

InterCompany+

InterCompany+ takes your business even further, adding advanced features for company integration and overview to your existing InterCompany solution.

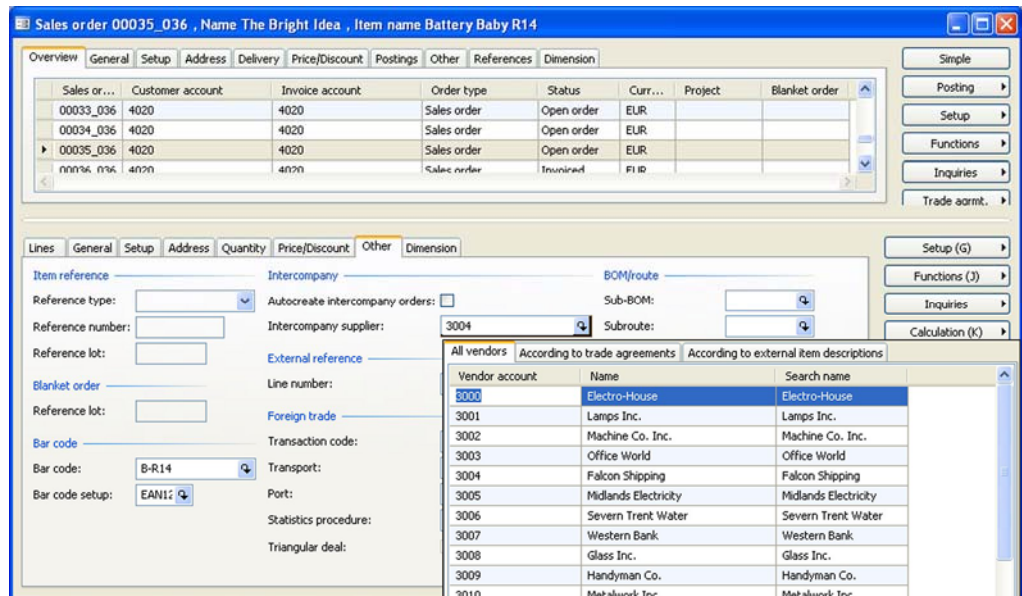
The InterCompany functionality in Dynamics AX 4.0 takes you a huge step further an integrated solution for more companies interacting together in a concern. The InterCompany+ module is adding even more features to this functionality, which gives all employees (or those who are allowed) a complete overview of stock, requirement and Availability To Promise (ATP) in all companies, automatizes a lot of handlings based on parameters, and streamlines procedures in a InterCompany transactions.

InterCompany+ can be configured to different company setups, so it will make logistic and administrative procedures even more lean, than the standard InterCompany module does.

Item description language

If you chose to globalize the Item table in Dynamics AX, and you have companies in different countries using different languages, you might have a problem with the item description. In IC+, you can use the users

language to show the item description in the same language. This is in the item table, on salesorder lines, purchaseorder lines, and so on.



Differentiated IC suppliers

In standard InterCompany in Dynamics AX, you setup the internal supplier (IC-supplier) on the item, and if the item table is globalized, all companies will automatically buy from the same company. Also, if more companies in the group could sell the same item, you can only setup one supplier.

In IC+ you have more possibilities:

You can setup one company as the primary company. In this case you don't have to setup the supplier on all items - all IC purchaseorders will automatically be created on the primary company. This is ideal if you have many sales offices and only one parent / manufacturing company, from where they all buy.

You can setup a IC supplier on the

warehouse. When you type in a warehouse on the sales order line, it will inherit the IC supplier from the warehouse. When you create the IC order, it will automatically create the purchase order on that vendor.

You can change the IC supplier directly on the sales order line. If you f.ex. check the

InterCompany onhand, and discovers, that your normal supplier is not able to deliver in due time, but another company is, then you can change the supplier directly on the line, and the IC order(s) will automatically be created on the supplier(s) on the different lines.

Availability To Promise (ATP)

As the system knows - either from the item or the single line - which IC supplier is expected to deliver the item, we can show the physical available quantity from that particular company, directly on the sales order line.

If nothing is available in any company, IC+ gives you the ability to make an ATP into the

other companies, without first creating an IC-order. In this way, you can immediately - as you have the customer on the phone - confirm a delivery date, even if the item is to be produced in another company. Transportation time between companies are automatically taken into account.

The screenshot shows the Dynamics AX InterCompany+ interface for a sales order. The main window is titled 'Explosion - Sales order: 00035_036'. It features a 'Principle' dropdown set to 'Down' and buttons for 'Transfer futures date', 'Reread', 'Update', and 'Gantt'. Below this is a table with columns: Reference, Number, Require..., Req. qua..., Reques..., Futures..., and W. The first row shows 'Sales order' with number '00035_036' and dates '08-03-2...' and '20-03-2...'. The main area is divided into 'Overview', 'Gantt', 'Action', and 'Critical on-hand inventory' tabs. The 'Overview' tab is active, showing a tree view of the BOM for 'Table Lamp 2500 Red / TBL-2500/Red / 08-03-2007 / 20-03-2007'. The tree includes items like 'Cable 3 mm / RM-Cable/3 / -- / --', 'Pedestal Painted 2000 Red / P-2000/R / 08-03-2007 / 19-03-2007', 'Red Paint / RM-Paint/R / 26-02-2007 / 19-03-2007', 'Lamparm / SP-Lamparm / 26-02-2007 / 19-03-2007', 'Plug / SP-Plug / 26-02-2007 / 19-03-2007', 'Socket 12 mm / SP-Socket/12 / 26-02-2007 / 19-03-2007', 'Lamp Shade Red 30 cm / S-Shade/R30 / 08-03-2007 / 20-03-2007', and 'Metal Plate 1000*1000*1 mm / RM-Metal/1 / -- / --'. On the right side, there are buttons for 'Planned orders' and 'Setup'. At the bottom, there is a table with columns: L, R, Reference, Number, Require..., Reques..., Futures..., Req. qua..., Coverag..., A, and A. The table shows several rows of planned production and purchase orders. For example, the first row shows 'Planned production orders' with number '00060_079' and dates '08-03-2...' and '20-03-2...'. The 'Req. qua...' column shows '1,00' and the 'Coverag...' column shows '1,00'. Other rows show 'On-hand' and 'Planned purchase orders' with various numbers and dates. On the right side of the table, there are buttons for 'Inquiries', 'Inventory', and 'Update line'. At the bottom left, there is a 'Pegging' button.

Synchronization of misc. charges

In standard Dynamics AX InterCompany, you can synchronize misc. charges between the IC-purchase order and the IC sales order (in the two different companies).

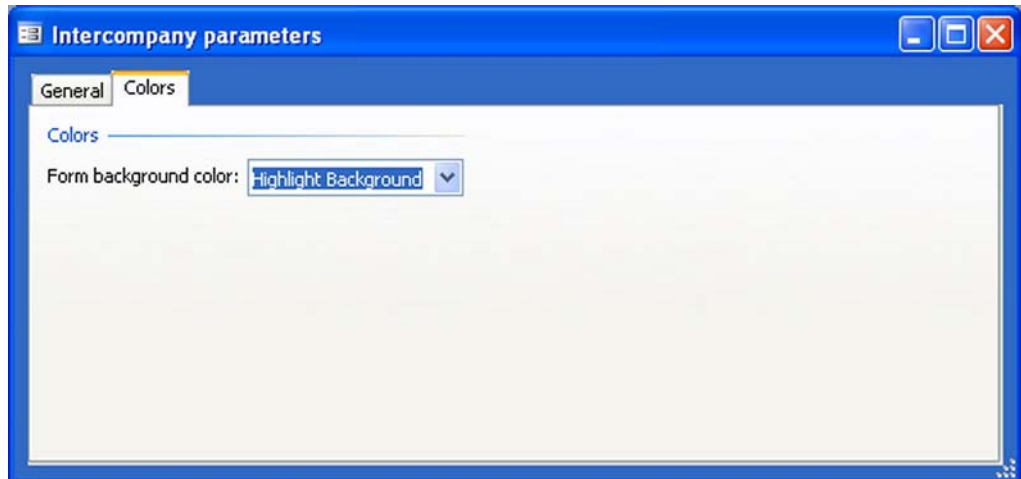
With IC+, you can also synchronize misc. charges between the sales order and purchase order in the same company. This means, that if you f.ex. add a freight charges in the manufacturing company, at you want the end customer to be invoiced the freight, this can be done in IC+.

In combination with the synchronization of prices, this also means, that the price policy can be setup in many ways; is the sales prices determined by trade agreements, is it the sales price from the manufacturing company plus a contribution ratio, or is it the sales price to the end-customer minus a contribution ratio. Here the misc. charges (positive or negative) are used to setup the contribution ratio.

Background colors

If employees are working in more companies on a daily basis, it can be difficult to remember which company you are currently working in. You can of course see it on the company abbreviation, but do you notice it?

In IC+, you can setup different background colours in the different companies, so that you will not be in doubt where you are.



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