# Quick Start Guide - Cash Forecasting (W5)

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# **PURPOSE**

This document is a quick start guide to help users get started with CS Lucas's Cash Forecasting.

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# SECTION 1 BACKGROUND

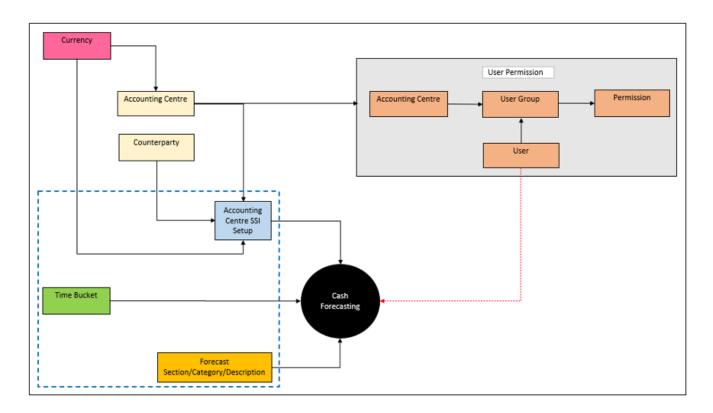
This quick start guide explains the steps required for maintaining forecast in CS

Lucas system.

We strongly recommend you spend a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the content of this quick start guide as it links to more details information as you progress.

We suggest that you navigate around the system and read the context guide for details of use; click on the icon on the top right corner to access help specific to the feature of that page.

#### **SECTION 2 OVERVIEW**



This flow chart illustrates an overview of some pre-requisites set ups and dependencies between the modules in CS Lucas system for a first-time-through set up to use the cash forecasting module.

Each of these modules is explained in section 3 and 4 below.

# **SECTION 3 MASTER DATA SET UP**

# <u>Currency</u>

Purpose: To have a new currency for creating bank account for entity/ accounting centre.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

**Maintaining Currency** 

**Accounting Centre** 

Purpose: To have a new accounting centre for maintaining forecast.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

Maintaining Accounting Centre

To enable/ use the newly created accounting centre in the system, ensure the accounting centre is approved and is assigned to accounting centre group that is tagged to your assigned user access group. Please see below step to assign to accounting centre group.

**Accounting Centre Group** 

Purpose: To facilitate the control of access rights of accounting centres that users can access/view and for reporting purposes.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

Create Accounting Centre Groups and Assign Members

Note: This is required for creating user group.

Counterparty

Purpose: To have a new counterparty for creating bank account.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

**Maintaining Counterparty** 

<u>User Group</u>

Purpose: Define user roles by assigning permissions to user group.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

Maintaining User Groups and Assigning Permissions

Note: There is no pre-defined user roles in the system.

User and Assign User Group

Purpose: To create a new user and assign user group.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

Maintaining Users and Assigned Groups

**Accounting Centre SSI** 

Purpose: To have a bank account for maintaining forecast

Forecast are maintained by SSI/ bank account in the system.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

**Maintaining Accounting Centre SSI** 

Time Bucket

Purpose: To have a time bucket setup for maintaining forecast.

Time bucket is user definable. User can create monthly, weekly, daily or any time bucket structure.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

**Maintaining Time Bucket** 

Forecast Section/Category/Detail

Purpose: To have forecast template for maintaining forecast.

Please check out the following user guides regarding

Maintaining Forecast Section/Category

After the forecast template is set up, each entity/ accounting centre can maintain their own line of forecast details. Please check out the following user guides on

# Maintaining Forecast Detail

#### **SECTION 4 CASH MANAGEMENT**

Pre-requisites: Ensure all the master data in Section 3 are set up before proceeding to maintaining cash forecast.

# **Operational Forecast**

Purpose: The CS Lucas Operational Forecast module is used for maintaining operational cash forecast.

Please check out the following guides regarding

Maintaining operational forecast

Grid

List

Importing operational forecast

**Grid** 

List

**Cut and Paste List of Operational Forecast** 

# **Actual Cash Balance**

Purpose: The CS Lucas Actual Cash Balance module is used for maintaining actual cash and ledger balance.

Actual cash and ledger balance can be manually keyed in or imported into CS Lucas using standard Excel import template. Alternatively, bank statements can also be imported or read automatically into CS Lucas to update actual cash balance if integration to bank is set up.

Please check out the following guides regarding

<u>Updating Cash and Ledger Balance</u> <u>Importing Statements</u>

Cash Activities

Purpose: The CS Lucas Cash Activities module is used for projecting cash by SSI/ bank account or currency over a user definable time horizon. It allows viewing by individual entity or a consolidated group view of all entities. It also supports overlaying of forecast information to have a full visibility of upcoming financial or funding requirements.

Please check out the following guides regarding

**Viewing Cash Activities** 

# **SECTION 5 TIPS AND TRICKS**

# **User Guides**

Click to access user guide on any page in the system. This help icon is at the top right of the page. See <u>Accessing User Guides</u>.

# **Document Handling**

This button launches the document handler pertaining to the page where it is found. See <u>Documents and Notes</u>.

# Saving query parameters

These two buttons are for saving and applying user favourite parameters. <u>Click for guide</u>.

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

# **RELATED INFORMATION**

# **CHANGE HISTORY**

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