

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE / CREDITORS: Overview

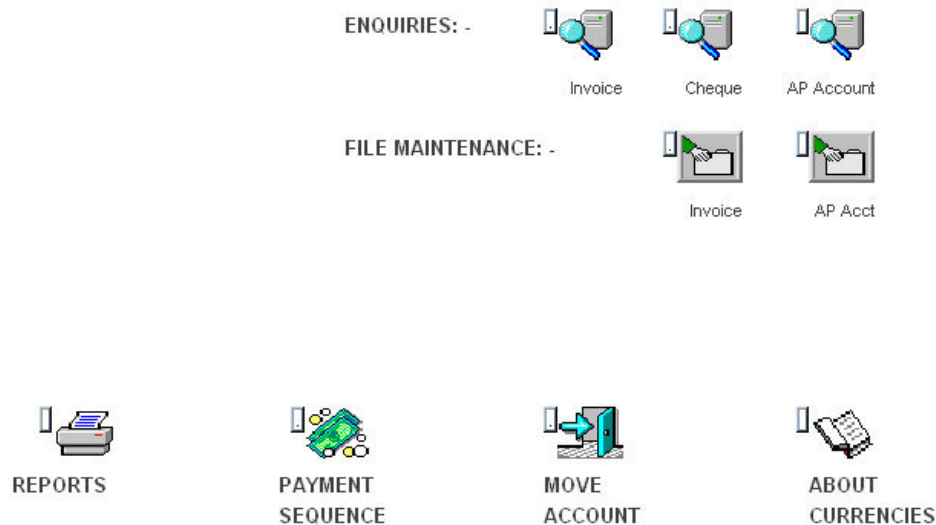
Introduction

Every Business sources Goods and / or Services from Suppliers, whether for internal consumption, manufacture, resale or all of these, and this is the so-called Supply Chain. The business transactions between the Enterprise and it's Suppliers are managed with an instrument called AP (Accounts Payable / Creditors).

The AP function in IES Business is seamlessly integrated to the rest of the IES Business System. This means that events outside the AP Module can and do update and affect AP Accounts in real-time.


In this Document, we will present a brief overview of the AP system, and offer a graphical representation of how AP is affected by events immediately outside of AP, but connected through IES Business.

The main functions INSIDE AP



Inside the AP Module, we have a main entry point that includes the functions shown above. There are Enquiry options for Invoices, Cheques and AP Accounts, and File Maintenance options for Invoices and AP Accounts. The seamless integration of functions (everything being well connected) in IES makes it possible for these options to be deliberately presented in simplistic fashion here, and this makes it very easy for Users to understand 'where to go', but inside these options, especially the AP ACCT options, there are many functions that lead to other functionality in AP. For example, from an AP Account master record, one can drill into the Invoices, Matching, Payments, Open Items, Purchase Orders, Transactions, CRM and various other functions, reports and views of the Account.

The 'Reports' option on the main screen lists the various standard Report options when this option is chosen, whereas the Payment Sequence option leads into the sophisticated but simplistically presented Payment options. The 'Move Account'

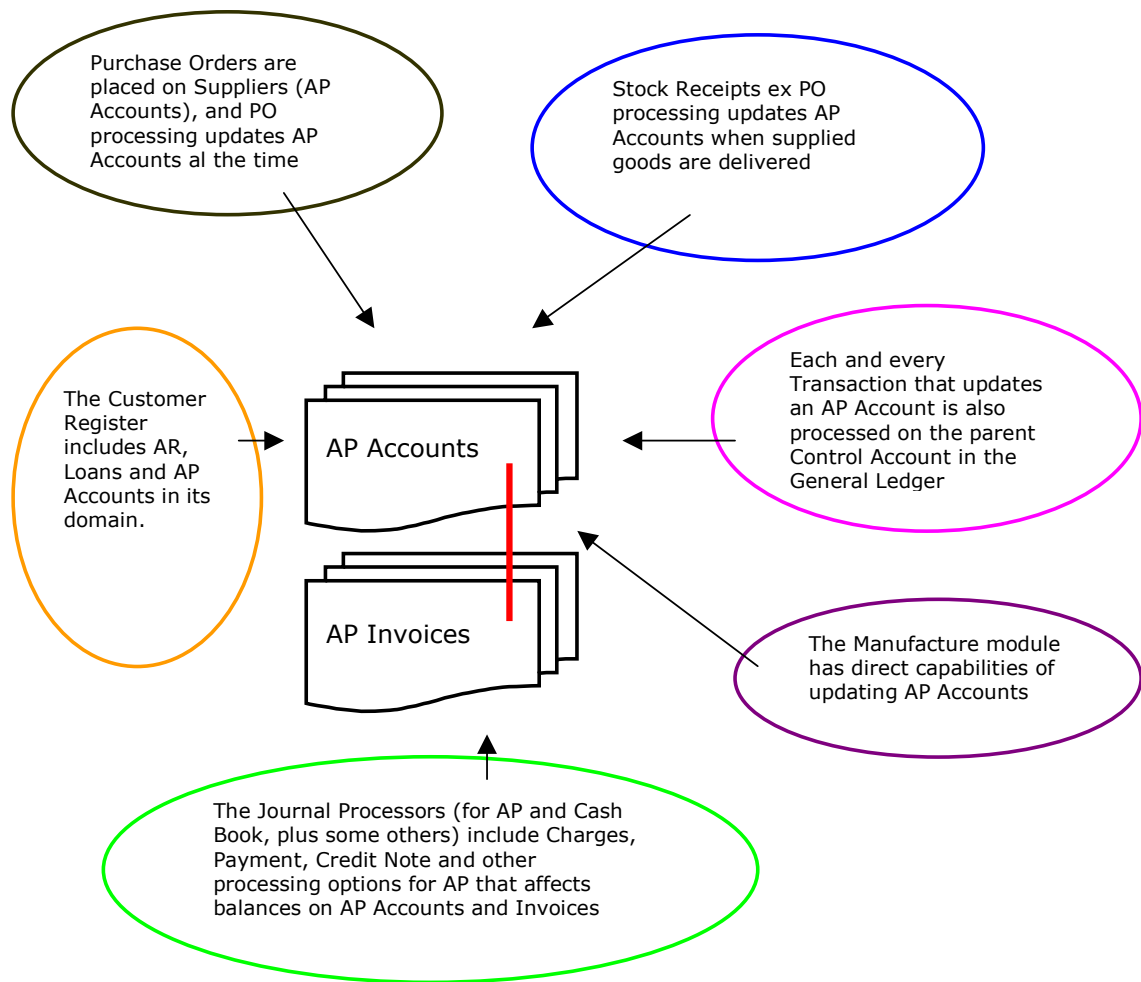
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option is provided for moving AP Accounts between different sub ledgers, and the 'About Currencies' option provides useful insight into the managing of AP Accounts managed in linked Currencies, i.e. other than the local Currency.

However, though the above makes it very easy to navigate to functions in the AP module, there are further options in addition, which affect AP, but which are accessed from other menus. For example, in the Customer Register module there are options for defining Ratings, Categories and Groups that may be linked into AP Accounts, while the Journal Processing Module provides numerous AP Journal types, and even the Cash Book section of the Journals have some AP linked Journal options. Furthermore, the entire Procurement (Purchasing) cycle deals with AP Accounts all the time, since Purchase Orders are always placed on Suppliers, who are represented by AP Accounts in AP.

Graphical representation of AP integration in IES Business



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User Manuals for AP

The following User Manuals are currently listed for AP: -

- Overview (this Document)
- Account Management
- Payment Sequence
- Matching
- Invoices
- Journals

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