

EXTEND THE VALUE OF YOUR IBM COGNOS FINANCE SOLUTION WITH



Designed to substantially improve the reporting experience within Excel

AN IMPLEMENTATION-BASED SOLUTION

The CF Expansion Pack simplifies many of the complexities associated with creating, editing and maintaining financial reports. As an extension to Cognos Finance, the CF Expansion Pack for Excel provides functionality that automates many of the manual processes associated with report development and maintenance.

With the CF Expansion Pack, users can unleash the power of Excel with the integrity of the Cognos Finance system behind it.

UNLEASH THE POWER OF EXCEL AND COGNOS FINANCE



“We were able to produce our entire Monthly Financial Reporting Pack from our CF system entirely within Excel in an hour.”

Tony Fitzwater,
Director of Financial
Planning and Analysis at
Klein Tools, Inc.

	CF Client Reporting / Input	CF Web Reporting / Input	CF Excel Add-In	CF Expansion Pack™
Ability to Retrieve Real-Time CF Data	●	●	●	●
Ability to Input and Post CF Data	●	●	●	●
Report / Input Form Creation	●	●	●	●
Data Selection Wizard	●	●	●	●
Use of CF Calculations	●	●	●	●
Use of Excel Calculations	●	●	●	●
Cell Based Formatting	●	●	●	●
Ability to Distribute in a Zero Footprint Mode	●	●	●	●
Ability to Open Client Authored Reports / Input	●	●	●	●
Sophisticated Drill Capabilities	●	●	●	●
Average Learning Curve	●	●	●	●

CF Expansion Pack Benefits:

- Import of CF Input and Report templates (LIF, LRF)** into MS Excel directly, leveraging native CF functions within Excel to retrieve, view and update data.
- Report Wizard**, which provides the ability through a wizard directly within Excel to select rows, columns, pages and filters.
- Drill functionality within Excel**, much like the drill functionality in CF Reporting and Input modules.
- Metadata List Generation**, which complements the Report Wizard and enables you to create drop down lists of the various components so that you can change the report results based on changing the drop down list
- Workbook Update Scheduler**, a wizard to create a windows scheduled task to open any Excel workbook and update the results from a specified CF system.

- Workbook Auditing**, which generates an audit report from CF workbooks in Excel
- Error Checking within Functions** inside an Excel workbook, which identifies all CF functions that are in error.

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