

# Integra for Notes v4.5

## What's New – a technical assessment

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This document provides a technical assessment of the new features introduced into Integra for Notes version 4.5 as compared to version 4.3 of the same product. A summary of What's New in each version of Integra for Notes is available at [www.integra4notes.com/whatsnew](http://www.integra4notes.com/whatsnew).

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## 1 Lotus Notes 8 Compatibility

Changes have been made to the Integra family of products to support IBM Lotus Notes 8™. These are largely compatibility issues that have been addressed rather than the utilisation of Notes 8 specific functionality.



## 2 Microsoft Office 2007 Compatibility

Modifications have been made to accommodate changes made to Microsoft Office 2007™ which effected the functioning of specific features such as Pivot Table in Excel.



## 3 Integrated PDF Writer

Integra for Notes 4.5 and Integra Quick Reports 4.5 both ship with the Integra PDF Writer, enabling the conversion of reports to Adobe's® PDF format. While conversion to PDF format has been a feature of the Integra product lines for many versions, in the past this has necessitated the licensing of a separate 3<sup>rd</sup> party product such as Adobe PDF Writer, PDF 995 or such solution.

With the launch of Integra4Notes 4.5, the [Integra PDF Writer](#) is bundled into the solution and a license for its use included to cover the number of users licensed to use Integra for Notes or Integra Quick Reports. Integra PDF Writer operates as a printer driver based solution such as Adobe's own PDF Writer.

The bundling of the Integra PDF Writer removes the need for a separate PDF Writer software to be licensed on user workstations.

## 4 Ad-Hoc reporting from multiple databases

Users of Integra Quick Reports are now able to generate their ad-hoc reports picking information from multiple Lotus Notes databases rather than the single database that was previously supported.

The more fields option now opens up to offer a link facility which allows selection of the key field to be looked up, definition of where to look and what to return. All this is undertaken using a very simple lookup wizard.

This enables the reach for data available even to non-technical users to be extended into those situations where data is spread across multiple views and/or databases.



## 5 Improvements to Lookup Wizard

User Interface and layout improvements have been undertaken for the Lookup wizard contained in Integra for Notes itself. These changes have grouped the parameters of the wizard more clearly into sections related to *What* and *Where* to lookup the data and the *Result* required.

The field labels used for the parameters have also been changed to make them more explanatory.

This feature ensures lookups are effected more easily within the Integra profile resulting in higher productivity for developers and also enabling those super-users who are not developers to extend the reach of their capabilities with Integra into reporting from multiple views and/or databases.

