Account reconciliation in Oracle Cloud EPM

Account Reconciliation is a purpose-built business process available in the Oracle Fusion Cloud EPM designed to manage the global reconciliation process. It provides real-time visibility into the performance of reconciliations, ensuring that all reconciliations prepared are properly qualified. It also helps companies streamline and optimize performance by automating certain reconciliation tasks, including high volume transactional reconciliations and variance analysis. Account Reconciliation includes two modules: Reconciliation Compliance and Transaction Matching.

Reconciliation Compliance

Reconciliation Compliance manages the tracking and performance of reconciliations. With Reconciliation Compliance, organizations ensure accounts are properly reconciled using the correct format and containing thorough and complete justifications. Approval workflow captures evidence of sign-off and email notifications keep the entire team on track. The integrated document repository secures access to supporting documentation, providing global auditability and access while ensuring reconciliations are never lost or misplaced. The Reconciliation Compliance risk-based preventive control structure ensures organizations can optimize workflow without sacrificing quality.

Compliance dashboard helps monitor how the company is doing based on defined processes and deadlines

Key business benefits

- Efficiently manage and improve global account reconciliation by exploiting automation and comprehensively addressing security and risk typically associated with the process
- Improved finance staff efficiencies through automation of key reconciliation functions
- Reduced frequency of reconciliation without compromising accuracy or increasing risk
- Collaboration assists getting reconciliations done quickly and accurately
- Clear responsibilities and timescales
- Shrink the time it takes for the financial close
- Trust and reliability that the numbers are accurate
- No need to change existing systems
- Peace of mind that important, confidential data is only visible to authorized users
Auto-reconciliations

Most organizations process thousands of reconciliations per year. Often times a percentage of these reconciliations are zero balance, low threshold or other minor risk types which could easily be done by the system instead of manually. Account Reconciliation provides the ability for customers to define their own automatic reconciliation rules and have the system process these at the beginning of the cycle. The efficiency, and accuracy, gain of leveraging this feature in the system can be quite significant for most customers.

Prebuilt reports are available for a variety of reporting needs.

Flexible formats

Formats are a key component of the reconciliation process. Each organization has a different strategy for how many and how detailed their formats need to be based on their goals. Account Reconciliation offers prebuilt formats but also includes the ability for customers to build custom formats based on their internal needs and business practices.

Whether you want to leverage best practice prebuilt formats or go with custom developed ones is a business choice that the software supports out of the box. This flexibility is also key for growing organizations that can leverage the software to evolve their processes.

Pre-built dashboards for monitoring status, aging, performance metrics, and compliance metrics.

Reconciliation Compliance key features

- Balance integration using with a variety of ERP systems
- Mapping features to summarize low-level balances to the level appropriate for reconciliation
- Configurable auto reconciliation rules based on user-defined filters
- Easy to use features for maintaining reconciliation assignments, including mass update and import capabilities
- Configurable frequencies and unlimited levels of approval
- Flexible formats adaptable to each type of account
- Powerful filtering and reporting capabilities
**Reporting/analytics**

There are two key aspects to the reconciliation cycle – operational and compliance. The operational aspect is about how the process is working, are reconciliations getting done, what is the aging, etc. The compliance aspect focuses more on how the organization is doing versus policies and procedures. It allows you to analyze the quality of the process not just the quantity. Account Reconciliation provides out of the box dashboards that focus on both areas. The dashboards enable process monitoring, immediate action on errors and delays and process analysis to evaluate and improve close-cycle effectiveness.

**Variance analysis**

Built into the Reconciliation Compliance process, the Variance/Flux Analysis process can be automated to assist with identifying outliers and require explanations, if needed, on unexpected balance changes period over period. The process can be configured for any variance period your organization required/s, for example month over month, month over quarter, month over year, etc. Account movement that is within expected range can be automatically certified, while outliers require explanations and adjusting journal entries if needed. Workflow can also be applied if additional sign-off from another team member is required.

**Transaction Matching**

Transaction Matching automates performance of transaction intensive reconciliations, supporting balance comparison reconciliations processes like intercompany, subledger, and bank reconciliations, as well as single source reconciliations like high volume accrual and suspense accounts. The matching process begins with the import of transactions, followed by the execution of the auto match process, confirmation of suggested matches, and creation of manual matches. Periodically, according to business needs, reconciliations are automatically created based on the transactions, providing the evidence needed to satisfy reconciliation compliance.

**Transaction Matching key features**

- Unlimited data sources and unlimited attributes per data source can be defined to support the most complex reconciliation your organizations has
- Auto match engine capable of matching more than a million transactions a minute
- User friendly interactive matching for confirming suggested matches and creating manual matches
- Flexible matching rules supporting 1 to 1, 1 to many, many to 1, and many to many rule types
- Robust data enrichment and normalization functions improve match success rate
- Automated adjustment and journal entry creation based on variance values
- Fully integrated into period-end reconciliation in order to provide evidence of reconciliation at a point in time and satisfy compliance requirements

Match rules are defined by Administrators for each Match Type and can take advantage of calculated attributes optimized for performance.
These attributes are created using functions designed to normalize or enrich the original data and provide significant value through higher auto match rates.

Interactive matching supports confirmation of suggested matches or creation of manual matches

Reconciliation summary for monitoring progress within reconciliations

**Oracle Fusion Cloud EPM**

Oracle Fusion Cloud EPM is the only complete and connected EPM solution delivering the agility you need to outperform in today’s constantly evolving business landscape.

**Related EPM business processes**

Oracle Fusion Cloud EPM provides the following capabilities:

- Narrative Reporting
- Financial Consolidation and Close
- Account Reconciliation
- Planning
- Profitability and Cost Management
- Tax Reporting
- Enterprise Data Management

**Other related solutions**

- Oracle Fusion Cloud ERP
- Oracle Fusion Cloud SCM
- Oracle Fusion Cloud HCM
- Oracle Fusion Cloud CX