

Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3

➔ Why should you consider Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3? Because it delivers added value to enterprising companies.

Be enterprising.

With thousands of implementations in more than 190 countries, Infor FMS SunSystems is a proven, customer-driven solution that meets the full range of the CFO's traditional and expanded business responsibilities today. For years it has provided a powerful, real-time financial transaction processing engine that lets you see the immediate impact of any financial posting—giving you actionable visibility into your business. With release 5.3, our award-winning financial management solution offers even richer functionality through key enhancements that are outlined in this document. If you're considering a move to Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3 from a previous version, take a look at the benefits.

Leverage core functionality.

The core strength of the Infor FMS SunSystems financial modules has always been that they are specifically designed to provide immediate access to all finance and accounting information for fast and effective decision-making. They also are built for the global enterprise, with a fourth currency or dual base currency added to Infor FMS SunSystems v5 to meet the demands of our customers' global business requirements. Infor FMS SunSystems' capabilities in order fulfillment are another distinctive strength, providing the capability to define custom process stages for purchasing, sales, and inventory movements. Much more sophisticated functionality for the costing of inventory through the order fulfillment cycle is also provided—functionality that is among the enhancements you will find in Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3.

See specific benefits.

What's new in Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3? A number of market- and customer-driven enhancements that continue to keep the solution at the forefront of the market have been added to the system.

User interface upgrades

Significant advances to the user interface make Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3 not only more attractive, but also much easier to use. By adopting the most current Microsoft® Windows® controls and icons, the solution now has a more recognizable interface, and daily tasks are easier to undertake. The standard menu access for each user group is complemented by user-defined choices for faster access to favorites, personalized queries and reports, and regular tasks.

Order fulfillment enhancements

The user documentation is refreshed, in particular the introduction of a new *Consultants' Guide to Best Practice for Implementation of Order Fulfilment*. Two wizards have been introduced to assist you with implementing and configuring your implementation of Order Fulfilment:

- *The Business Unit Order Fulfilment Template wizard*—gives you the option to rename and create multiple copies of movement, purchase, and sales types.
- *The Order Fulfilment Copy Data wizard*—allows you to generate one or more copies of a specific static data entry within the same business unit. For example, purchase, sales and movement types, ledger interfaces, items, customers, and suppliers.

A series of online *Order Fulfilment Appreciation and Implementation Guides* have also been introduced. These guides take you through each module, advising how to set up your system to take advantage of the functionality.

Deployment refinements

With each release, Infor strives to further improve the speed and ease of implementation of Infor FMS SunSystems. This release provides refinements of the upgrade process from Infor FMS SunSystems v4, with a new user interface to set up the mapping of data which has changed structurally between these versions—for example, analysis and payment terms.

Fourth currency extensions

Handling of the optional fourth currency value within Financials has been extended to Corporate Allocations and Asset Disposal (process fourth currency values). Handling of corrections in Ledger Entry and Ledger Import also has been modified to accommodate a fourth currency.

Improved authorization workflow

With the increasing focus on internal controls arising from Sarbanes-Oxley and related concerns, authorizations are a key element in providing internal controls within Financials. In order to satisfy customer requirements, we have begun to enhance the application of authorizations in Ledger Entry/Import and the payment process, introducing better workflow for rejected transactions and improving the presentation of this functionality.

Auditability additions

In response to feedback from system audits, including those in line with Sarbanes-Oxley, certain additional data will be captured on ledger transactions, providing a fuller audit trail—by whom and when the transaction was created, posted, and last amended. This will allow multiple events to be captured.

Ledger—second reference option

This enhancement provides a second specific reference field, together with facilities for auto-generation of a reference. It should prove useful for many customers with requirements for specialized transaction numbering, as well as for certain transaction types (such as Payments and Receipts) that have multiple natural references.

Journal reversals/copying tools

Infor FMS SunSystems v5.3 provides for the development of a facility to automate the reversal of selected transactions and selected journals, including Payment Runs. Where errors have occurred, this facility will allocate reversals and their corresponding originals with a user-definable allocation marker, allowing these transactions to be eliminated, where required, from period movement statistics.

Additional features for Chinese/Japanese

There are a number of enhancements in this new release that meet specific market requirements for the Chinese and Japanese markets. These cover reporting, journals reversing, and copying and calculations of Japanese Consumption Tax.

Release feature comparison chart			
Function	Infor FMS SunSystems Version		
	5.1.1	5.2.1	5.3.1
Foundation			
Intuitive customizable Windows® user interface	■	■	■
Role-based Windows Explorer® style navigation manager	■	■	■
Role/user-based Outlook® style navigator environment			■
Custom forms designer and user help	■	■	■
User/role-based filters and control desk	■	■	■
Filters and control desks	■	■	■
Dynamic query manager			■
Transfer manager console for effective integration of data			■
Process manager for validation and control of activity	■	■	■
Multiple languages	■	■	■
Dual base-currency (three currencies)	■	■	■
Fourth currency		■	■
Integrated report management /distribution environment		■	■
Global security infrastructure			■
Financials only implementation capabilities		■	■
Multiple server and database configuration support		■	■
Microsoft SQL-Server™ 2005 RDBMS support			■
Oracle® 10g RDBMS support			■
Financials			
Single integrated ledger, combining attributes and functionality of nominal, sales and purchase ledgers, cash book and analytical/project ledger	■	■	■
Integrated debtor management		■	■
Multi-currency asset register		■	■
Corporate allocations including support for inter-company processing	■	■	■
Vision budget management	■	■	■
Integration with budgeting and forecasting providing sophisticated planning capabilities including "what-if scenarios"		■	■
Order Fulfilment			
Flexible sales order entry and processing	■	■	■
Bill of materials and sales kitting		■	■
Comprehensive customer management	■	■	■
Sophisticated pricing management	■	■	■
Integrated credit management controls	■	■	■
Flexible purchase order entry and processing	■	■	■
Enhanced purchase three-way matching		■	■
Supplier management	■	■	■
Inventory movement management	■	■	■
Comprehensive inventory processes and allocation	■	■	■
Inventory count /stock-take management		■	■
Multiple costing methods	■	■	■

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