Oracle’s User Productivity Kit (UPK) is a collaborative content development platform that drives end-user and project team productivity throughout all phases of the software ownership lifecycle. UPK pre-built application specific content provides significant additional benefit beyond the UPK Developer for enterprises deploying Oracle Enterprise Performance Management System applications.

**UPK Application Content: “As Delivered” System Process References**

The value of UPK pre-built application content starts from the premise that implementation project teams can save substantial time and labor by leveraging UPK application content as baseline reference system process flows first and then iterating to capture specific business process requirements. The savings can be substantial – project team resources typically dedicated to the preparation of system test data, storyboarding, and process standardization can be greatly reduced.

**Mirrors Oracle Application Development Methodology**

Key to the value of UPK application specific content is the fact that it is authored in tight collaboration with the actual developers who wrote the code, thus creating content which accurately reflects industry best practices with detailed conceptual information.

**Delivering Value Throughout the Software Lifecycle**

The value of UPK application content has relevance in many phases common to software implementation projects. For example, early on in the project lifecycle, UPK play back capabilities allow implementation leads to educate themselves on the delivered system process flows (vanilla functionality) of the new application without having to actually configure a “sand-box” environment, mitigating costs associated with labor and hardware and reducing the new functionality “learning curve.”

UPK application specific content created by Oracle is released in English and updated with each major release of the application, documenting best practices for that release to help organizations achieve faster ROI and manage knowledge more efficiently and effectively.
Eliminate Dedicated Instances To Analyze Delivered Functionality

Once the delivered functionality and process flows of the new application are understood, the project team can use the UPK content as an aid to do the fit-gap analysis. For this phase of the project lifecycle, the functional expert visually moves through a UPK simulation – leveraging the application specific content – while noting in the test document the configuration and/or customizations necessary to achieve the desired business outcome.

Customizing Pre-Built Content

Over the course of an implementation or upgrade, the UPK pre-built content can evolve until it mirrors the final deployed application. The existing pre-built content can easily be modified using the UPK Developer to capture the configuration changes or steps in the new process. UPK’s re-record feature also enables a guided recapture of screens and steps in the application so your UPK content reflects the final state of your application.

Use the UPK Developer to easily customize the content to match your organization’s needs. The UPK Content products contain the following sections:

Hyperion Financial Management Plus
Navigating Workspace
Navigating Financial Management
Entering Data in Data Grids
Loading Data
Entering Data in Data Forms
Adjusting Data with Journals
Processing and Reporting on Journals
Eliminating Intercompany Balances
Managing Intercompany Transactions
Running Consolidations
Managing the Review Cycle Through Process Management
Synchronizing Data
Automating Tasks
Analyzing Data with Smart View
Entering Data by Using Data Forms in Smart View
Navigating Reports in Workspace
Navigating Reports in Reporting Studio
Creating Basic Reports
Formatting Cells and Grids
Creating Report Objects
Adding Text Functions
Creating Books with Mixed Content

**Hyperion Planning Plus**
Navigating Workspace
Navigating in Planning
Creating Data Forms and Folders
Customizing Data Forms
Entering Data in Planning
Entering Data in Smart View
Analyzing Data with Smart View
Managing the Approval Process in Smart View
Managing Business Rules
Launching Business Rules
Creating Business Rules from Templates
Managing the Approval Process
Creating Task Lists
Synchronizing Data
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