

The most comprehensive & flexible configuration management software available for the E-Business Suite

### **ConfigSnapshot Overview**

#### Managing E-Business Suite Setup and Configuration

Effective management of Oracle E-Business Suite setup is essential. Whether implementing or extending applications, performing support or undertaking patching and upgrades, organisations must ensure work can be done efficiently, accurately and with minimum risk — while maximising the benefit to the business.

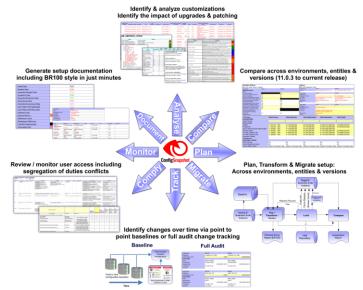
The complexity of the Oracle E-Business Suite, from both functional and technical perspectives, makes this a time consuming and costly process – and one that is highly prone to human error.

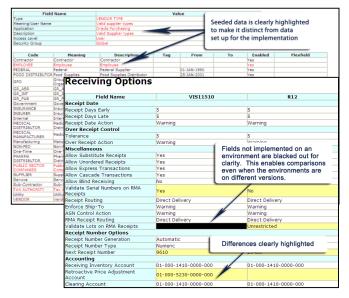
Too often we hear phrases such as "It works on the test environment" or "It worked two weeks ago" - usually heralding a "needle-in-a-haystack" hunt to work out either what is different between two environments or what has changed since a process last worked successfully.

As organisations implement functionality it is critical that the setup to support it is correctly managed across multiple environments.

Organisations have increasing requirements to better control setup; to ensure both access to data is properly secured and that any changes to setup have been properly authorised.

ConfigSnapshot has been developed to address exactly these types of problems. It is an easy to use application that dramatically reduces the time required for such tasks, increasing their accuracy and minimising the risks normally associated with them.





#### Features include

- Automatically create setup documentation flexible formats and content including BR100 style
- Migrate setup from one instance / entity to othersextract > transform / plan (even across different versions of the E-Business Suite) > load > compare
- Directly compare multiple environments, showing all fields or a summary of the differences
- Compare operating units, sets of books etc. within an environment and across environments
- Compare setup across different versions of the E-Business Suite when upgrading / reimplementing
- Identify and analyse customizations to determine impact and remediation during an upgrade / patching
- Patch impact analysis prioritise testing on areas directly affect via patching
- Create date stamped copies of setup (baselines) enabling historic reporting and comparison over time
- Full audit change tracking
- Differentiate implementation and seeded data
- Segregation of Duties conflict reporting
- Present complex data in simple context-based reports simplifying system administration
- Multiple reporting formats including HTML, Word, Excel, XML as well as interactive screen-based
- Extend capabilities across any data areas

#### **Availability**

ConfigSnapshot covers over 130 Oracle E-Business Suite modules and is available for Release 12, 11i and 11.0.3.





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#### **Benefits For Functional Resources**

#### Implementing / Extending Modules

- Eliminate the need to manually maintain detailed setup documentation
- Plan configurations prior to entering into the E-Business Suite
- Automatically generate BR100 documents
- Ensure documentation is free from error
- Use baselines to capture setups at key points during the project to better control each stage
- o Audit setup to ensure it is complete / correct
- Reduce document management time by > 90%; focus on delivering the optimum solution - rather than on administrative tasks
- Compare planned setup with the environment
- Manage setup between environments
- Documented setup information is known to be accurate – no need to manually recheck
- Analyse setup on a source environment to identify exactly what should be configured
- Integrate directly with tools such as DataLoad to help automate migration
- Check setup has been correctly configured by comparing source and target environments
- · Keep multiple environments synchronised
- Regularly run comparisons across environments ensuring modifications are correctly applied
- Help resolve issues that arise
- Quickly report on areas related to the issue
- Identify changes that might cause the issue
- Concentrate on determining the cause of the issue and fixing it – not just gathering data
- Roll out across operating units / sets of books etc.
- Quickly plan setups based on existing entities
- Ensure new entity is configured as planned
- Check any differences are as expected due to local requirements
- Better target testing across multiple entities

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ACCOUNTING					
Future Periods	4	4	4	2	
GL Accounts					
Liability	11.401100000	01-1600-000-000	04.2210.000.000	01-000-2210-0000-000	
Prepayment	11.409100000	01-1310-000-000	04.1340.000.000	01-000-1340-0000-000	
Future Dated Payment / Bills Pay	/able 11.403000000	01-1600-000-000	04.2210.000.000	01-000-2580-0000-000	
Discount Taken	11.661600000	01-3730-000-000	04.7825.000.000	01-740-7825-0000-000	
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Expenses Clearing					
Miscellaneous					
Retainage					
SUPPLIER - ENTRY					
RFQ Only Site	No	No	No	No	
Hold Unmatched Invoices	No	No	No	No	
Invoice Match Option	Match to Purchase Order				
Supplier Number					
Number Entry	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic	
Number Type	Alphanumeric	Alphanumeric	Numeric	Numeric	

### Supporting the E-Business Suite

- Simplify resolving issues
- View setups via reports or interactive forms
- Identify and resolve issues more effectively
- Compare setup against environments or entities where the issue does not occur
- Identify changes that may have caused the issue
- Improve system management / administration
- Create regular configuration baselines to audit changes over time; ensure they were authorised
- Implement tighter control on application security areas including user access, function accessibility, report accessibility, segregation of duties reporting etc.
- Quickly create reusable reports to assist with system management – without coding; ensure policies are enforced, look for exceptions etc.



#### **Upgrading / Patching**

- Identify any setup affected by the upgrade / patch
- Identify any existing setup changed
- Identify new seed data introduced to better assess the impact on business processes
- Identify components (forms, functions, workflows etc.) affected by the patch
- o Focus testing on modified areas
- Minimise unnecessary testing
- Reduce risk of missing affected components
- Ensure all setup steps are accurately repeated during each iteration of the process
- Identify steps previously completed but not documented
- Check steps completed correctly as planned





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#### **Benefits For Technical Resources**

ConfigSnapshot supports technical development of extensions to the Oracle E-Business Suite in several ways, including:

- Automatically provide a "Technical Reference Manual" for bespoke database objects, including:
- Tables
- Views
- Indexes
- o Packages
- Triggers
- Document application setup steps required to support bespoke extensions, including:
- Concurrent Programs
- Executables
- o Forms
- o Functions
- Menus
- Request Groups
- Request Sets
- Value Sets
- · Document other technical setup areas, including:
- Payroll fast formulae
- Alert definitions

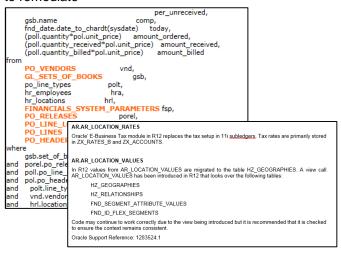
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Date To	31-DEC-4712
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- Workflows
- Reduce development time by simplifying understanding of existing workflows
- Document customisations
- Document / compare personalisations
- Common Framework Personalisation
- Forms Personalisation
- o HTML Personalisation

- Report on file system components
- Review contents of files
- Compare files contents across environments; ensure they have been migrated correctly
- Identify files missing from any environment
- Create backup versions of technical setup in case previous details need to be reapplied
- Help check that extensions have been completed according to standards
- Ensure components are configured correctly across all environments
- Assess the impact of upgrades / patches
- Identify customisations
- Identify changes to standard Oracle technical components that may impact custom versions
- Impact analysis of customisation due to upgrade



 Highlights affected objects in custom code and how to remediate







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### **Benefits For Database Administrators**

ConfigSnapshot provides support for database administration of Oracle E-Business Suite in several ways, including:

- Documentation for key database settings, including
- Database objects
- Database parameters
- SP File parameters
- Database registry
- Tablespaces
- Undo / Rollback segments
- NLS parameters
- Database files

Name	Туре	Value	Description	Value Value	Session Modifiable	System Modifiable	Modified	Adjusted	Comment
O7_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY	1	FALSE	Version 7 Dictionary Accessibility Support	Yes	No	No	No	No	
_b_tree_bitmap_plans	1	FALSE	enable the use of bitmap plans for tables w. only B- tree indexes	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No		Required 11i setting
_fast_full_scan_enabled	1	FALSE	enable/disable index fast full scan	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No	No	
_index_join_enabled	1	FALSE	enable the use of index joins	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No		Required 11i setting
_like_with_bind_as_equality	1	TRUE	treat LIKE predicate with bind as an equality predicate	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No	No	
_sort_elimination_cost_ratio	3	s	cost ratio for sort eimination under first rows mode	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No	No	
_sqlexec_progression_cost	3	2147483647	sql execution progression monitoring cost threshold	No	Yes	IMMEDIATE	No	No	
_system_trig_enabled	1	TRUE	are system triggers enabled	No	No	IMMEDIATE	No	No	
_trace_files_public	1	TRUE	Create publicly accessible trace files	No	No	No	No	No	
active_instance_count	3		number of active instances in the cluster database	Yes	No	No	No	No	

- Documentation for E-Business Suite setup, including
- Concurrent manager definition
- o Printers
- o Print styles
- o Printer drivers
- Workflow setups
- Profile options
- Review / document contents of key system files, including:
- Environment files
- o DBC files
- Comparison of setup across Oracle E-Business Suite environments to ensure setup is consistent / appropriate for each environment

- Comparison across historic versions of Oracle E-Business Suite environments to identify when changes have been made
- · Improve patch management
- Pre & post patch impact analysis
- Check patches applied to an environment
- Compare patches across multiple environments
- Determine timing statistics for patch application
- Understand the impact of patches by identifying all components affected
- Determine whether patches have affected components in the same way during multiple iterations of the patch application
- Understand which patches have affected a particular component

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Patch Type	PATCH-SET						
Original Bug Number	3460000						
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Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Benefits	forms/US	BENELPRO.fmb	115.101	115.97	Maintain Eligibility Profiles
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Benefits	forms/US	BENENFEB.fmb	115.128	115.127	Non-Flex Program Enrollment
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Benefits	forms/US	BENLEVES.fmb	115.116	115.109	Life Event Reasons
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Benefits	forms/US	BENPLTYP.fmb	115.44	115.42	Maintain Plan Type Definitions
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Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Benefits		BENXCHLG.fmb	115.18	115.16	Change Event Log
	3460000		forms/US	QPXARCHV.fmb		115.12	Archive Pricing Entities
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Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Pricing	forms/US	QPXCURRY.fmb		115.13	Define Multi-Currency Lists
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Pricing	forms/US	QPXEVPHS.fmb			Event Phases
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Pricing	forms/US	QPXPRAII.fmb		115.30	Add Inventory Items
	3460000	Advanced Pricing	forms/US	ORXPROPL finb	115.53.11510.7	115.53	Copy Price List
Application Utilities	3460000	Advanced Pricing	forms/US	OPXPREOR fmh		115.94	Define Pricing Formulas

- Display information in a format to help ensure that installations are done according to standards defined by Oracle and any company standards
- Provide proactive rather than reactive management
- Reduce support time and issue resolution by fast query of setup information – either in reports or via interactive screen-based queries
- Facilitate interaction with Oracle Support by providing key information quickly



## **ConfigSnapshot Free Trial**

Email us at <a href="mailto:info@rookerysoftware.com">info@rookerysoftware.com</a> to take ConfigSnapshot for a test drive against your own environments to explore the power of the product and discover for yourself the benefits it can provide.



### **Free Web Demonstration**

Request a free tailored web demonstration where we can discuss your specific plans and requirements for the E-Business Suite and show you how ConfigSnapshot can assist you.

