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# IFS Enterprise Explorer delivers intuitive use.

**In the early 1990's, the Internet as we know it was just becoming available to a large number of people. The first efforts to share information over the Internet was accomplished by file sharing systems like Gopher that were "searched" using programs like Archie and Veronica.**
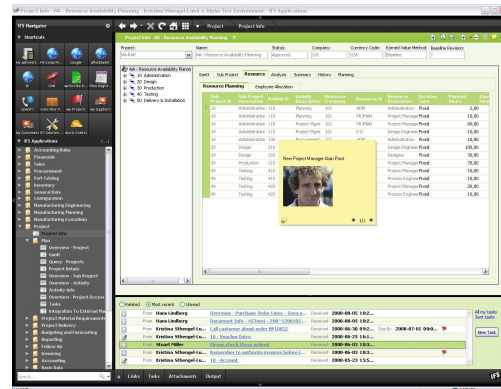
**But the success of the Internet today can be attributed to the availability of simple, intuitive Web Browsers like Microsoft Internet Mosaic, Explorer and Mozilla Firefox that allow users to display and interact with a variety of information -- and to the capabilities of search engines like Alta Vista and Google that allow people to find information through searches of virtually all of the information across the Internet.**

**IFS Enterprise Explorer is doing the same for Enterprise Business Systems that Web browsers and Google did for the Internet.**

The IFS Enterprise Explorer uses navigation features that users of the Web are already familiar with, including intuitive navigation, breadcrumbs, recent screens, shortcuts, favorites and a common display area for content.  Moreover, since people who use an enterprise application use Web browsers every day, the fact that IFS Enterprise Explorer mimics the navigation conventions of a Web browser means little training is needed for new users to begin using IFS Applications with this new, usability-enhanced interface.

Throughout IFS Enterprise Explorer, usability is enhanced through the simple rule that it is easier to recognize than remember. Rather than remembering new navigation conventions, IFS

Enterprise Explorer allows users to find functionality and information just like they do on the Web.



**Enterprise Application Search**
Enterprise Application Search is included in the IFS Enterprise Explorer and is a search engine that provides an easy intuitive way of searching the IFS Application database for information.  What is more, it can be used to navigate directly to the appropriate screen without opening a screen with the navigator and then doing a query.



**Electronic Sticky notes**
What could be more intuitive than adding notes to a document using those yellow sticky notes? IFS Sticky Notes provide an easy intuitive way to attach and share information with people throughout your enterprise regardless of where they are.  IFS Sticky Notes can contain pictures, web links, and text that automatically become part of the specific record they are attached to, and are visible to anyone that opens that record. Multiple Sticky Notes can be attached to a single document, and they can be hidden or deleted once they have served their purpose.

### Conditional formatting beyond Excel

Microsoft Excel introduced conditional formatting of cells to make it easy to spot important information in a spreadsheet.

IFS Conditional Formatting does the same, and is very useful when you want to highlight certain information in an IFS overview screen. Perhaps you want to highlight credit invoices, or supplier invoices exceeding a certain amount or inventory parts where available quantity is below a certain number. You can set up different types of conditions to control text style, row style, text or background color and to combine several formatting rules for one column/screen.
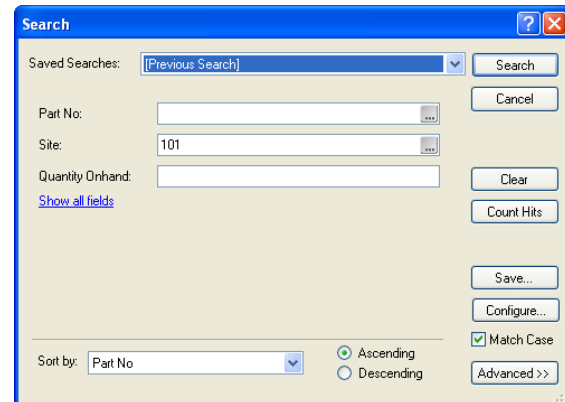


### Search replaces query

IFS Search expands upon the query capabilities in earlier versions.  IFS Search allows for easy configuration of the search function for each screen, including only the fields needed, and also provides simple-to-use sort functions.

### Selections beyond a Query

IFS Selections allow any combination of rows in a screen to be selected and then saved as a selection for quick and easy access at any time.
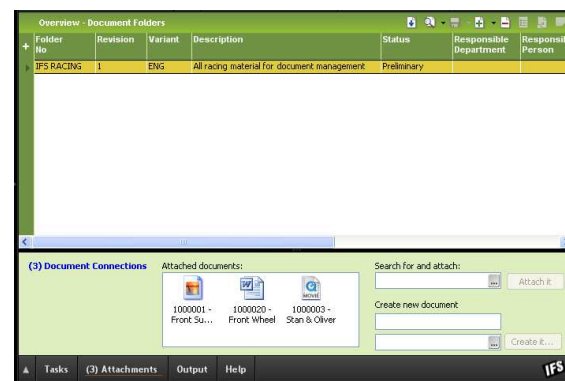
### Task lists make things easy

IFS Task List is your personal to-do list. Your task list contains tasks sent to you by your colleagues and tasks that you have created to remind yourself of different type of actions.  You can create a Task for a colleague and use the Send Information function to forward it to their Task List. Tasks can have priorities and follow-up flags to make it easy to prioritize and group them.



### Document management made easy

IFS Enterprise Explorer also makes it easier to attach and manage documents.  New documents can be added by dragging and dropping in the "Create New Document" filed and clicking "Create it…"  Documents are displayed by an icon and the number of attachments is shown in the bottom context pane.



### Templates and drafts save time

Templates are useful when you want to enter several records with similar information. You can create a Template with information that is common and reuse this when entering a new record. The Templates you create are stored in your user profile.

Use Drafts when you are unable to complete an entry, e.g. you might not know what information to enter in a mandatory field. You can use the Draft later to complete your entry. The Draft will create a task to remind you to complete it later.

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