





SunSystems exfm - Extended Financial Management

A unique combination of financial management, reporting and performance management applications that enable the finance function to better manage, understand and improve the business

CHALLENGES FOR CFOS

The finance function is under great pressure to respond to the new era of corporate accountability. International Financial Reporting Standards, Sarbanes-Oxley and other governance requirements demand greater transparency and visibility of business information. This means that finance and operational data must be made available to the stakeholders of the business in a timely and consistent manner. However, this is not easy. Many companies do not have systems that can report effectively across the enterprise and they find combining financial and non-financial data very difficult.

At the same time, CFOs are taking a more proactive role in driving the business forward as finance is now focusing on understanding and predicting performance, rather than just analyzing the numbers. CFOs also need to increase the efficiency of finance processes and systems by implementing solutions that leverage investments in existing systems.

In summary, CFOs face the challenge of improving both the efficiency of their financial management and reporting processes whilst at the same time maximizing the effectiveness of their corporate performance activities.

SUNSYSTEMS exfm HELPS CFOs DELIVER

SunSystems exfm is a unique solution to these challenges. It is the only integrated solution that combines flexible transaction processing applications with real-time analysis, extensive reporting and powerful budgeting and forecasting capabilities. exfm provides a web-based environment to distribute information and functionality to all stakeholders via the Internet. Furthermore, it is an extensible solution that can be integrated with existing third-party applications to provide an enterprise-wide solution at a low cost of ownership.

SunSystems Financials

- Integrated financial applications with a realtime unified ledger architecture
- Highly flexible analysis capabilities that respond easily to changing business needs

SunSystems Vision

- Real time ad hoc query and analysis
- User-driven financial and management reporting
- Integrated with familiar desktop tools

SunSystems Budgeting

- Standardizes and manages budgeting and planning processes
- "What if" forecasting to predict likely outcomes of changing business conditions

SunSystems Application Portal

- Role-based personalized access via the Internet

SUNSYSTEMS exfm BENEFITS

SunSystems exfm helps CFOs meet a number of critical business challenges. From regulatory compliance and efficient financial management, to effective planning and forecasting, the SunSystems ExFM solution can make a real difference to your business.

SunSystems exfm:

Improves visibility and transparency of data, to address corporate governance demands:

- Real time reporting and analysis means that users and stakeholders can better understand how the business is performing
- exfm is an extensible solution that can integrate finance and operational data to provide consistent and accurate reporting across the enterprise

Empowers the finance function to add value to the business:

- Performance management integrated with operational finance applications offers finance a unique opportunity to shift its focus from transaction processing to decision support
- Improves decision-making through ability to predict impact of changes in business conditions and strategy

Improves efficiency and the effectiveness of finance processes:

- Significantly reduces budget cycle times by providing a single, integrated budgeting and forecasting environment
- Provides an integrated, consistent and auditable solution for reporting and budgeting

EXTENDING EXFM TO BEYOND THE FINANCE FUNCTION

Integrate and streamline your procurement processes

exfm procurement is part of the SunSystems exfm product suite, it provides a web-based shopping system that enables your employees to

create, manage and track their own orders while the purchasing department retains central control. This helps to ensure that policies and contracts are adhered to whilst minimising 'maverick purchasing'.

Integrated workflow enables better service and aids to eliminate the paper chain commonly associated with purchasing cycles.

Track & improve productivity of your resources

exfm productivity is part of the SunSystems exfm product suite, it provides a web-based system that ensures complete visibility and control over your employee's productivity from understanding work in progress through to maximising their utilisation of time.

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

SunSystems exfm is the only integrated financial management, reporting and performance management solution that is developed, sold and supported by a single vendor backed by a global distribution network. This means that the applications are designed to work together, removing the cost and complexity of integrating disparate applications.

Designed with ease of use and implementation in mind, SunSystems exfm has been built specifically for mid-market companies. User-driven reporting and integration with familiar desktop tools deliver a solution with a low total cost of ownership.

SunSystems exfm leverages the underlying flexibility of SunSystems Financials, meaning that it can be managed by the finance function, reducing the IT overheads. Changes in business and reporting structures can be implemented by finance personnel in the underlying financial management system and these flow through to the reporting and performance management applications without the need for programming or specific IT skills.

To find out more about how SunSystems exfm could assist your organization visit our web site at **www.systemsunion.com** or contact your nearest SunSystems provider.



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