

R/3 SYSTEM

As markets become ever more global and business structures ever more complex, the need for medium and long-term planning, management, and control of revenues and expenditures is gaining in importance. However, help is at hand, in the form of the TR-FM System from SAP® - a self-sufficient tool which supports your funds management process from planning all the way through to payments.

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PRODUCTOVERVIEW...

TR-FM FUNDS MANAGEMENT

COMPLETE BUDGET CONTROL - FROM BUDGETING TO THE FUNDS UTILIZATION HISTORY

LOCAL BUDGETING FOR ALL YOUR COMPANIES

reat yourself to controlling instrumentation which handles all your revenues and expenditures. The budgeting tools in TR-FM put you in control. Budgets are entered in financial management areas (FM areas) which can cover as many company codes as you require. Funds centers and their hierarchical structure, which you define, provide a firm base for top-down budgeting, as well as acting as responsibility areas within budget control. Meanwhile, commitment items split up budgets by functional aspects. Use account assignment items to get the level of detail you need to record commitments, and summary items to pinpoint exactly the level where budget allocation and control take place.

Budgeting in TR-FM offers many useful functions. From preliminary budgeting, through approval and release, to budget supplements, returns, and transfers, you will find support at all stages of the budgeting process. Budget versions make rolling budget planning possible. Copying and adjustment functions make it easy for you to keep your budget in line with changes in conditions. And, with status management and authorization objects, you are free to shape budget processing to meet your specific needs.

FUNDS FOR MANAGING SPECIFIC RESOURCES

If you regularly need to plan funds for specific purposes, the TR-FM system enables you to set up a fund for each of them. You can differentiate between them, according to the application of funds or by origin. With funds, you can create and control budgets with freely definable planning horizons. You distribute the overall budget to the relevant fiscal years. Funds commitments assigned to these funds can be monitored globally or by fiscal year.

INTEGRATION IS THE THING!

TR-FM is an integral part of the R/3 System, bringing you up-to-the-minute information on funds commitments resulting from purchase orders and release orders (MM System). Accounting transactions are recorded in TR-FM in the same way, so that you can keep track of down payments, invoices, bank clearing transactions, and so on, all the

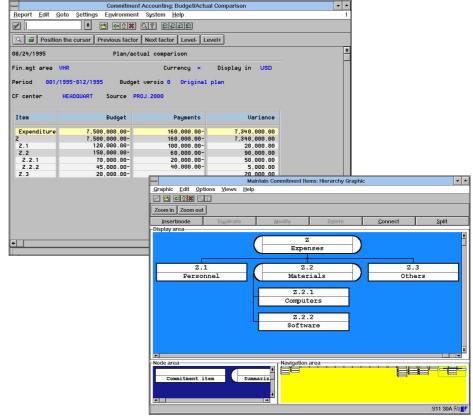


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way through to payment clearing. A commitment management facility enables you to keep tabs on your various funds commitments and to determine how much of your budget you have used, by means of a budget/actual comparison. If you assign any documents to CO objects (such as cost centers, orders, or projects), you can use TR-FM to see how much has been assigned to each of them. And you can obtain information on current assets, as all purchase orders for stock items are recorded in TR-FM, as are the resulting invoices and goods receipts.

IT'S ALL IN THE FUNDS UTILIZATION HISTORY

The information system can supply you with information, at any time, on when, where, and how, your funds commitments arose. The analysis by responsibility area and commitment items means that you can quickly identify any points where budget bottlenecks have occurred or may well occur. Use the different summarization levels to pinpoint and analyze the areas which are running out of budget funds. There are specific functions you can use to display and check the original documents. The system sets up a document history for the business transactions connected with purchase orders, so that you can always view complete information on the state of this funds commitment. This enables you, in turn, to compile complete funds utilization histories, differentiated according to various characteristics. The information system includes a range of comparison reports (plan/plan, plan/actual/commitment) covering one or more fiscal years, and giving you an overview of your business activities. Most important of all, a comparison of revenues expected and received against payments and payment obligations under-



taken, means that you can keep a check on the medium-and long-term liquidity of your company.

IS-PS - WITH THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN MIND

IS-PS is an enhancement to the TR-FM product which is specifically intended for use in the public sector. It is an "industry solution" which includes a workflow-supported budget parking facility, enabling you to go through the various authorization levels. Another facility permits you to enter additional types of funds commitments. You can use active availability control to prevent budget overruns and there are also functions specifically designed to provide a smooth link between fiscal and commercial accounting. And the solution offers a wide range of flexible functions

for simulating and executing the fiscal year change.

TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICE

R/3 software is based on Client/Server Architecture. R/3 is designed as an open system for use on operating systems from a variety of vendors. Along with the software, SAP offers you a complete spectrum of services: professional consulting in organizational and technical issues ranging from project planning to system implementation, qualified staff training, and 24-hour hotline support.

SAP's quality management system for software development meets the international ISO 9001 standards.

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