

IMS INCENTAGE MIDDLEWARE SUITE

Incentage transforms messages into a priceless commodity.

In the fast-paced financial services community, one single message can trigger a huge transaction. It can also cause substantial losses if it fails to reach its destination or leaves room for interpretation. Incentage transforms every message into the individually required format.

The Incentage Middleware Suite controls and channels messages, making sure they arrive at the right destination on time - with maximum STP rates guaranteed.



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Transaction intelligence and information exchange between communities

The issue

Today, dozens of internal applications and hundreds of external systems and entities have to exchange messages in a reliable, scalable and time-critical environment.

- Applications, systems and entities are using a wide variety of standards, formats, protocols and versions. Incompatibility is the standard of the day.
- Messaging is undergoing rapid changes, even where standards exist, such as SWIFT, FIN, XML, ISO20022 etc. New message types, new applications or business entities must be integrated in no time.
- Regulators and market infrastructures require far-reaching changes which have to be adapted quickly and within hard deadlines.
- Messaging solutions have grown historically over time into complex and rigid legacy infrastructures which are lacking any flexibility and manoeuvrability.

Additionally, organisations taking on integration projects are invariably faced with the trade off between the scope and flexibility of a proposed solution and the time and budget available.

The solution

IMS, the Incentage Middleware Suite, is a business-integration solution which increases quality and reduces the risk and time needed to complete integration projects. IMS optimises the creation of integration projects and the operation of these projects through specialised functionality.

IMS is a fully modular Java-based implementation of a high-performance STP solution. Applications can be interconnected using the comprehensive set of adaptors, parsers and builders. Combining these components with the flexible conversion engine means that disparate applications can be integrated easily.

Parsers and builders use data dictionaries to fully support the appropriate standards. In addition, open metadata loaders generate metadata from any other source (e.g. Cobol copy books) and are fully XML driven.

With IMS the creation of conversion logic is a data oriented task that does not require programming expertise. IMS ensures standardisation in integration projects and visualises the logic that is applied within the interfaces.

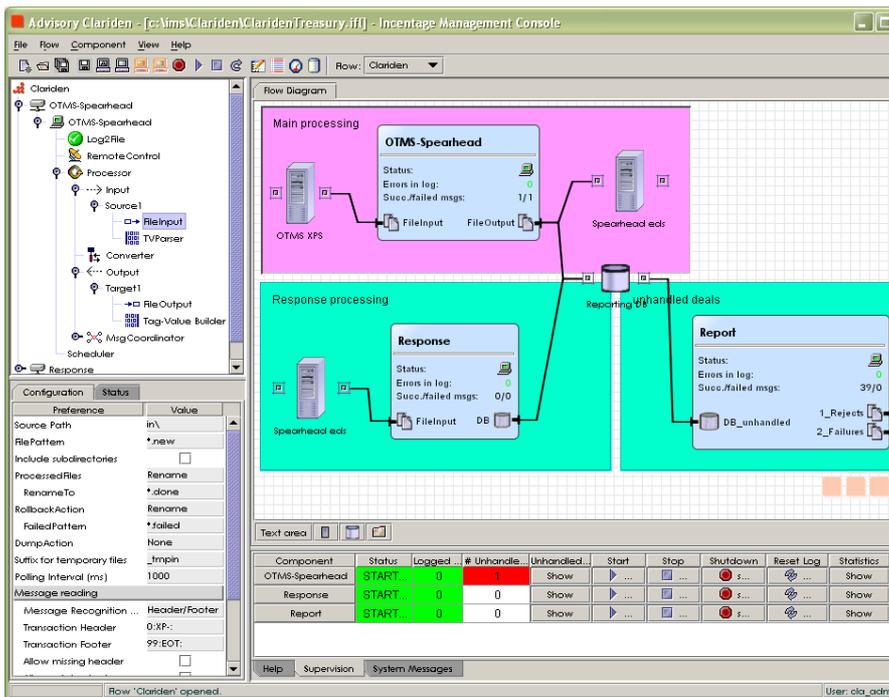


Illustration: Incentage Management Console

The Incentage Management Console combines documentation, configuration and control. Users can specify the modules and the detailed configuration of components of their integration project. Data flows can be documented through the addition of descriptions, explanations and visual icons. IMS enriches this representation of the data flow with statistics and information about the status of all involved components.

Benefits

- Results are achieved within less time: a new message type or a new standard is applied within 24 hours.
- Win back flexibility, achieve quick time-to-market, and get rid of complexity.
- Smile at new requirements, new message types, new regulations and market infrastructures, new standards, new versions, new applications or new business partners.

Welcome to the world of financial messaging!

Incentage is a worldwide leader in messaging solutions for the financial services industry. Over 150 clients on all continents are using Incentage solutions. Incentage has a global network of partners and is a SWIFT Partner.

Incentage offers the following solutions:

- IMS Incentage Middleware Suite
 - The message STP guarantor
- ISB Incentage Service Bus
 - The message orchestrator
- IPC Incentage Process Cockpit
 - The message controller
- SWIFT based solutions powered by Incentage : SWIFTNet E & I, Funds, Accord, Proxy Voting and TSU
 - The SWIFT infrastructure integrator
- Incentage Business Solutions: Capital Bus, Investigation and Message Cockpit
 - The message solution customizer

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- It's easy to understand and to learn: you alone are in control of messaging development and handling.
- No programming or coding expertise is needed and it's therefore people-independent.
- Mitigate messaging risks or, better, establish a valid messaging risk management case.
- Increase data quality, messaging processing speed and scalability and reduce costs and implementation risks.