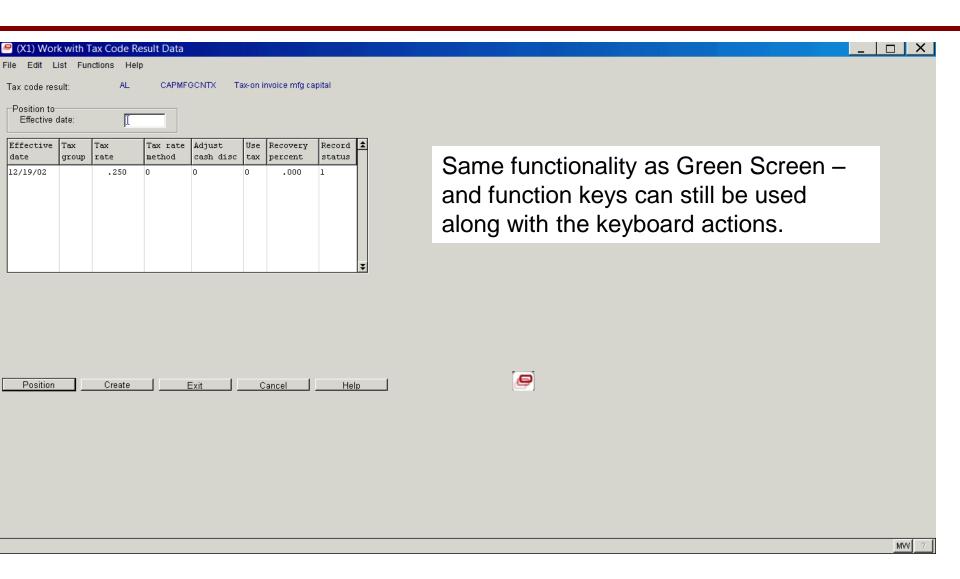
#### XA R9 – IFM Accounting Codes



#### XA R9 Code Files – Other Code Tasks



#### Tax Tables – IDF Level 1 Objects



#### Most Tax Objects maintained at IDF Level 1

#### **User Fields**

Text 25

Text 40

Amount 23.2

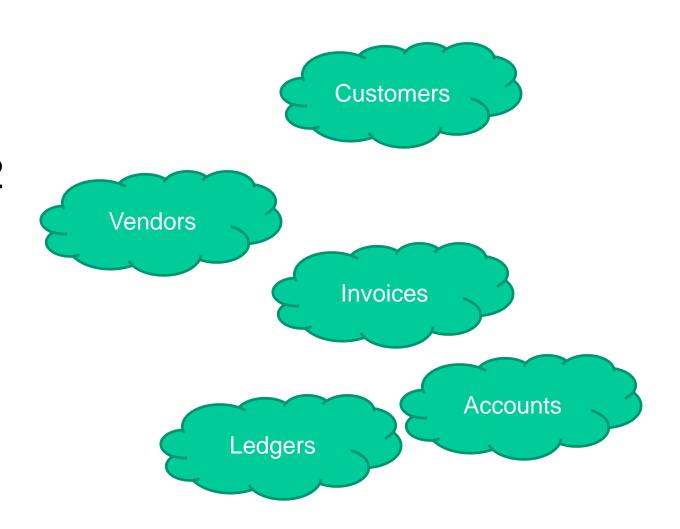
Code A

Date 1

Currency

Quantity 1

Switch A





# Financials Redevelopment

- Enterprise General Ledger-EGL
- Complete replacement for IFM GL and AM GL



### Financials Redevelopment

- Address AP and AR redevelopment
  - Candidates IFM and System 21
  - Will consider other Infor solutions as benchmarks
  - Evaluation should begin December 2011
  - Possible inclusion in Release 10
  - 100% IDF technology will be used for redevelopment
- Fixed Assets
  - Moving to core XA in process, possible January delivery
  - Evaluation of higher end solution in process, not expected until Q2 2012



# Configurability through Events, Models, and Macros

Financial Events are business transactions with financial impact that should be recorded in the G/L. Events can be defined to post to any combination of Ledger and Books

Models

J/E Template

Models are journal entry templates. Models are reusable across multiple events

**ATP** 

Advanced Transaction Processing

Macros /Lookups

 Retrieve Subsystem Information for Journals

**Financial Events** 

Recorded Transactions

Macros /Lookups are field references that allow you to retrieve subsystem details to determine the selection of account segments or other information and move that data into journals



# **IFM R9 Implementation Quickstart**

- MS Project based Plan
- Project Kickoff Template
- Detailed Conversion Plan for AM
- Extensive R9 Education Material
- Documented IFM Standard Processes
  - Organized in Spreadsheet



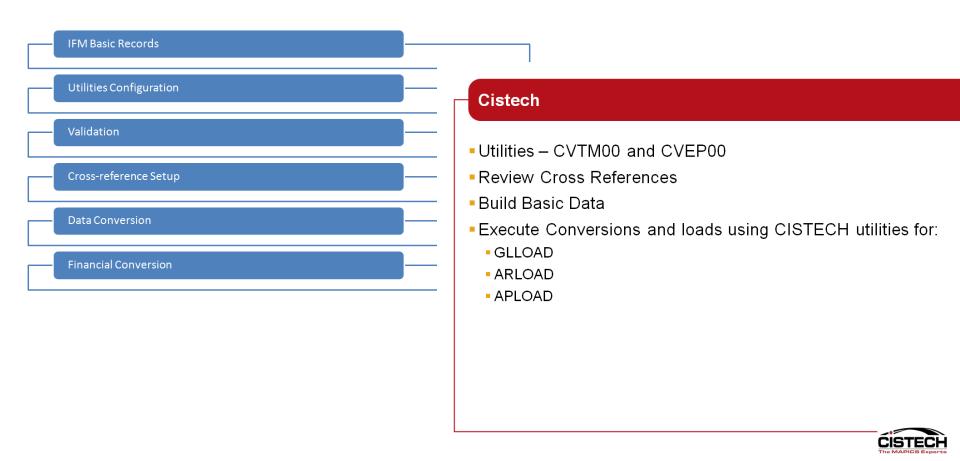
**Project Plan** 

	□ Setup Mandatory Tables -	93%	41.25 days	Thu 1/13/11	Fri 3/11/11	Peter,Marien
<b>✓</b>	Currencies, Exahnge Rates and Exchange Rate Sets	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Peter,Marlena,
<b>✓</b>	Value / Reporting Formats	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Fri 3/11/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Administrative Division	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
1	Units	90%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
1	Natures	90%	5 days	Thu 1/13/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>11</b>	Unit/Nature Combinations (Valid Accounts)	90%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
	Arrow Review new Chart of Accounts	75%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Peter,Marlena,
<b>√</b> Ø	Periods (Team has Periods & Structures thru 2014)	100%	5 days	Thu 1/13/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Period Structure Review	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Peter,Marlena,
<b>√</b>	MAPICS Exchange Rate	100%	5 days	Fri 1/21/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
111	Financial Divisions	75%	5 days	Fri 1/21/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Default Unit for Division	100%	5 days	Fri 1/21/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
1	Inter Division Account Type	75%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b></b>	Security by Arrow - IFM Users and Appropriate Tasks (Can Refine Later)	75%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Peter,Marlena,
<b>III Ø</b>	Prepare Ledgers for Transaction Usage (Setup GL, AR, AP Ledgers)	90%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Peter,Marlena,
	Prepare Banks and Cash Books for AR and AP	90%	1 day	Mon 2/21/11	Mon 2/21/11	Peter,Marlena,
<b>√</b>	Validate Periods in GL/Ledgers	100%	5 days	Wed 1/19/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Validate Transaction Templates	100%	5 days	Wed 1/19/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Validate/Review Numerators	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Create C.O.M. Invoice defaults in Financial Div Record	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	Marlena,Peter,
<b>√</b>	Review Country Codes - there appeared to be an issue with Country/State	100%	5 days	Mon 1/24/11	Mon 1/31/11	AB,Dale
	☐ Review IFM Transaction Types - Review & W.I.'s	79%	54 days	Fri 12/17/10	Tue 3/1/11	Peter,Marlen
	─ Set up Basic Transactions - Create Work Instructions	84%	31 days	Tue 1/18/11	Tue 3/1/11	Marlena,Pet€
<b>√</b>	Review/Setup AP Invoice - API	100%	1 day	Tue 1/18/11	Fri 1/21/11	Marlena,Peter,
	Review/Setup AP Credit - APC	100%	1 day	Tue 1/18/11	Fri 1/21/11	Marlena,Peter,
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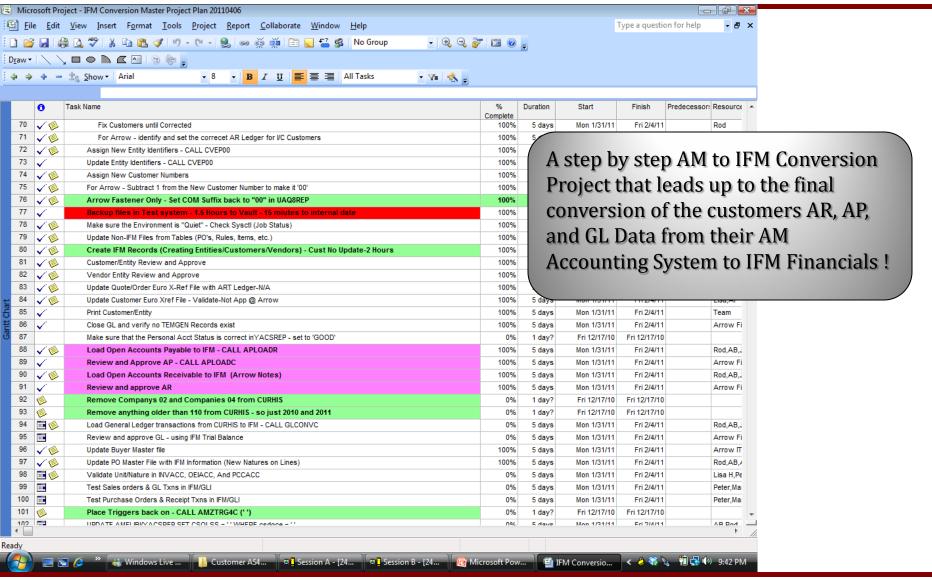


# Kickoff Meeting – Team Review

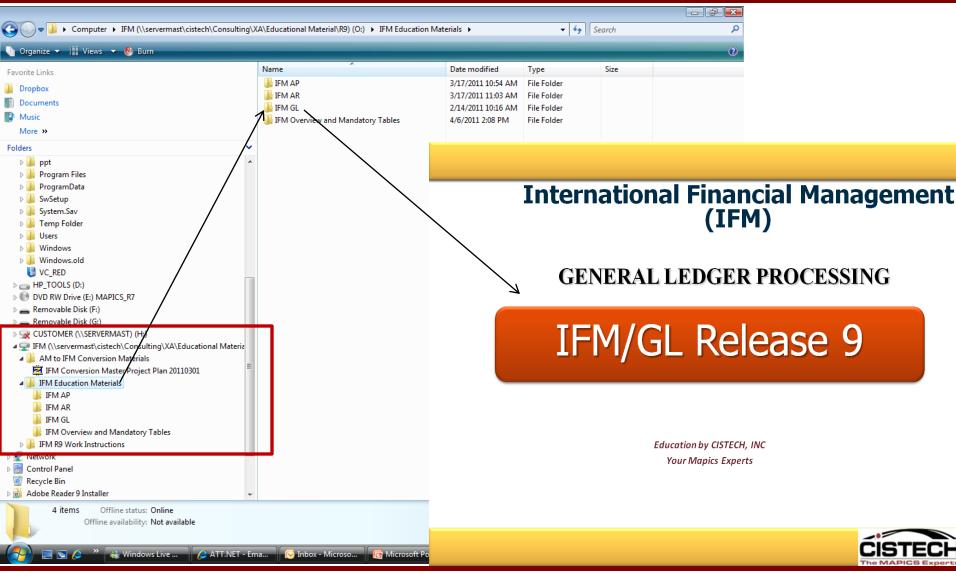
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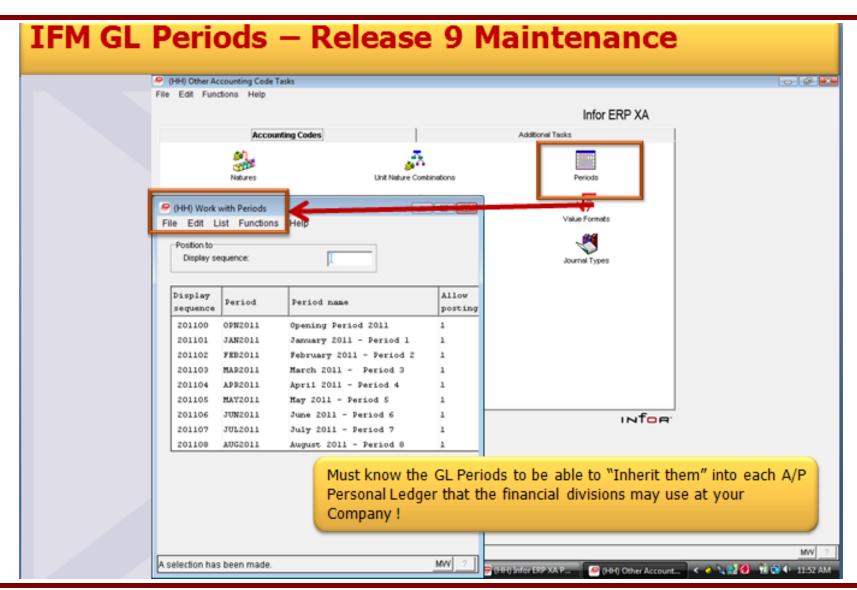
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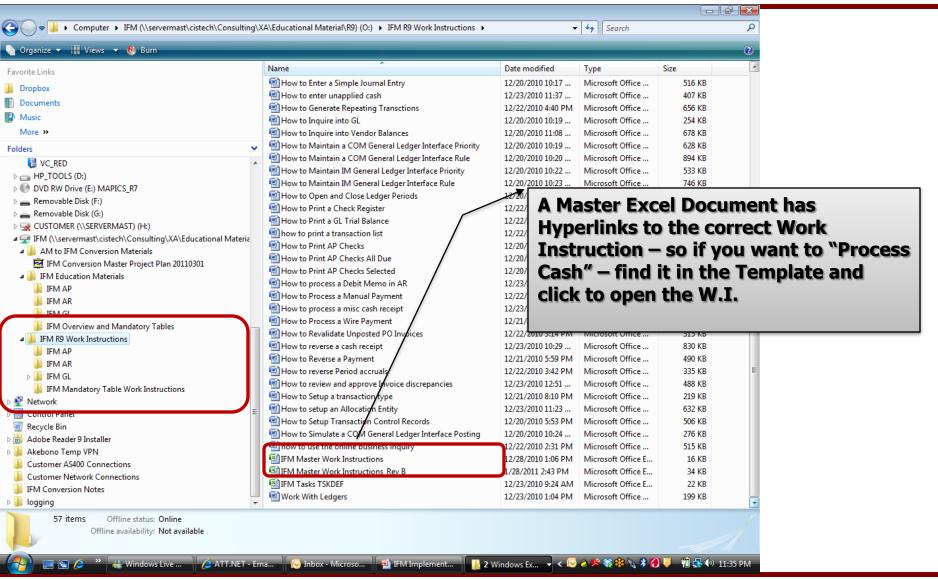
#### IFM Education – 200+ Slides each Application!



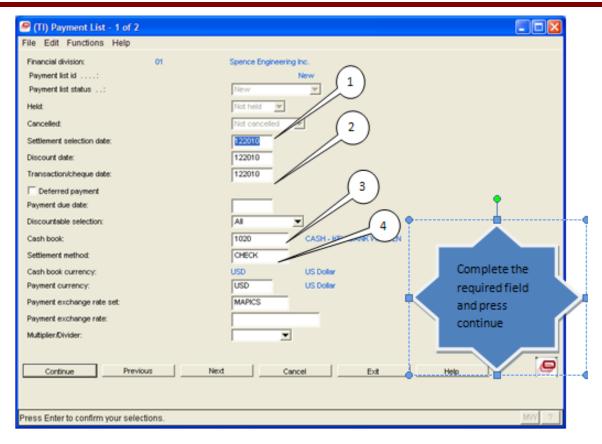
#### **IFM Education**



#### **Process Documentation**



#### **Process Documentation**



- Settlement selection Date
  - a. All invoices scheduled to be paid by this date will be selected.
- Check Date
  - a. This will be the check date on the system and the GL posting date.
- 3. Enter the Cash book id
- 4. This is the method of payment to be included in this list



### **Implementation Process**

Month 1.

Readiness, Education, Data Migration

Month 2.

Process Improvement & Modeling

Month 3.

**Process Refinement & Testing** 

Month 4.

Conference Room Pilot and Go Live



# Results:

# IFM Implementation is:

- Effective
- No Surprises
- On Time
- On Budget



# International Financial Management QUESTIONS?

