



# SETUP and USER GUIDE

## Data Integration

Release 10.1-MP4 (April 20, 2021)

# Table of Contents

<b>Table of Contents</b> .....	<b>2</b>
<b>Data Integration</b> .....	<b>6</b>
<b>Asynchronous Translations</b> .....	<b>7</b>
<b>Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>Create the Asynchronous Services Object Type</b> .....	<b>11</b>
<b>Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service</b> .....	<b>14</b>
<b>Configuring an Asynchronous File Exchange Service</b> .....	<b>19</b>
Configuring the File Exchange Service .....	19
<b>Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI</b> .....	<b>22</b>
Screen Configuration .....	22
Screen Mapping .....	29
<b>Setting Up a Translation Configuration</b> .....	<b>30</b>
Troubleshooting Source and Target translation .....	32
Language Codes for Asynchronous Services .....	32
<b>Attribute Filters for Asynchronous Translation Services</b> .....	<b>37</b>
Include Contextual Attributes for Asynchronous Translations .....	38
Exclude Attributes for Asynchronous Translations .....	40
<b>Business Rules for Asynchronous Translations</b> .....	<b>43</b>
<b>Translation Status Widget Configuration</b> .....	<b>48</b>

Configuring the Translation Status Widget .....	48
Optional Parameters in the Translation Status Widget Properties dialog .....	51
Using the Translation Status Widget .....	53
<b>Dun &amp; Bradstreet Integration</b> .....	<b>55</b>
Prerequisites .....	56
Customer Data Model .....	57
Configuring Dun & Bradstreet Integration .....	58
Dun & Bradstreet Component Model .....	60
<b>Dun &amp; Bradstreet Matching</b> .....	<b>63</b>
Prerequisites .....	63
D&B Match Candidate Workflow .....	63
Perform Match .....	64
Select Candidate .....	66
<b>Dun &amp; Bradstreet Detailed Company Profile Enrichment</b> .....	<b>67</b>
<b>Dun &amp; Bradstreet Integration in Web UI</b> .....	<b>68</b>
Prerequisites .....	68
Creating a New D&B Match Candidates Screen .....	68
Adding and Configuring a D&B Workflow Status Selector Homepage Widget .....	71
Using Web UI for Dun & Bradstreet Integration Matching .....	73
Using Web UI for Dun & Bradstreet Detailed Company Profile .....	76
<b>Dun &amp; Bradstreet Attributes and Data Containers</b> .....	<b>78</b>
<b>Experian Email Validation Integration</b> .....	<b>93</b>
Prerequisites .....	93

Experian Email Validation Configuration Object .....	94
Email Revalidation Business Condition .....	95
Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin .....	97
Web UI Validate Emails Action Button .....	98
Email Component Model .....	99
<b>Configuring Experian Email Validation Integration Using the Easy Setup Option .</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Experian Email Validation Integration in Web UI .....</b>	<b>105</b>
Prerequisites .....	105
Using Web UI to Validate Email Addresses .	105
Validate Emails by Selecting from a List of Revalidation Conditions .....	107
<b>Configuring a Validate Emails Action Button for a Node List .....</b>	<b>108</b>
Prerequisites .....	108
Add a Validate Email Action Button to a Node List .....	108
Configure a Validate Email Action Button for a Node List .....	109
Configure Optional Parameters for the Experian Email Validation Action Properties	112
Add Email Revalidation Business Conditions .....	112
<b>Loqate Integration .....</b>	<b>115</b>
Loqate Overview .....	115
Loqate Cloud .....	116
Loqate Local .....	117
Loqate Local with CASS .....	117
Address Validation Web Service .....	118

Configuration Properties Requirements .....	118
Considerations and Limitations .....	118
<b>Address Component Model .....</b>	<b>119</b>
Prerequisites .....	119
Address Component Model Overview .....	119
Loqate Address Fields .....	120
<b>Easy Setup of Address Component Model</b>	<b>126</b>
<b>Manual Setup of Address Component Model .....</b>	<b>134</b>
Data Model Considerations and Requirements .....	134
Manual Attribute Mapping .....	137
<b>CASS Address Component Model .....</b>	<b>141</b>
Prerequisites .....	141
CASS Address Component Model Overview	141
CASS Address Fields - Input From Address Component Model .....	142
CASS Address Fields - Output In CASS Address Component Model .....	142
<b>Easy Setup of CASS Address Component Model .....</b>	<b>144</b>
Default Configuration - CASS Certification Report Event Processor .....	148
CASS Certification Report Generation .....	149
<b>Machine Learning-Based Auto Classification Integration .....</b>	<b>152</b>
<b>Classification Predictions .....</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>Gateway IEP Configuration for MLAC .....</b>	<b>155</b>
Configure the Gateway IEP .....	155
<b>Business Action Configuration for MLAC</b>	<b>158</b>

Configure the Business Action .....	158
<b>Testing MLAC Service Predictions .....</b>	<b>168</b>
Testing Products Individually .....	168
Testing Products in Groups .....	168
<b>Integrating MLAC Predictions in a Workflow .....</b>	<b>170</b>
Create an Onboarding Workflow .....	170
Define a Derived Event Type .....	171
Create an Event Processor Filter Condition ..	172
Create a Prediction Business Action .....	172
No Batch Processing .....	172
Batch Processing .....	174
Create and Configure an MLAC Event Processor .....	178
No Batch Processing .....	178
Batch Processing .....	180
Create a Workflow Business Action .....	181
<b>Uploading Hierarchies .....</b>	<b>183</b>
Configure a Hierarchy OIEP .....	184
Publish Hierarchy Data to MLAC .....	193
<b>Uploading Classified Products .....</b>	<b>196</b>
Configure a Classified Products OIEP .....	197
Publish Classified Products Data to MLAC ..	206
<b>Manual Export of Hierarchies for MLAC ...</b>	<b>209</b>
Export a Hierarchy .....	209
<b>Manual Export of Classified Products for MLAC .....</b>	<b>216</b>
Export Classified Products .....	217
<b>Product Data Syndication .....</b>	<b>223</b>

Prerequisites .....	223
Configuration .....	224
<b>PDS Category Attribute .....</b>	<b>226</b>
Configuring the PDS Category Attribute .....	226
<b>PDS Data Container Exports .....</b>	<b>228</b>
Configuring Advanced STEPXML for Data Container Exports .....	228
<b>Exporting Metadata Attributes of an Asset to PDS .....</b>	<b>231</b>
Configuring the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint for Exporting Asset Metadata .....	231
Configuring the Advanced STEPXML Template for Asset Metadata Export .....	232
<b>PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration .....</b>	<b>235</b>
Required Manual Setup .....	235
Multi-Language Syndication Configuration ..	241
Packaging Hierarchy Information Export Setup .....	243
<b>PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint Configuration .....</b>	<b>244</b>
<b>Referenced Object Metadata as PDS Composite Attributes .....</b>	<b>248</b>
Prerequisites .....	248
Exporting Metadata on Reference Types .....	248
Assigning an Alternative Title for Reference Types and Metadata Attributes within PDS ..	251
Assigning an Alternative Title for an Attribute that is Part of a PDS Composite Attribute .....	253
<b>PDS Channel Status Monitoring .....</b>	<b>257</b>

---

**PDS Status Data Container Configuration 258**

Configuring the PDS Status Data Container 258

Viewing PDS Status Data Containers in the Workbench ..... 259

PDS Status Data Container Attributes ..... 259

Functionality of the PDS Data Container .... 260

Viewing PDS Status Data Containers in the Web UI ..... 260

**PDS Channel Status Web UI Component . 261**

Configuring the PDS Channel Status Web UI Component ..... 261

PDS Channel Status Web UI Component Link ..... 262

**PDS Channel Status Monitoring in Web UI 264**

Truncated Status Messages ..... 266

Catalog Item Confirmation (CIC) Messages 267

# Data Integration

The topics in this section detail data integration between STEP and other systems.

It is important to have a solid understanding of how the platform works before working through the topics in this section. It also helps to be familiar with the third-party systems and their functionality.

- Asynchronous Translations
- Dun & Bradstreet Integration
- Experian Email Validation Integration
- Loqate Integration
- Machine Learning-Based Auto Classification Integration
- Product Data Syndication
- Syndigo

# Asynchronous Translations

This topic focuses on setting up and using the automatic service capabilities in STEP for translations so that translatable data can be sent to and from your translation service via their REST API, without human intervention. STEP supports Asynchronous Translations for SDL and Lionbridge translation services, with the differences in setup being only in the connection details.

Users who manage a local Across Language Server (referred to as 'Across' below) are working with a translation software, rather than a translation service agency. Translations done in Across can also use the asynchronous translations functionality to track the STEP data translation process. For more information on Across, search the web.

For users that do not have Across, Lionbridge or SDL, STEP offers the add-on component File Exchange Service. The File Exchange Service allows users to import / export translation files to folders without the need for an API.

Using an asynchronous translation configuration, translations are initiated via a business action and the jobs are monitored in the 'Translation Status Widget' in the Web UI.

**Note:** If you are new to translations in STEP, it is suggested that you read the high-level overview in the **Translations** documentation.

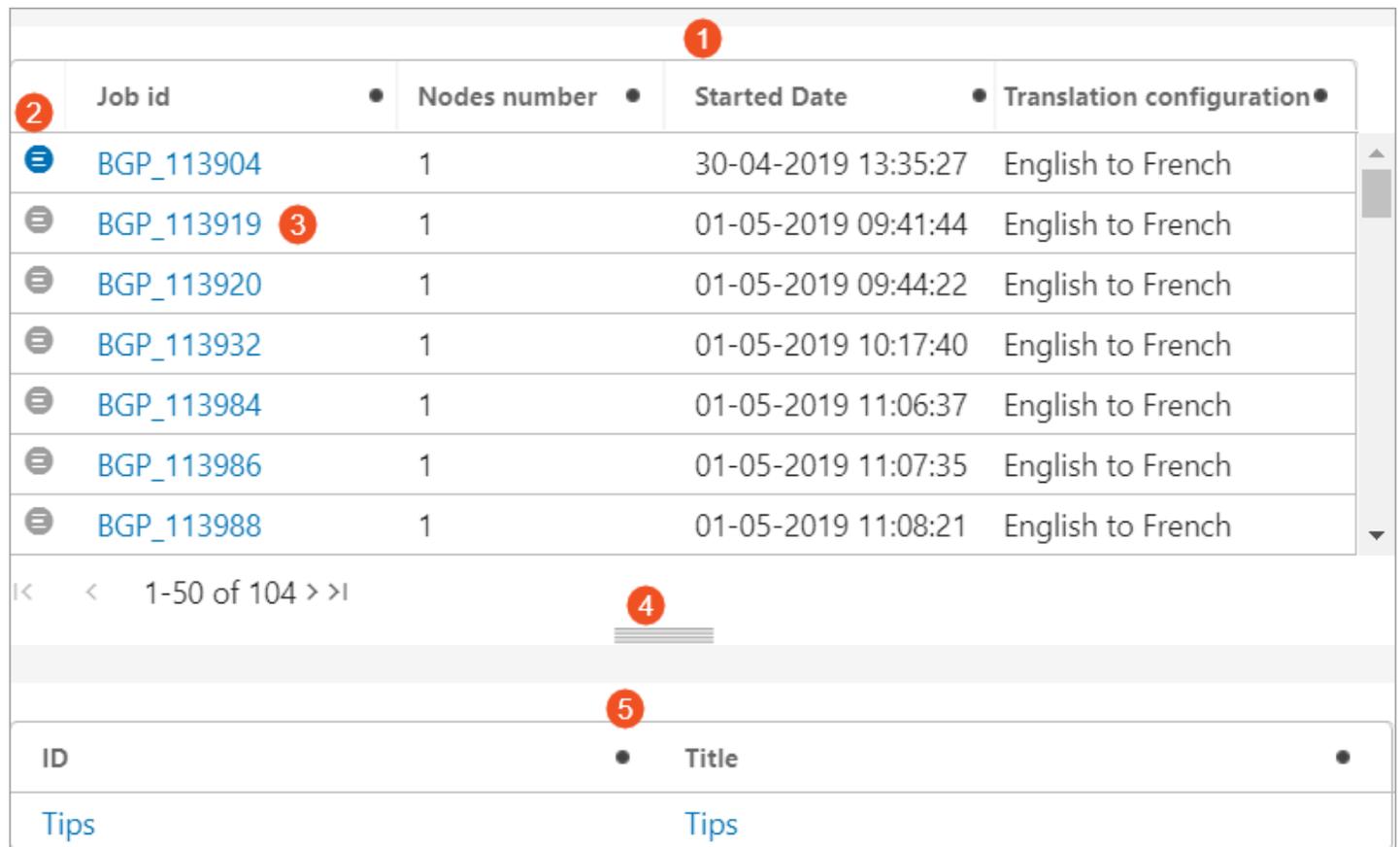
Asynchronous Translations can be configured using the following topics:

- Create the Asynchronous Services Object Type
- Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service
- Setting Up a Translation Configuration
- Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI
- Attribute Filters for Asynchronous Translation Services
- Business Rules for Asynchronous Translations
- Asynchronous Translations in Web UI
- Configuring an Asynchronous File Exchange Service
- Translation Status Widget Configuration

To access and use the File Exchange Service, Across, SDL, or Lionbridge components, they must first be activated as add-on components on your system and implemented with their corresponding framework. Instructions for installing components can be found in the **SPOT Program** topic in the **System Administration** documentation. Contact your account manager to begin the process of enabling a license or licenses for your system.

# Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI

Using the Translation Status Widget along with a combination of configured screens, users are able to check the status of asynchronous translation statuses in Web UI. Once configured, the widget, along with the screens, can be used to give very specific details about the asynchronous translation, as shown in the images below.



1				
2	Job id	Nodes number	Started Date	Translation configuration
⊖	BGP_113904	1	30-04-2019 13:35:27	English to French
⊖	BGP_113919 3	1	01-05-2019 09:41:44	English to French
⊖	BGP_113920	1	01-05-2019 09:44:22	English to French
⊖	BGP_113932	1	01-05-2019 10:17:40	English to French
⊖	BGP_113984	1	01-05-2019 11:06:37	English to French
⊖	BGP_113986	1	01-05-2019 11:07:35	English to French
⊖	BGP_113988	1	01-05-2019 11:08:21	English to French

1 < > 1-50 of 104 > >|

4	
5	
ID	Title
Tips	Tips

- The Job List Screen:** The job list screen includes the list of objects that contain translation statuses. The column headers for this screen are selected during configuration.
- Job Node List Screen Icon Selector:** Clicking this icon accesses the Job Node List Screen for the translation status of the selected object, which is shown below the handle (see number 5 and 6).
- Background Process (BGP) for Translation Status of Selected Object:** Clicking the BGP link will open a Node Details screen, which includes detailed translation status information about the selected object.
- Moveable Handle:** Separates Job List Screen (above the handle) and the Job Node List Screen (below the handle). Move this handle up or down to view more or less of the desired screen.
- Job Node List Screen:** Details information regarding selected translation. Header columns 'ID' and 'Title' are set by default, but can be modified during screen configuration.

When the BGP link is clicked (as described in number 3 above), a Node Details screen will open. This screen details specific information regarding the various states of translation for the selected object.

### Node Details

Started By	USER
ID	BGP_113904
Template ID	AsyncJobRunner
Status	 Suspended
Started	4/30/19 1:35:31 PM
Elapsed	7 s
Finished	4/30/19 1:35:34 PM

 Export

ID	Type ●	Text
10	Info	Exchange Service' (Tue Apr 30 13:35:31 EDT 2019)
20	Info	Executing state 'Query Translation' (Tue Apr 30 13:35:31 EDT 2019)
30	Info	Starting translation query (Tue Apr 30 13:35:31 EDT 2019)
40	Info	Analyzing translation request (Tue Apr 30 13:35:31 EDT 2019)
50	Info	Analysis selected 1 out of 1 nodes for translation (Tue Apr 30 13:35:31 EDT 2019)

### Prerequisites prior to configuring Web UI for asynchronous translations

Before accessing asynchronous translation status details in Web UI, users are required to:

1. In the workbench, create a translation configuration and include at least one asynchronous service in that configuration. For more information, refer to the **Asynchronous Translations** topic.
2. Configure the screens and mappings necessary to view asynchronous translation status details in Web UI. For more information, see the **Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI** topic.

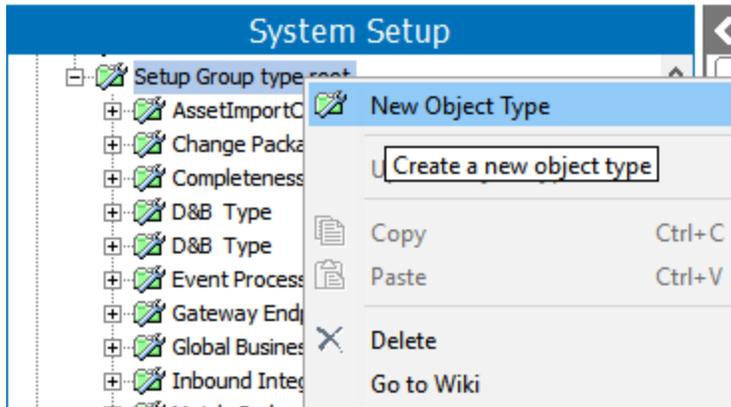
3. Configure the Translation Status widget for Web UI. see the **Translation Status Widget Configuration** topic.

# Create the Asynchronous Services Object Type

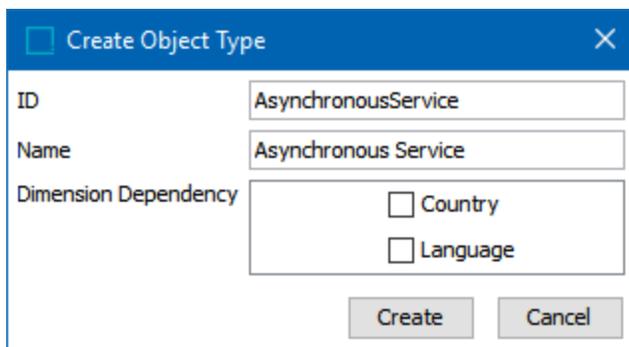
Before an asynchronous service can be set up and configured, an Asynchronous Services setup group root node and object type must be created. For more information about creating Setup Groups in general, see the **Setup Groups** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide**.

Use the following steps to create the object type.

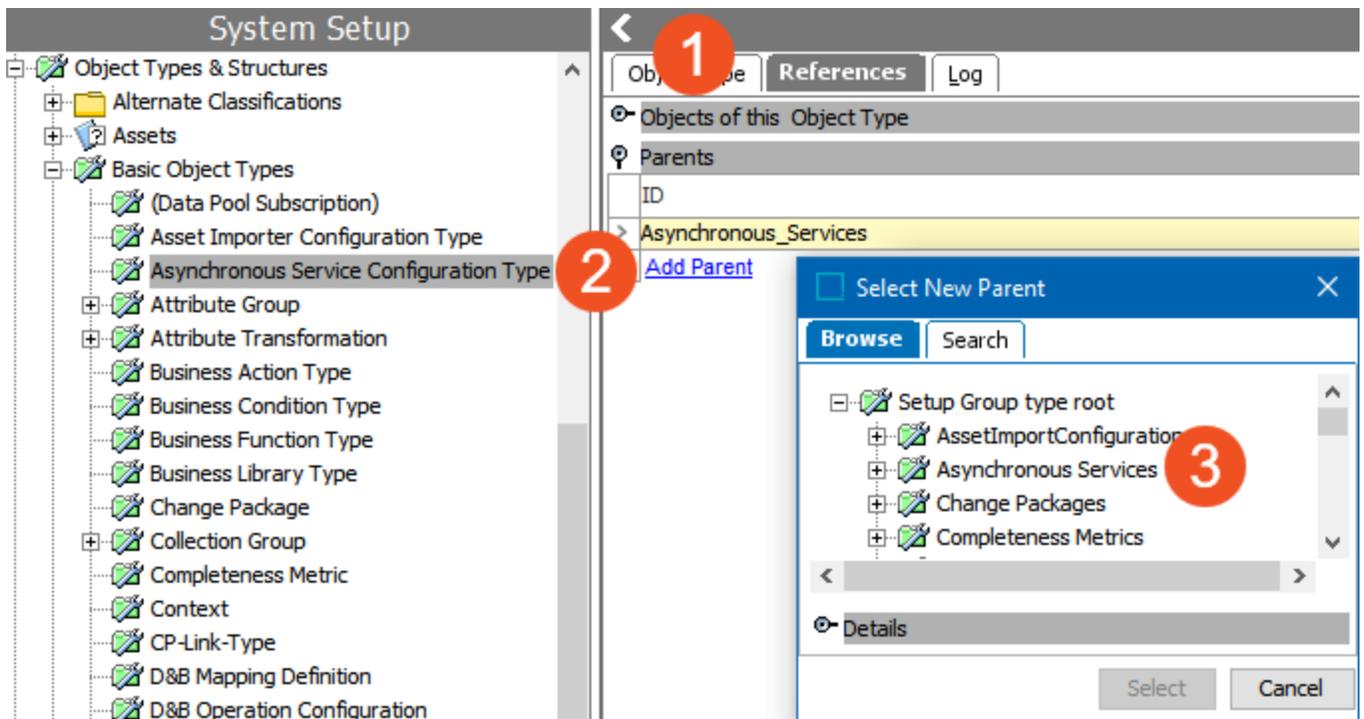
1. From 'System Setup', expand 'Object Types and Structures' and right-click **Setup Group type root**. Select **New Object Type**.



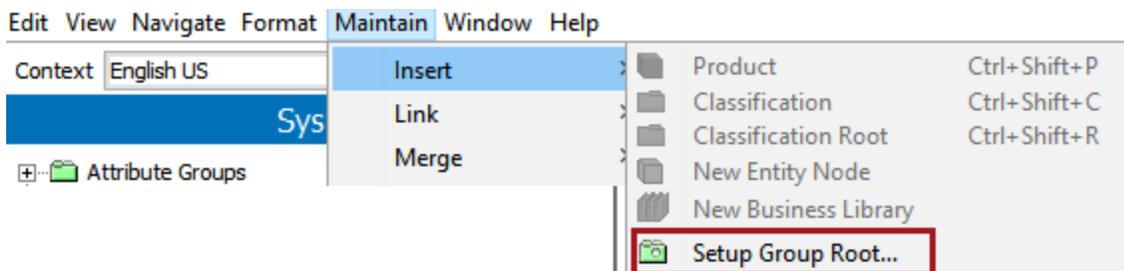
2. Enter a Name and ID in the **Create Object Type** dialog box.



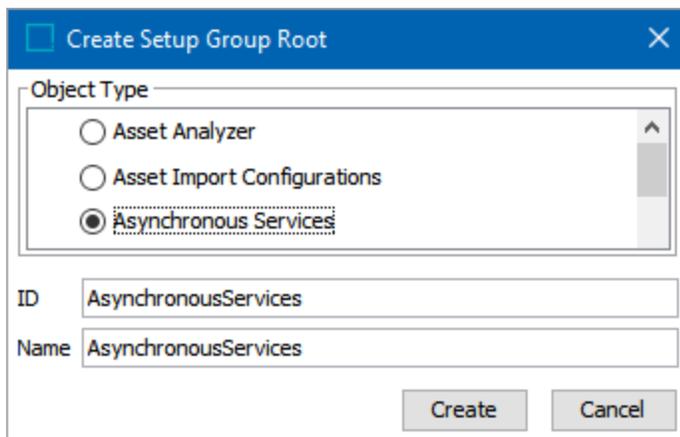
3. Remaining in 'Object Types & Structures', navigate to and expand 'Basic Object Types.' Select the 'Asynchronous Service Configuration Type.' Click on the References tab and select 'Add Parent.' In the **Select New Parent** dialog box, select the setup group root that was created in step two, and click the Select button to add it as a Parent.



4. Now the Asynchronous Service can be added as a root node under the 'System Setup' structure. In 'System Setup', select the **Maintain** menu, **Insert**, and **Setup Group Root**.



5. Select the Asynchronous Services root node that was created and give it an ID and a Name, and click **Create**.



The Asynchronous Services setup group root and object type have been created

6. Configure an asynchronous service as defined in the **Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service** topic.

# Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service

This section covers setting up a new Asynchronous Translation Service. All steps in this section are applicable to Across, SDL, and Lionbridge services except in the **Server Connection Details**, which have been broken out by service.

**Note:** For information regarding configuring an Asynchronous File Exchange Service, see the **Configuring an Asynchronous File Exchange Service** topic.

## Prerequisites

1. For the Across Translation Server software only, before performing the Configuration below in STEP, create a 'STEP' document template on the Across server using the 'Tagged XML v2' option. This template enables Across to read STEPXML files. For more information, contact Across support.
2. For any asynchronous service option other than File Service Exchange, prior to configuration, clicking the **Server URL** dropdown parameter displays the required property name. Provide a selection for the dropdown parameter via the sharedconfig.properties file on the STEP application server using the appropriate case-sensitive property:
  - **Async.Kernel.Config.Across.ServerURL**
  - **Async.Kernel.Config.LionBridge.ServerURL**
  - **Async.Kernel.Config.SDL.ServerURL**

The following is an example of a complete property entry for two Across systems:

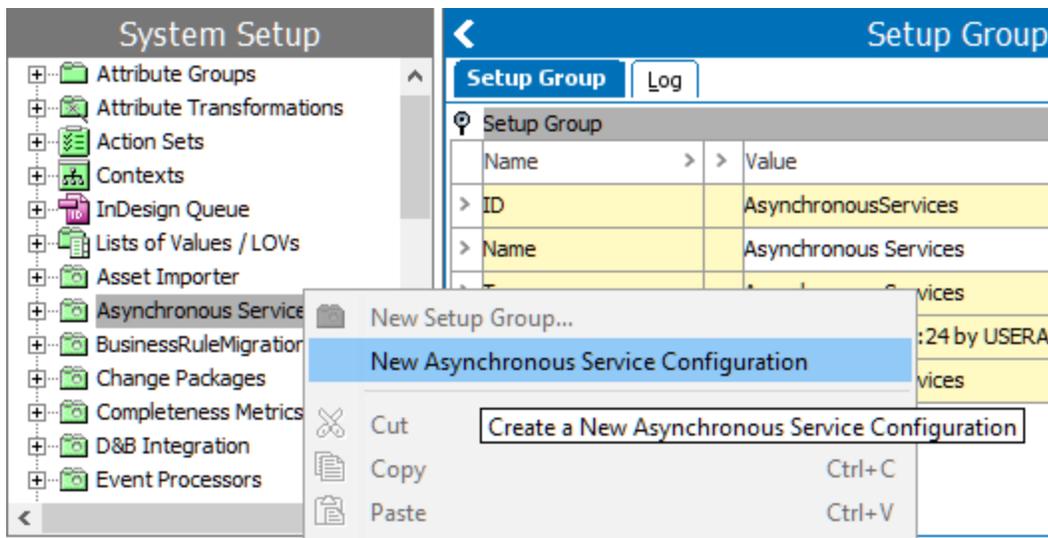
```
Async.Kernel.Config.Across.ServerURL=1=http://across.scloud.com/crossAPI/crossAPI.wsd
1,2=http://across.scloud2.com/crossAPI/crossAPI.wsd1
```

**Note:** Across Translation Server software users have the option to add a custom port for communication between STEP and Across Translation Server software by adding the port to the property entry within the sharedconfig.properties file. For example, in the property entry shown below, the '5000' is the custom port.

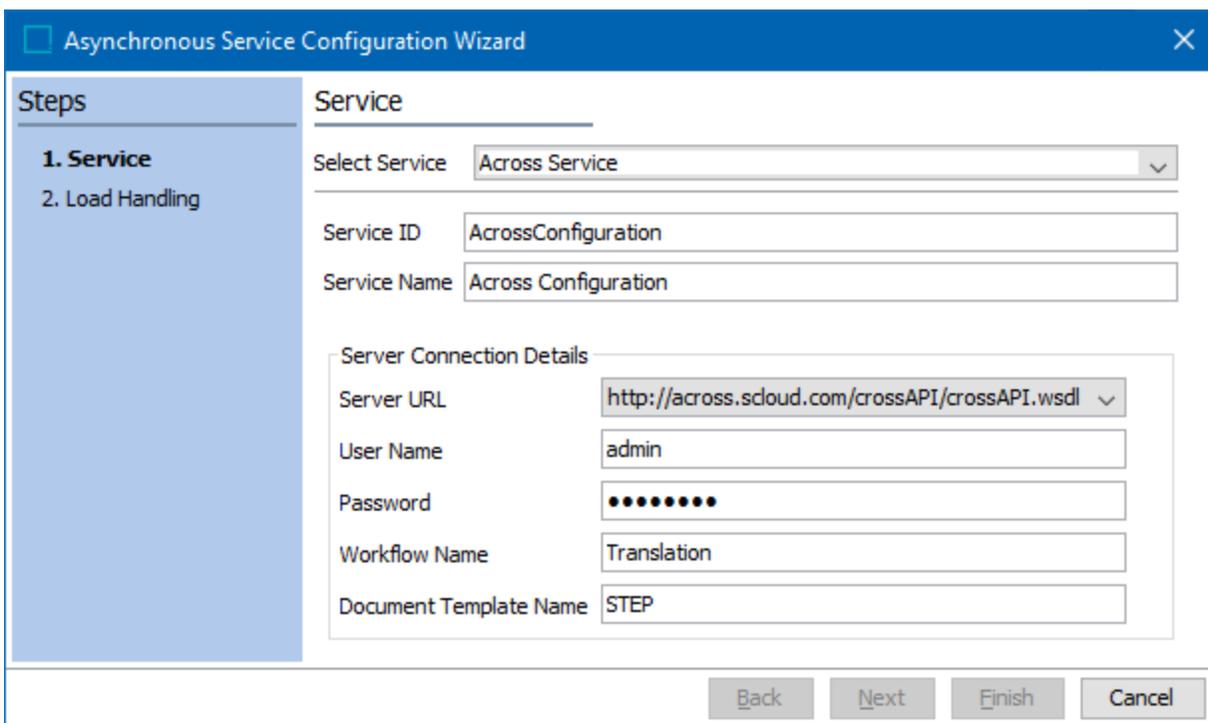
```
Async.Kernel.Config.Across.ServerURL=1=http://127.0.0.1:5000
```

## Configuration

1. In System Setup, right-click the Asynchronous Services root node and select **New Asynchronous Service Configuration**.

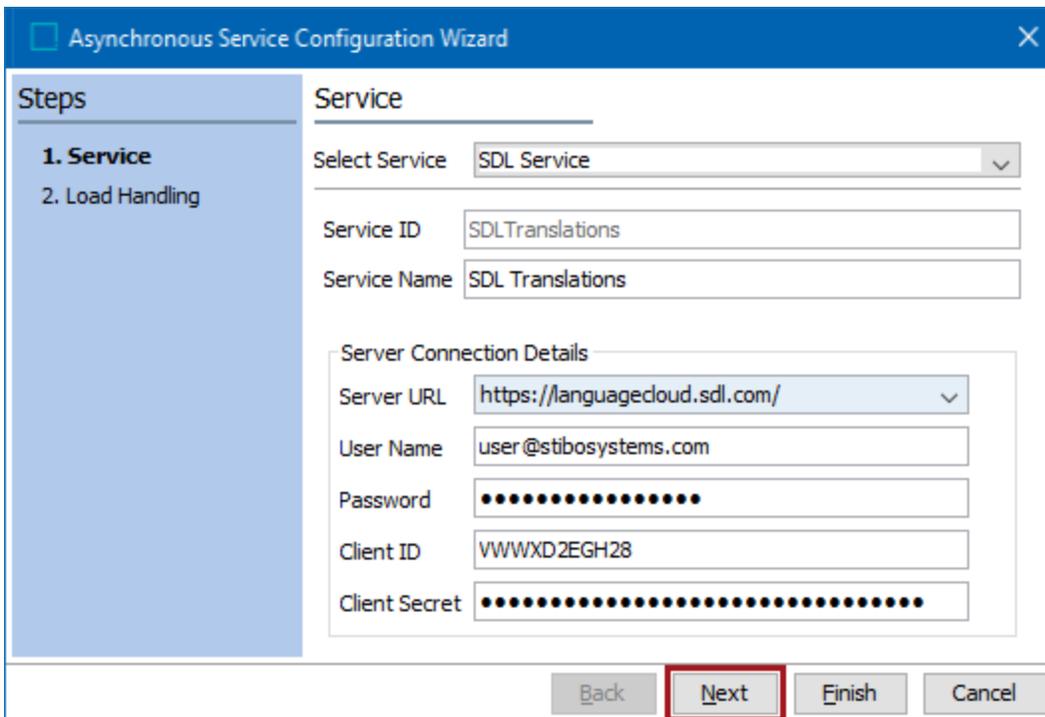


2. In the **Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard**, complete the parameters on the **Service** step based on the required service:
  - For a local **Across** translation server, enter your own values for the parameters as shown in the example below.



- **Select Service** - Select **Across Service**
- **Service ID** - Enter the service ID
- **Service Name** - Enter the service name for your Across server

- **Server URL** - Select the Across server URL from the dropdown
  - **User Name** - Enter the user name to communicate with Across
  - **Password** - Enter the password for Across
  - **Workflow Name** - Enter the name of the workflow in Across that will be used for the configuration. In this example the name of the Across workflow is 'Translation.'
  - **Document Template Name** - Enter the name of the Across document template you created in the Prerequisites section. In the image above, the Across document template is named 'STEP.'
- For **SDL** translation service, most of the information in the Server Connection Details of the Service step is provided by SDL. Enter your own values for parameters as illustrated in the image below.

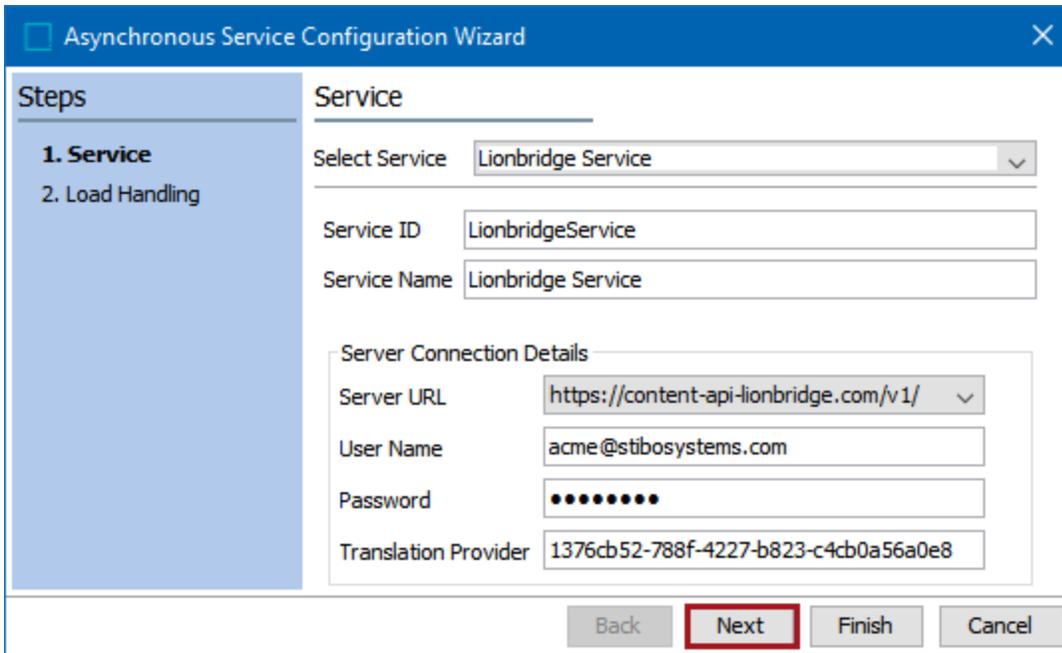


The screenshot shows the 'Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard' window. On the left, a 'Steps' pane lists '1. Service' and '2. Load Handling'. The main area is titled 'Service' and contains the following fields:

- Select Service:** A dropdown menu with 'SDL Service' selected.
- Service ID:** A text box containing 'SDLTranslations'.
- Service Name:** A text box containing 'SDL Translations'.
- Server Connection Details:** A group box containing:
  - Server URL:** A dropdown menu with 'https://languagecloud.sdl.com/' selected.
  - User Name:** A text box containing 'user@stibosystems.com'.
  - Password:** A text box filled with 12 dots.
  - Client ID:** A text box containing 'VWWXD2EGH28'.
  - Client Secret:** A text box filled with 24 dots.

At the bottom of the window are four buttons: 'Back', 'Next', 'Finish', and 'Cancel'. The 'Next' button is highlighted with a red border.

- **Select Service** - Select the **SDL Service** for SDL translations
  - **Service ID** - Enter a service ID
  - **Service Name** - Enter the service name for your SDL service
  - **Server URL** - Select the server URL for SDL from the dropdown
  - **User Name** - Enter the user name that will be used to communicate with SDL
  - **Password** - Enter the password provided by SDL
  - **Client ID** - Enter the client ID assigned to your application from SDL
  - **Client Secret** - Enter the client secret assigned to your application from SDL
- For **Lionbridge** translation service, most of the information in the Server Connection Details of the Service step is provided by Lionbridge. Enter your own values for parameters as demonstrated in the image below.



**Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard**

**Steps**

- 1. Service**
2. Load Handling

**Service**

Select Service:

Service ID:

Service Name:

**Server Connection Details**

Server URL:

User Name:

Password:

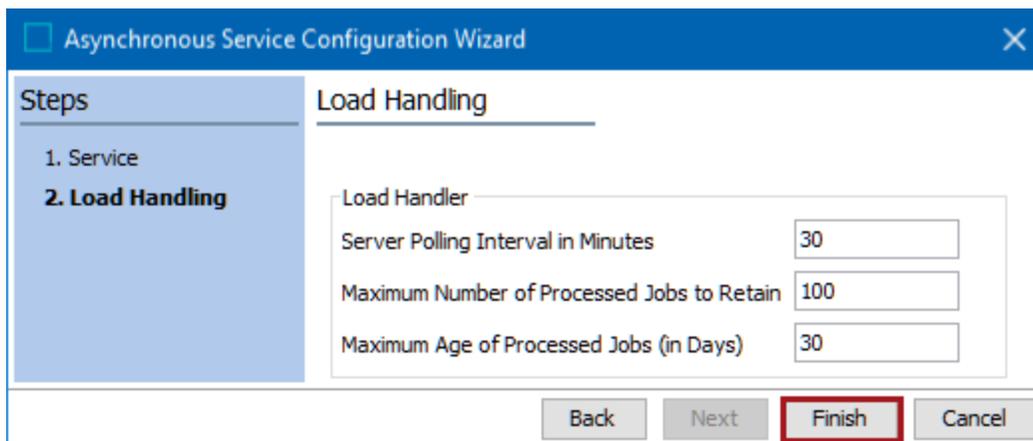
Translation Provider:

Buttons: Back, **Next**, Finish, Cancel

- **Select Service** - Select the **Lionbridge Service** for Lionbridge translations
- **Service ID** - Enter a service ID
- **Service Name** - Enter the service name for your Lionbridge service
- **Server URL** - Select the server URL for Lionbridge from the dropdown
- **User Name** - Enter the user name that will be used to communicate with Lionbridge
- **Password** - Enter the password provided by Lionbridge
- **Translation Provider** - Enter the translation provider key provided by Lionbridge

3. Click **Next** to move on to the Load Handling step.

4. For **Load Handling**, provide the following data:



**Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Service
- 2. Load Handling**

**Load Handling**

Load Handler:

Server Polling Interval in Minutes:

Maximum Number of Processed Jobs to Retain:

Maximum Age of Processed Jobs (in Days):

Buttons: Back, Next, **Finish**, Cancel

- **Server Polling Interval in Minutes** - The length of time, in minutes, the asynchronous service will poll the asynchronous translation service. The minimum is one (1) minute.
- **Maximum Number of Processed Jobs to Retain** - The maximum number of processed translation jobs to retain.
- **Maximum Age of Processed Jobs (in Days)** - The maximum number of days to retain a processed translation job.

**Note:** The processed jobs are retained until either the maximum number of processed jobs or the maximum age of processed jobs limit has been met, whichever comes first.

5. Continue with the setup as defined in **Setting Up a Translation Configuration** topic.

# Configuring an Asynchronous File Exchange Service

The File Exchange Service is an asynchronous translation add-on component that allows users that do not have a contract with any of the translation services that STEP supports, such as Lionbridge and SDL, a way to export and/or import translation files to folders instead of using a translation service API.

**Note:** In order to access the File Exchange Service, the 'file-exchange-translation' add-on component must be activated on your system. See your Stibo Systems representative for more information.

When initiated, the File Exchange Service exports translation files into an out folder. The user manually retrieves these files, makes desired changes to the text that needs translation, and places these files into the in folder. The updated files are then imported back into STEP during the asynchronous poller process.

For information regarding configuring other asynchronous translation services, see the **Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service** topic.

**Important:** Before an asynchronous service can be set up and configured, an Asynchronous Services setup group root node and object type must be created. For more information about creating Setup Groups in general, see the **Setup Groups** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide**.

## Configuring the File Exchange Service

To use the File Exchange Service, it must be selected as an Asynchronous Service:

1. With the workbench open and the System Setup tab selected, right-click on the Asynchronous Services root node, and select 'New Asynchronous Service Configuration.' The Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard opens.
2. From the Select Service dropdown menu, select 'File Exchange Service.'

**Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard**

**Steps**

- 1. Service
- 2. Load Handling

**Service**

Select Service: File Exchange Service

Service ID:

Service Name:

**Hotfolder Details**

Hotfolder:

In folder:

Out folder:

Buttons: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel

3. Enter a name into the Service ID and the Service Name text fields.
4. In the 'Hotfolder Details' section, enter a name for the Hotfolder as well as the In folder and Out folder. Both the 'In' and 'Out' folders are subfolders within the Hotfolder. For more information on hotfolders, see the **STEP Terminology** topic in the **Getting Started** documentation.

**Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard**

**Steps**

- 1. Service
- 2. Load Handling

**Service**

Select Service: File Exchange Service

Service ID: File Exchange Services

Service Name: File Exchange Services

**Hotfolder Details**

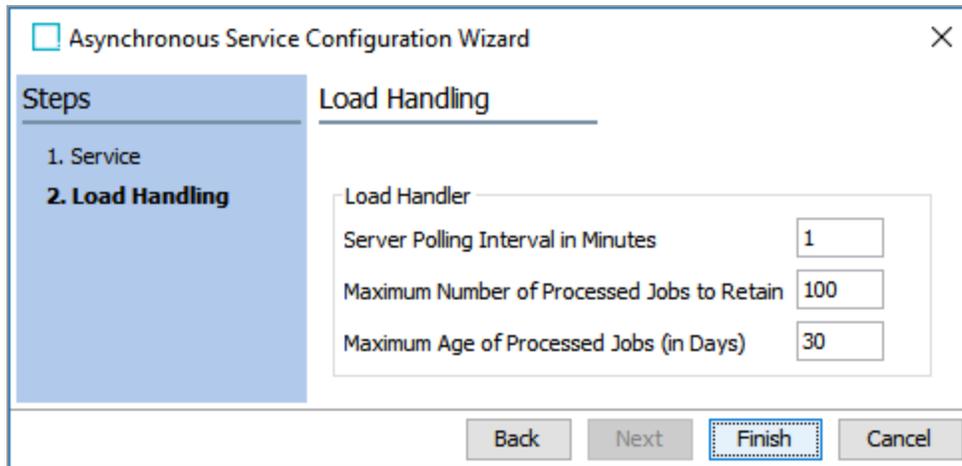
Hotfolder: hotfolder

In folder: in

Out folder: out

Buttons: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel

5. Click 'Next,' and enter the desired settings for Load Handling. Once complete, click 'Finish.'



The screenshot shows a configuration wizard window titled "Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard". On the left, a "Steps" sidebar lists "1. Service" and "2. Load Handling", with "2. Load Handling" selected. The main area is titled "Load Handling" and contains three input fields: "Load Handler" (empty), "Server Polling Interval in Minutes" (value: 1), "Maximum Number of Processed Jobs to Retain" (value: 100), and "Maximum Age of Processed Jobs (in Days)" (value: 30). At the bottom, there are four buttons: "Back", "Next", "Finish" (highlighted with a dashed border), and "Cancel".

The File Exchange Service has been configured and is ready for translation.

For more information regarding Asynchronous Services, see the **Asynchronous Translations** documentation.

For more information regarding the use of the File Exchange Service component within the Web UI, see the **Translation Status Widget Configuration** topic in the **Asynchronous Translations** documentation.

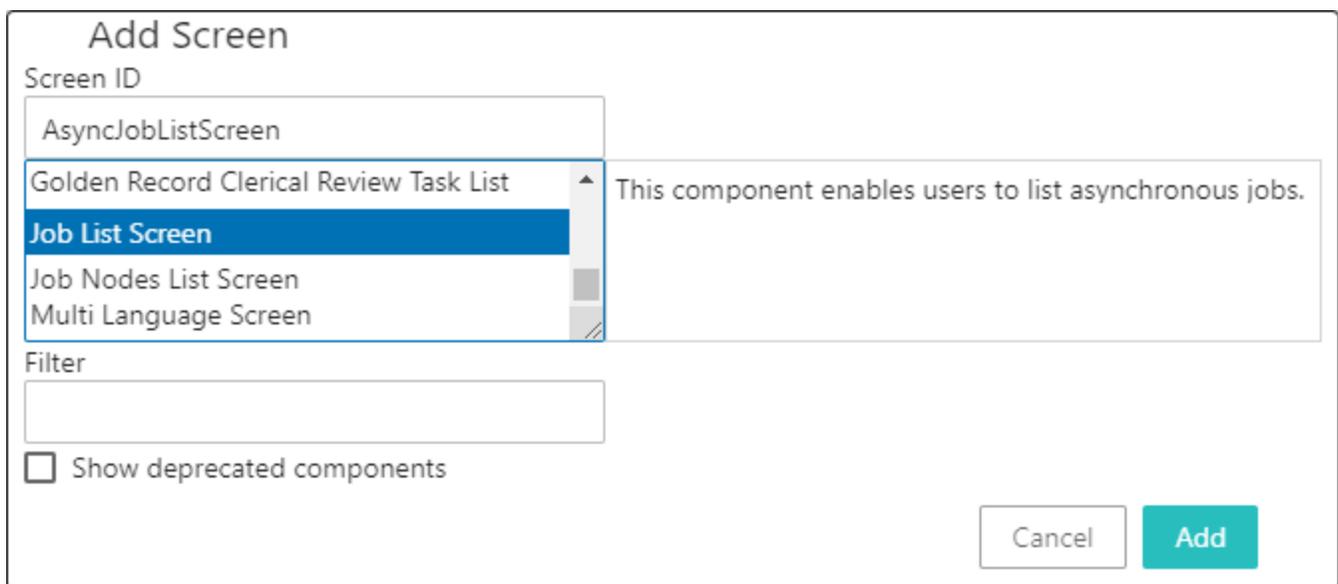
# Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI

Three separate screens must be configured prior to using the Translation Status widget to check the status of asynchronous translations. Although the following steps will detail how to configure the screens necessary to view the asynchronous translation statuses of products in the Web UI, it is assumed that users already have a working knowledge in regards to creating screens in the Web UI. For more information, see the **Design Mode Basics** topic in the **Web UI Getting Started** documentation. Additionally, users should familiarize themselves with the **Asynchronous Translations in Web UI** topic, which presents an overview of asynchronous translations in the Web UI.

## Screen Configuration

Follow the steps below to configure the screens necessary to access asynchronous translation status in Web UI.

1. In the 'Add Screen' window, select 'Job List Screen' from the list of available screen options and enter a name for the screen in the Screen ID text field. In this example, the user has titled the screen 'AsyncJobListScreen.'



2. Click 'Add.'
3. In the designer, with the newly created screen 'AsyncJobListScreen' selected, select 'Node List' from the Node List dropdown.

Properties (edited)

Configuration    Web UI style

AsyncJobListScreen ▾ Save Close New... Delete Rename Save as...

### Job List Screen Properties

Component Description    This component enables users to list asynchronous jobs.

Title    Job List Screen

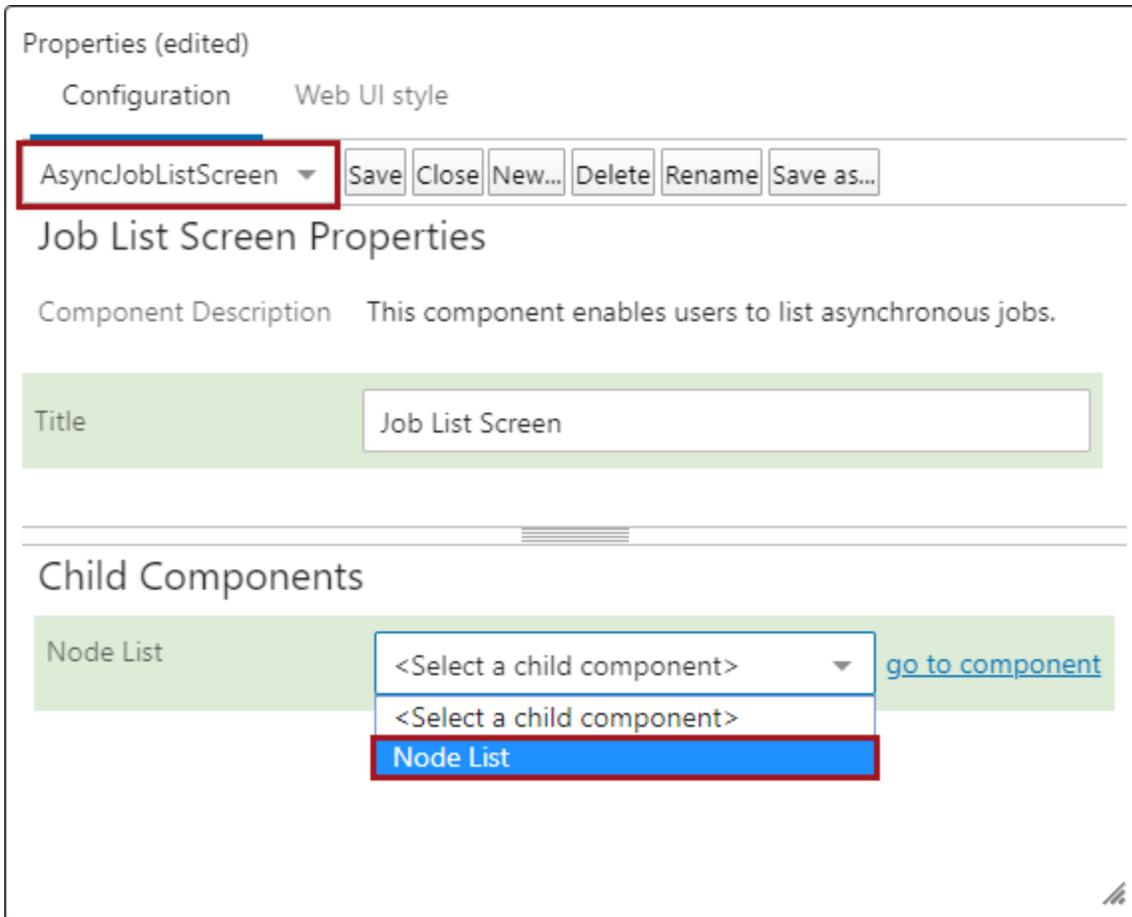
---

### Child Components

Node List    <Select a child component> ▾ [go to component](#)

                         <Select a child component>

**Node List**



4. Click 'go to component.'

Properties (edited)  
Configuration    Web UI style

AsyncJobListScreen ▾   Save   Close   New...   Delete   Rename   Save as...

### Node List Properties [go to parent](#)

Component Description    The Node List displays objects presented in table or in a grid. Different Display Modes can be applied and customised with a range of headers allowing for different information about the listed objects to be displayed.

---

### Child Components

Display Modes    **Table Display Mode**

Add..   Remove   Up Down

5. Double click 'Table Display Mode.'
6. In the Table Display Mode Properties dialog, check the 'Show Details' checkbox and click 'Add....'.

Properties

Configuration    Web UI style

AsyncJobListScreen ▼    Save    Close    New...    Delete    Rename    Save

### Table Display Mode Properties [go to parent](#)

Component Description    Shows the nodes from a Node List in a table.

Context Help    i18n.stibo.portal.server.compon

Headers

Add...    Edit...    Remove    Up    Down

Show Details

The Add Component dialog contains the table headers that will be used to identify in detail the data regarding translation statuses in the job list screen (in this example, titled 'AsyncJobListScreen'). Each pertinent header starts with the words 'Asynchronous Job.' Information about each header can be obtained by clicking on the header itself, as shown in the example below.

- In the Add Component dialog, select the 'Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header' component.

### Add Component

Advanced Merge Default Data Container Header

Approved Header

**Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header**

Asynchronous Job Nodes Number Header

Asynchronous Job Started Date Header

Asynchronous Job Status Header

Asynchronous Job Translation Configuration Header

Table header that shows the ID of the Asynchronous Job in the table.

Filter

Show deprecated components

Cancel    Add

8. Click 'Add.'

The Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header Properties dialog opens.

### Add component - configure required properties

Required properties (\*) must be set before the component can be added to the configuration.

## Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header Properties

Component Description    Table header that shows the ID of the Asynchronous Job in the table.

Dimensions	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value=" &lt;Select an option&gt; "/> <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px 5px;">Edit...</span>
Enable Link	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Label	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
* Result Screen	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value=" homepage "/> <span style="float: right; border: 2px solid red; padding: 2px 5px;">Add</span>
Table Sorting	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value=" &lt;Select a value&gt; "/>

Cancel
Add

9. Select 'Add' next to the 'Result Screen' dropdown menu.

10. In the Add Screen dialog, select 'Background Processes Screen' and create a Screen ID. In this example, the user has created the Screen ID 'JobListBackGroundProcessScreen.'

### Add Screen

Screen ID

- Actual Page Screen
- Advanced Search Screen
- Analytics Screen
- Asset Folder Screen
- Background Process Node Details
- Background Processes Screen
- Basket Statistics

Screen for displaying a list of active, ended, and failed Background Processes. The screen has been preconfigured with a Node List and a Table Display Mode.

Filter

Show deprecated components

Cancel
Add

11. Click 'Add.'
12. Select the newly created result screen 'JobListBackgroundProcessScreen' from the Result Screen dropdown menu.

### Add component - configure required properties

Required properties (\*) must be set before the component can be added to the configuration.

#### Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header Properties

Component Description Table header that shows the ID of the Asynchronous Job in the table.

Dimensions	<input type="text" value="&lt;Select an option&gt;"/>	<input type="button" value="Edit..."/>
Enable Link	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Label	<input type="text"/>	
* Result Screen	<input style="border: 2px solid red;" type="text" value="JobListBackGroundProcessScreen"/>	<input type="button" value="Add"/>
Table Sorting	<input type="text" value="&lt;Select a value&gt;"/>	

13. Click 'Add.'
14. In the Table Display Mode Properties, dialog window, click 'Add...' to add more Asynchronous Job headers.

**Note:** Header components must be added one at a time. After a desired component header is selected, click 'Add.'

The example below shows the four headers that the user has selected.

Properties (edited)

Configuration    Web UI style

AsyncJobListScreen    Save    Close    New...    Delete    Rename    Save as...

### Table Display Mode Properties [go to parent](#)

Component Description    Shows the nodes from a Node List in a table.

Context Help    i18n.stibo.portal.server.components.masterdetail.TableDisplayMode

Headers

- Asynchronous Job Nodes ID Header (true / JobListBackGroundProcessScreen)
- Asynchronous Job Nodes Number Header
- Asynchronous Job Started Date Header
- Asynchronous Job Translation Configuration Header

Add...    Edit...    Remove    Up    Down

Show Details

15. Click 'Save'.
16. In the designer, click 'New...' to add a new screen.
17. In the Add Screen dialog, select 'Job Nodes List Screen' and create a Screen ID. In this example, the user has created the Screen ID 'JobNodesListScreen.'

### Add Screen

Screen ID

JobNodesListScreen

Initiate Item

- Job List Screen
- Job Nodes List Screen**
- List of Values Group Management Screen

Filter

Show deprecated components

This component enables users to list nodes assigned to asynchronous jobs.

Cancel    Add

18. Click 'Add' to close the dialog.
19. In the designer, click 'Save.'

## Screen Mapping

Now that the three screens have been configured, the Job Nodes List screen (in this example, titled 'JobNodesListScreen') needs to be mapped.

**Note:** Although the following steps will detail how to map any screens necessary to view the asynchronous translation statuses of products in the Web UI, it is highly recommended that users already have a working knowledge of mapping within Web UI. For more information, see the **Mapping Workflow States in Web UI** topic in the **Using Web UI** documentation.

1. In the Screen Mapping Properties dialog, select 'Asynchronous Job Process Condition' as the condition and 'JobNodesListScreen' as the screen.

### Add component - configure required properties

Required properties (\*) must be set before the component can be added to the configuration.

## Screen Mapping Properties

Component Description      A mapping rule that will forward to the specified screen if all supplied conditions are satisfied.

\* Conditions

Asynchronous Job Process Condition

Add...
Edit...
Remove
Up
Down

\* Screen

JobNodesListScreen
▼

Add

Cancel
Add

2. Click 'Add' to close the dialog.

Mapping is complete.

3. Click 'Save' and 'Close' to close the designer.

Now that the screens are configured and mapped, the Translation Status widget needs to be configured. Details regarding that process can be found in the **Translation Status Widget Configuration** topic.

# Setting Up a Translation Configuration

Configuration of an asynchronous service can be used to communicate translation data outside of STEP.

## Prerequisites

1. Create an asynchronous service object type as described in the **Create the Asynchronous Services Object Type** topic.
2. Run the Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard as described in the **Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service** topic.

## Set Up a Translation Configuration

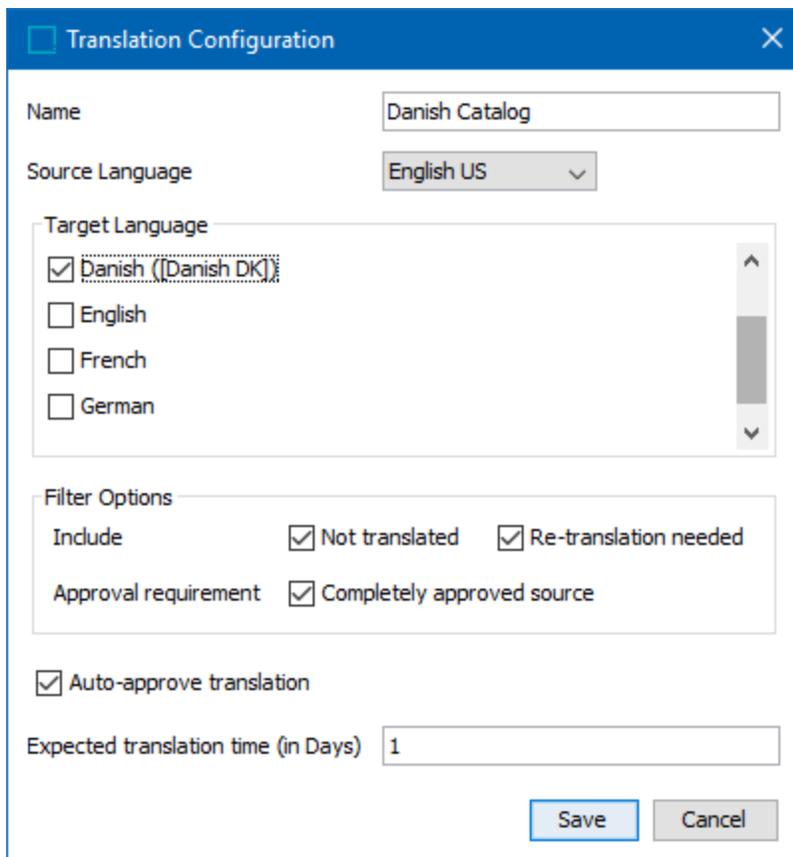
After the wizard has been run, the **Translation Configuration** needs to be set up as described below.

1. In System Setup, select the asynchronous service configuration (named 'SDL Translations' in the image below), and on the first tab open the Translation Configuration flipper.

The screenshot displays the 'System Setup' interface. On the left, a tree view shows various system components, with 'SDL Translations' selected under 'Asynchronous Services'. The main window shows the configuration for 'SDL Translations rev.0.1 - Asynchronous Service Config...'. The configuration is organized into several sections:

- Asynchronous Service Configuration Type:** Includes fields for Name, ID, Object Type, Revision, and Path.
- Server Connection Details:** Includes fields for Server Polling Interval in Minutes, Maximum Number of Processed Jobs to Retain, and Maximum Age of Processed Jobs (in Days).
- Load Handling:** Includes a field for Poller Status, which is currently 'Running'.
- Translation Configuration:** Includes a field for Translation configuration and a list of catalogs (e.g., Danish Catalog) with an 'Add' link highlighted in a red box.

2. Click the 'Add' link for a new configuration, or click the ellipsis button (...) for an existing configuration to display the Translation Configuration dialog.



**Important:** If the expected source and/or target translations are not displaying in the Translation Configuration dialog, see below for a troubleshooting guide.

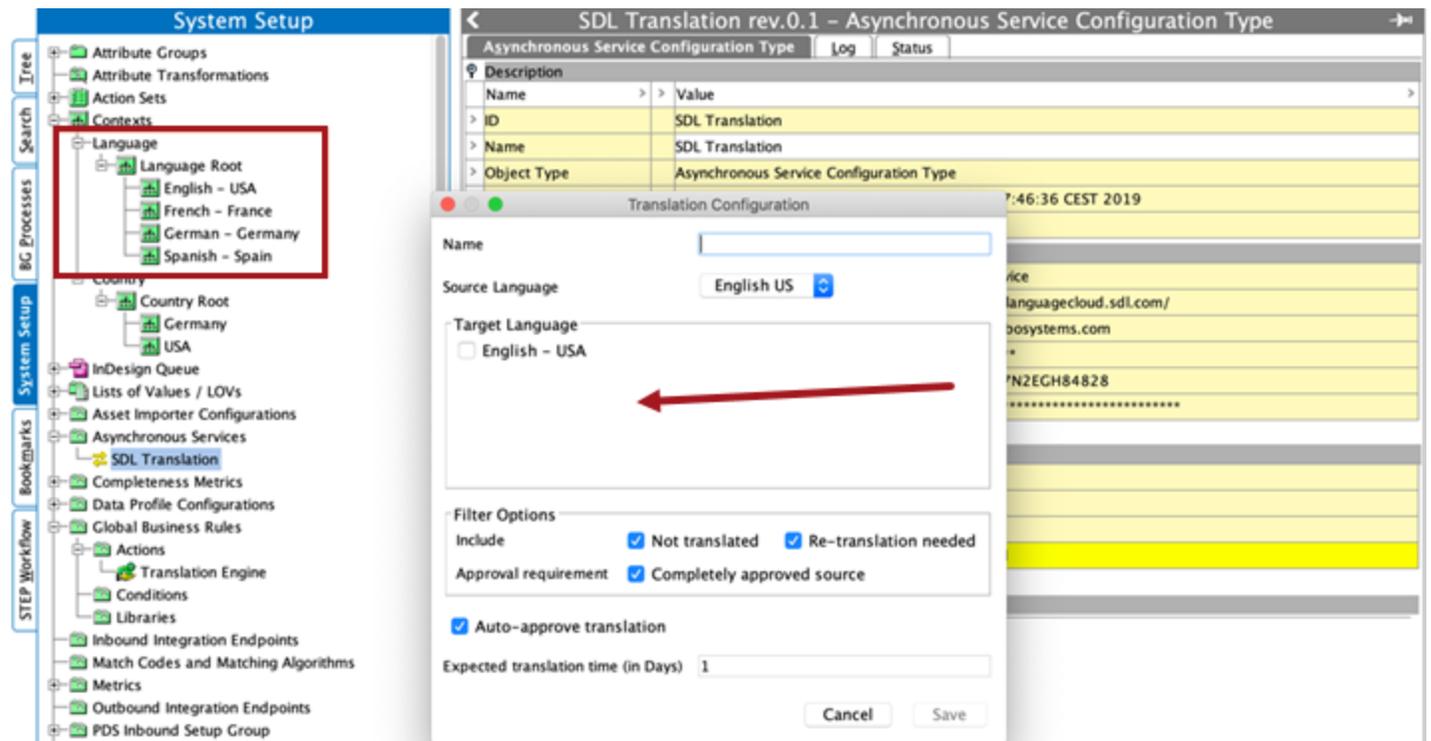
3. Set the options in the dialog as follows:

- **Name** - Enter the name of the Translation Configuration.
- **Source Language** - Select the context from the dropdown to indicate the source language.
- **Target Language** - Check the language(s) that the content should be translated into.
- **Filter Options: Include** - select at least one option to enable the **Save** button:
  - 'Not translated' includes untranslated values in the filter
  - 'Re-translation needed' includes values that have been amended and are thus designated as needing re-translation
- **Filter Options: Approval Requirement** - Uncheck the 'Completely approved source' box to waive the requirement that all objects must be fully approved prior to being translated.
- **Auto-approve translation** - By default, this option is checked and inbound translation updates are automatically approved and moved to the Approved workspace. When unchecked, inbound translation updates remain in the Main (maintenance) workspace.

- **Expected translation time (in Days)** - Used to communicate the number of days the translation is expected back from the service. This is usually populated based on the service level agreement, assuming there is one, between the translation service and the partner.
4. Click the **Save** button to complete the translation configuration.
  5. Right-click the asynchronous service configuration and select **Start Polling** to activate the process.
  6. Continue with the required setup, creating a business rule to trigger the translation as defined in the **Business Rules for Asynchronous Translations** topic.

## Troubleshooting Source and Target translation

If the source and/or target translations are not displaying in the Translation Configuration dialog like in the image below, then the **Language** and **Country** fields on the Contexts editor need to be configured.



For more information, see the **Maintaining Contexts** topic.

## Language Codes for Asynchronous Services

When sending files to be translated, some services require that the ISO-639 language code needs to be sent, followed by the ISO-3166 country code. For example, if a file was being translated from English US to Danish Denmark for SDL Translation, the required language codes would be 'en-US' and 'da-DK.' As shown below, the language dimension point IDs follow the required format, so a transformation lookup table is not required.

**Note:** When the language and country codes are not in the correct format in the IDs of the language dimension points, a Transformation Lookup Table is required.

Description	
Name	Value
ID	en-US
Name	English
Dictionary	English (United States)
GDSN mapping	en

Parents	
Name	Value
std.lang.all	All Languages

For Across translation, since the Windows language 'LCID' (Language Code Identifier) is required for the language code, a Lookup Table must be used.

## Transformation Lookup Table for Language Codes

Use the following steps to create a Transformation Lookup Table that will convert the language ID in the language dimension point into ISO language / country qualifiers.

**Important:** Allowed languages are determined by the translation service or software. Attempting to translate for a language that is not allowed, even when both the target and source languages exist in the lookup table, results in an error in the BGP Execution Report. For example, this error is reported by Across when the target language was not allowed by the software: 'Failed to find target LCID: 1030. Supported target LCIDs are 10249, 10252, 1031, 1033, 1036, 11273, 11276...'.

1. Create a Transformation Lookup Table. For more information, see the **Transformation Lookup Tables** topic in the **Resource Materials** online help.

Create Asset
✕

Object Type

Product Video  
 Transformation Lookup Table  
 XML File

ID

Name

2. Find the dimension IDs for the languages that need qualifiers set up.

System Setup

- Contexts
  - Language
    - All Languages
    - Danish
    - Dutch
    - English
    - French
    - Belgian French
    - Canadian French
    - Swiss French
    - German
    - Hebrew

French - Dimension Point

Dimension Point Log

Description

Name	Value
> ID	fr
> Name	French
> Dictionary	Français Classique (France)
> GDSN mapping	fr

Parents

Name	Value
> std.lanq.all	All Languages

3. In the Transformation Lookup Table, determine the type of transformation needed to convert the language ID in the language dimension point to:

- **ISO language / country qualifiers** - Enter the language IDs in the 'From' column and the corresponding ISO language / country qualifier in the 'To' column as shown below.

**Tree**

- Image Conversions
- Import Configurations
- Portal Configurations
- Smart Sheet Configurations
- Transformation Lookup Tables
  - Acme Smartsheet
  - AdvSTEPXML
  - Context Transformations
  - Description Attribute Merging
  - Dimension Dependency
  - Excel Template
  - Filter Template
  - ProductTables
  - Sample Configuration
  - SDL Language Mapping
  - SmartsheetHelp
  - Standardize Address
- Index Words
- Merchandising Hierarchy
- Suppliers
  - Suppliers Root
  - UNSPSC-CODE
  - Web Sites US
- Company Hierarchy Data Root
- Customer Root
- Entity Root
- GDSN

**SDL Language Mapping rev.8.0 - Transformation Lookup Table**

**Transformation Lookup Table**

Description

Name	Value
ID	SDL_Language_Mapping
Name	SDL Language Mapping
Object Type	Transformation Lookup Table
Revision	8.0 Last edited by USER.7 on Fri Nov 17 03:40:52 EST 2017
Approved	Never Been Approved
Translation	Not Translated
Path	Classification 1 root/Configurations/SDL Language Mapping
Content In	Language=All Languages

**Lookup Table**

Replace with default value when no matches are found (Value Substitution only):

Ignore Case

From	To
fr	fr-FR
German	de-DE

[Add Row](#)

3 Rows Import From Clipboard Apply

- **Windows Language Code Identifier (LCID)** - Enter the language IDs in the 'From' column and the corresponding ISO language / country qualifier in the 'To' column as shown below.

**Across Translation Lookup rev.0.1 - Transformation Lookup Table**

**Transformation Lookup Table**

Description

**Lookup Table**

Replace with default value when no matches are found (Value Substitution only):

Ignore Case

From	To
de-DE	1031
en-US	1033
fr-FR	1036

[Add Row](#)

4 Rows Import From Clipboard Apply

4. Add one or more of the following case-sensitive properties to the sharedconfig.properties file on the STEP application server to identify one or more lookup tables for translations, and stop / start the server to apply the change.

- **AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable.Across**
- **AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable.Lionbridge**
- **AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable.SDL**

```
AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable.Across=AcrossLanguageMapping
```

In this property example, 'AcrossLanguageMapping' is the ID of the lookup table.

- **AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable** - This original property only allowed a single lookup table, even when multiple translation processes were used. Although it is deprecated, it still functions.

```
AsyncTranslation.TargetLanguageLookupTable=SDL_Language_Mapping
```

In this property example, 'SDL\_Language\_Mapping' is the ID of the lookup table.

## Filtering Attributes for Translation

Within an asynchronous service configuration, users are able to select language-dependent attributes that they would like to be excluded for translation when the translation service is run; users are also able to select contextual attributes that they would like to be included for translation when the translation service is run. For more information, see the **Attribute Filters for Asynchronous Translation Services** topic.

# Attribute Filters for Asynchronous Translation Services

The Asynchronous Service Configuration Type object allows users to refine the list of attribute values required to be translated. Configure the following optional parameters as needed:

- 'Contextual Attributes' includes contextual attributes /attribute groups for translation.
- 'Excluded Attributes' excludes language-dependent attributes / attribute groups for translation.

Name	Value
ID	SDL
Name	SDL Translations
Object Type	Asynchronous Service Configuration Type
Revision	0.1 Last edited by USERK on Wed Oct 28 17:24:19 EDT 2020
Path	Asynchronous Services/SDL Translations

**Note:** Although calculated attributes can be selected as contextual attributes or translatable attributes when configuring attribute filtering, they will be omitted from the export as it is not possible to export calculated attributes into a translation file.

## Prerequisites

Before proceeding with the following steps found in this topic, users must:

- Create an asynchronous service object type as described in the **Create the Asynchronous Services Object Type** topic.
- Complete the Asynchronous Service Configuration Wizard as described in the **Configuring an Asynchronous Translation Service** topic.

- Set up a Translation Configuration as described in the **Setting Up a Translation Configuration** topic.

## Include Contextual Attributes for Asynchronous Translations

Contextual attributes are attributes that although are language-independent, provide the translator with contextual information about the object which contains the language-dependent attributes being translated. Contextual attributes selected are included within an asynchronous translation, while all others are ignored by the translation service.

1. Select the desired asynchronous translation service (in this example, 'SDL Translations'), open the 'Contextual Attributes' flipper open, and click the 'Add Attribute/Group' link.

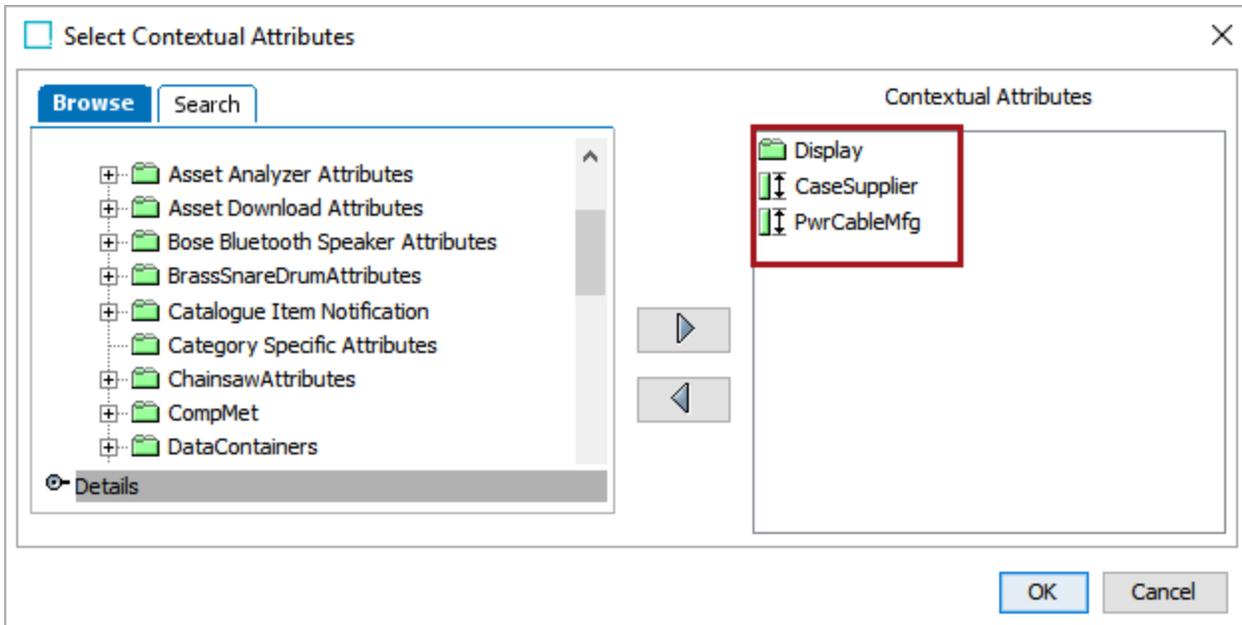
The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface. On the left is a tree view of system components, with 'SDL Translations' selected under 'Asynchronous Services'. On the right is the configuration page for 'Asynchronous Service Configuration Type'. The 'Contextual Attributes' section is expanded, showing a table with 'Attribute configuration' and a red-bordered 'Add Attribute/Group' link.

Asynchronous Service Configuration Type	
Description	
Name	Value
ID	SDL
Name	SDL Translations
Object Type	Asynchronous Service Configuration Type
Revision	0.1 Last edited by USERK on Wed Oct 28 17:24:19 EDT 2020
Path	Asynchronous Services/SDL Translations
Server Connection Details	
Load Handling	
Contextual Attributes	
Attribute configuration	>
>	Add Attribute/Group
Excluded Attributes	
Attribute configuration	>
>	Add Attribute/Group
Translation Configuration	

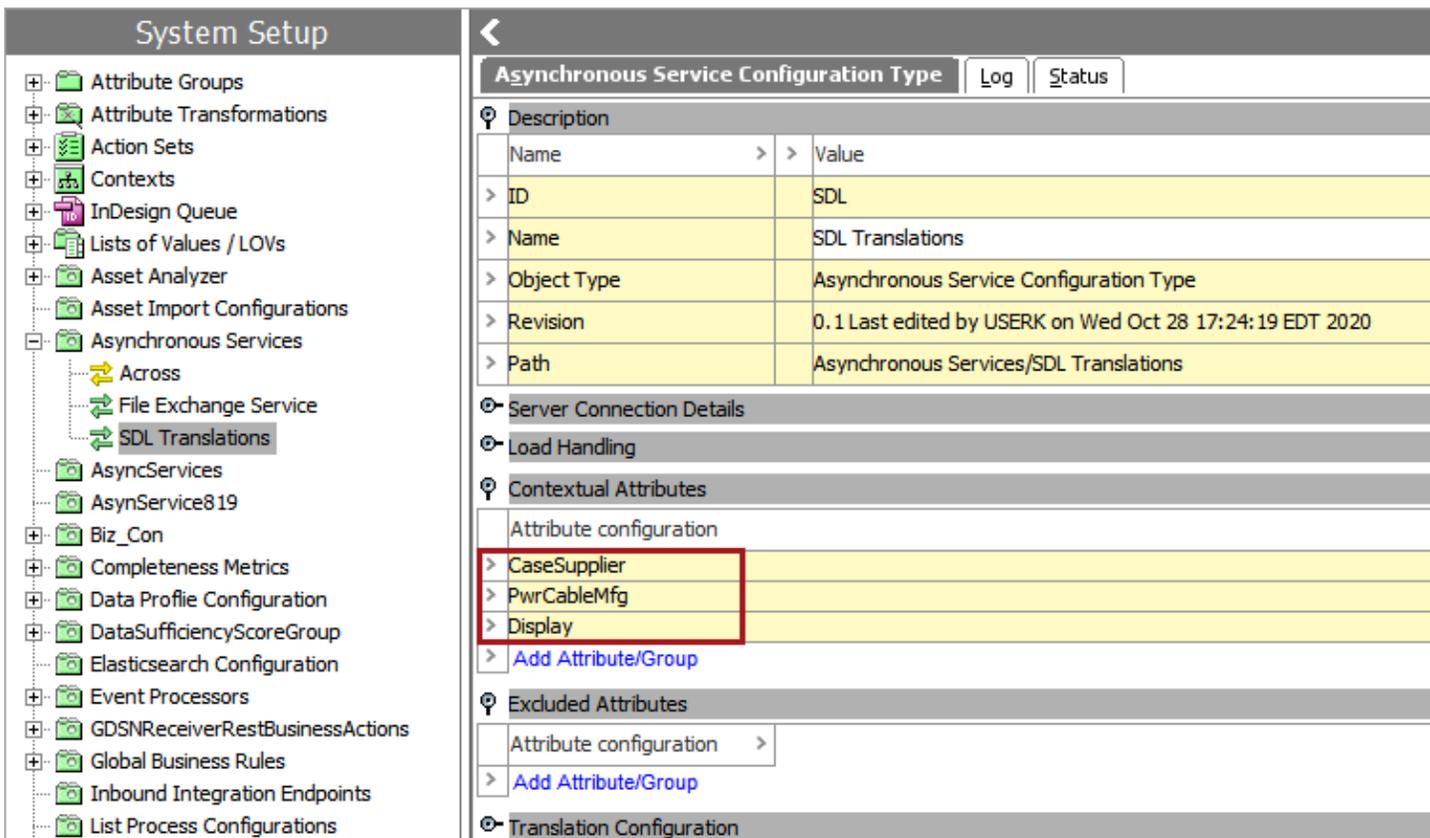
2. In the 'Select Contextual Attributes' dialog, select the desired contextual attributes / attribute groups to include for translation when a translation is run using the selected asynchronous service, and use the right arrow (▶) button to move those selections to the 'Contextual Attributes' column.

- If desired, use the left arrow (◀) button to remove the selected attributes / attribute groups from the 'Contextual Attributes' column.

In this example, the user has selected the attribute group 'Display' and the attributes 'CaseSupplier' and 'PwrCableMfg.'



3. Click 'OK' to save the settings and close the 'Select Contextual Attributes' dialog. The included attributes and attribute groups are displayed in the 'Contextual Attribute' flipper.



Only the selected contextual attributes / attribute groups will be included when a translation is run using the selected asynchronous service.

## Exclude Attributes for Asynchronous Translations

Individual language-dependent attributes or entire language-dependent attribute groups may be irrelevant for translation. The 'Excluded Attributes' parameter allows users to define the attributes that should not be translated.

To exclude attributes and/or attribute groups from an asynchronous translation:

1. Select the desired asynchronous translation service (in this example, 'SDL Translations'), open the 'Excluded Attributes' flipper, and click the 'Add Attribute/Group' link.

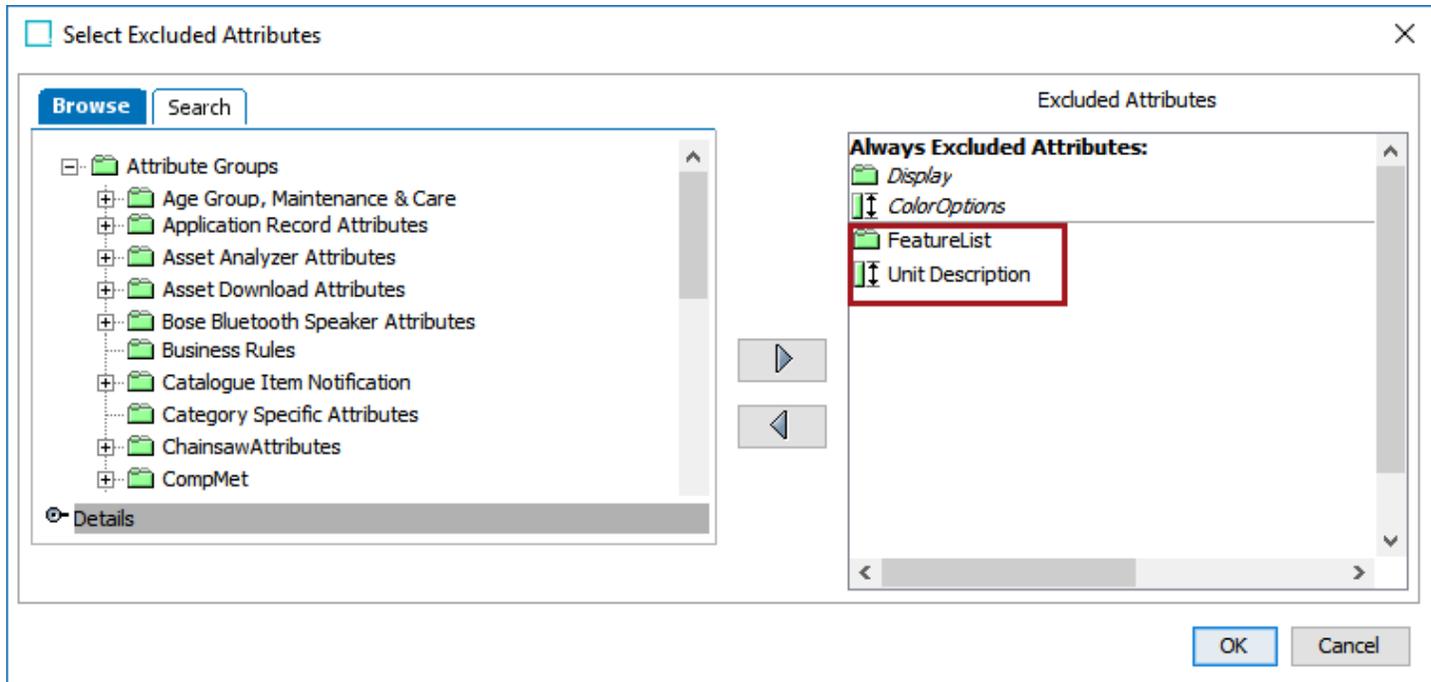
The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface. On the left is a tree view of system components, with 'SDL Translations' selected under 'Asynchronous Services'. On the right is the configuration page for 'Asynchronous Service Configuration Type'.

Asynchronous Service Configuration Type	
Description	
Name	Value
ID	SDL
Name	SDL Translations
Object Type	Asynchronous Service Configuration Type
Revision	0.1 Last edited by USERK on Wed Oct 28 17:24:19 EDT 2020
Path	Asynchronous Services/SDL Translations

Below the table are sections for 'Server Connection Details', 'Load Handling', 'Contextual Attributes', 'Excluded Attributes', and 'Translation Configuration'. In the 'Excluded Attributes' section, the 'Add Attribute/Group' link is highlighted with a red box.

2. In the 'Select Excluded Attributes' dialog, select the desired language-dependent attributes and attribute groups to exclude from translation when a translation is run using the selected asynchronous service, and click the right arrow (▶) button to move those selections to the 'Excluded Attributes' column.
  - To remove selected attributes and attribute groups from the 'Excluded Attributes' column, select the left arrow (◀) button.

In this example, the user has selected the 'FeatureList' attribute group and the 'Unit Description' attribute to be excluded from translation.



**Note:** In the image above, the attribute group 'Display' and the attribute 'Color Options,' which are located under 'Always Excluded Attributes,' are selected at the global level within the system settings. For all translation methods, these attributes will always be excluded. For more information, see the **Translation Settings** topic in the **System Settings** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

3. Click 'OK' to save the settings and close the 'Select Excluded Attributes' dialog. The excluded attributes and attribute groups are displayed in the 'Excluded Attribute' flipper.

**System Setup**

- Attribute Groups
- Attribute Transformations
- Action Sets
- Contexts
- InDesign Queue
- Lists of Values / LOVs
- Asset Analyzer
- Asset Import Configurations
- Asynchronous Services
  - Across
  - File Exchange Service
  - SDL Translations
- AsyncServices
- AsynService819
- Biz\_Con
- Completeness Metrics
- Data Profile Configuration
- DataSufficiencyScoreGroup
- Elasticsearch Configuration
- Event Processors
- GDSNRceiverRestBusinessActions
- Global Business Rules
- Inbound Integration Endpoints
- List Process Configurations
- List Processing Configurations
- Match Codes and Matching Algorithm

**Asynchronous Service Configuration Type** | Log | Status

**Description**

Name	Value
ID	SDL
Name	SDL Translations
Object Type	Asynchronous Service Configuration Type
Revision	0.1 Last edited by USERK on Thu Oct 29 16:52:23 EDT 2020
Path	Asynchronous Services/SDL Translations

**Server Connection Details**

**Load Handling**

**Contextual Attributes**

Attribute configuration
CaseSupplier
PwrCableMfg
Display
<a href="#">Add Attribute/Group</a>

**Excluded Attributes**

Attribute configuration
UnitDescription
FeatureList
<a href="#">Add Attribute/Group</a>

**Translation Configuration**

Only the selected language-dependent attributes / attribute groups will be excluded when a translation is run using the selected asynchronous service.

# Business Rules for Asynchronous Translations

Asynchronous translations can be initiated via a business rule which can be triggered in different ways, for example, from within a STEP workflow.

This section assumes that users are familiar with business rules. Most of the information about setting up and managing business rules can be found in the **Business Rules** section of the online help. However, this topic addresses the one business action that is required to initiate an asynchronous translation in a workflow.

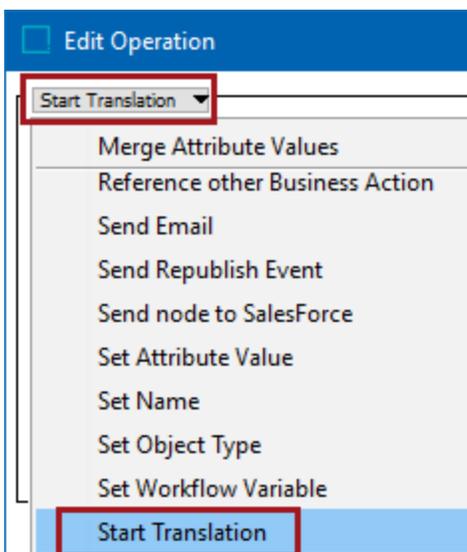
Use the following steps to configure a business action that will start a translation job for asynchronous translation.

## Prerequisites

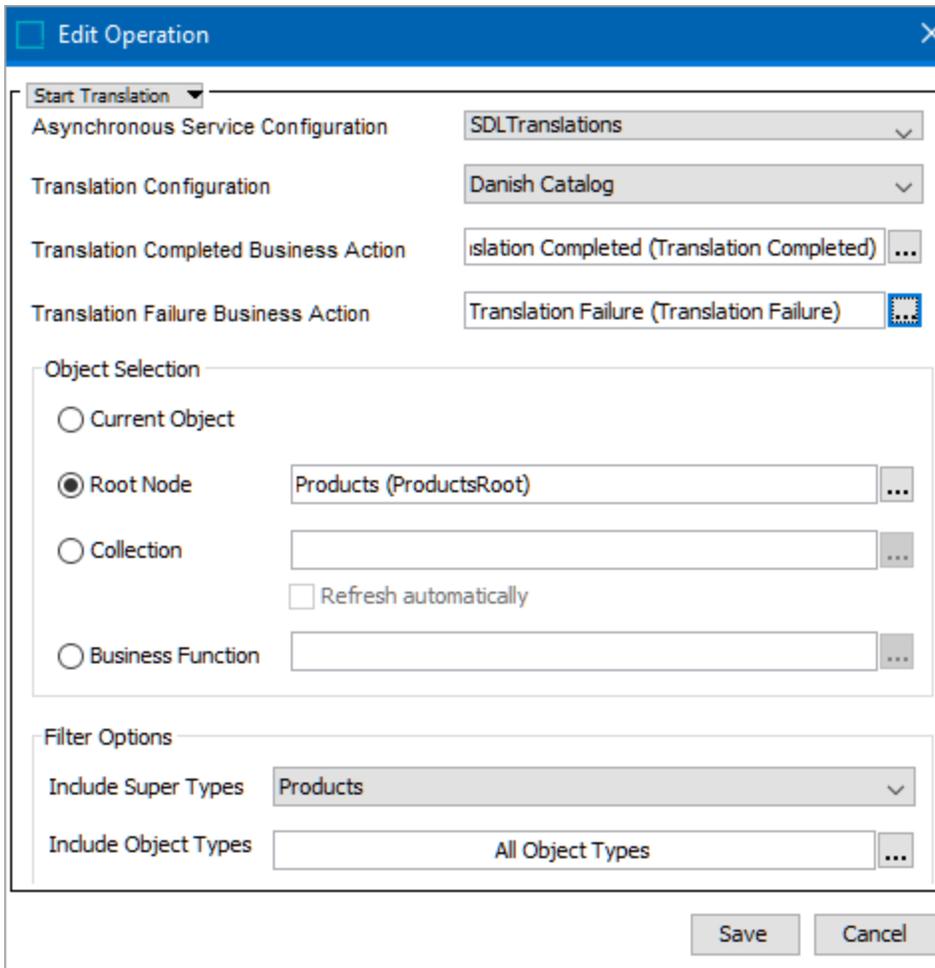
- The 'Translation Completed Business Action' and 'Translation Failure Business Action' can be created prior to being selected for the **Start Translation** Business Action. These actions can move the translation job through the workflow.
- The **Start Translation** Business Action only displays if the functionality for asynchronous translations has been activated on your system. See your Stibo Systems account representative about adding the functionality, if desired.

## Configuration

1. Create a business action in System Setup, then right-click and select Edit Business Rule.
2. In the Business Rule Editor, give the rule an ID and Name, then click **Add new Business Action** to open the Edit Operation dialog.
3. In the Edit Operation dialog, select the **Start Translation** business operation, as shown in the image below.



4. Supply the Start Translation operation parameters shown below as required:



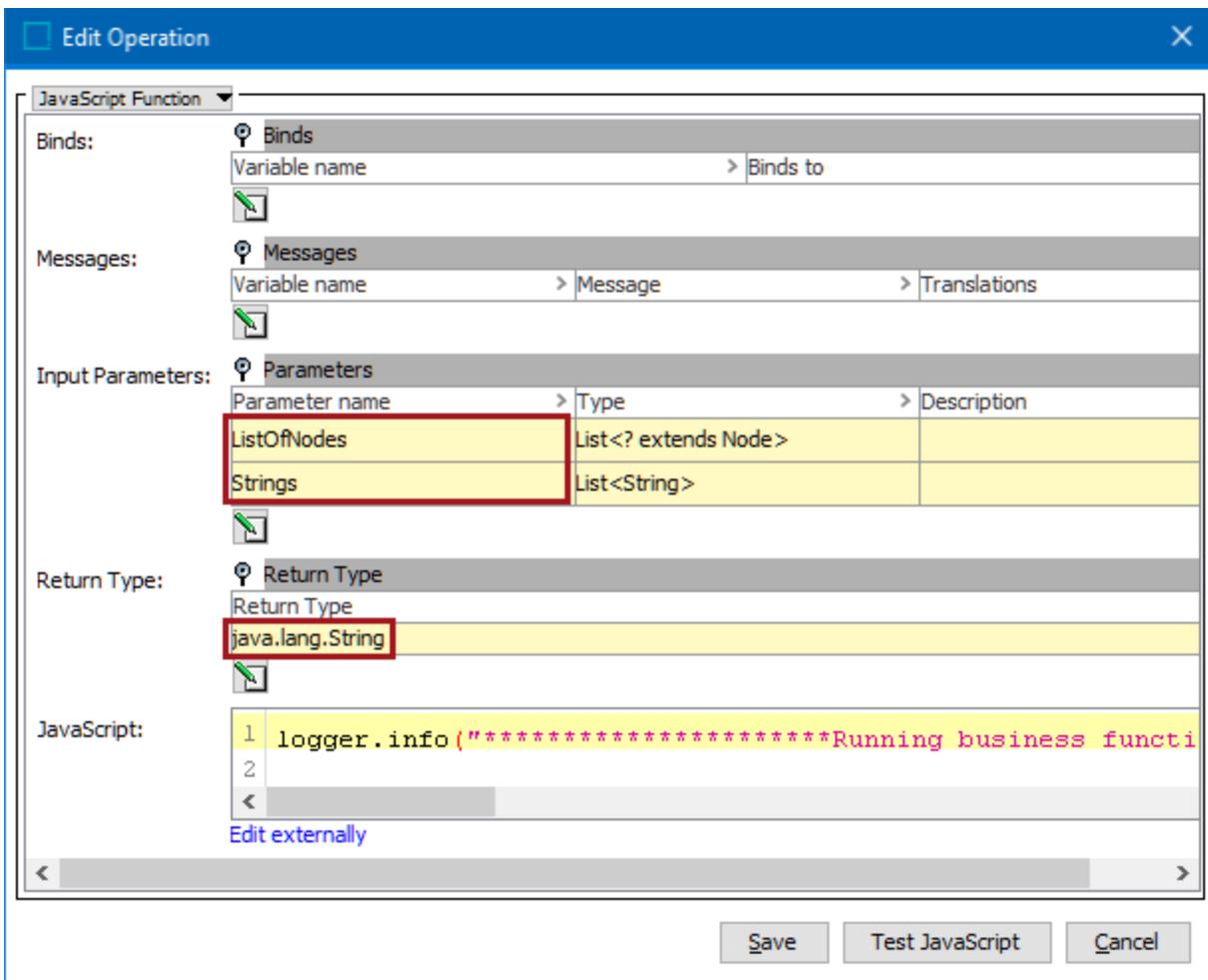
- For **Asynchronous Service Configuration** - Use this dropdown to select the Service Configuration you want to initiate.
- For **Translation Configuration** - Select the Translation Configuration to which the business rule applies. There can be many Translation Configurations for the same Service Configuration but the business action must be configured to use just one translation configuration.
- For **Translation Completed Business Action** - Select the business action that must be executed once a translation job is completed. If the translation was initiated in a STEP workflow task, you can use the Trigger STEP Workflow Event business action to move the workflow task to the next state.
- For **Translation Failure Business Action** - Select a business action that will be executed when a translation job fails.
- For **Object Selection** Options - Choose one of the following options:
  - **Current Object** - For accessing the STEP object that the business rule is being evaluated or executed against.

- **Root Node** - For selecting objects directly from the Tree. These can include products, assets, classifications, attributes, and LOVs. Click the ellipsis button (...) to either browse the Tree or search for a specific root node.

**Important:** If a user selects LOVs or Attributes / Attribute Groups from the list of available nodes, the **Filter Options** (detailed below) will be inactive.

- **Collection** - For selecting a manually selected grouping of various object types (which can, potentially, be from multiple super types) grouped in a collection. In the Collection field, click the ellipsis button (...) and either browse to or search for the collection to be translated. If the collection is based on a search and you want to ensure that new or amended values in the collection are captured prior to exporting for translation, click the box beside **Refresh Automatically**. Choosing this option activates the selections in the **Filter Options** section of the dialog. See the 'Filter Options' subsection below for more details.
- **Business Function** - For creating output from STEP to send to the translation service. Click the ellipsis button (...) to browse to or search for the relevant business function. For more detailed information about how to use business functions, see the **Business Functions** section of the **Business Rules** documentation.

As shown in the following image, to use the Business Function feature for asynchronous translations, two input parameter types are required: **List<? extends Node>** and **List<String>**. The Return Type **java.lang.String** must also be used.

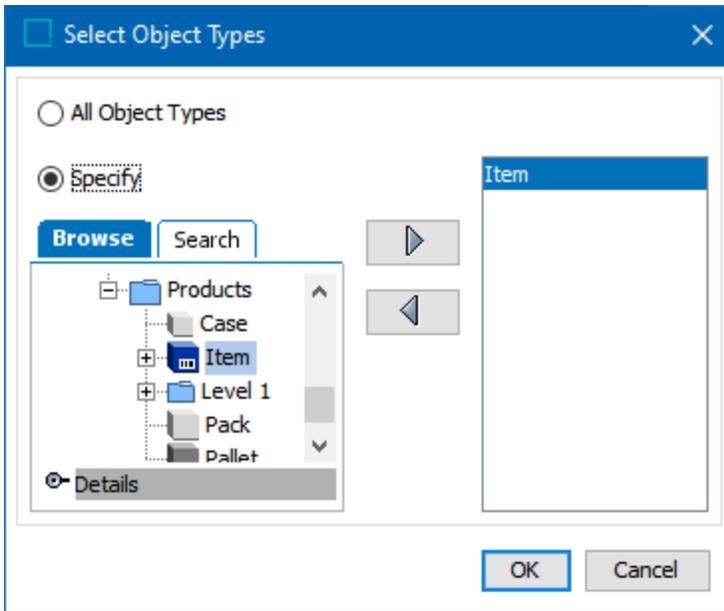


- For **Filter Options** - set the parameters as required:

- **Include Super Types** - From the dropdown list, select which super types should be translated. This field is only activated if **Root Node, Collection, or Business Function** was chosen for Object Selection. The super type options are Products (default), Classifications, Assets, or All.
- **Include Object Types** - Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the **Select Object Types** dialog and select the object types to be included in the translation export. This field is only activated if **Root Node, Collection, or Business Function** was chosen for Object Selection.

In the dialog, click the **Specify** radio button to enable the Browse and Search tabs for the Tree window. Select the relevant object type(s), then click the right-facing arrow (▶) to add the object type(s) to the filter. To remove an object type from the filter, select it and click the left-facing arrow (◀).

Click **OK** to close the dialog.



5. Click the **Save** button to close the Edit Operation dialog and add the operation to the business rule.

**Note:** Exported translation files can contain either data objects (products, classifications, assets, etc.) **or** system setup objects (attributes, LOV, etc.); they cannot contain a combination of the two.

## Running the Start Translation Business Rule

After setup of the business action is complete, testing or running the business rule starts a background process that is displayed on the BG Processes tab under the Async Job Runner node. The job displays a status of 'suspended' until the translation job is complete.

# Translation Status Widget Configuration

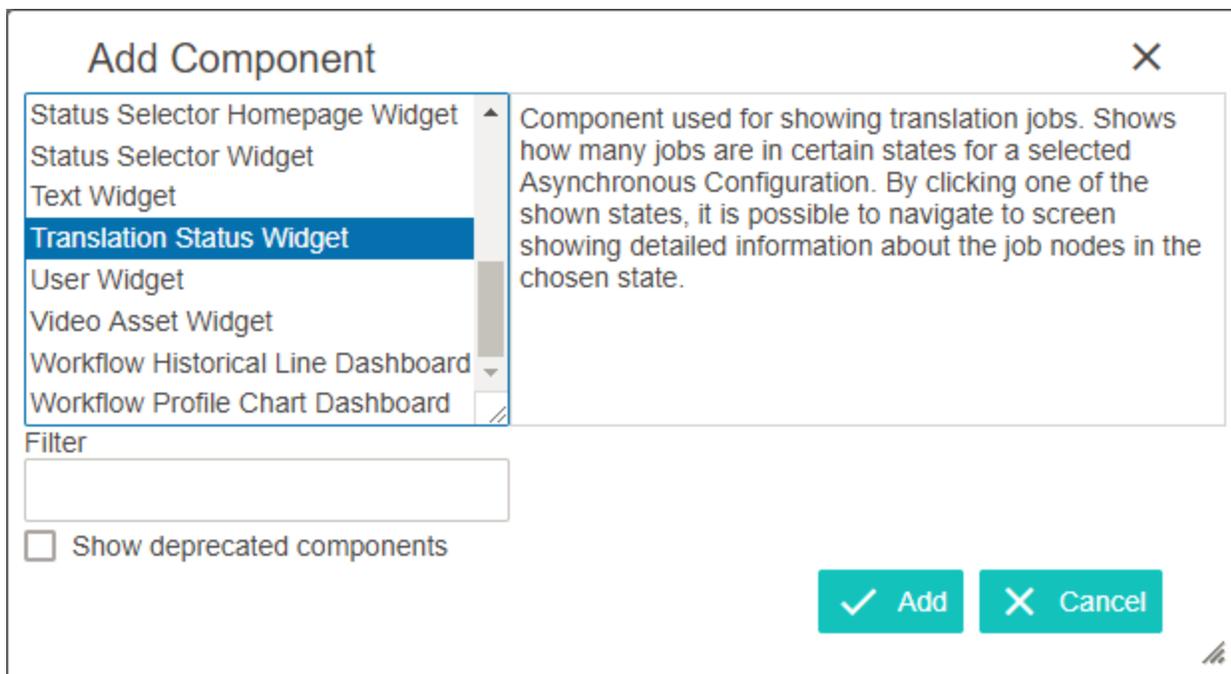
The Translation Status Widget that, once configured along with the necessary screens, enables users to see the number of translation jobs that are in certain states for a selected asynchronous configuration, and select those states for more detailed information.

## Configuring the Translation Status Widget

**Note:** Before configuring the Translation Status widget, users are recommended to read the **Asynchronous Translations in Web UI** topic, and need to complete the steps presented in the topic **Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI**.

While the following steps will detail adding and configuring a Translation Status widget, it is assumed that the reader has a working knowledge of how to add a widget to the homepage. For more information regarding homepage widgets, including adding widgets to a homepage, see the **Homepage Widgets** topic in the **Using Web UI** documentation.

1. In the Add Component dialog, select 'Translation Status Widget' and click 'Add.'



2. Click the ellipsis button (...) located next to the Asynchronous Service Configuration ID.

## Add component - configure required properties

Required properties (\*) must be set before the component can be added to the configuration.

### Translation Status Widget Properties

**Component Description** Component used for showing translation jobs. Shows how many jobs are in certain states for a selected Asynchronous Configuration. By clicking one of the shown states, it is possible to navigate to screen showing detailed information about the job nodes in the chosen state.

\* Asynchronous Service Configuration ID  

Double Width

Auto Refresh Interval

\* Result Screen

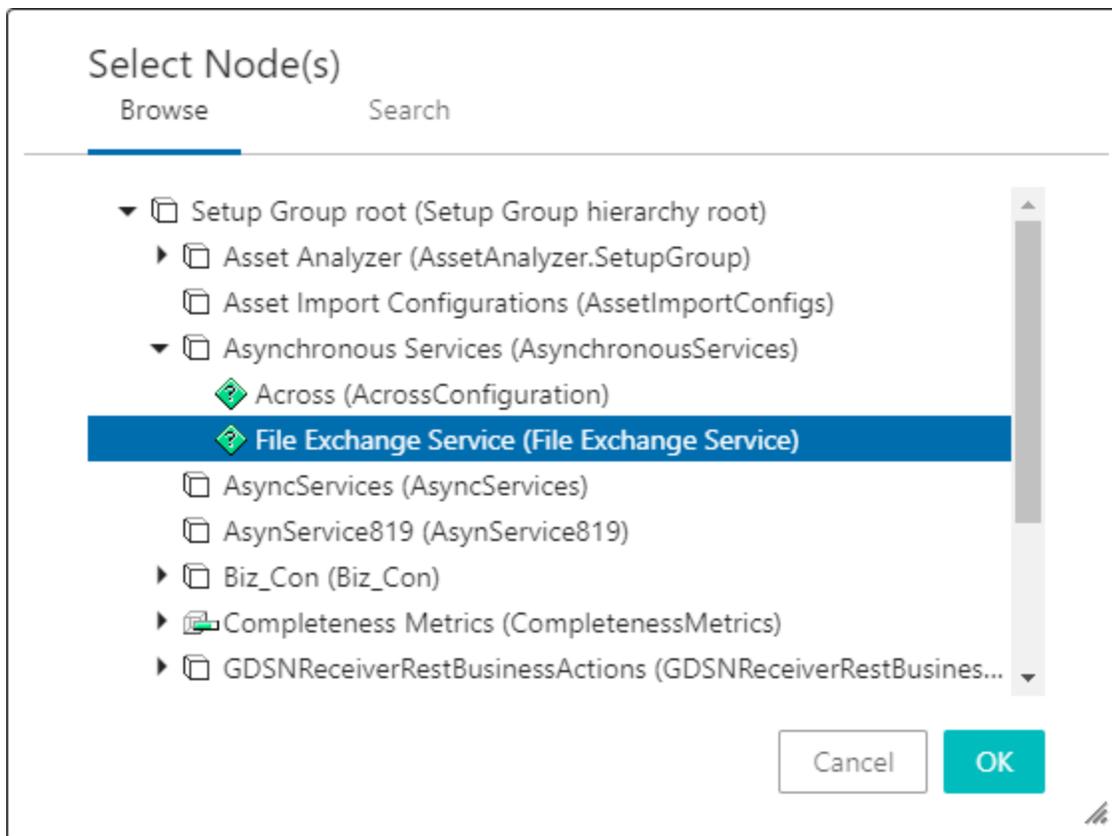
Title

Title On Hover

Total States Label

Use Title On Hover

3. Select the desired asynchronous service (in this example, 'File Exchange Service') and click 'OK.'



4. Open the 'Result Screen' dropdown menu and select the 'AsyncJobList Screen' screen. This screen was configured as part of the **Configuring Screens for Asynchronous Translation Status in Web UI** topic.

Properties

Configuration    Web UI style

---[HOMEPAGE]---    Save    Close    New...    Delete    Rename    Save as...

### Translation Status Widget Properties [go to parent](#)

Component Description    Component used for showing translation jobs. Shows how many jobs are in certain states for a selected Asynchronous Configuration. By clicking one of the shown states, it is possible to navigate to screen showing detailed information about the job nodes in the chosen state.

\* Asynchronous Service Configuration ID    File Exchange Service    ...

Double Width   

Auto Refresh Interval    60

\* Result Screen    AsyncJobListScreen    Add

5. Click 'Save' to save the Translation Status widget settings.
6. Click 'Close' to close the designer.

### Optional Parameters in the Translation Status Widget Properties dialog

The two parameters, 'Asynchronous Service Configuration ID' and 'Result Screen', are mandatory and are identified as such by asterisks. All other parameters are optional and described in detail below.

* Asynchronous Service Configuration ID	<input type="text" value="File Exchange Service"/>	<input type="button" value="..."/>
Double Width	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Auto Refresh Interval	<input type="text" value="60"/>	
* Result Screen	<input type="text" value="AsyncJobListScreen"/>	<input type="button" value="Add"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>	
Title On Hover	<input type="text"/>	
Total States Label	<input type="text"/>	
Use Title On Hover	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Double Width**

Doubles the width of the widget on the Home Page.

**Auto Refresh Interval**

If desired, enter the number of seconds that should pass before the widget is automatically updated. Automatic updates are disabled if this field is left blank.

**Title**

Enter the title for the Translation Widget.

**Title On Hover**

If a title is entered in the 'Title' parameter, and this parameter is selected, the assigned title will appear when the user hovers the mouse over the title area within the widget.

**Total States Label**

If given a value, this will include the total translation states within the selected asynchronous service. In this example, the user has provided a value of 'Total States' for the parameter.

**Use Title On Hover**

If a title is provided in the 'Title' parameter, the title will appear when the user hovers the mouse over the top of the Translation Status widget.

## Using the Translation Status Widget

The Translation Status widget should now be visible on the Web UI homepage.

1. From the dropdown menu located in the Translation Status widget, select a translation configuration. In this example, the user has selected 'All configurations.'

FILE EXCHANGE SERVICE TRANSLA..	
All configurations	▼
Waiting	4
Query Translation	3
Translation Export	0
Extract File To Translate	13
Store in Out folder	0
Waiting for Translation	104
Store Translation Result	0
Import Translation	2
Completed	0

2. Select a translation state (e.g., 'Waiting', 'Query Translation', etc.). In this example, 'Waiting for Translation' has been selected.

The Job List Screen and Job List Node Screen, separated by a moveable handle, opens.

## Job List Screen

	Job id	Nodes number	Started Date	Translation configuration
⊖	BGP_114140	1	01-05-2019 13:11:48	English to French
⊖	BGP_114145	1	01-05-2019 13:15:06	English to French
⊖	BGP_114146	1	01-05-2019 13:15:48	English to French
⊖	BGP_114177	1	01-05-2019 13:45:24	English to French
⊖	BGP_114178	1	01-05-2019 13:46:00	English to French
⊖	BGP_114220	1	01-05-2019 14:26:56	English to French
⊖	BGP_114222	1	01-05-2019 14:27:13	English to French

⏪ < 1-50 of 104 > ⏩

---

ID	Title
<a href="#">Tips</a>	<a href="#">Tips</a>

For more information on using these two screens to obtain further translation status details, see the **Asynchronous Translations in Web UI** topic.

# Dun & Bradstreet Integration

Both STEP Workbench and Web UI support matching data from the Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) database and then allow for enriching customer information in STEP with this data. These records, brought in either manually or through inbound integrations, can be matched using confidence scoring and enriched automatically through the use of new processors and workflows.

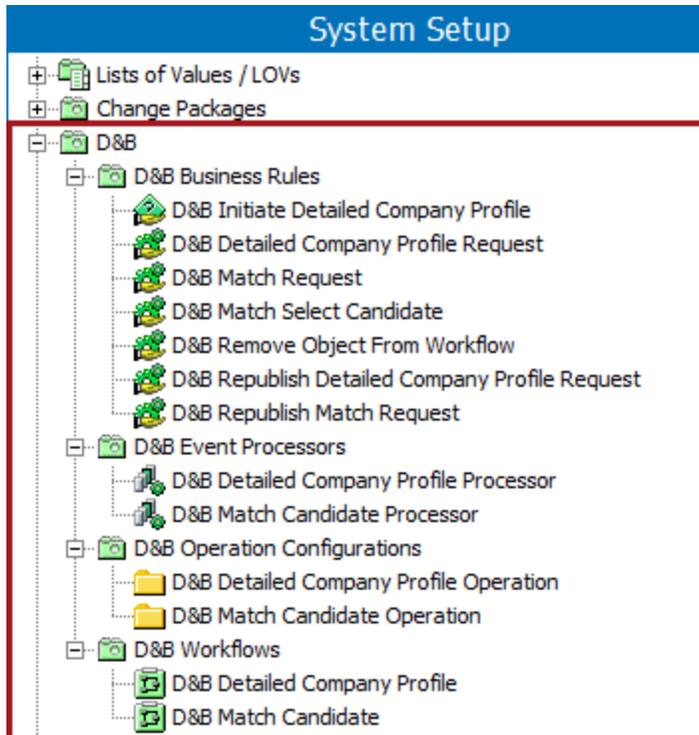
The integration to D&B services is implemented following an asynchronous integration pattern, using the following STEP components

- Event processors for matching and detailed company profile enrichment
- Business actions that enable matching, company profile enrichment, removal, republishing, and candidate selections
- Workflows for D&B integration
- D&B Integration component model

To assist with proper configuration, an easy setup is available that creates all of the D&B mapping configurations, workflows, business rules, and event processors. STEP will create a D&B (STEP ID: DnBIntegration) setup folder in System Setup that contains the following:

- **D&B Business Rules** - Business actions that enable the D&B functionalities to process. Each one is named according to its function.
- **D&B Integration Event Processors** - Event processors used to request changes from third-party services.
- **D&B Operation Configurations** - There is a node for each D&B operation with a configuration specific to each operation.
- **D&B Integration Workflows** - There is one workflow for each D&B Service: D&B Match and D&B Detailed Company Profile. The workflows are used for controlling the information flow.

This easy setup is referred to as 'automatic setup' throughout the rest of the Dun & Bradstreet documentation.



In addition to the D&B System Setup folder, attribute groups, attributes, and data containers are created as part of the automatic setup. There are over 200 attributes / data containers, and they are separated out between the ones used for candidate matching and the ones used for enriching company profiles. For a full list of attributes, see the **Dun & Bradstreet Attributes and Data Containers** topic.

**Note:** If you need to change any of these generated D&B tools, it is recommended practice to duplicate the supplied instance, then modify that business rule, workflow, event processor, etc. This method is advised because whenever D&B integration is updated, any values that were changed may be overwritten.

## Prerequisites

**Important:** To use the D&B functionality, the applicable license must be in place and the installation recipe applied. Also, it is important for customers to note that D&B Direct API calls must be made using Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), and the URL of the D&B endpoint is <https://direct.dnb.com/>.

Configuring the component model requires users to be familiar with the System Setup tab in STEP Workbench and how to configure within this area (e.g., creation and maintenance of object types, attributes, and references). Users must also have the privileges required to carry out these tasks.

Also, users should be familiar with business rules, workflows, event processors, and it is expected that anyone configuring Web UI components is familiar with Web UI designer. If not, the users should search online help to understand these concepts and processes.

Anyone configuring or using the D&B setup package needs to have the proper privileges and understand how all the pieces work together. The automatic setup is designed to make it so that users have very little to do configuration-wise to get up and running as soon as possible and most of these concepts are not covered in this D&B documentation.

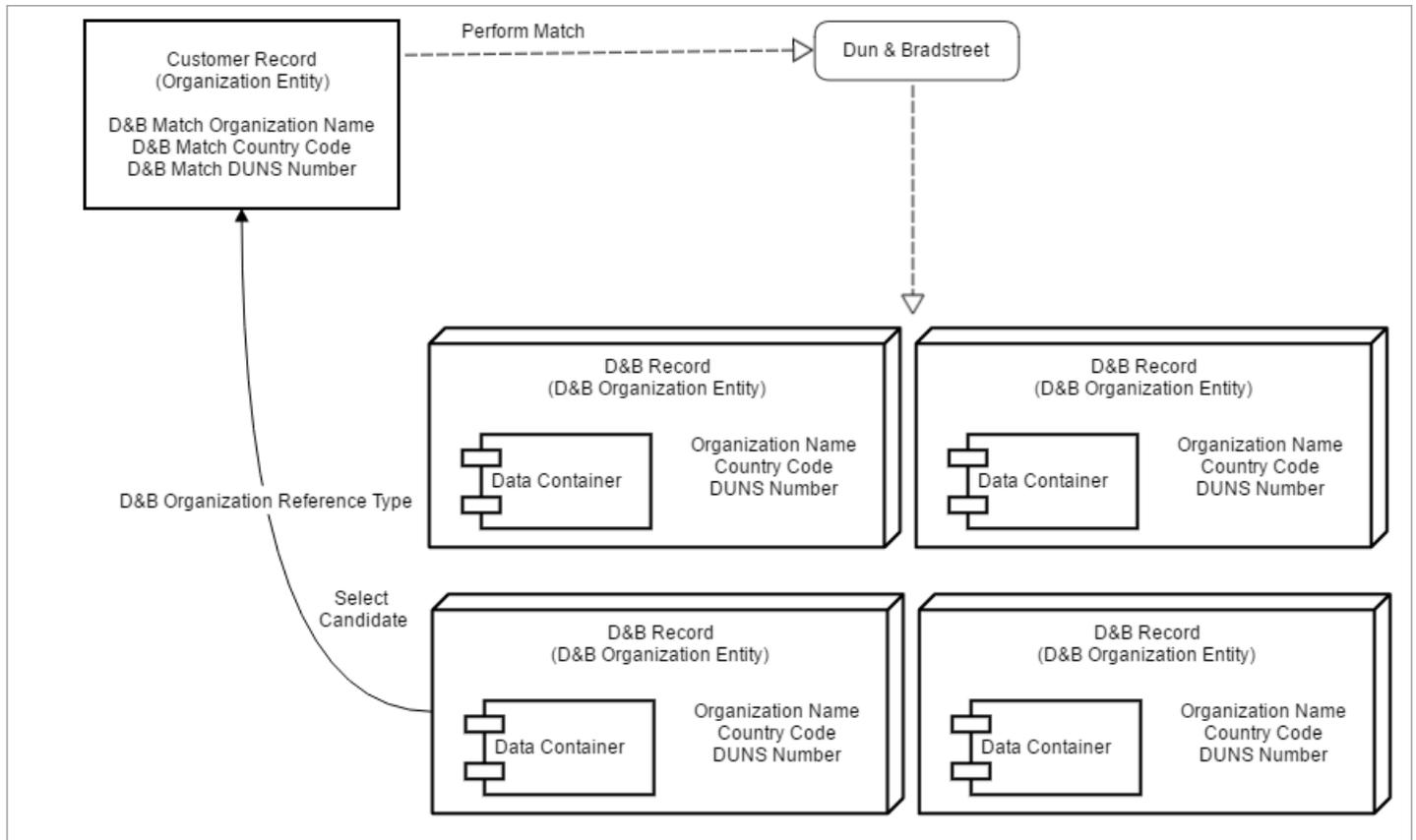
## Customer Data Model

Before starting the D&B setup, the relevant data structures need to be defined. The proper entity object types should be created and the entity root for where the system will create new D&B organization entity records as returned from D&B. The D&B records will be referenced by a customer record, so the proper reference types and links also need to be configured prior to starting the D&B automatic / easy setup process. More information about the data model and what is required can be found by reading through the next section in this topic, so it is a good idea to read through that information to verify that your data model is setup as needed for D&B integration to function.

**Note:** As part of the D&B Integration Easy Setup (described in the Configuring Dun & Bradstreet Integration section that follows), the user must define already configured references for the component model to be considered valid. The references for D&B Match Candidate Reference Type and D&B Organization Reference Type must have specific Sources and Targets. The record which holds the information to be compared should be the Valid Source Type and the D&B record which will hold the D&B results should be the Valid Target Type. These references must have only **one** Valid Source Type and one Valid Target Type.

This is an outline of the D&B process that shows why the setup is so important:

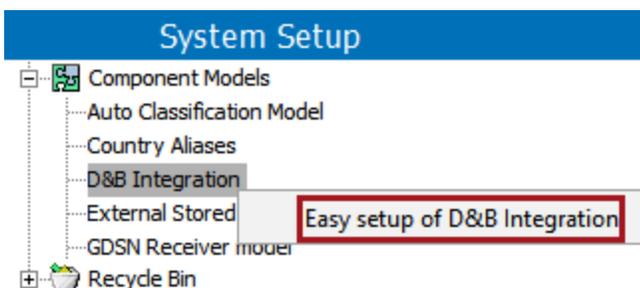
- Input for D&B Match requests is taken from a configurable set of attributes on the organization record
- Data returned from D&B is stored in an entity, in a fixed data model comprised of data containers and attributes that is created by the easy setup
- D&B Matching will create the D&B organization entities and a reference from the organization record to the D&B organization record



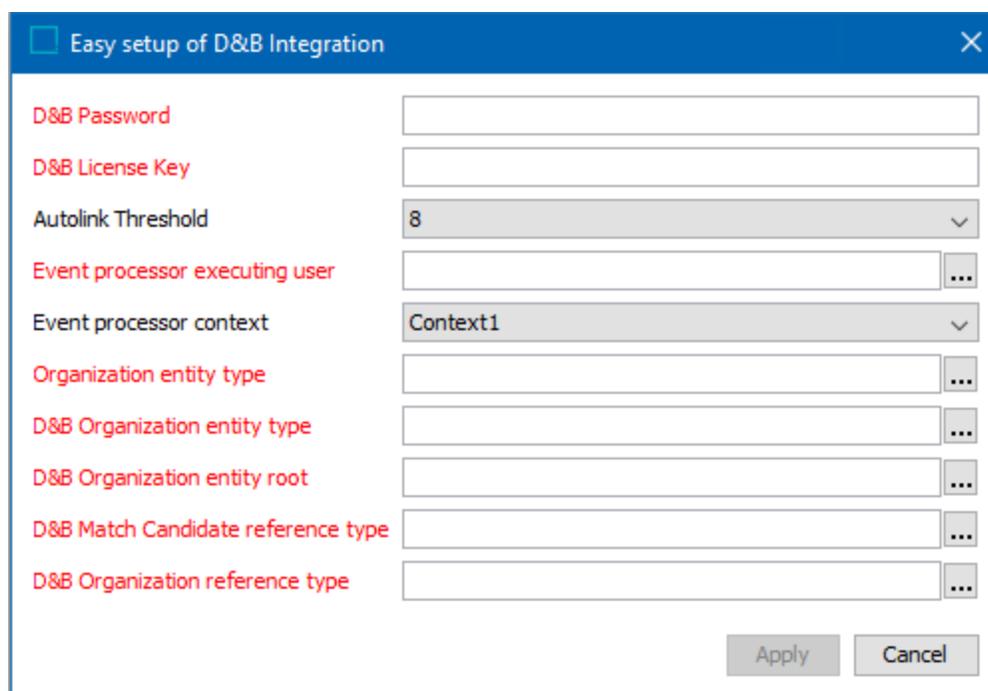
## Configuring Dun & Bradstreet Integration

As mentioned, D&B Integration includes an automatic setup that will create all the setup files and needed attributes and data containers. To start the automatic configuration:

1. Go to System Setup > Component Models > Select **D&B Integration**.
2. Right-click the component model name (D&B Integration) and select 'Easy setup of D&B Integration.'



3. When this menu option is selected, the 'Easy setup of D&B Integration' dialog will display. The dialog requires a bit of setup to create the appropriate connections with D&B.



- **D&B Password** and **D&B License Key**: By default, customers can access up to 500 free D&B ‘match’ transactions. Request a license key from your Stibo Systems representative.

When the 500 ‘match’ transactions are used, customers may purchase ‘match’ and ‘profile’ licenses directly from Stibo.

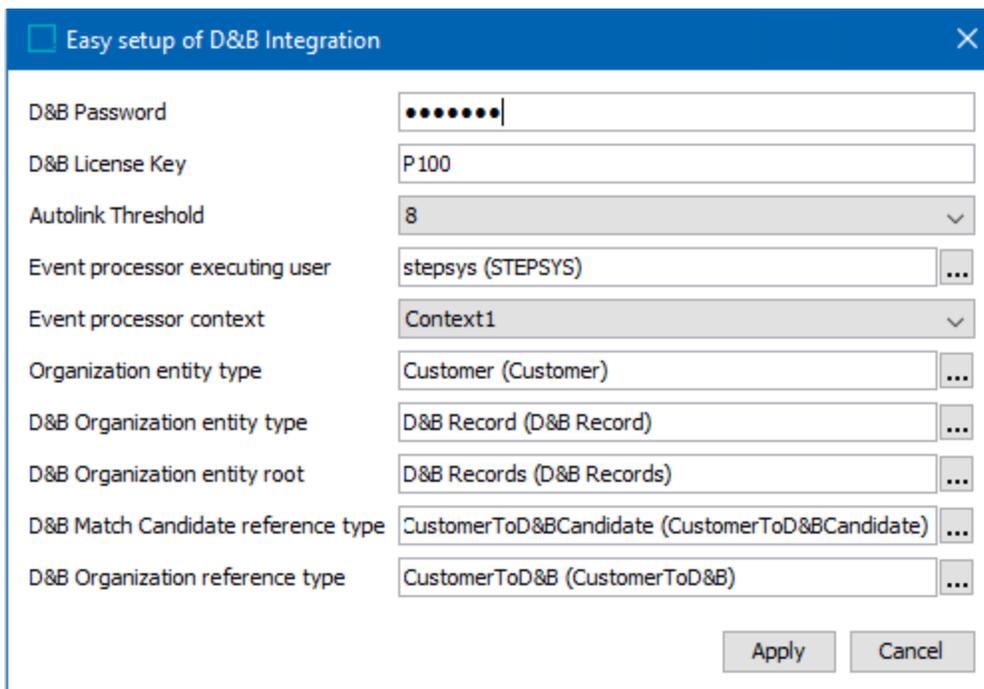
**Note:** The ‘profile’ license includes access to both ‘match’ and ‘profile’ transactions. One transaction of ‘profile’ gives you the ability to do a match first and then obtain a detailed company profile. Regardless of which license you buy, only one license key will be provided to cover both ‘match’ and ‘profile’ transactions. Contact your Stibo Systems account manager or partner manager for more information.

- Select a **Autolink Threshold** (integers 6 through 10) from the dropdown. This is a D&B-determined auto-linking threshold used for matching customer records to D&B record candidates. For example, if you set it at 6 and get one match candidate at that threshold, the D&B record auto-links to the customer record. The numbers are labeled in the dropdown with 6 being a very low (match) threshold and 10 being a very high (match) threshold. The default is 8.
- **Event processor executing user** tells the system which user will be associated with all of automatic event processing done as part of the D&B processes. Click the ellipsis button (...) to select the user.
- **Event processor context** is the STEP Context the event processors will be configured to operate in. You can make an alternate selection via the dropdown.
- The rest of the values need to be populated before moving forward and the data modeling setup must be created prior to running the easy setup. The objects, roots, and reference types created for the modeling are the ones to be selected in the 'Easy setup of D&B integration' dialog.

Click the ellipsis button (...) for each parameter to set the entity roots, entity types, and entity-to-entity reference types as indicated within the dialog.

- **Organization entity type** - Entity object type for the customer records.
- **D&B Organization entity type** - Entity object type for the D&B records.
- **D&B Organization entity root** - Root where D&B records will be saved
- **D&B Match Candidate reference type** - Reference type for D&B match candidates. A reference is made from each candidate to the applicable customer record; once a match is made, all the non-matched records are removed from the system and this reference is no longer needed for that particular customer record since matching is complete.
- **D&B Organization reference type** - Reference type for D&B matches. Once a match candidate selection is made, the D&B record is then linked to the customer record with this reference type.

This is an example of what an 'Easy setup of D&B Integration' dialog may look like filled out. Your setup will differ depending on your data model. Also, the D&B License Key shown is just an example and not representative of how an actual key would look when populated.



4. After completing this configuration, select 'Apply.' The component model will populate with the information provided, the setup folders will be created, and candidate matching can begin.

## Dun & Bradstreet Component Model

After running the automatic setup, the Dun & Bradstreet component model will map the component model names (D&B data fields) to STEP attributes, entity object types, and entity reference types. A completed component model will appear like the following image:

**Component Model Configuration**

Name	Value	Description
> D&B Organization Entity Type	D&B Record	Used to set the entity type used for the D&B Organization Records.
> Organization Entity Type	Customer	Used to set the entity type used for Organization Entities.
> D&B DUNS Number	D&B DUNS Number	Attribute on the D&B record to hold DUNS number. Used when running Detailed Company Profile.
> D&B Match Address Line 1	D&B Match Address Line 1	Attribute on the customer record to hold first address line used for matching.
> D&B Match Address Line 2	D&B Match Address Line 2	Attribute on the customer record to hold second address line used for matching.
> D&B Match Confidence	D&B Match Confidence	Attribute on the D&B candidate references to hold confidence value on candidate references.
> D&B Match Country Code	D&B Match Country Code	Attribute on the customer record to hold country code used for matching.
> D&B Match DUNS number	D&B Match DUNS Number	Attribute on the customer record to hold DUNS number used for matching.
> D&B Match Organization Name	D&B Match Organization Name	Attribute on the customer record to hold the organization name used for matching
> D&B Match Phone Number	D&B Match Phone Number	Attribute on the customer record to hold the phone number of a company.
> D&B Match Postal Code	D&B Match Postal Code	Attribute on the customer record to hold the postal code used for matching.
> D&B Match Reason Code	D&B Match Reason Code	Attribute on the customer record to hold the reason code if searching for a company located in Germany.
> D&B Match Registration Number	D&B Match Registration Number	Attribute on the customer record to hold the registration number used for matching.
> D&B Match State/Territory	D&B Match Territory/State	Attribute on the customer record to hold the state or territory name used for matching.
> D&B Match Town Name	D&B Match Primary Town	Attribute on the customer record to hold the primary town name used for matching.
> D&B Match Candidate Reference Type	CustomerToD&BCandidate	Reference type used to link candidates to a D&B Organization record.
> D&B Organization Reference Type	CustomerToD&B	Reference type used to link organization records to their D&B Organization Records.

> [Edit](#)

If there are any issues with the automatic setup and not all values could be mapped, then you will be able to see what the issues are within the component model. If any of the object types, reference types, or attributes / data containers being mapped are unclear, the Description column will provide context for how these fields are to be used.

These attributes in the component model will map to the following corresponding D&B attributes:

Request Attributes	D&B Attributes
D&B Match Address Line 1	StreetAddressLine-n
D&B Match Address Line 2	StreetAddressLine-n
D&B Match Country Code	CountryISOAlpha2Code
D&B DUNS Number	DUNSNumber
D&B Match Organization Name	SubjectName
D&B Match Organization Postal Code	FullPostalCode
D&B Match Registration Number	OrganizationIdentificationNumber
D&B Match Organization Territory/State	TerritoryName
D&B Match Organization Primary Town	PrimaryTownName
D&B Match Phone Number	TelephoneNumber
D&B Match Reason Code	OrderReasonCode

**Note:** The D&B Match Confidence is a candidate reference attribute that is set by the D&B response based on the quality of the matched record.

Once the setup is complete, users can begin matching existing customer records. More information can be found in the **Dun & Bradstreet Matching** topic.

### Errors during setup, matching, and detailed company profiling

The table below outlines different errors that are possible during the D&B process. Outlined is the type of error, if the system should retry the process, if the error stops the event processor, and if the error is recorded within the workflow.

Type of error	Retry	Stop event processor	Report to workflow (to data steward)
Connection timeout	Y	N	N
Invalid license	N	Y	N
D&B finds no results (company profile)	N	N	Y
Invalid match request	N	N	Y
Internal unknown service error	N	Y	N
STEP internal error	N	Y	N
Response parse error	N	N	Y
Data model errors	N	Y	N
Other errors from D&B service	N	N	Y

When errors are sent to the workflows, a transition is made to an error state. A user must access those tasks and handle the errors.

# Dun & Bradstreet Matching

The Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) data integration allows for users to do a matching request on a customer record. The D&B Match Candidate Workflow allows users to keep track of the tasks, described below.

## Prerequisites

Prior to starting the matching process, the setup for D&B integration must be complete. See the **Dun & Bradstreet Integration** topic.

The D&B Integration Component Model is where you complete the setup and decide what data (i.e., attribute, object types, and reference types) you will use when performing a match. You are using values from your customer record to match against D&B records. If so desired, these attributes may be changed to calculated attributes based on other attributes in the organization entity. The Perform Match / Select Candidate tasks are described below.

## D&B Match Candidate Workflow

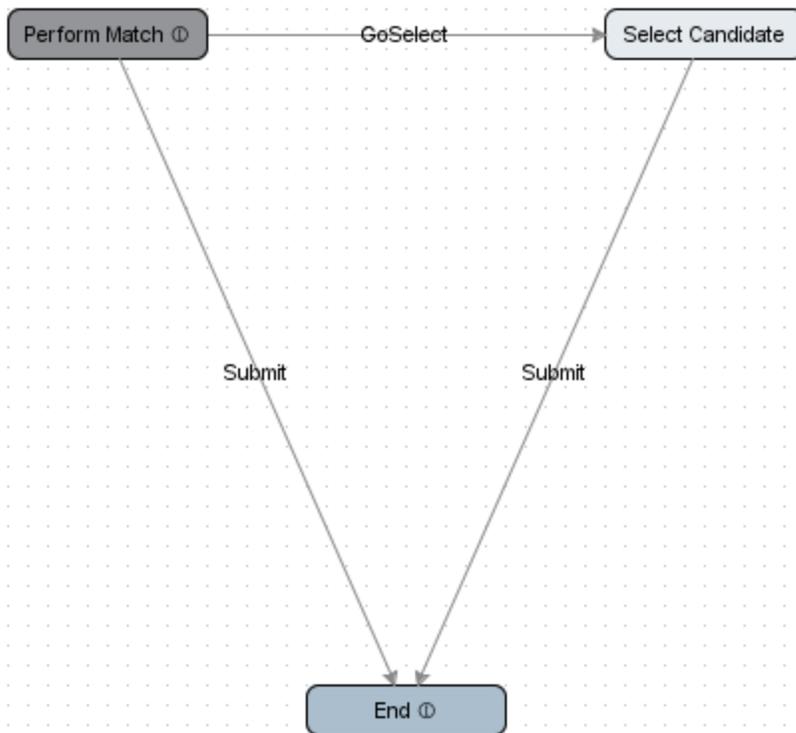
Matching is initiated by initiation of the organization entity (as designated in the D&B Integration component model) in the D&B Match workflow. Initiation is done via standard methods, including upon entity creation or through manual initiation, or initiated by a variety of other actions or processes such as business rules, imports, and bulk updates.

Initiating customer records triggers an event that is then processed via an event processor. A business action tells the system to make a call to D&B and try to match the customer record data (determined during setup) to D&B records. A response is received and sent back to STEP to write into a D&B record or records. At this time, if multiple candidates are found and returned from D&B, then the customer record moves to the Select Candidate task. If only one match candidate is returned from D&B, then the customer record transitions through the D&B Match workflow seamlessly, with the D&B Organization reference being made at the end.

When multiple match candidates are returned, and a Select Candidate task needs to be completed, users evaluate the D&B records based on designated criteria to make a best-match choice, and select one of those candidate D&B records to reference. Until a selection is made, D&B Match Candidate references are made from the customer record to the possible D&B Record candidates. When the event processor picks up the event asynchronously, it uses a business action to call D&B and matches via an entity-to-entity reference. These references and non-match candidates are deleted once a match is selected, and the D&B record selected then becomes a reference of the customer record via an D&B Organization reference. The Select Candidate process is best done in Web UI and described below.

**Important:** The processes described above are performed asynchronously, creating a queue of actions. Users must allow time for each match request to process.

## D&B Match Candidate (DnBIntegrationMatch Candidate) ☹



## Perform Match

Matching can be done in the Web UI or in workbench. It does not matter where the initiation process begins.

A matching request is comprised of attributes mapped in the D&B Integration component model. As explained in the **Dun & Bradstreet Integration** topic, input for D&B Match requests is taken from a configurable set of attributes on the organization record. Those attribute values are part of the request sent to D&B, and each attribute has a match response returned from D&B. More details about configuring the component model can be found in that same topic. Each value has a description that describes what it is used for, and all but one attribute (the one mapped to D&B Company Profile DUNS Number) is used in the matching process.

Also, the MATCH\_TYPE parameter and exclusion values from System Setup > D&B > D&B Operations Configurations > D&B Match Candidate Operations is pulled into request to D&B.

- The MATCH\_TYPE options are SBRI, Advanced, or Basic. When MatchTypeText is set as 'SBRI', this indicates that the match will be performed against the D&B Small Business repository. The difference between basic and advanced matching lies in the level of detail in explanation of why each candidate matches the customer.
- Five exclusions can be enabled. When enabled via workbench, these exclusion options are also honored (but configurable) when doing a 'Modify Search' action in Web UI.

Operation Parameters and Flags	
Parameter	Value
> MATCH_TYPE	Advanced
> DEFAULT_COUNTRY_CODE	US
> REASON_CODE	6333
Value	Status
> Exclude Unreachable	<input type="checkbox"/>
> Exclude Non HeadQuarters	<input type="checkbox"/>
> Exclude Out of Business	<input type="checkbox"/>
> Exclude Undeliverable	<input type="checkbox"/>
> Exclude Non Marketable	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Note:** Matching candidates is based on the D&B Integration Matching Processor, found in the D&B folder that is created in the automatic setup. For information on maintaining event processors, see the **Event Processor** documentation.

## References and Match Candidates

When one match exists, no selection needs to be made and the D&B organization entity (D&B record) is automatically referenced by the organization entity (customer record). Again, initial setup is done via the D&B Organization Reference Type mapping in the component model.

When multiple match candidates are found, a D&B reference is made from the customer record (organization entity) to each candidate record (D&B record / D&B organization entity) based on the D&B Match Candidate Reference Type in the component model.

A & C TOY rev.0.1 - References			
References	Referenced By	Status	State Log
D&B Integration			
Reference Type		Target	
> CustomerToD&B	+		
> CustomerToD&BCandidate	+		

Customer	References	Referenced By	Status	State Log	Tasks
Ungrouped Entity References					
Reference Type		Target	DnBIntegrationConfidence		
> CustomerToDnb	+				
> CustomerToDnb...	+		STIBO SYSTEMS, INC.	6	

## Select Candidate

For organization entities that have multiple match candidates, a single candidate must be selected. This is best done through the Web UI. Detailed information regarding how to configure and use Web UI for D&B purposes can be found in the **Dun & Bradstreet Integration in Web UI** topic in the **Workflows in Web UI** documentation.

D&B MATCH	
Select Candidate	5
Perform Match	2
Matching error	1

Users will make a selection based on the Task List that displays upon making a workflow task selection.

### D&B Match - Perform Match - Available

Current Organization: **Carlsberg,**

Modify search

Select candidate

	Confidence ●	DUNS number ●	Name ●	Candidate A... ●
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8	306760195	Carlsberg Brew...	Ny Carlsberg V...
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	305940203	Visit Carlsberg	Gamle Carlsber

Now, the customer record and D&B record are linked via the D&B Organization Reference Type mapping in the component model.

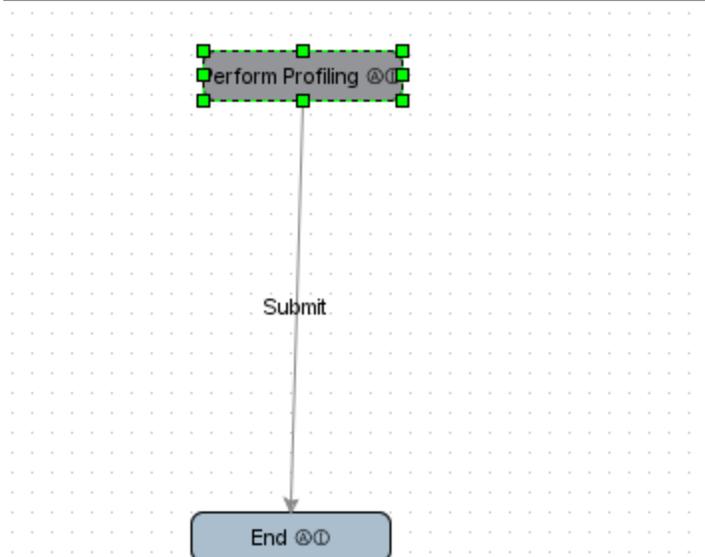
It is important to note that if any matching errors occur during the process, a user must handle those tasks, accessible via the 'Matching error' state.

# Dun & Bradstreet Detailed Company Profile Enrichment

As part of the easy setup, a **Detailed Company Profile** workflow is created. When entities are initiated into this workflow, an event is sent to the D&B Detailed Company Profile Processor. The event processor triggers a business action that will query additional data from the D&B 'Detailed Company Profile' service, write this information back to the D&B Organization entity, and complete the workflow. Initiation can be done through the workbench or Web UI.

To perform detailed company profile enrichment, the customer entity must be linked to a D&B record.

## D&B Detailed Company Profile (DnBIntegrationCompanyProfile)



**Note:** Detailed company profile enrichment is based on the D&B Detailed Company Profile Processor, found in the D&B folder that is created in the automatic setup. For information on maintaining event processors, see the **Event Processor** documentation.

It is important to note that if any profiling errors occur during the process, a user must handle those tasks, accessible via the 'Profiling error' state.

For information on the matching process, see the **Dun & Bradstreet Matching** section of the **Data Integration** documentation.

# Dun & Bradstreet Integration in Web UI

Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) integration allows customers to use the Web UI for matching and detailed company profile enrichment once all setup is complete.

- For matching, the Web UI must be configured with a Status Selector (Homepage / Sidebar) Widget for the D&B Match Candidate workflow. Also, a D&B Candidate Matching screen must be created, configured, and made accessible. This setup / process is used when an organization entity (customer record) has multiple D&B organization entity (D&B record) match candidates.
- For detailed company profiling, it is not necessary to create a Status Selector. Recommended practice is to initiate objects into the D&B Detailed Company Profile workflow using a bulk update, an automated business action rule, or by placing an action button on a node editor screen.

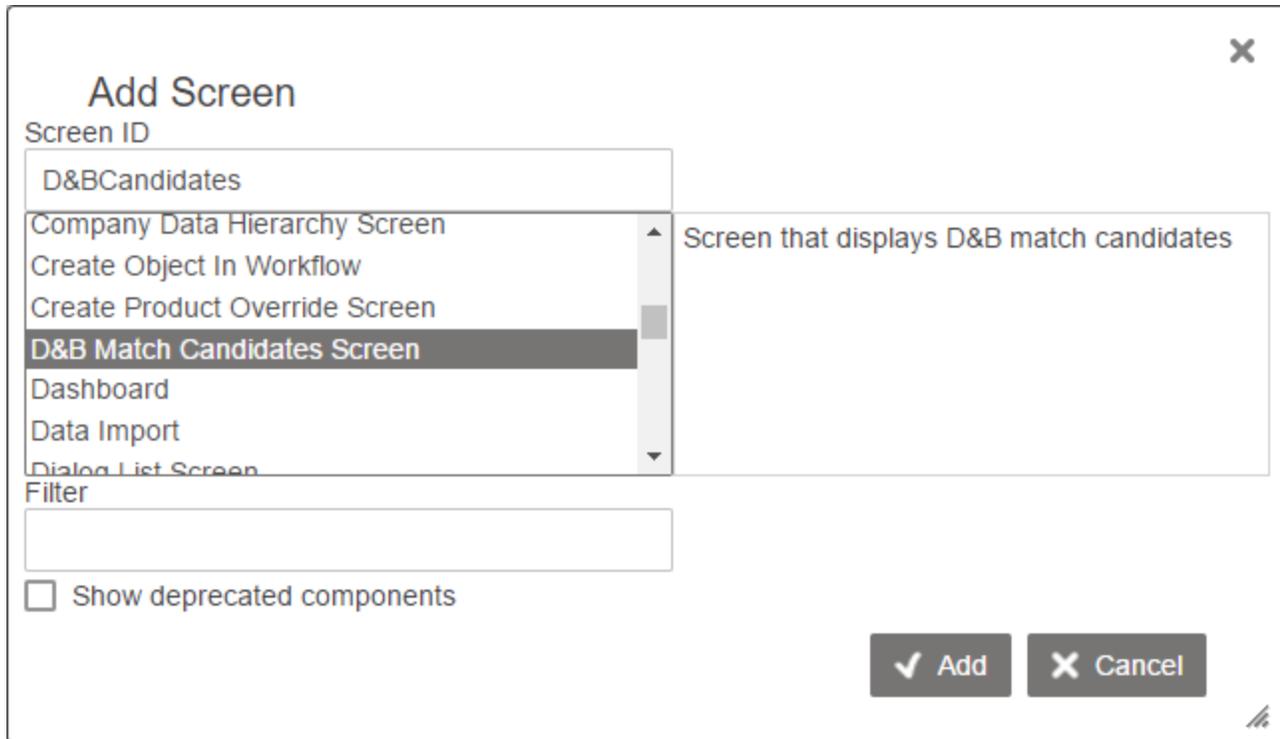
## Prerequisites

This section of the D&B integration requires an understanding of the Web UI, how to create screens and widgets, and the necessary user permissions to do so. See the **Web User Interfaces** documentation for more information on these topics.

Additionally, users should be familiar with the D&B integration setup and processes. For more information, see the **Dun & Bradstreet Integration** section.

## Creating a New D&B Match Candidates Screen

1. From the Web UI designer, select **New**.
2. From the Add Screen prompt, select the **D&B Match Candidates Screen** option from the list then select **Add**.



3. On the **D&B Match Candidates Screen Properties** configuration, select the desired attributes for both the Displayed Attributes and Organization Attributes parameters by choosing **Add**.
  - The Displayed Attributes are the titles of the attribute columns that will be included with the Confidence score, DUNS number, and Name of the D&B record within the task list on the screen.
  - The Organization Attributes are for the current organization entity and appear above the task list.
4. Click the ellipsis button (...) to make an **Organization Title Attribute** selection.
5. When configured as desired select **Save** then **Close** to exit design mode.

Properties

Configuration    Web UI style

D&B Match Candida ▾   Save   Close   New...   Delete   Rename   Save as...

### D&B Match Candidates Screen Properties

Component Description    Screen that displays D&B match candidates.

Displayed Attributes

DnBMatchCountryCode  
DnBMatchReasonCode

Add...   Remove   Up   Down

Organization Attributes

DnBConfidence  
DnBMatchCountryCode  
DnBMatchPrimaryTown  
DnBMatchTerritory

Add...   Remove   Up   Down

Organization Title Attribute

... Clear

If configured correctly, the attributes selected in step 3 will appear on the screen as shown in the next image.

**Current Organization: Nike,**

Modify search     Select candidate

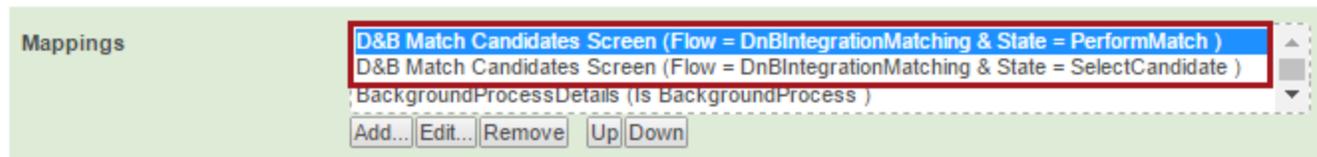
	Confidence ●	DUNS number ●	Name ●	Candidate A... ●
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	14384110	NIKE INC	4884 SW WEM...
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	17900736	NIKE INC	2555 NW 145T...

Before you can use the D&B Match Candidates Screen, you need to configure how a user will access the screen. This is done by mapping a Workflow Condition within the mapping field in Main Properties. Details on how to do this can be found in the **Mapping Workflow States in Web UI** topic of the **Workflows in Web UI** documentation.

## Main Properties

### Component Description

MAIN is used for configuring the overall behaviour of the Web UI. For example by setting up conditional mappings it is possible to decided the behaviour when navigating the Web UI. In addition the different side panels (left, right, top, bottom) and Corner bar can be configured on MAIN.



Each state of the D&B workflow will have a Workflow Condition, and the screen that you are selecting within the Screen Mapping Properties is the screen you just created.

## Adding and Configuring a D&B Workflow Status Selector Homepage Widget

To process a customer record for matching to D&B data, the record must go through the D&B Integration Matching workflow. To access tasks for this workflow, a Status Selector Homepage /Sidebar widget is needed.

The directions for setting up a Status Selector Homepage widget are outlined in **Getting Started with Workflows in Web UI > Screen / Component Configuration and Mappings for Workflows** documentation.

For this example, we are adding the D&B Integration Matching workflow to the Web UI Homepage via a Status Selector Homepage widget. Configure the widget as desired. The next screenshot is an example of how this implementation may look. Select add when the widget is configured as desired.

Required parameters that must be selected to save the Widget Properties and use the functionality:

- **Results Screen:** select the screen ID for the Task List screen to be used.
- **States:** add the states for the applicable workflow.
- **Workflow:** select the ID of the applicable workflow. For D&B integration, select DnBIntegrationMatch Candidate.

## Add component - configure required properties



Required properties (\*) must be set before the component can be added to the configuration.

Auto Refresh Interval

Component Title

Initiate Label

Initiate Screens

\*Result Screen

Show Collection Filter

Collection Top Nodes

Show Initiate

Status Flags Enabled

Show Status Flag Headers

Show Total

\*States

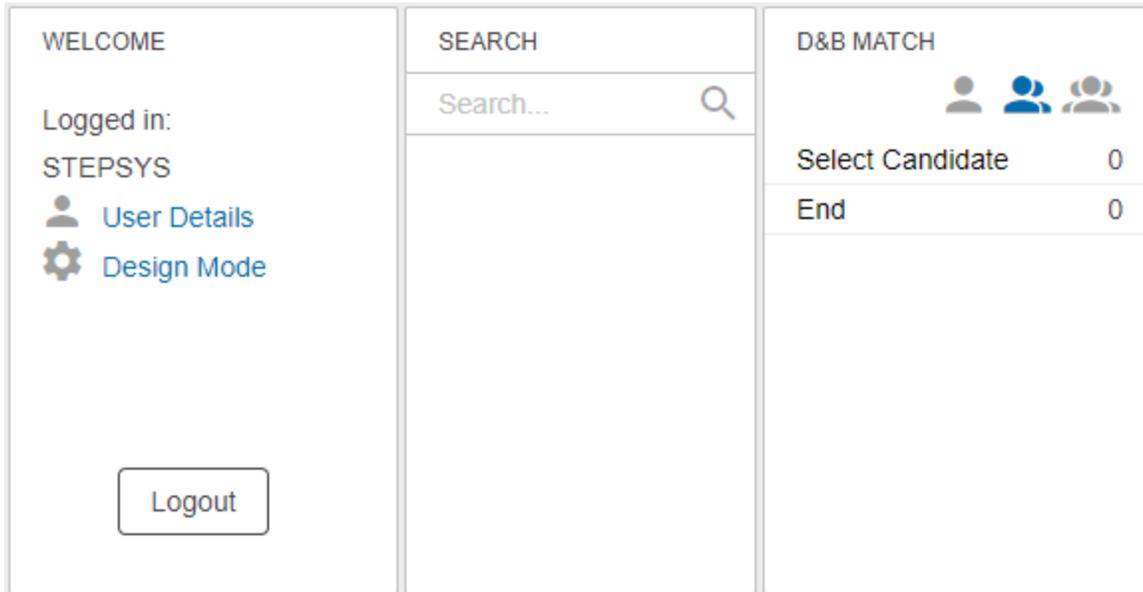
Total Label

\*Workflow

▶ Advanced

Select **Save** and then **Close** to exit the Web UI designer.

After the Web UI refreshes, the widget will now appear on the home screen of the Web UI.



## Using Web UI for Dun & Bradstreet Integration Matching

Customer records enter the D&B Match Candidate workflow via standard methods. An individual customer objects can be initiated in bulk or individually via Web UI or Workbench. You may want to add a business action button on a Node Details screen to initiate objects when looking at the details of the customer record. Initiating records is not covered in this topic but is a necessary step before you are able to work with tasks in the workflow.

Overview

**Organization Details**

ID 146011

Legal Name

Main Address

Emails

**Industry Details**

Employee Size

NAICS Code

Revenue Size

SIC Code

Completeness



**Key Identifiers**

Golden Record ID	146011 - Active								
Source Records	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Source Record</th> <th>Source System</th> <th>Created</th> <th>Last Updated</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Source Record	Source System	Created	Last Updated				
Source Record	Source System	Created	Last Updated						
Golden Record Creation	2018-07-25 15:07:48								
Golden Record Last Updated	2018-10-03 16:05:00								
D&B Organization	STIBO SYSTEMS, INC. (DUNS131328544)								

[D&B Profile](#)

This is a basic example of how a STEP user would use the D&B Integration Matching functionality. True functionality depends on the customer setup.

### Perform Match

1. A user clicks the Select Candidate state within the D&B Match Candidate status selector.
2. Upon arriving at the Task List, the user selects a customer by clicking on the ID or Title link within a row.
3. A search is performed. The results list shown, determined by a D&B algorithm used to match the D&B records to the customer. If no candidates are found, a message will display, and users can click the 'Modify search' icon on the screen to edit the search.

i

**No candidates found with the given search criteria**

Use the Search action to make a new search with different criteria

✕

ent Organization: **Carlsberg,**

### Modify Search ✕

Search Type  SBRI  Basic  Advanced

Organization Name

Country Code

DUNS Number

Registration Number

Phone Number

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City

Postal Code

## Select Candidate

1. A user clicks the Select Candidate state within the D&B March Candidate status selector. If doing a search above, the Select Candidate button should be available without switching screens.
2. Upon arriving at the Task List, the user selects a customer by clicking on the ID or Title link within a row.
3. The D&B Match Candidates screen is displayed, and the user can compare customer record information with the D&B records list shown.
  - The customer record information will display above the results list. The information displayed is determined by the Displayed Attributes selected on the D&B Match Candidates Screen Properties.

- The D&B records are shown in a table with the Confidence, ID, and Name columns displayed by default. Any other columns are determined by the attributes designated within the Organization Attributes field of the D&B Match Candidate Screen Properties.
4. A candidate selection is made by clicking the checkbox at the beginning of the D&B record row, and then, clicking the 'Select candidate' button above the table. Only one candidate can be selected.

Current Organization: **Carlsberg**

Modify search  Select candidate

	Confidence ●	DUNS number ●	Name ●	Candidate A... ●
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8	306760195	Carlsberg Brew...	Ny Carlsberg V...
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	305940203	Visit Carlsberg	Gamle Carlsber...

5. Users will see a message on the screen confirming a candidate selection:

**No results were found for your search criteria** ✕

Please retry with a new search criteria using "modify search"

**Note:** It is important to note that if any matching errors occur during the process, a user must handle those tasks, accessible via the 'Matching error' state.

## Using Web UI for Dun & Bradstreet Detailed Company Profile

Once a customer entity is linked to a D&B record, detailed company profiling can take place if you have the API license key and password from Stibo Systems and have input it in the easy setup wizard in the workbench.

If you are doing detailed company profiling via the Web UI, you can add a button to a Node Details screen that runs the D&B Detailed Company Profile Request business action. This allows users to click a button to start the profiling process.

The screenshot shows the 'Initiate Business Action Action Properties' dialog box. The 'Business Action' dropdown is set to 'DnBCompanyProfileAction'. A 'Select Node(s)' modal is open, showing a list of actions:

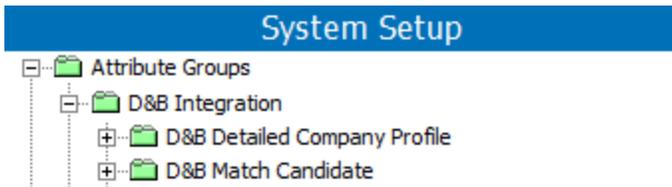
- D&B Detailed Company Profile Request (DnBCompanyProfileAction)
- D&B Match Request (DnBMatchAction)
- D&B Match Select Candidate (DnBSelectCandidateAction)
- D&B Remove Object From Workflow (DnBRemoveNodeAction)
- D&B Republish Detailed Company Profile Request (DnBRepublish...)
- D&B Republish Match Request (DnBRepublishMatchingAction)
- MasterClericalReviewHighPriorityRule (MasterClericalReviewHigh...)
- ReparentDivision (ReparentDivision)
- Set Email Data Container (setEmailDC)
- Standardize Address Action (StandardizeAddressAction)
- Survivorship - Master - Delete Duplicate Household References (S...

Alternatively, you can push the task through the workflow with the submit action within a Task List.

For more details about workflows, see the entire suite of topics in the **Workflows in Web UI** documentation. You will find information about widget setup, moving tasks through workflows, and initiating objects in a workflow.

# Dun & Bradstreet Attributes and Data Containers

As part of the automatic setup for Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) integration, D&B-specific attribute groups, attributes, and data containers are created. The attributes and data containers are applicable to everything related to the D&B integration: business rules, event processors, mapping and operations configurations, workflows, component model, D&B records, and STEP customer records.



## Attributes and Attribute Mapping

The tables directly below list the attributes added to STEP as part of the 'Easy setup of D&B Integration' under D&B Integration attribute groups. Also shown are the D&B API mappings with applicable Matching information shown in the first table and Profiling mappings shown in the second.

Attribute	JSON Path, Matching
DnBFamilyTreeMemberRole	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.FamilyTreeMemberRole.FamilyTreeMemberRoleText
DnBMarketabilityIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MarketabilityIndicator
DnBStandaloneOrganizationIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.StandaloneOrganizationIndicator
DnBRegisteredNameIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.OrganizationPrimaryName.@RegisteredNameIndicator
DnBSeniorPrincipalName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.SeniorPrincipalName.FullName
DnBOperatingStatusText	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.OperatingStatusText
DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumber	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumber", false)
DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumber Type	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.@TypeText")
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code", false)
DnBPostalCode	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.PostalCode", false)
DnBPrimaryTownName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.PrimaryTownName", false)
DnBStreetAddressLine	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText", false)
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName", false)

Attribute	JSON Path, Matching
DnBUndeliverableIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.MailingAddress.UndeliverableIndicator")
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code", false)
DnBPostalCode	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode", false)
DnBPrimaryTownName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName", false)
DnBStreetAddressLine	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText", true)
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName", false)
DnBUndeliverableIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.PrimaryAddress.UndeliverableIndicator")
DnBTelecommunicationNumber	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.TelephoneNumber.TelecommunicationNumber
DnBUnreachableIndicator	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.TelephoneNumber.UnreachableIndicator
DnBOrganizationName	MatchResponse.MatchResponseDetail.MatchCandidate.TradeStyleName.OrganizationName

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBAgentIndicator	ActivitiesAndOperations.SubjectsAgentDetails.AgentIndicator
DnBBankNames	Banking.Bank.OrganizationName.OrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBBoneyardOrganizationIndicator	OrganizationDetail.BoneyardOrganizationIndicator
DnBCommCreditScoreMarketingRiskClass	Assessment.CommercialCreditScore.MarketingRiskClassText@DNBCodeValue
DnBConsolidatedEmployeeBasis	EmployeeFigures.ConsolidatedEmployeeDetails.EmployeeCategoryDetails.DNBCCodeValue
DnBConsolidatedEmployeeFiguresDate	EmployeeFigures.ConsolidatedEmployeeDetails.EmployeeFiguresDate
DnBConsolidatedEmplReliabilityText	EmployeeFigures.ConsolidatedEmployeeDetails.ReliabilityText @DNBCodeValue
DnBConsolidatedTotalEmployeeQuantity	EmployeeFigures.ConsolidatedEmployeeDetails.TotalEmployeeQuantity
DnBControlOwnershipDate	OrganizationDetail.ControlOwnershipDate" //TODO
DnBControlOwnershipDatePrecision	OrganizationDetail.ControlOwnershipDate @DatePrecisionDNBCodeValue
DnBControlOwnershipType	OrganizationDetail.ControlOwnershipTypeText @DNBCodeValue

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBDUNSNNumber	SubjectHeader.DUNSNNumber
DnBDUNSSelfRequestDate	SubjectHeader.DUNSSelfRequestDate
DnBDUNSSelfRequestIndicator	SubjectHeader.DUNSSelfRequestIndicator
DnBExportIndicator	ActivitiesAndOperations.ExportDetails.ExportIndicator
DnBFamilyTreeHierarchyLevel	Linkage.FamilyTreeHierarchyLevel
DnBFamilyTreeMemberRole	OrganizationDetail.FamilyTreeMemberRole.FamilyTreeMemberRoleText @DNBCodeValue
DnBFormerOrganizationPrimaryName	OrganizationName.FormerOrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBFranchiseOperationType	OrganizationDetail.FranchiseOperationTypeText
DnBFranchiseOperationTypeText	OrganizationDetail.FranchiseOperationTypeText
DnBGlobalUltimateFamilyTreeLinkageCount	Linkage.LinkageSummary.GlobalUltimateFamilyTreeLinkageCount
DnBGroupTotalEmployeeQuantity	EmployeeFigures.GroupEmployeeDetails.TotalEmployeeQuantity
DnBHeadquartersDUNSNNumber	RegisteredDetail.IncorporationYear
DnBHistoryRating	Assessment.HistoryRatingText @DNBCodeValue
DnBImportIndicator	ActivitiesAndOperations.ImportDetails.ImportIndicator
DnBIndEntityEmployeeFiguresDate	EmployeeFigures.IndividualEntityEmployeeDetails.EmployeeFiguresDate
DnBIndEntityEmployeeReliabilityText	EmployeeFigures.IndividualEntityEmployeeDetails.ReliabilityText @DNBCodeValue
DnBIndEntityTotalEmployeeQuantity	EmployeeFigures.IndividualEntityEmployeeDetails.TotalEmployeeQuantity
DnBLegalForm	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.LegalFormText @DNBCodeValue
DnBLineOfBusinessDescription	ActivitiesAndOperations.LineOfBusinessDetails.LineOfBusinessDescription
DnBMarketabilityIndicator	SubjectHeader.MarketabilityIndicator
DnBMarketingSegmentationClusterValue	Assessment.MarketingSegmentationClusterValue
DnBNonMarketableReason	SubjectHeader.NonMarketableReason
DnBOperatingStatus	OrganizationDetail.OperatingStatusCode

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBOperatingStatusComments	OrganizationDetail.OperatingStatusComment.OperatingStatusFreeFormComment
DnBOperationsText	ActivitiesAndOperations.OperationsText
DnBOrganizationStartYear	OrganizationDetail.OrganizationStartYear
DnBOrganizationSummaryText	SubjectHeader.OrganizationSummaryText
DnBPrimarySICCategory	ActivitiesAndOperations.PrimarySICCategoryValue
DnBStandaloneOrganizationIndicator	OrganizationDetail.StandaloneOrganizationIndicator
DnBSubjectHandling	SubjectHeader.SubjectHandling.SubjectHandlingText @DNBCodeValue
DnBSubjectScopeText	Telecommunication.WebPageAddress.SubjectScopeText
DnBSubjectScopeTextCode	Telecommunication.WebPageAddress.SubjectScopeText.@DNBCodeValue
DnBTotalInquiriesCount	SubjectHeader.TotalInquiriesCount
DnBWebPageAddress	Telecommunication.WebPageAddress.TelecommunicationAddress
DnBGlobalUltimateDUNSNumber	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.DUNSNumber
DnBParentDUNSNumber	Linkage.ParentOrganization.DUNSNumber
DnBHeadquartersDUNSNumber	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.DUNSNumber
DnBEthnicityType	SocioEconomicIdentification.OwnershipEthnicity.EthnicityTypeText @DNBCodeValue
DnBFemaleOwnedIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.FemaleOwnedIndicator
DnBLaborSurplusAreaIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.LaborSurplusAreaIndicator
DnBMinorityOwnedIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.MinorityOwnedIndicator
DnBSmallBusinessIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.SmallBusinessIndicator
DnBIndividualEmployeeQuantity	Competitors.Competitor.IndividualEmployeeQuantity
DnBOrganizationPrimaryName	Competitors.Competitor.OrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBRegisteredNameIndicator	Competitors.Competitor.OrganizationPrimaryName@RegisteredNameIndicator
DnBSalesRevenueAmount	Competitors.Competitor.SalesRevenueAmount

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPostalCode	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryName	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryName
DnBOrganizationName	Linkage.DomesticUltimateOrganization.OrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBInternationalDialingCode	Telecommunication.FacsimileNumber.InternationalDialingCode
DnBTelecommunicationNumber	Telecommunication.FacsimileNumber.TelecommunicationNumber
DnBOrganizationName	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.OrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPostalCode	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryName	Linkage.GlobalUltimateOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryName
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPostalCode	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryName	Linkage.HeadquartersOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryName
DnBDisplaySequence	IndustryCode.IndustryCode.DisplaySequence

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBIndustryCode	IndustryCode.IndustryCode.IndustryCode
DnBIndustryCodeType	IndustryCode.IndustryCode.@DNBCodeValue
DnBSalesPercentage	IndustryCode.IndustryCode.SalesPercentage
DnBDisplaySequence	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.DisplaySequence
DnBFilingOrganizationName	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.FilingOrganizationName
DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumber	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumber
DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumberType	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.@DNBCodeValue
DnBOrgIdentificationStartDate	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.StartDate
DnBRegistrationIssuerName	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.RegistrationIssuerName
DnBRegistrationLocation	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.RegistrationLocation
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Location.MailingAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBCountyOfficialName	Location.MailingAddress.CountyOfficialName
DnBPostalCode	Location.MailingAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	Location.MailingAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	Location.MailingAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Location.MailingAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryOfficialName	Location.MailingAddress.TerritoryOfficialName
DnBUndeliverableIndicator	Location.MailingAddress.UndeliverableIndicator
DnBAddressUsageTenureDetail	Location.PrimaryAddress.AddressUsageTenureDetail.TenureTypeText @DNBCodeValue
DnBCountryGroupName	Location.PrimaryAddress.CountryGroupName
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Location.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBCountyOfficialName	Location.PrimaryAddress.CountyOfficialName
DnBGeographicalPrecisionText	Location.PrimaryAddress.GeographicalPrecisionText

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBLatitudeMeasurement	Location.PrimaryAddress.LatitudeMeasurement
DnBLongitudeMeasurement	Location.PrimaryAddress.LongitudeMeasurement
DnBMetropolitanStatAreaUSCensusCode	Location.PrimaryAddress.MetropolitanStatAreaUSCensusCode
DnBMinorTownName	Location.PrimaryAddress.MinorTownName
DnBPoliticalDistrict	Location.PrimaryAddress.PoliticalDistrict
DnBPostalCode	Location.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPremisesFunctionText	Location.PrimaryAddress.PremisesUsageDetail.PremisesUsageFunctionDetail.PremisesFunctionText @DNBCodeValue
DnBPrimaryTownName	Location.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBRegisteredAddressIndicator	Location.PrimaryAddress.RegisteredAddressIndicator
DnBResidentialAddressIndicator	Location.PrimaryAddress.ResidentialAddressIndicator
DnBStreetAddressLine	Location.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Location.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryOfficialName	Location.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryOfficialName
DnBUndeliverableIndicator	Location.PrimaryAddress.UndeliverableIndicator
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPostalCode	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBStreetAddressLineSeq	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.DisplaySequence
DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBTerritoryName	Linkage.ParentOrganization.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryName
DnBOrganizationName	Linkage.ParentOrganization.OrganizationPrimaryName.OrganizationName
DnBCurrentManagementResponsibility	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.CurrentManagementResponsibility.ManagementResponsibilityText @ManagementResponsibilityCode

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBCurrentManagementResponsibilityText	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.CurrentManagementResponsibility.ManagementResponsibilityText
DnBEmploymentBiographyText	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.EmploymentBiography
DnBFirstName	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.FirstName
DnBFullName	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.FullName
DnBJobTitle	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.JobTitle.JobTitleText
DnBLastName	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.LastName
DnBMiddleName	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.MiddleName
DnBNamePrefix	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.NamePrefix.NamePrefixText
DnBNameSuffix	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalName.NameSuffix.NameSuffixText
DnBPrincipalAge	PrincipalsAndManagement.CurrentPrincipal.PrincipalAge
DnBCity	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBCountry ISO Code	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPostalCode	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.PostalCode
DnBPrimaryTownName	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.PrimaryTownName
DnBStreetAddressLine	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.LineText
DnBStreetAddressLineSeq	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.StreetAddressLine.DisplaySequence
DnBTerritoryName	RegisteredDetail.OrganizationIdentificationNumberDetail.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryName
DnBTerritoryOfficialName	RegisteredDetail.LegalFormDetails.RegistrationLocation.PrimaryAddress.TerritoryOfficialName
DnBCurrencyISOAlpha3Code	RegisteredDetail.ShareCapitalDetails.CapitalAmount @CurrencyISOAlpha3Code
DnBShareCapitalAmount	RegisteredDetail.ShareCapitalDetails.CapitalAmount
DnBShareCapitalAmountUnitOfSize	RegisteredDetail.ShareCapitalDetails.CapitalAmount @UnitOfSize
DnBSharedCapitalAmountReliability	RegisteredDetail.ShareCapitalDetails.CapitalAmount @ReliabilityText

Attribute	JSON Path, Profile
DnBSharedCapitalStartDate	RegisteredDetail.ShareCapitalDetails.StartDate
DnBSocialMediaPlatform	Telecommunication.SocialMediaDetail.SocialMediaPlatformName @DNBCodeValue
DnBSocialMediaWebPageURL	Telecommunication.SocialMediaDetail.WebPageURL
DnBEthnicityType	SocioEconomicIdentification.OwnershipEthnicity.EthnicityTypeText @DNBCodeValue
DnBFemaleOwnedIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.FemaleOwnedIndicator
DnBLaborSurplusAreaIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.LaborSurplusAreaIndicator
DnBMinorityOwnedIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.MinorityOwnedIndicator
DnBSmallBusinessIndicator	SocioEconomicIdentification.SmallBusinessIndicator
DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code	RegisteredDetail.StockExchangeDetails.CountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBPrimaryStockExchangeIndicator	RegisteredDetail.StockExchangeDetails.PrimaryStockExchangeIndicator
DnBStockExchangeName	RegisteredDetail.StockExchangeDetails.StockExchangeName @DNBCodeValue
DnBInternationalDialingCode	Telecommunication.TelephoneNumber.InternationalDialingCode
DnBTelecommunicationNumber	Telecommunication.TelephoneNumber.TelecommunicationNumber
DnBUnreachableIndicator	Telecommunication.TelephoneNumber.UnreachableIndicator
DnBAssessmentTypeValue	ThirdPartyAssessment.ThirdPartyAssessment.AssessmentTypeValue
DnBAssessmentValue	ThirdPartyAssessment.ThirdPartyAssessment.AssessmentValue
DnBDisplaySequence	OrganizationName.TradeStyleName.DisplaySequence
DnBOrganizationName	OrganizationName.TradeStyleName.OrganizationName
DnBTransferDate	SubjectHeader.TransferDUNSNumberRegistration.TransferDate
DnBTransferReason	SubjectHeader.TransferDUNSNumberRegistration.TransferReasonText @DNBCodeValue
DnBTransferredFromDUNSNumber	SubjectHeader.TransferDUNSNumberRegistration.TransferredFromDUNSNumber
DnBTransferredToDUNSNumber	SubjectHeader.TransferDUNSNumberRegistration.TransferredToDUNSNumber

## Data Containers and Associated Attributes

The next table lists the attributes (shown above) and their associated data containers. If an attribute isn't listed, then it is not (by default) valid for any of the data containers listed. The data containers are also set up as part of the 'Easy setup' process.

Data Container	Attribute
DnBCompetitors	DnBIndividualEmployeeQuantity
DnBCompetitors	DnBOrganizationPrimaryName
DnBCompetitors	DnBRegisteredNameIndicator
DnBCompetitors	DnBSalesRevenueAmount
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryName
DnBDomesticUltimatePrimaryName	DnBOrganizationName
DnBFacsimileNumber	DnBInternationalDialingCode
DnBFacsimileNumber	DnBTelecommunicationNumber
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryName	DnBOrganizationName
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBGlobalUltimatePrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryName

Data Container	Attribute
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBHeadquartersPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryName
DnBIndustryCode	DnBDisplaySequence
DnBIndustryCode	DnBIndustryCode
DnBIndustryCode	DnBIndustryCodeType
DnBIndustryCode	DnBSalesPercentage
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBDisplaySequence
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBFilingOrganizationName
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumber
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBOrganizationIdentificationNumberType
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBOrgIdentificationStartDate
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBRegistrationIssuerName
DnBOrganizationIdentification	DnBRegistrationLocation
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBCountyOfficialName
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName

Data Container	Attribute
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBTerritoryOfficialName
DnBOrganizationMailingAddress	DnBUndeliverableIndicator
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBAddressUsageTenureDetail
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBCountryGroupName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBCountyOfficialName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBGeographicalPrecisionText
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBLatitudeMeasurement
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBLongitudeMeasurement
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBMetropolitanStatAreaUSCensusCode
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBMinorTownName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBPoliticalDistrict
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBPremisesFunctionText
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBRegisteredAddressIndicator
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBResidentialAddressIndicator
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryOfficialName
DnBOrganizationPrimaryAddress	DnBUndeliverableIndicator
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode

Data Container	Attribute
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLineSeq
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryAbbreviatedName
DnBParentPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryName
DnBParentPrimaryName	DnBOrganizationName
DnBPrincipal	DnBCurrentManagementResponsibility
DnBPrincipal	DnBCurrentManagementResponsibilityText
DnBPrincipal	DnBEmploymentBiographyText
DnBPrincipal	DnBFirstName
DnBPrincipal	DnBFullName
DnBPrincipal	DnBJobTitle
DnBPrincipal	DnBLastName
DnBPrincipal	DnBMiddleName
DnBPrincipal	DnBNamePrefix
DnBPrincipal	DnBNameSuffix
DnBPrincipal	DnBPrincipalAge
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBCity
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBCountry ISO Code
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBPostalCode
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBPrimaryTownName
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLine

Data Container	Attribute
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBStreetAddressLineSeq
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryName
DnBRegLocationPrimaryAddress	DnBTerritoryOfficialName
DnBShareCapitalDetails	DnBCurrencyISOAlpha3Code
DnBShareCapitalDetails	DnBShareCapitalAmount
DnBShareCapitalDetails	DnBShareCapitalAmountUnitOfSize
DnBShareCapitalDetails	DnBSharedCapitalAmountReliability
DnBShareCapitalDetails	DnBSharedCapitalStartDate
DnBSocialMediaDetail	DnBSocialMediaPlatform
DnBSocialMediaDetail	DnBSocialMediaWebPageURL
DnBSocioEconomicIdentification	DnBEthnicityType
DnBSocioEconomicIdentification	DnBFemaleOwnedIndicator
DnBSocioEconomicIdentification	DnBLaborSurplusAreaIndicator
DnBSocioEconomicIdentification	DnBMinorityOwnedIndicator
DnBSocioEconomicIdentification	DnBSmallBusinessIndicator
DnBStockExchangeDetails	DnBCountryISOAlpha2Code
DnBStockExchangeDetails	DnBPrimaryStockExchangeIndicator
DnBStockExchangeDetails	DnBStockExchangeName
DnBTelephoneNumber	DnBInternationalDialingCode
DnBTelephoneNumber	DnBTelecommunicationNumber
DnBTelephoneNumber	DnBUnreachableIndicator
DnBThirdPartyAssessment	DnBAssessmentTypeValue
DnBThirdPartyAssessment	DnBAssessmentValue

Data Container	Attribute
DnBTradeStyleName	DnBDisplaySequence
DnBTradeStyleName	DnBOrganizationName
DnBTransferDUNSNumberRegistration	DnBTransferDate
DnBTransferDUNSNumberRegistration	DnBTransferReason
DnBTransferDUNSNumberRegistration	DnBTransferredFromDUNSNumber
DnBTransferDUNSNumberRegistration	DnBTransferredToDUNSNumber

For more information regarding the automatic setup for D&B integration, see the **Dun & Bradstreet Integration** topic.

Additionally, more information regarding attributes and data containers, see the **Attributes** section and the **Data Containers** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

# Experian Email Validation Integration

The Experian email validation integration focuses on easily maintaining valid email contact data and providing an overview of email data quality through use of the Experian Data Quality asynchronous Clean Web Service (Experian). The Experian integration provides an email data quality solution that offers more than just syntax validation. Using the Experian Email Validation integration means email account data can be checked for domain existence, identify malicious email addresses (like spam traps), and in some cases (e.g., Gmail) user account existence.

Whenever email data is created, imported, or updated, STEP can asynchronously validate the information in the background. Once email data has been validated it can be assigned a quality rating so data stewards can monitor the overall email data quality. Also, email data (or groups of email data) can be manually selected and sent to Experian for validation. This can be useful when a data steward needs to revalidate email data in preparation of a task such as an email campaign.

Both STEP Workbench and Web UI support validating emails from within STEP using the Experian service, and allow for enriching email address information in STEP with this data.

The integration to Experian services is implemented via an asynchronous integration pattern, using the following STEP components:

- Experian Email Validation Configuration Object Type
- Email Revalidation Business Condition
- Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin
- Web UI Action Button to Validate Emails
- Email Component Model (Featuring an Easy Setup Option)

## Prerequisites

This functionality has been developed to work with Experian Data Quality's bulk validation product known as the 'Clean Web Service Version 2.' The purpose of Clean Web Service Version 2 is to provide the ability to clean, enrich, and validate email address details quickly and accurately via a hosted service. Experian Data Quality recommends using the service regularly to ensure that your contact information is always correct and up-to-date.

Stibo Systems acts as reseller of Experian's email data quality web service and customers are able to use the Experian web service for other purposes. Contact your Stibo Systems account manager or partner manager to obtain login information for the Experian Data Quality self-service portal (<https://portal.experianmarketingservices.com/content/>) where customers can monitor their credit balance, set up an email notification, and see their secure tokens. Customers can access other features provided within the 'Clean Web Service Version 2' product by visiting the following link: <https://www.edq.com/documentation/apis/clean-web-service/>

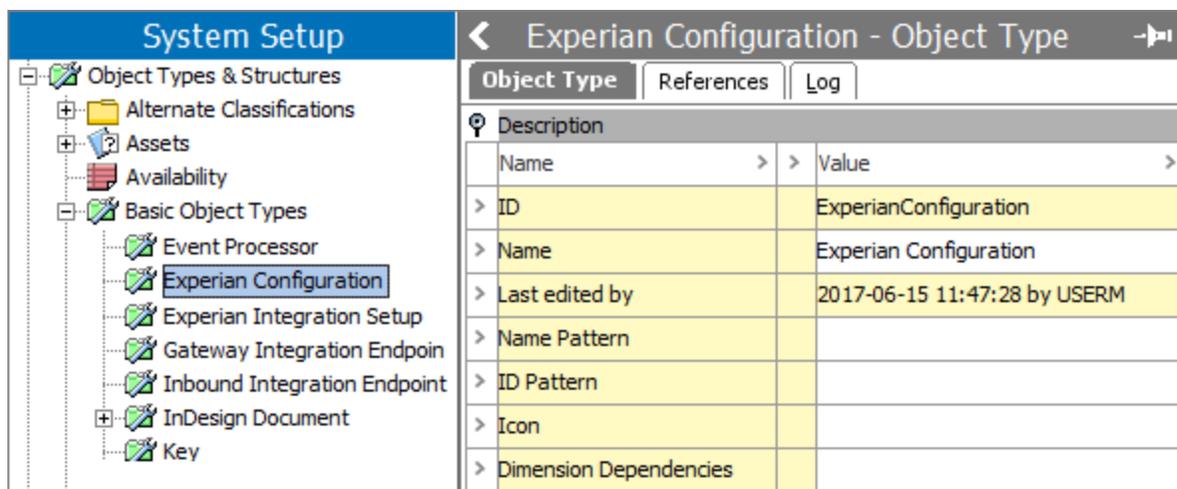
**Important:** To use the Experian Email Validation Integration functionality, the applicable recipe must be applied, and the Experian License must be obtained from Stibo Systems in order to have access to the Experian API key. Contact your Stibo Systems account manager for more information and licensing terms. Additionally, a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) connection must be made to <https://api.experianmarketingservices.com> and <http://www.qas.com>.

Configuring the component model requires users to be familiar with the System Setup tab in STEP Workbench and how to configure within this area (e.g., creation and maintenance of object types, attributes, and references). Users should also be familiar with business rules, event processors, and have the privileges required to carry out these tasks. It is expected that anyone configuring Web UI components is familiar with Web UI designer. If not, the users should search online help to understand these concepts and processes.

## Experian Email Validation Configuration Object

The purpose of the Experian Email Validation Configuration object is to hold the configurations for the different Experian email validation integration parameters. The Experian Email Validation Configuration object can be automatically created (using the Experian Configuration setup entity type) when the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard is used.

The Experian Configuration setup entity type can be found within the System Setup > Object Types & Structures > Basic Object Types (as shown in the screenshot below).



System Setup		Experian Configuration - Object Type	
Object Types & Structures		Object Type	References
+	Alternate Classifications	Log	
+	Assets	Description	
	Availability	Name	Value
+	Basic Object Types	> ID	ExperianConfiguration
	Event Processor	> Name	Experian Configuration
	<b>Experian Configuration</b>	> Last edited by	2017-06-15 11:47:28 by USERM
	Experian Integration Setup	> Name Pattern	
	Gateway Integration Endpoint	> ID Pattern	
	Inbound Integration Endpoint	> Icon	
+	InDesign Document	> Dimension Dependencies	
	Key		

Experian Configuration objects are represented within the workbench using the  icon, and include the following parameters within the Experian Settings flipper: Batch Size, Polling Strategy in Seconds, Global Timeout in Minutes, and Experian Secure Token. All validate email actions and Experian Email Validation processors must refer to an Experian Email Validation Configuration object.

The screenshot below is an example of how the Experian Email Validation Configuration object can be set up. For this example, the optional Setup Group (Experian Integration) was created prior to starting the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard, and then selected as the Setup Group during the wizard step 'Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration.'

### System Setup

- Asset Importer
- BusinessRuleMigration
- Change Packages
- Completeness Metrics
- D&B Integration
- Event Processors
- Experian Integration
  - Experian Email Validation Configuration**
- Gateway Endpoints
- GDSN
- Global Business Rules
- Inbound Integration Endpoints
- Integration Endpoints
- Match Codes and Matching Algorithms
- Merge GR
- Merge GR IIEP
- Outbound Integration Endpoints

### ← Experian Email Validation Configuration rev.0.1 - Experian

Experian Configuration
Background Processes
Data Profile
Log
Status

Description	
Name	Value
> ID	ExperianEmailValidationConfiguration
> Name	Experian Email Validation Configuration
> Object Type	Experian Configuration
> Revision	0.1 Last edited by USERM on Thu Jun 15 12:16:38 EDT 2017
> Path	Experian Integration/Experian Email Validation Configuration

Experian Settings	
> Batch Size	10000
> Polling Strategy, Seconds	60
> Global Timeout, Minutes	1440
> Experian Secure Token	*****

[Edit](#)

**Note:** The Experian Secure Token is encrypted in the database and displays masked within the workbench.

## Email Revalidation Business Condition

An event processor using the Experian Email Validation processing plugin can be configured to revalidate emails by using the Revalidation Business Condition plugin along with the Experian Email Validation Configuration object, which can be created / configured automatically when the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard is used. The Revalidation Business Condition plugin allows for email objects (across the configured data container types defined by the Email Component Model) that have not been validated for a specified number of days to be sent for revalidation.

**System Setup**

- Conditions
  - DQTest
  - Email Revalidation Condition**
  - False for Discontinued Products
  - Game Reference Condition
  - GDSN\_ValidateTrue
  - GDSNRegisterCondition
  - GR Merge Keep First
  - Ignore Buy Side Objects
  - IsBackplate
  - Is Specific Hierarchy Item

**Email Revalidation Condition rev.0.1 - Business Rule**

Business Rule	Usage	Statistics	Log	Status
Name	>	>	>	>
ID				EmailRevalidationCondition
Name				Email Revalidation Condition
Revision				0.1 Last edited by USERM on Wed Jun 14 12:56:14 EDT 2017
Description				
Type				Condition
Valid Object Types				All object types valid
On Approve				Not Validated
Scope				Global
Run as privileged				<input type="checkbox"/>

Operations Dependencies Applies if

New and changed emails are validated.

**Edit Business Rule**

**Business Rule Editor - Email Revalidation Condition**

ID: EmailRevalidationCondition  
 Name: Email Revalidation Condition  
 Description:   
 Type: Condition  
 Scope: Global  
 On Approve: Not Validated  
 Valid Object Types: All object types valid  
 Run as privileged:

Operations Dependencies Applies if

New and changed emails are validated.

**Add new Business Condition**

Save Cancel

**Edit Operation**

Validate Emails Business Condition

New or changed emails will always be validated.

Renew validations older than: 60 Days  
 (If left empty, this option is ignored)

Save Cancel

The screenshot above is an example of how the Email Revalidation Business Condition can be set up. For this example, the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard was used, and during the wizard step 'Create New Email Revalidation Condition,' the Setup Group 'Conditions' was selected.

This makes it possible to define a condition like: 'Validate all billing emails that have changed since the last validation, or have not been validated in the last 2 months.' More than one email revalidation condition can be created, and using JavaScript it is possible to extend the Email Revalidation condition to take properties of the entire account into consideration. If JavaScript is used to implement the Email Revalidation condition, the bind 'Current Email' can be used to refer to the email data container that is currently being processed.

**Important:** All Email Revalidation Business Conditions must be valid for the object types that use the email data container. For example, if you are working with 'Customers' object types that have email data stored in a data container named 'Email,' then the Email Revalidation Business Condition must be valid for the 'Customers' object type. When the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard is used, this occurs automatically.

For more information on how the Email Revalidation Business Condition can be configured within the Experian Email Validation processing plugin, see **Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin Parameters and Triggers** section of the **Processing Plugins** documentation.

## Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin

The Experian Email Validation processing plugin can be used to create an event processor that listens for changes to email data on account objects. This means that email updates (manual or via import) will create events for the configured event processor. The Experian Email Validation processing plugin will interface with the Experian batch API and send batches of emails for validation to the Experian service. The emails will be extracted from the accounts that originate from the events using the Experian Email Validation processing plugin. The batch being processed by the event processor will continue to poll (based upon the configurations within the Experian Configuration object), for an answer from the Experian batch API until the batch has been processed or times out. When updates are received, the email data quality fields (configured within the Email Component Model) are updated. A new batch will not be picked up until the current batch has been processed with answers received or has timed out.

**System Setup** < Experian Email Validation - Event Processor

Event Processor | Event Triggering Definitions | Background Processes | Statistics | Error Log Excerpts | Log

**Description**

Name	Value
ID	ExperianEmailValidation
Name	Experian Email Validation
Type	Event Processor
Last edited by	2017-06-14 12:56:15 by USERM
Enabled	No
Processor Status	Stopped

**Configuration**

ID	Name
User running event processor plugin	stepsys
Number of events to batch	1000
Days to retain events	0
Queue for event processor	EVPROC
Maximum number of old processes	100
Maximum age of old processes in hours	168
Limit of lines in execution report	1000
Processor	Experian Email Validation
Schedule	Not scheduled <input type="button" value="..."/>
Queue Status	Read Events
Unread events (approximated)	<input type="button" value="Click to estimate ..."/>

[Edit Configuration](#)

**Current Background Process Log**

The screenshot above is an example of how the Experian Email Validation processing plugin can be set up. For this example, the Easy Setup for Email Component Model wizard was used, and during the wizard step 'Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor,' the Setup Group 'Event Processors' was selected. It is important to note, before this event processor configuration can be used, it must be enabled.

For more information, see the **Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin Parameters and Triggers** section of the **Processing Plugins** documentation.

## Web UI Validate Emails Action Button

The 'Validate Emails' action button is available within Web UI, and allows users to perform email validations on a node list with one click. Users can choose one or more objects (containing email account data) that need to be validated from a list of emails, then click on the 'Validate Emails' button to run the 'Experian Email Validation Job' background process. In the background, the Experian Email Validation Job will continue to poll for an answer from the Experian batch API and wait for a status message on all emails. Whenever an update is received, the available status information will be written into the execution report of the background process, and the corresponding email data quality fields (configured within the Email Component Model) will be updated.

For more information, see the **Experian Email Validation Integration in Web UI** section of this guide.

## Email Component Model

The Email Component Model defines the structure and data quality of emails in STEP. It contains the configuration of the email data containers, and attributes that are necessary for proper functionality of the email validation and email data quality overview. After running the easy setup, (covered in the **Configuring Experian Email Validation Integration Using the Easy Setup Option** topic within this guide) the Email Component Model will map the component model names (Experian data fields) to STEP attributes. A completed component model using the Easy Setup option and automatic configuration options will appear like the following image.

System Setup		Email Component Model - Component Model Configuration		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Component Models               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address Component Model</li> <li>Country Aliases</li> <li>D&amp;B Integration</li> <li><b>Email Component Model</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Component Model Configuration		
Name		Value	Description	
> Email data containers		Email	Data Container types that carry email information.	
> Email Field		Email Field	The attribute used to store the actual email.	
> Email Status		Email Status	The latest email quality code returned by the validation Service.	
> Experian Email Validation Integration Status		Experian Email Validation Integration Status	Indicates if the last Email validation was completed or resulted in an error (e.g. a timeout).	
> Last Validated Email		Last Validated Email	The latest email send for validation.	
> Validation Timestamp		Validation Timestamp	Last time the email was received from the validation service.	
		<a href="#">Edit</a>		

If during the easy setup not all values could be mapped, then you will be able to see what requires manual mapping within the component model. If any of the object types, attributes / data containers being mapped are unclear, the Description column provides context for how these fields are to be used.

For more information, see the **Configuring Experian Email Validation Integration Using the Easy Setup Option** topic within this guide.

# Configuring Experian Email Validation Integration Using the Easy Setup Option

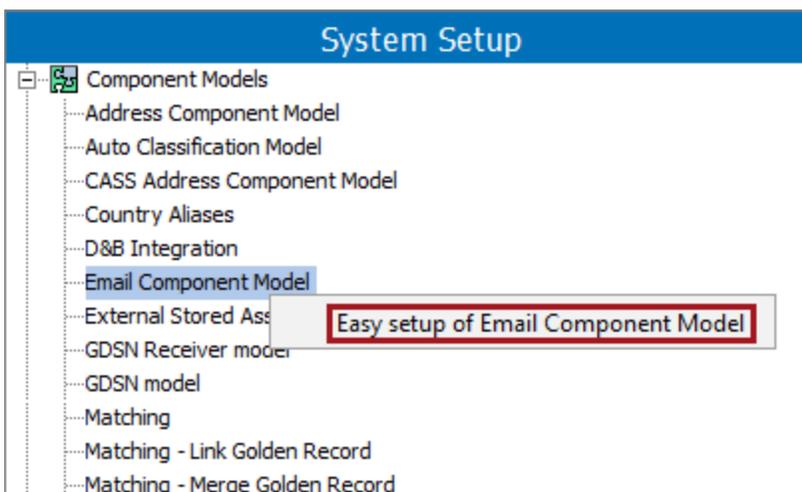
The Experian Email Validation Integration includes an Easy Setup option that will create the setup files, needed attributes, and data containers. The Easy Setup option is designed to make it so that users have very little to do configuration-wise to get up and running as soon as possible. Anyone configuring or using the Email Component Model Easy Setup option needs to have the proper privileges and understand how all the pieces work together.

**Important:** The Easy Setup can be finished without supplying the Experian Secure Token, however before the Experian Email Validation Integration can be used, the Token will need to be added by rerunning the Email Component Model Easy Setup wizard or editing the Experian Email Validation Configuration object.

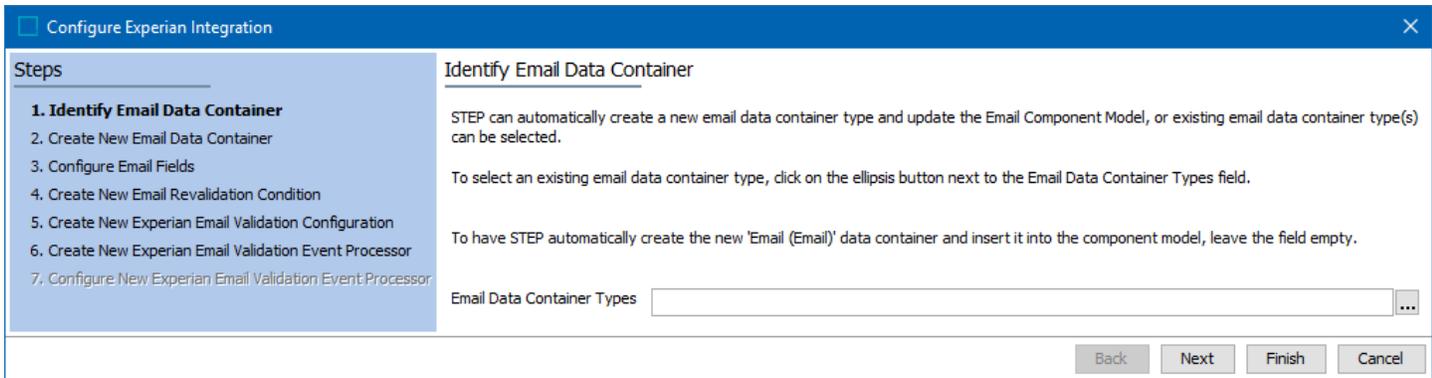
Optionally (before starting the easy setup wizard), create a setup group for the Experian Configuration to be stored in, or when prompted pick any one of the existing setup groups.

To start the automatic configuration:

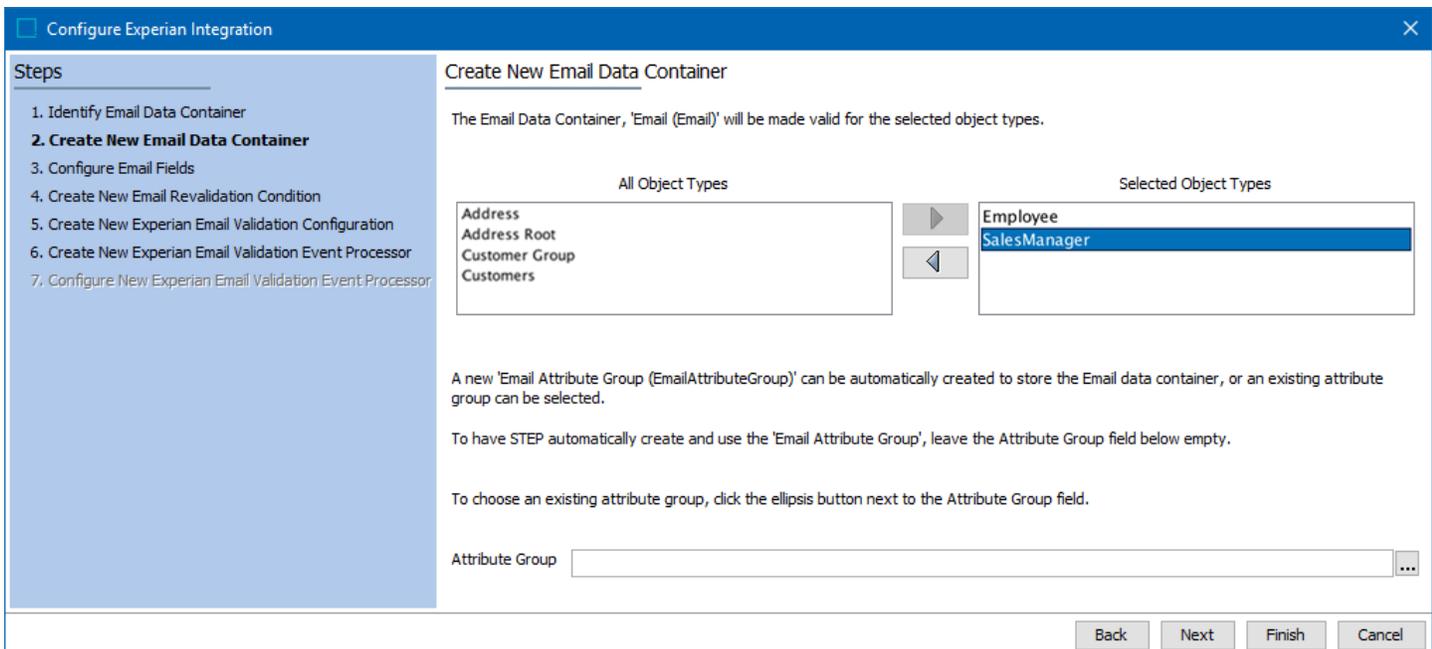
1. Go to System Setup > Component Models > Select **Email Component Model**.
2. Right-click **Email Component Model**, and select **Easy setup of Email Component Model**.



3. The Configure Experian Integration dialog will display the wizard step 'Identify Email Data Container' with detailed configuration instructions. Read the dialog text carefully to determine the necessary action.



- Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Create New Email Data Container' will display with detailed configuration instructions. At a minimum, choose the object type(s) to enable the Next button.



- Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Configure Email Fields' will display with detailed configuration instructions.

**Configure Experian Integration**

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
- 3. Configure Email Fields**
4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition
5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration
6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor
7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor

**Configure Email Fields**

STEP can automatically create new email attributes and update the Email Component Model, or existing attributes can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create an email attribute, leave the corresponding Value field blank in the table below and enable the respective checkbox in the Create column. Fields marked with \* are required.

To select or remove an existing attribute, click on the corresponding ellipsis button in the Value column.

STEP can automatically create a new 'Email Attribute Group(EmailAttributeGroup)' to store the email attributes, or an existing attribute group can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create and use the 'Email Attribute Group', leave the Attribute Group field below empty.

Attribute group

Name	*	>	Value	>	Create	>
Email Field	*	>		...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Email Status	*	>		...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Experian Email Validation Integration Status	*	>		...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Last Validated Email	*	>		...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Validation Timestamp	*	>		...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Back Next Finish Cancel

6. Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Create New Email Revalidation Condition' will display with detailed configuration instructions.

**Configure Experian Integration**

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
3. Configure Email Fields
- 4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition**
5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration
6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor
7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor

**Create New Email Revalidation Condition**

STEP can automatically create a new business condition to control the revalidation of emails.

To have STEP automatically create the new 'Email Revalidation Condition (EmailRevalidationCondition)' business condition, click the ellipsis button next to the Setup Group field and choose the setup group in which the business condition should be stored.

If no new business condition should be created, leave the field empty.

Setup Group

Back Next Finish Cancel

7. Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration' will display with detailed configuration instructions.

Configure Experian Integration

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
3. Configure Email Fields
4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition
- 5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration**
6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor
7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor

**Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration**

STEP can automatically create a new configuration object to hold the configurations relevant to the Experian email validation integration.

To have STEP automatically create the new 'Experian Email Validation Configuration (ExperianEmailValidationConfiguration)' object, click the ellipsis button next to the Setup Group field below and choose the setup group where the object should be stored.

If the Experian Email Validation Configuration object should not be created, leave the field empty.

Setup Group:

To automatically insert an Experian Email Validation Secure Token into the new Experian Email Validation Configuration object, add it in the Secure Token field below.

Secure Token:

Back Next Finish Cancel

- **Setup Group:** For the example above, prior to starting the wizard a Setup Group was created (as advised in the beginning of this section). It is possible to cancel the wizard, and create your own Experian specific Setup Group, or click the ellipsis button (...) and pick any one of the existing setup groups.
- **Secure Token:** As characters are entered into the field, they are masked for security purposes. This field can be left blank, but you will need to return to this step again later to enter the token before the Experian email validation feature can be used.

8. Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor' will display with detailed configuration instructions.

Configure Experian Integration

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
3. Configure Email Fields
4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition
5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration
- 6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**
7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor

**Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**

STEP can automatically create a new event processor for the automatic validation of email addresses.

To have STEP automatically create the 'Experian Email Validation (ExperianEmailValidation)' event processor, click the ellipsis button next to the User field and choose which user should be associated with the running of the event processor.

If no Experian Email Validation event processor should be created, leave the fields empty.

User:

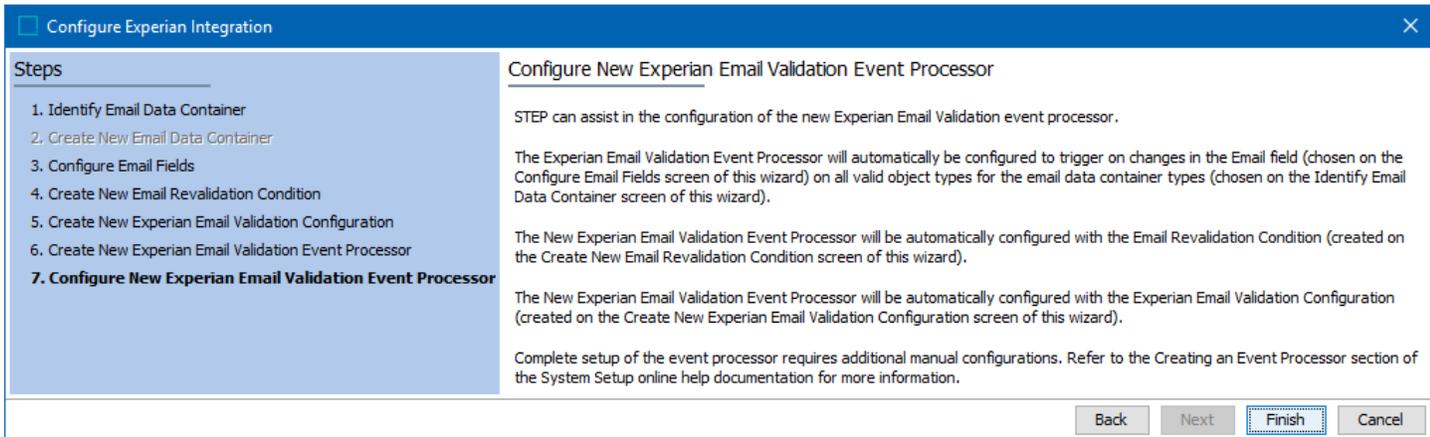
If a User has been chosen, also click the ellipsis button for the Setup Group field and choose the setup group in which the event processor should be stored.

Setup Group:

Back Next Finish Cancel

**Important:** The privileges of the selected user determine which actions the event processor can perform and what data can be processed. Common setup is to create a special system user for this purpose so that the effects of the event processor are easily identified. For more information, see the **Configure Action Sets and Privileges** section of the **Initial Setup for Event Processors** documentation.

- Click the **Next** button, and the wizard step 'Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor' will display with detailed configuration instructions.



**Configure Experian Integration**

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
3. Configure Email Fields
4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition
5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration
6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor
- 7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**

**Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**

STEP can assist in the configuration of the new Experian Email Validation event processor.

The Experian Email Validation Event Processor will automatically be configured to trigger on changes in the Email field (chosen on the Configure Email Fields screen of this wizard) on all valid object types for the email data container types (chosen on the Identify Email Data Container screen of this wizard).

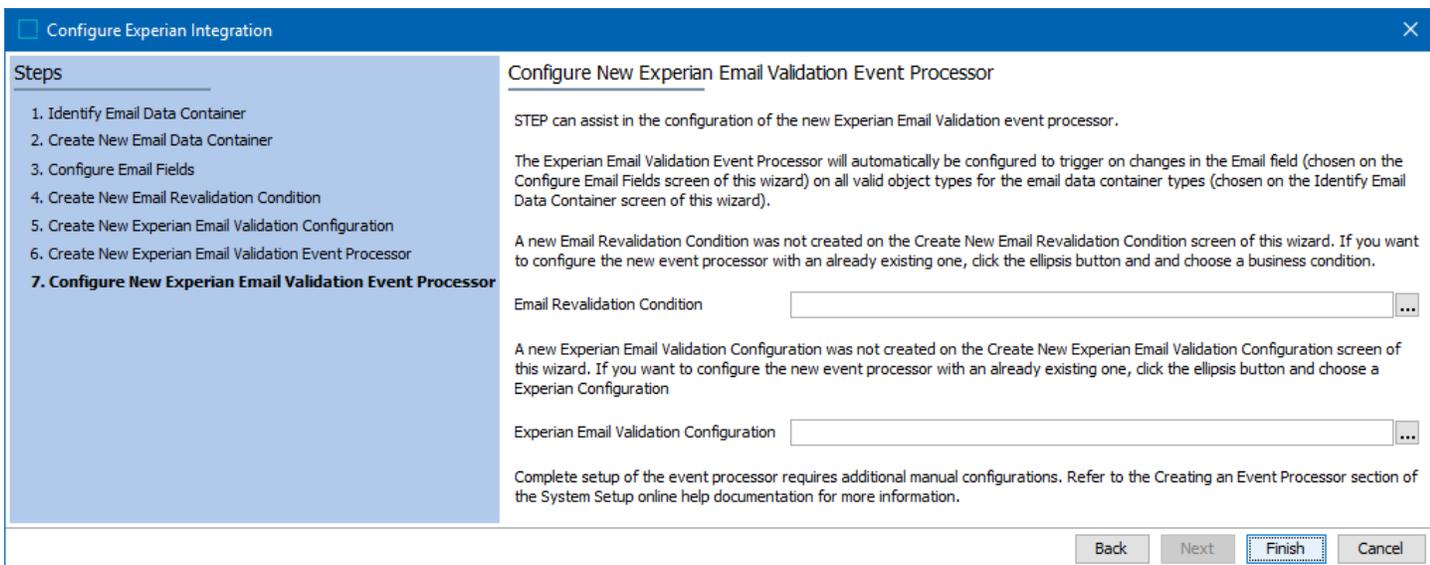
The New Experian Email Validation Event Processor will be automatically configured with the Email Revalidation Condition (created on the Create New Email Revalidation Condition screen of this wizard).

The New Experian Email Validation Event Processor will be automatically configured with the Experian Email Validation Configuration (created on the Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration screen of this wizard).

Complete setup of the event processor requires additional manual configurations. Refer to the Creating an Event Processor section of the System Setup online help documentation for more information.

Back Next **Finish** Cancel

If a Setup Group was not selected during the wizard step 'Create New Email Revalidation Condition,' then the wizard step 'Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor' will display with the following.



**Configure Experian Integration**

**Steps**

1. Identify Email Data Container
2. Create New Email Data Container
3. Configure Email Fields
4. Create New Email Revalidation Condition
5. Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration
6. Create New Experian Email Validation Event Processor
- 7. Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**

**Configure New Experian Email Validation Event Processor**

STEP can assist in the configuration of the new Experian Email Validation event processor.

The Experian Email Validation Event Processor will automatically be configured to trigger on changes in the Email field (chosen on the Configure Email Fields screen of this wizard) on all valid object types for the email data container types (chosen on the Identify Email Data Container screen of this wizard).

A new Email Revalidation Condition was not created on the Create New Email Revalidation Condition screen of this wizard. If you want to configure the new event processor with an already existing one, click the ellipsis button and choose a business condition.

Email Revalidation Condition  ...

A new Experian Email Validation Configuration was not created on the Create New Experian Email Validation Configuration screen of this wizard. If you want to configure the new event processor with an already existing one, click the ellipsis button and choose a Experian Configuration

Experian Email Validation Configuration  ...

Complete setup of the event processor requires additional manual configurations. Refer to the Creating an Event Processor section of the System Setup online help documentation for more information.

Back Next **Finish** Cancel

- Click the **Finish** button, the wizard will close, and the Email Component Model will be populated with the selections made during the wizard.

**Important:** If the wizard was used to create a new event processor, the additional manual steps necessary to set the Queue status and enable the event processor need to be completed. For more Information, see the **Queue Status** section of the **Event Processor Tab** documentation, and the **Enable Event Processor** section of the **Running an Event Processor** documentation.

# Experian Email Validation Integration in Web UI

The Experian email validation integration provides easy maintenance of valid email contact data and provides an overview of email data quality through use of the Experian Data Quality asynchronous Clean Web Service (Experian).

## Prerequisites

This section of the Experian Email Validation integration requires an understanding of the Web UI, how to create screens, and the necessary user permissions to do so. See the **Web User Interfaces** documentation for more information on these topics.

Additionally, users should be familiar with the Experian Email Validation integration setup and processes. For more information, see the **Experian Email Validation Integration** section of the **Data Integrations** documentation.

Once all setup is complete, the Experian Email Validation integration allows users to perform email validations on a node list with one click of the 'Validate Emails' button. Users can choose one or more customer objects (containing email account data) that need to be validated from a list of emails, then click on the 'Validate Emails' button to run the background process (Experian Email validation Job). In the background, the Experian Email Validation Job will continue to poll for an answer from the Experian batch API and wait for a status message on all emails. Whenever an update is received, some status information will be written into the execution report of the background process, and the corresponding email data quality fields will be updated and visible to the user in the Web UI.

It is possible to monitor the progress of an Experian Email Validation Job using the Background Process Notification component. Also, Email data that is not validated correctly, can be easily identified.

**Important:** To use the Experian Email Validation Integration functionality, the applicable recipe must be applied, and the Experian License must be obtained from Stibo Systems in order to have access to the Experian API key. Contact your Stibo Systems account manager for more information and licensing terms.

## Using Web UI to Validate Email Addresses

Once all setup is complete, users can navigate to a node or collection of objects with email address information stored as data containers, select all necessary objects from the displayed node list, and click the 'Validate Emails' button.

In the example below, the 'Recent US customers' collection is selected and displays the 'Collection Details' screen. On this screen the 'Collection Items' tab is selected and displays the 'Customers' list of objects with the tool bar. The 'Select all' button is used to select all 731 objects within the list which is signified by a check mark within the checkbox. Additionally, the 'Validate Emails' button displays.

**Tree**

- > Addresses
- > Contacts
- > External Consultants
- > Legal Business Units
- > Ship-to Addresses
- ▼ Collections
  - Addresses
  - My Asset Collection
  - My Collection
  - ▼ Newsletter December
    - My Customers
    - Recent DE customers
    - Recent DK customers
    - Recent US customers
  - > Hierarchy Examples
  - > Recycle Bin

**Collection Details**

Collection Items Data Profiling

**Customers**

Clear all Clear filter Show Details Refresh collection Validate Emails

Name	Email	Email Status	Validation Timestamp
✓ Aaron Fox	afox@gnu.org	verified	2017-06-15 10:55:36
✓ Aaron Lane	alane@upenn.edu	unknown	2017-06-14 14:07:45
✓ Adam Mills	amillse@microsoft.com	unreachable	2017-06-14 14:07:45
✓ Adam Morales	amoralesh4@skyrock.com	undeliverable	2017-06-14 14:07:45
✓ Adam Reed	areedq4@mit.edu	unknown	2017-06-14 14:07:45
✓ Alan Adams	aadamsc@bigcartel.com	undeliverable	2017-06-14 14:07:45
✓ Alice Ford	aford5@tumblr.com	verified	2017-06-14 14:07:45

1-50 of 731

When the 'Validate Emails' button is clicked, a background process notification will display (if configured). Since the Experian service does not return immediate responses, it is recommended that the corner bar background notification component be configured so that users can easily follow up with the status of the email data submitted for validation. For more information, see the **Background Process Notification Component** section of the **Corner Bar Component** documentation.

**Note:** The Experian service is an asynchronous service, aimed at validating large batches of email data. Therefore it will not return immediate responses. The response times depend on the number of emails sent, and email data quality. The guaranteed response times are from 2 (less than 1,000 email addresses) to 20 hours (less than 100,000 email addresses).

When a response is received, one of the following result values will be written into the 'Email Status' email data quality field:

- **(blank):** Email has never been sent for validation. Typically only seen when information is first imported into STEP.
- **Disposable:** Domain is administered by a disposable email provider (e.g., Mailinator).
- **Illegitimate:** Seed, spam trap, black hole, technical role account or inactive domain.
- **Malformed:** The email is identified by STEP as having an illegal format.
- **Undeliverable:** Mailbox or domain does not exist, or mailbox is full, suspended or disabled.
- **Unknown:** We were unable to conclusively verify or invalidate this address.

- **Unreachable:** Domain has no reachable mail exchangers.
- **Verified:** Mailbox exists, is reachable, and not known to be illegitimate or disposable.

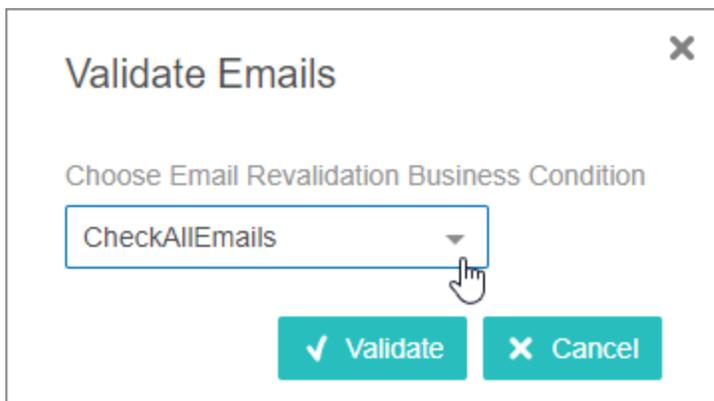
The 'Validation Timestamp' field will be updated with the date and time the email address was last received from the Experian service.

For more information, see the **Experian Email Validation Processing Plugin Parameters and Triggers** section of the **Processing Plugins** documentation.

## Validate Emails by Selecting from a List of Revalidation Conditions

Optionally, more than one email revalidation condition can be configured, allowing users to quickly and easily narrow down their Experian email validation request by selecting from common business conditions (i.e., Validate new emails only, Validate new emails and emails that have not been validated in the last 30 days, Validate emails with specific domains).

When more than one email revalidation condition is configured within the designer, and a Web UI user clicks the Validate Emails action button (as described in the previous section), they will be prompted to choose from a dropdown list of available email revalidation business conditions (as shown below).



Once the desired email revalidation condition is selected from the dropdown list, and the user clicks the Validate button, then the background process notification will display (as described in the previous section).

For information on configuring multiple email revalidation business conditions, see the **Configuring a Validate Email Action Button for a Node List** topic within this guide.

# Configuring a Validate Emails Action Button for a Node List

The Validate Email action button must be added to a node list and configured with a previously created Experian Email Validation Configuration. Optionally one or more email revalidation business conditions can be added, allowing users to refine the collection of emails selected to be sent for email validation.

## Prerequisites

Before configuring a Validate Emails action button, it is recommended to have a firm understanding of the **Experian Email Validation Integration** section of this guide, and to have created the mandatory Experian Email Validation Configuration using the Experian Configuration object type.

For more information about action buttons on Node List, see the **Action Button Configuration on a Node List** section of the **Using a Web UI** documentation.

## Add a Validate Email Action Button to a Node List

Steps for adding a Validate Email action button to a node list are below.

1. Go to your Node List Properties > Child Components > Actions parameter
2. Click the **Add** button, and the Add Component dialog will display.
3. Select **Experian Email Validation Action**, click the **Add** button to close the dialog, and continue to the configuration steps.

Configuration Web UI style

CollectionContent Save Close New... Delete Rename Save as...

Node List Properties [go to parent](#)

Child Components

Display Modes

- Table Display Mode
- Multi Edit Display Mode
- Gallery Display Mode

Add.. Remove Up Down

Actions

- Bulk Update Action
- Refresh Collection Action
- Export Action
- Initiate Business Action

Add.. Remove Up Down

**Add Component**

Excel Export Action

**Experian Email Validation Action**

Export Action

Simple Exporter Action

Smart Sheet Export Action

The Experian Email Validation Action allows users to perform email validations from a node list. The action is dependent on a correctly configured Experian Email Validation integration. For more information please go to the 'Experian Email Validation Integration' section in the Online Help. The component has a mandatory field that needs to be configured before the component can be saved.

Filter

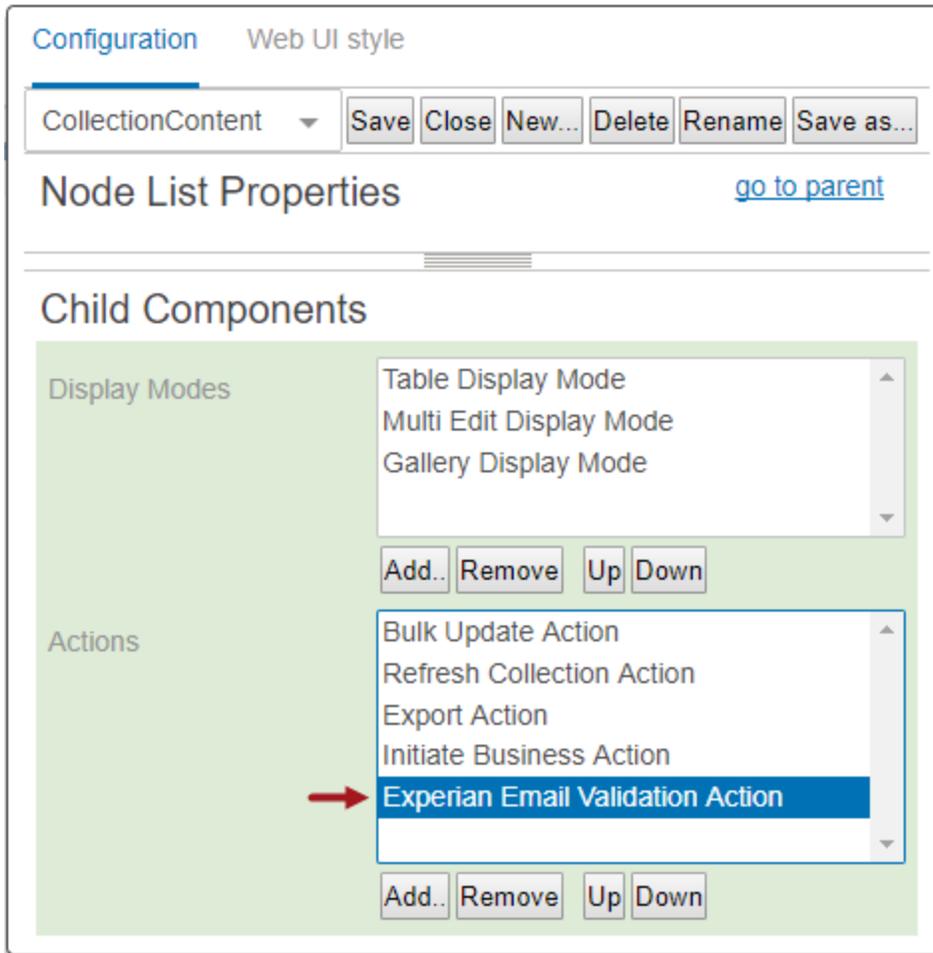
Show deprecated components

✓ Add ✕ Cancel

## Configure a Validate Email Action Button for a Node List

Once the Experian Email Validation Action component is added to the Node List Actions parameter, follow the steps below to complete the configuration.

1. From the Actions parameter list, double click the newly added **Experian Email Validation Action** (as shown below).



The Experian Email Validation Action Properties dialog will display as shown below.

Configuration Web UI style

CollectionContent Save Close New... Delete Rename Save as...

### Experian Email Validation Action Properties [go to parent](#)

Button Label: i18n.stibo.experian.webui.server.action.l

Custom Icon: [ ] ... Reset

Description Template: Email Validation process

Email Revalidation Business Conditions: [ ]  
Add... Remove Up Down

Experian Email Validation Configuration\*: [ ] ... Clear

Context Help: i18n.stibo.experian.webui.server.action.l

- It is mandatory to populate the Experian Email Validation Configuration parameter with an Experian Configuration object. Click the ellipsis button (...) next to the Experian Email Validation Configuration parameter, and a Select Node(s) dialog will display Experian Configuration object types only.

Select Node(s) [X]

◆ Experian Email Validation Configuration (ExperianEmailValidationConfiguration)

✓ OK [X] Cancel

**Note:** If the Email Component model easy setup wizard was used to automatically create the Experian Email Validation Configuration object, then the configuration option will appear as shown above.

- Select **your Experian Configuration object**, and click the **OK** button. The Select Node(s) dialog will close, and the selected Experian Configuration object will display within the Experian Email Validation Configuration

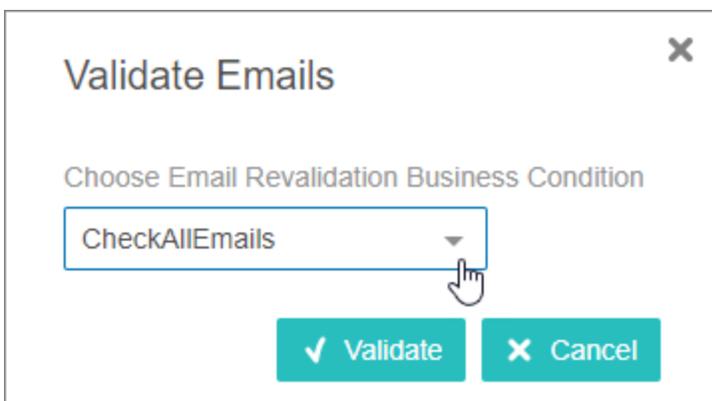
parameter.

4. Click the **Save** and **Close** buttons on the designer.

Optionally, additional parameters within the Experian Email Validation Action properties can be configured. The optional parameters are described below.

## Configure Optional Parameters for the Experian Email Validation Action Properties

- **Button Label:** Enter the text to be displayed as the label for the action button icon. The label will only be displayed if the 'Include Label' parameter on the parent Node List properties is enabled.
- **Custom Icon:** Adding a custom icon will overwrite the default icon displayed in Web UI. The recommended size of the icons is 20 (height) x 35 (width) pixels. It is recommended that icons use deep jewel toned colors that fade well when disabled.
- **Description Template:** Enter the text to be used to identify the corresponding background process.
- **Context Help:** Enter text to be displayed when a user hovers over the action button in Web UI.
- **Email Revalidation Business Conditions:** Adding multiple Email Revalidation Business Conditions can help users quickly and easily narrow down their Experian email validation request by selecting from common business conditions (i.e., Validate new emails only, Validate new emails and emails that have not been validated in the last 30 days, Validate emails with specific domains).
  - When business conditions are added to this parameter, they will display for selection when a user clicks the Validate Emails action button in Web UI (as shown below).

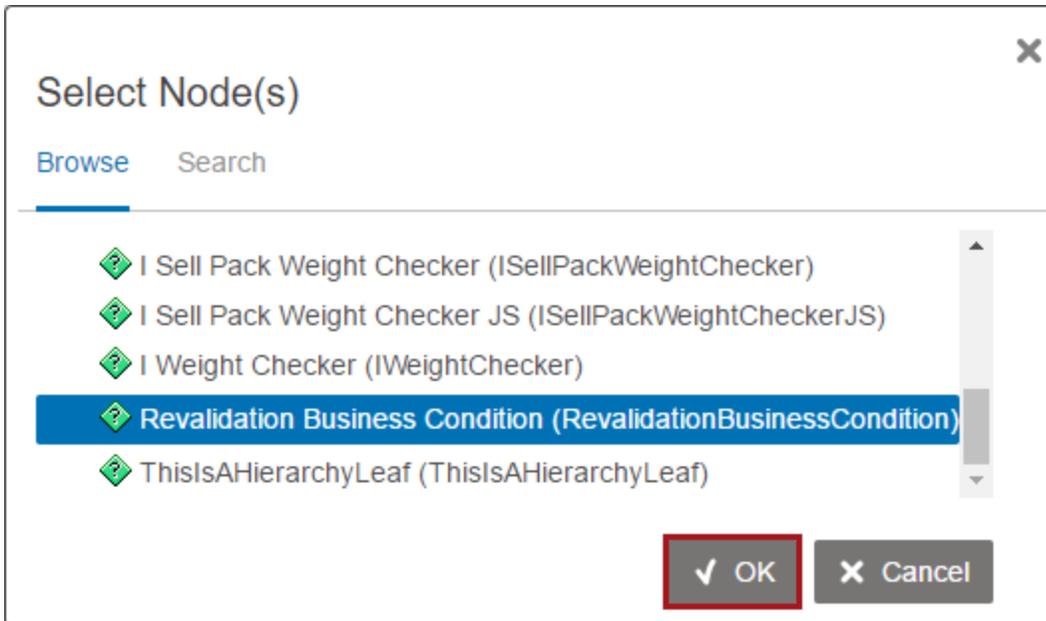


- When the parameter is empty, and the Web UI user clicks the Validate Emails action button, the user is not prompted to select a business condition, and all selected emails will be sent for email validation.

## Add Email Revalidation Business Conditions

Below are steps to add a previously configured business conditions to the Email Revalidation Business Conditions parameter.

1. Click the ellipsis button () next to the Email Revalidation Business Condition parameter to display a Select Node(s) dialog.



**Note:** If the Email Component model easy setup wizard was used to automatically create the revalidation business condition, then the condition will appear as shown above.

2. Browse or search to select **your revalidation business condition**.
3. Click the **OK** button, the Select Node(s) dialog will close, and the selected revalidation business condition will display within the Email Revalidation Condition parameter.
4. Optionally, repeat the above steps to add more than one email revalidation business condition.

**Note:** If one email revalidation business condition is added to the Email Revalidation Business Condition parameter, and the Web UI user clicks the Validate Emails action button, the user will not be prompted to select a business condition, and only the selected emails that comply with the configured email revalidation business condition will be sent for email validation. To allow Web UI users to choose a 'Check All Emails' option along with the added email revalidation business condition, then an additional 'Check All Emails' email revalidation business condition needs to be created and added to the Email Revalidation Business Condition parameter.

Below is an example of configuring multiple email revalidation business conditions.

Properties

**Configuration**   Web UI style

CollectionContent   Save   Close   New...   Delete   Rename   Save as...

**Experian Email Validation Action Properties**   [go to parent](#)

Button Label	Validate Emails
Custom Icon	<input type="text"/> ... Reset
Description Template	Email Validation process
Email Revalidation Business Conditions	<input type="text" value="CheckAllEmails"/> <input type="text" value="VerifyNewEmails"/> <input type="text" value="RevalidateAfter30Days"/>
	Add... Remove Up Down
Experian Email Validation Configuration*	ExperianEmailValidationConfigurati... Clear
Context Help	Validate emails by Experian Email Validation

For information on and images of the Email Validation business condition in the workbench, see the **Email Revalidation Business Condition** section of the **Experian Email Validation Integration** topic in this guide

# Loqate Integration

Loqate is a third-party address standardization service that, when integrated with STEP, is used to return standardized addresses that adhere to the standards of local postal authorities such as the USPS. Standardized addresses are essential to securing safe postal deliveries and also help save money when doing mass mailings. A fully standardized address is also a first step in customer deduplication (finding and removing duplicate records containing these addresses) using Matching, Linking, and Merging.

The integration to Loqate services is implemented using the following STEP components:

- Business actions and bulk updates that enable address standardization and verification of addresses
- Address Component Model

The integration to Loqate Local with CASS also uses the following:

- CASS Address Component Model
- Event processor for the generation of CASS certification reports

To assist with proper configuration, easy setup actions are available to assist in the Loqate address field mappings as well as the creation of associated address object types, business rules, and event processors.

**Important:** A Loqate integration requires access to the following domains to function properly. For the Loqate Cloud, a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) connection must be made to <http://saas.loqate.com>. For the Loqate Local solution, an SSL connection must be made to <https://licensing.loqate.com> and <https://download.loqate.com>.

## Loqate Overview

By using Loqate, an address is first standardized and then verified. These are technically two separate processes, but must be executed together to ensure an address is valid. To standardize an address, Loqate will update the address input information from STEP by ensuring that it uses the approved spelling, abbreviations, and formatting of the relevant postal authorities. However, a standardized address alone does not guarantee validity or deliverability. Once the address is standardized, it is matched against Loqate's reference data to be validated. If any city, state, or ZIP code information is missing from the input, Loqate may not be able to uniquely identify and add these to the standardized output. Therefore, the output from Loqate will have quality measures that indicate how valid the address is.

The following screenshot show a simple example of street address and ZIP code values as they look before being sent to Loqate (Input Street and Input ZIP) and as they look after being standardized and returned from Loqate (Standardized Street and Standardized Zip).

Address	References	Referenced By	Matching	Status	State Log
> Input City	abc	Kennesaw			
> Input Country	abc	USA			
> Input County	abc				
> Input State	abc	GA			
> Input Street	abc	3550 George Busbee Parkway Northwest			
> Input Street Name	abc				
> Input Street Number	abc	3550			
> Input SubBuilding	abc				
> Input ZIP	abc	30144			
> Standardized City	abc	Kennesaw			
> Standardized Country	abc	United States			
> Standardized County	abc				
> Standardized State	abc	GA			
> Standardized Street	abc	3550 George Busbee Pkwy NW			
> Standardized Street Name	abc	George Busbee			
> Standardized Street Number	abc	3550			
> Standardized SubBuilding	abc				
> Standardized Zip	abc	30144-6608			

STEP integrates with Loqate in three different ways: **Cloud**, **Local**, and **Local with CASS**. These are similar services, but with slight variations. This introductory topic provides a brief overview of these three methods, along with the required configuration properties.

Stibo Systems is a reseller of the Loqate solution, commercially licensing the Loqate software along with its reference data. For information on obtaining and installing any of the three variations of the Loqate address standardization service, contact your Stibo Systems account manager. Additional support information and installation instructions can be found on the Loqate website. (Users must have a Loqate account already set up before they can access the website.)

## Loqate Cloud

The Loqate Cloud API service is an integration that enables STEP to communicate with an off-premises Loqate cloud server, hosted by Loqate. Input (non-standardized) address information is stored in STEP in attribute values that are mapped to Loqate fields within the Address Component Model. This information is sent from STEP to the Loqate cloud where it is validated and standardized. Once Loqate parses the data, the standardized address information is returned to STEP and stored in standardized output address fields. Loqate charges users a small fee every time a call is made to the Loqate cloud.

To integrate with the Loqate Cloud solution, STEP users must have the relevant Loqate cloud licenses and API license key.

The Loqate cloud solution may be a preferred option for users who would like to save money on infrastructure cost by using an on-demand service hosted by Loqate. However, the cloud solution has more limited functionality than the local solution. For example, fewer Loqate fields are available in the cloud solution than in the local solution. Also, users must be connected to a local Loqate engine in order to use the CASS program.

## Loqate Local

The Loqate Local API service is an integration that enables STEP users to standardize address information against reference data stored on a local server, typically on the STEP application server itself. Just like in the cloud service, input address information is stored in attribute values that are mapped to Loqate fields within the Address Component Model. However, instead of being sent to a Loqate-hosted cloud server, the address data is sent from STEP to the locally installed Loqate engine, where it is validated and standardized. Once the Loqate engine parses the data, the standardized address information is returned and stored in standardized output address fields.

To integrate with the Loqate Local solution, STEP users must have a Loqate Local license and API license key. Additionally, users must install Loqate software (provided by Stibo), then make an initial connection to an external Loqate server to download the Loqate reference data packs. Once the software and data packs are locally installed, address information can be sent directly to the Loqate installation on the local server, with no need to connect externally to the Loqate cloud. Users will need to occasionally download updated reference data packs from Loqate, but, on a day-to-day basis, address standardization will be handled by internal communications between STEP and the locally installed Loqate engine.

The Loqate Local solution may be a preferred option for users who prefer a much tighter integration with the local API. The Loqate Local server also boasts improved performance over the cloud solution, with faster response times when bulk handling large amounts of data. The local server can also be used with CASS address standardization functionality, which adds an even stricter layer of address validation.

**Important:** A considerable amount of server space is needed for Loqate reference data. Approximately 13 GB alone is needed for the US data packs, which include verification datasets and geocode datasets, and approximately 35 GB is needed for the full worldwide reference data set. Loqate reference data must be accessible from each STEP application server. It can be installed on a shared drive, but for best performance, it should be maintained on a hard drive local to each server. If CASS is also activated, then performance may be impacted.

## Loqate Local with CASS

The Loqate Local with CASS service is the same installation as the standard Loqate Local API solution but includes additional data packs of CASS reference data and some CASS-specific library files. An additional license is needed for CASS. For more information on CASS, see the **CASS Address Component Model** topic.

**Note:** The CASS solution will not work with the Loqate Cloud API.

## Address Validation Web Service

If STEP is deployed with Loqate Local, STEP also offers an Address Validation web service. This web service can be used by third-party systems to perform the same address validation and standardization that is done in STEP. This allows consistent address validation across the enterprise.

The Address Validation web service comes in REST and SOAP variants and supports CASS address certification, as applicable, and geocoding. For complete documentation for Web Services functionality related to Address Validation, click the **STEP API Documentation** button on the STEP Start Page and see the SOAP and REST API sections.

To access the Address Validation Web Service endpoint for a given system, navigate to the following URL: **[your system URL: port]/LoqateWS/loqate**.

## Configuration Properties Requirements

The following case-sensitive properties must be added to the sharedconfig.properties file to enable Loqate functionality:

### Both Local and Cloud

- Address.AddressQualityPlugin=LoqateAddressQuality
- Address.Service.Loqate.GeocodeAll=[true or false]

Default value is true. Specifies if all addresses should be geocoded. A geocode is a pair of coordinates for the latitude and longitude of a location.

### Cloud Only

- Address.Service.Loqate.License=[License Key required for Production]

Specifies the license key of the Loqate Cloud solution.

### Local Only

- Loqate.Server.Data=[direct or relative path]

The directory where data for the Loqate Local API has been installed.

#### Examples:

- Linux: Loqate.Server.Data=/opt/stibo/step/resources/loqate/2.23.0.9136/LoqateData
- Windows: Loqate.Server.Data=C:/LoqateData

## Considerations and Limitations

- Customers are responsible for keeping all Loqate Local reference data updated on their servers.

# Address Component Model

To use the Loqate and CASS integrations, the Address Component Model must first be configured in STEP Workbench.

This topic provides an overview of the Address Component Model, including full descriptions of all of the Loqate address attribute fields it contains. For instructions on how to configure the component model, see the following topics in this documentation section:

- **Easy Setup of Address Component Model**
- **Manual Setup of Address Component Model** (recommended for modifications after initial setup)

Once the component model has been configured, the system will be ready to standardize addresses using the Loqate solution.

## Prerequisites

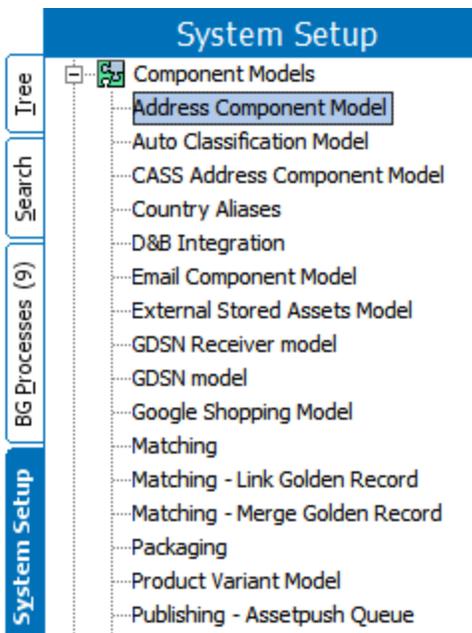
Configuring the Address Component Model requires users to be familiar with the System Setup tab in STEP Workbench and how to configure within this area (e.g., creation and maintenance of object types, attributes, and references). Users must also have the privileges required to carry out these tasks. Additionally, the following condition must be met.:

- Users must be connected to a Loqate installation, either through the Loqate Cloud API or the Loqate Local API. For more information, see the **Loqate Integration** topic in the **Data Integration** documentation.

## Address Component Model Overview

The Address Component Model determines the input and output fields for the information that is sent to Loqate from STEP and returned from Loqate to STEP.

The Address Component Model is found under Component Models on the System Setup tab. If the Address Component Model is not present, contact your Stibo Systems account manager.



## Loqate Address Fields

The following table lists the fields contained in the Address Component Model, along with a description of each field, the corresponding Loqate field, whether the field is available for both the Loqate Cloud service and the Loqate Local installation. Users will typically not use all address fields.

Loqate fields are mapped to STEP attributes, either manually or through easy setup of the component model. The component model contains four types of fields and are identified in the table below:

- **Object types** – The address object types used to represent addresses
- **Regular** address attributes – The **input** fields that are used as input when making a request to Loqate. These are the non-standardized, original address attributes.
- **Standardized** address attributes – The **output** fields that store the data returned from Loqate. These are the standardized and validated versions of the address fields from Loqate.
- **Data quality** attributes – The fields that store information about the validity and precision of the standardized address attributes.

Loqate responses do not overwrite the input fields, which remain as-is after standardized address data is returned. Loqate responses are kept separately in the standardized fields. For more thorough descriptions of these fields, refer to the Loqate website.

Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
<b>Address Object Types and/or Address Data Container Types</b>		
Address	The address object types used to represent addresses; can be either entities or data containers	N/A
<b>Regular Address Attributes (INPUT fields)</b>		
Country ISO Code	The ISO 3166 2-character country code	<i>Not mapped to Loqate</i>
Input Address 1	Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g., street number and name	Address1 [in]
Input Address 2	Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g., city, state abbreviation, postcode	Address2 [in]
Input Address 3	Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g., country	Address3 [in]
Input Address 4	Input address line field, for one part of the full address Typically used if optional information is put into one of the other input Address1 - 3 fields	Address4 [in]
Input Address Line	Single line input field for an entire address	Address [in]
Input Building	Input field for name identifying an individual location, e.g., a building	Building [in]
Input City	Input field for name of a large population center, e.g., city or municipality	Locality [in]
Input Country	Input field for country name or code	Country [in]
Input County	Input field for small geographic unit within a country, e.g., county.	SubAdministrativeArea [in]
Input Dependent Locality	Input field for a small geographic unit within a city, e.g., neighborhood	DependentLocality [in]
Input Dependent Street	Input field for street information that depends on an adjoining road	DependentThoroughfare [in]
Input Organization	Input field for business name associated with location	Organization [in]
Input PostBox	Input field for post box for a location	PostBox [in]
Input State	Input field for name of a geographic unit within a country, e.g., state or province	AdministrativeArea

Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
		[in]
Input Street	Input field for street information, e.g., street name and number	Thoroughfare [in]
Input Street Name	Input field for street name	ThoroughfareName [in]
Input Street Number	Input field for street number identifying an individual location	Premise [in]
Input Subbuilding	Input field for secondary identifier of an individual location, e.g., flat or suite	SubBuilding [in]
Input Zip	Input field for complete postal code	PostalCode [in]
Latitude	The address latitude	<i>Not mapped to Loqate</i>
Longitude	The address longitude	<i>Not mapped to Loqate</i>
<b>Standardized Address Attributes (OUTPUT Fields)</b>		
Geocode Latitude	Output field containing the address latitude	Latitude [out]
Geocode Longitude	Output field containing the address longitude	Longitude [out]
Standardized Building	Output field for name identifying an individual location, e.g., a building	Building [out]
Standardized City	Output field for a large population center name, e.g., city or municipality	Locality [out]
Standardized City Extra	Output field for supplemental information related to city	LocalityExtra [out]
Standardized Country	Output field containing country name or code	CountryName [out]
Standardized Country ISO Code	Output field containing the ISO 3166 2-character country code	ISO3166-2 [out]
Standardized Country ISO 3 Character Code	Output field containing the ISO 3166 3-character country code	ISO3166-3 [out]

Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
Standardized County	Output field for small geographic unit within a country, e.g., county	SubAdministrativeArea [out]
Standardized Department	Output field for department name associated with an organization	Department [out]
Standardized Dependent Street	Output field for street information that depends on adjoining road	DependentThoroughfare [out]
Standardized Double Dependent Locality	Output field for small population center within a city, e.g., village.	DoubleDependentLocality [out]
Standardized Formatted Address	Output field for the address formatted for mailing usage, formatted using CRLF (“\n”) as the line break	Address [out]
Standardized Neighbourhood	Output field for population center within a city, e.g., neighborhood	DependentLocality [out]
Standardized Organization	Output field for business name associated with location	Organization [out]
Standardized PostBox	Output field for post box for a location	PostBox [out]
Standardized Region	Output field for the largest geographic unit within a country	SuperAdministrativeArea [out]
Standardized State	Output field for a geographic unit within a country, e.g., state or province	AdministrativeArea [out]
Standardized Street	Output field for street name	DeliveryAddress [out]
Standardized Street Name	Output field for street name	ThoroughfareName [out]
Standardized Street Number	Output field for street number	PremiseNumber [out]
Standardized Street Type	Output field for street type, e.g., Rd for road and St for street	ThoroughfareType [out]

Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
Standardized SubBuilding	Output field for secondary identifier for an individual location, e.g., flat or suite	SubBuilding [out]
Standardized Zip	Output field for complete postal code	PostalCode [out]
<b>Quality Measures</b>		
Geocode Accuracy	Output field for Geocode Accuracy. This field indicates the precision level of the geocode that has been assigned to an address by Loqate.	GeoAccuracy [out]
Geocode Distance	Output field for the Geocode Distance. This field indicates the uncertainty in the physical location of the address.	GeoDistance [out]
Quality	Quality attribute for address. Validation base type is text; attribute is a calculated attribute based on other quality fields. For example, the calculation could be a combination of the values of Quality Index and Quality Verification Code. Users are responsible for writing this formula.	<i>Not mapped from Loqate</i>
Quality Index	Output field for the address quality index, which is used to indicate the quality of an address.	<i>Address Quality Index (AQI) response from Loqate</i>
Quality Verification Code	Output field for the Address Verification Code. This is used to indicate the level of verification of an address.	<i>Address Verification Code (AVC) response from Loqate</i>
Validation Hash	<p>Hash value for the address validation integration.</p> <p>Contains a hash value of all input fields. This makes it possible to determine if the address has changed since the last validation</p> <p>Field is updated whenever the standardized address attributes are updated by the Loqate integration. Field is calculated by STEP and is not mapped to Loqate.</p>	<i>Not mapped from Loqate</i>
Validation Integration Status	<p>Contains the latest status of the address validation integration.</p> <p>Field is updated whenever the standardized address attributes are updated by the Loqate integration. Indicates if the last address validation was completed or resulted in an error. Valid values are: &lt;empty&gt; and Failed.</p> <p>This field makes it possible to search for accounts and addresses where an error has occurred during the address validation.</p>	<i>Not mapped from Loqate</i>
Validation Response	<p>Output field for the cached validation response. This field contains the full response from Loqate.</p> <p>Validation base type is text; maximum length must be at least 1000.</p>	<i>Contains the full response from Loqate</i>

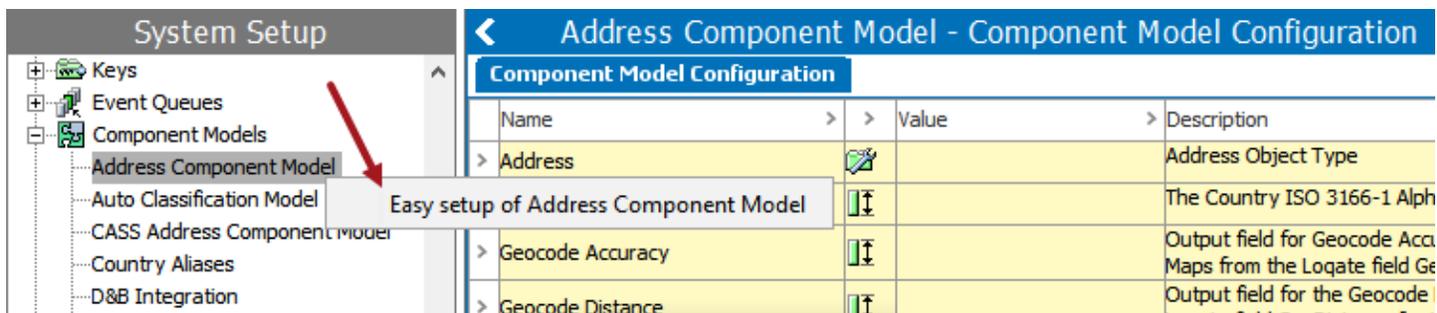
Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>&gt; Validation Response      abc</p> <pre> Loqate/1379196886/&lt;?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?&gt; &lt;lqt&gt;   &lt;status&gt;OK&lt;/status&gt;   &lt;results&gt;     &lt;result&gt;       &lt;result&gt;         &lt;AQI&gt;A&lt;/AQI&gt;         &lt;AVC&gt;V44-I44-P7-100&lt;/AVC&gt;         &lt;Address1&gt;3550 George Busbee Pkwy NW&lt;/Address1&gt;         &lt;Address2&gt;Kennesaw GA 30144-6608&lt;/Address2&gt;         &lt;AdministrativeArea&gt;GA&lt;/AdministrativeArea&gt;         &lt;CountryName&gt;United States&lt;/CountryName&gt;         &lt;DeliveryAddress&gt;3550 George Busbee Pkwy NW&lt;/DeliveryAddress&gt;         &lt;DeliveryAddress1&gt;3550 George Busbee Pkwy NW&lt;/DeliveryAddress1&gt;         &lt;GeoAccuracy&gt;P4&lt;/GeoAccuracy&gt;         &lt;GeoDistance&gt;0.0&lt;/GeoDistance&gt;         &lt;HyphenClass&gt;A&lt;/HyphenClass&gt;         &lt;ISO3166-2&gt;US&lt;/ISO3166-2&gt;         &lt;ISO3166-3&gt;USA&lt;/ISO3166-3&gt;         &lt;ISO3166-N&gt;840&lt;/ISO3166-N&gt;         &lt;Latitude&gt;34.040720&lt;/Latitude&gt;         &lt;Locality&gt;Kennesaw&lt;/Locality&gt;         &lt;Longitude&gt;-84.573000&lt;/Longitude&gt;         &lt;MatchRuleLabel&gt;1a&lt;/MatchRuleLabel&gt;         &lt;PostalCode&gt;30144-6608&lt;/PostalCode&gt;         &lt;PostalCodePrimary&gt;30144&lt;/PostalCodePrimary&gt;         &lt;PostalCodeSecondary&gt;6608&lt;/PostalCodeSecondary&gt;         &lt;Premise&gt;3550&lt;/Premise&gt;         &lt;PremiseNumber&gt;3550&lt;/PremiseNumber&gt;         &lt;SubAdministrativeArea&gt;Cobb&lt;/SubAdministrativeArea&gt;         &lt;Thoroughfare&gt;George Busbee Pkwy NW&lt;/Thoroughfare&gt;         &lt;ThoroughfareName&gt;George Busbee&lt;/ThoroughfareName&gt;         &lt;ThoroughfarePostDirection&gt;Nw&lt;/ThoroughfarePostDirection&gt;         &lt;ThoroughfareTrailingType&gt;Pkwy&lt;/ThoroughfareTrailingType&gt;         &lt;ThoroughfareType&gt;Pkwy&lt;/ThoroughfareType&gt;       &lt;/result&gt;     &lt;/result&gt;   &lt;/results&gt; &lt;/lqt&gt; </pre> </div>	
Validation Time	<p>Date and time stamp of the most recent successful address validation.</p> <p>Validation base type is 'ISO Date and Time.' Field is updated whenever the standardized address attributes are updated by the Loqate integration.</p>	Not mapped from Loqate

# Easy Setup of Address Component Model

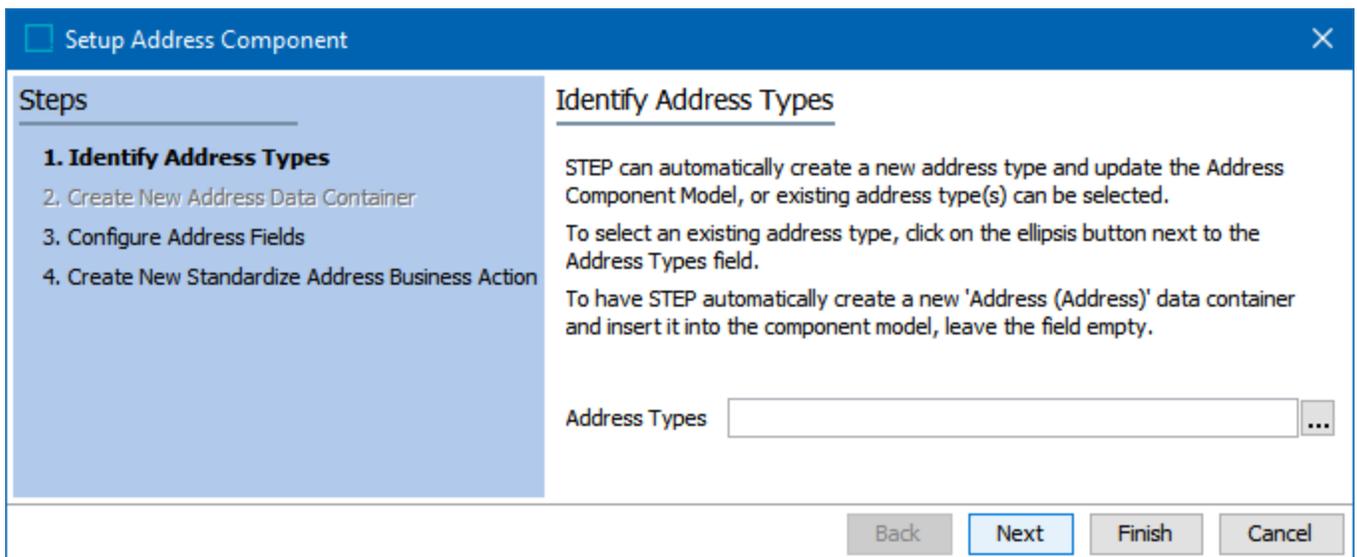
The recommended method for initially configuring the Address Component Model is to use the 'Easy setup of Address Component Model' wizard. By using this wizard, STEP can automatically create all of the address attributes required for the solution while simultaneously mapping them to the corresponding Loqate fields. Additionally, the wizard can create an address data container to house the attributes and a 'standardize address' business action. By using this wizard, little manual action needs to be taken to complete the configuration, making it a simple and straightforward way to get the solution up and running quickly.

The following steps describe how to configure the Address Component Model using the easy setup method. Also note that detailed help text is present on each step of the wizard.

1. Locate the Address Component Model under System Setup > Component Models.
2. Right-click on the Address Component Model and click 'Easy setup of Address Component Model.'

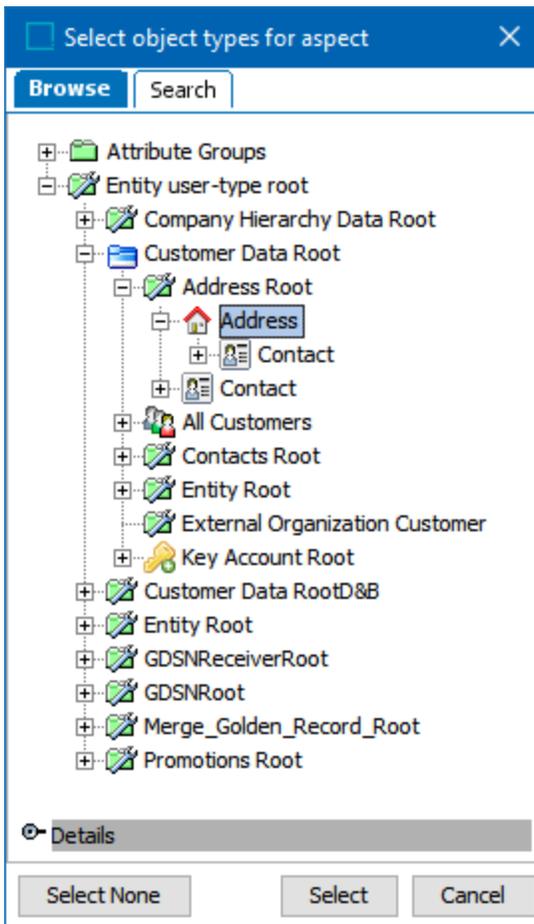


3. On the **Identify Address Types** screen, the system provides the opportunity to automatically create a new address data container object type if one does not already exist.



If you already have an object type (or types) that you would like to use, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the Address Types field and select the relevant object type(s) from the 'Select object types for aspect' dialog. Note

that only entities and or data containers can be selected. The below screenshot shows the dialog with a preexisting 'Address' entity object type selected. To multi-select objects, click and hold the Ctrl or Shift key. Click **Select** to choose the object(s) and close the dialog.



If you prefer to have STEP create the new object type, which will be named Address (ID = Address), leave the 'Address Types' field blank.

Click **Next**.

**Note:** If 'Address Types' is left blank in this step, the **Create New Address Data Container** screen will display after clicking Next (see step 4 below). If a previously existing address object type is selected, the **Configure Address Fields** screen will display (see step 5 below).

4. If the **Create New Address Data Container** screen is displayed, in the 'All Object Types' window, select the entity object types that should be valid for the data container that is created in this step. Click the top arrow to move the selections into the 'Selected Object Types' window. To remove an object from the 'Selected Object Types' window, click the bottom arrow to move the selection back to the 'All Object Types' window.

At the bottom of the screen, click the ellipsis button (...) to select the attribute group where you would like to store the data container. Leave the field blank to have STEP automatically create an attribute group, which will be named 'Address Attribute Group' (ID = AddressAttributeGroup).

After completing this step, the Address data container will be created and placed into the designated attribute group. The ID pattern will be Address-[id], and 'Yes' will be selected by default for 'Allow multiple data containers.' Any attributes chosen for auto-creation in the next step of the easy setup wizard (Configure Address Fields) will be made valid for this data container.

**Note:** Any address attributes that exist prior to the easy setup of the Address Component Model will not be modified by the easy setup action. I.e., they will not automatically become valid for the data container created in this step and must be manually linked to it later. For more information, see the **Setting Up Data Container Types in Workbench** topic in the **Data Containers** documentation.

**System Setup**

- Attribute Groups
  - Address Attribute Group
    - Geocode Accuracy
    - Geocode Distance
    - Geocode Latitude
    - Geocode Longitude
    - Input Address 1
    - Input Address 2
    - Input Address 3
    - Input Address 4
    - Quality Index
    - Quality Verification Code
    - Standardized City
    - Standardized Country
    - Standardized State
    - Standardized Street Name
    - Standardized Street Number
    - Standardized Zip
    - Validation Hash
    - Validation Time
    - Address**
  - Asset Export Configuration
  - Attribute Group
  - Attributes for Web UI Screensho
  - Autopage Attributes

**Address - Data Container Type**

Data Container Type	Validity	Log
<b>Description</b>		
Name	>	Value >
ID	>	Address
Name	>	Address
Last edited by	>	2017-06-14 18:21:08 by USER4
ID Pattern	>	Address-[id]
Allow multiple data containers	>	Yes
Completeness Score	>	123
<b>In Attribute Groups</b>		
ID	>	Name >
AddressAttributeGroup	>	Address Attribute Group
<a href="#">Add Attribute Group</a>		
<b>Valid Attributes</b>		

- On the **Configure Address Fields** screen, attributes are mapped to corresponding Loqate input and output fields. Mandatory attributes are indicated by an asterisk (\*) in the second column. (Some fields are not mapped to Loqate, such as 'Country ISO Code', but these fields are optional.) To select or remove the displayed mapping to a STEP attribute, click on the corresponding ellipsis button (...) in the Value column. For full information on the range of fields available in the component model, see the **Address Component Model** topic.

To have STEP automatically create an address attribute, leave the corresponding Value field blank and enable the respective checkbox in the Create column. All automatically created attributes will be description attributes and be made valid for the configured address types. They will have a name equal to the field name and an ID equal to the field name with spaces removed. For example, for the 'Standardized Double Dependent Locality' field, the automatically created attribute will be named 'Standardized Double Dependent Locality' and have the ID of 'StandardizedDoubleDependentLocality.'

It is not required to have STEP create the attributes, but is recommended. If any of the attributes already exist (based on ID) and the Create box is checked, a message will display to inform the user that the attribute already exists.

**Note:** No 'select all' option is available for the Create column; this omission is intentional, as it forces users to give more thought as to which attributes they actually need instead of creating all attributes at once and

having too many. The complete set of input and output fields cover several address formats, so it is important that users consider select and/or create the attributes that match their business needs. For example, if there is a need for importing single-line addresses, then the 'Input Address Line' field should be activated.

To select an attribute group where you would like to store the newly created attributes, click the ellipsis button ( ) next to the Attribute Group field to launch the 'Select Attribute Group' dialog. Leave the field blank to have STEP automatically create the attribute group, which will be named 'Address Attribute Group' (ID = AddressAttributeGroup).

Setup Address Component

Steps

1. Identify Address Types
2. Create New Address Data Container
- 3. Configure Address Fields**
4. Create New Standardize Address Business Action

Configure Address Fields

STEP can automatically create new address attributes and update the Address Component Model, or existing attributes can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create an address attribute, leave the corresponding Value field blank in the table below and enable the respective checkbox in the Create column. Fields marked with \* are required.

To select or remove an existing attribute, click on the corresponding ellipsis button in the Value column.

STEP can automatically create a new 'Address Attribute Group (AddressAttributeGroup)' to store the address attributes, or an existing attribute group can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create and use the 'Address Attribute Group', leave the Attribute Group field below empty.

To choose an existing attribute group, click the ellipsis button next to the Attribute Group field.

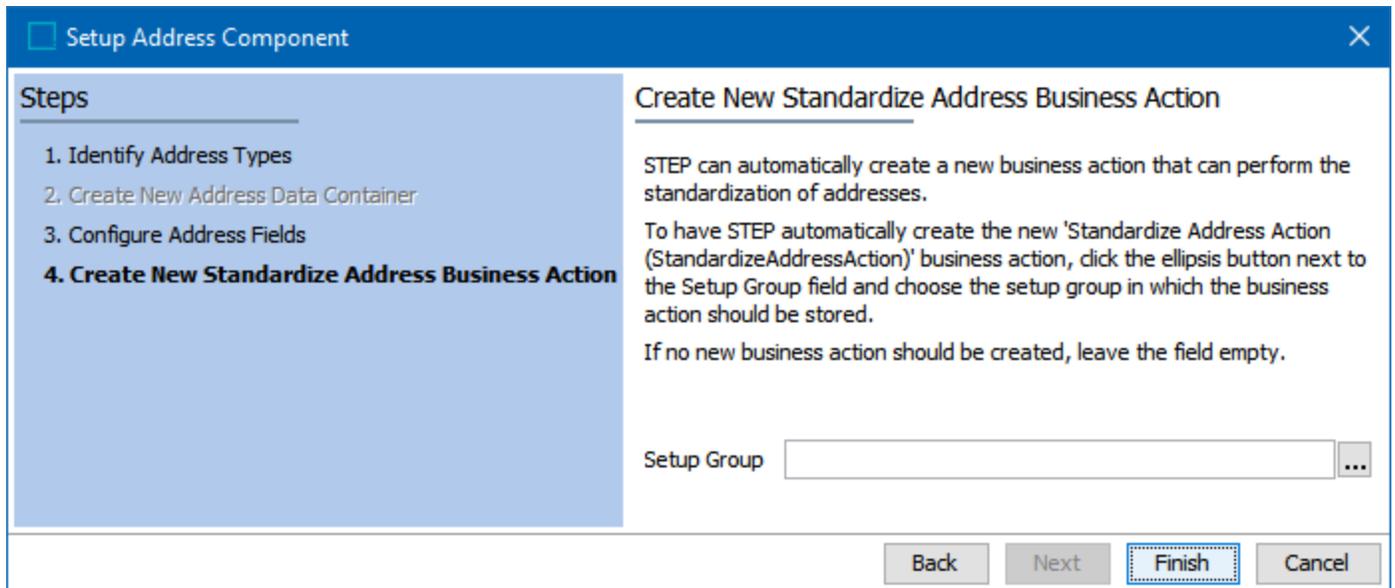
Attribute Group  ...

Name	*	Value	Create
Country ISO Code		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geocode Accuracy		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geocode Distance		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geocode Latitude		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geocode Longitude		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Address 1		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Address 2		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Address 3		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Address 4		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Address Line		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Building		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input City	*	City (City)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Country	*	Country (Country)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input County		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Dependent Locality		...	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input Dependent Street		...	<input type="checkbox"/>

Back Next Finish Cancel

Click **Next** when you have finished mapping your attributes.

- On the **Create New Standardize Address Business Action** screen, if you would like to have STEP automatically create a 'Standardize Address' business rule, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the Setup Group field and select the setup group to house the action. Leave the field blank and click **Finish** if you do not want to create the business rule or would like to create it at a later time.



Setup Address Component

**Steps**

1. Identify Address Types
2. Create New Address Data Container
3. Configure Address Fields
- 4. Create New Standardize Address Business Action**

**Create New Standardize Address Business Action**

STEP can automatically create a new business action that can perform the standardization of addresses.

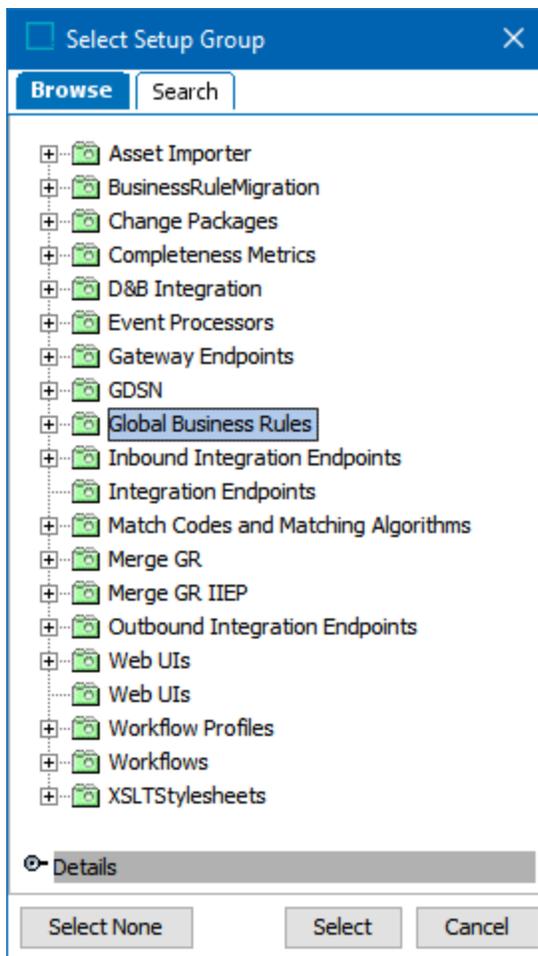
To have STEP automatically create the new 'Standardize Address Action (StandardizeAddressAction)' business action, click the ellipsis button next to the Setup Group field and choose the setup group in which the business action should be stored.

If no new business action should be created, leave the field empty.

Setup Group  ...

Back Next **Finish** Cancel

Click the ellipsis button (...) to open the 'Select Setup Group' dialog. Choose the setup group in which you would like to store the newly created business rule, then click **Select** to close the dialog.



For more information on how to complete the configuration of this business action after it is created during the easy setup process, see the **Business Action: Standardize Address** topic in the **Business Rules** documentation.

7. Click **Finish** to complete the wizard and create the business action.

# Manual Setup of Address Component Model

To manually set up the Address Component Model, all required object types and attributes must first be created in the workbench. Then, these attributes must be manually mapped to the corresponding Loqate fields in the component model.

Since every screen in the 'Easy setup of Address Component Model' wizard has an option where users can select preexisting object types, attributes, attribute groups, and setup groups, it can be expected that the full configuration of the Address Component Model may be a combination of both easy setup and manual setup. It is also useful to understand how to manually work with the component model since certain one-off operations, like changing an attribute mapping, may need to be performed after the easy setup is complete.

## Data Model Considerations and Requirements

To manually set up the Address Component Model in the workbench, some basic data must be in place. Each element that is required to complete the setup is listed below.

1. If you plan to use an Address object type (instead of an address data container), it must use an auto-generated ID format (e.g., [id]). An example is shown below.

System Setup	
Object Types & Structures	
(Availability)	
Alternate Classifications	
Assets	
Basic Object Types	
Commercial Types	
Entity user-type root	
Customer Data Root	
Address Root	
Address	
Contact	
All Customers	
Entity Root	
Key Account Root	
Entity Root	

Object Type	
References	
Log	
Description	
Name	Value
ID	CD_Address
Name	Address
Last edited by	2016-03-10 15:32:12 by USER2
Name Pattern	
ID Pattern	ADD_[id]
Enable Profiling	No
Icon	
Dimension Dependencies	
Revisability	Global Revisable

**Important:** Data container types can also be used and mapped as an Address object type. The attributes mapped to the component model fields must be valid for the specified data container type or types.

2. A reference must exist between the address object type and an associated object type (e.g., supplier, customer, location). The address object must be the *target* of the reference. An example is shown below.

The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface with a tree view on the left and a configuration panel on the right. The tree view is expanded to 'Entity Reference Types' > 'Customer To Address'. The configuration panel is titled 'Customer' and shows the 'Reference Type' tab. It displays a table of attributes for the 'Customer To Address' reference type.

Description	
Name	Value
ID	CustomerToAddress
Name	Customer To Address
Last edited by	2016-03-14 18:41:49.724 by USER2
Externally Maintained	No
Dimension Dependencies	
Allow multiple references	Yes
Mandatory	No
Parent/Child relation	Source as parent, Target as Child
Inheritance	None
Completeness Score	123
Purpose	abc

The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface with a tree view on the left and a configuration panel on the right. The tree view is expanded to 'Entity Reference Types' > 'Customer To Address'. The configuration panel is titled 'Customer' and shows the 'Validity' tab. It displays two sections: 'Valid Source Types' and 'Valid Target Types'.

Valid Source Types	
ID	Name
CD_Customer	Customer
<a href="#">Modify Source Types</a>	

Valid Target Types	
ID	Name
CD_Address	Address
<a href="#">Modify Target Types</a>	

- Address attributes must exist. The full set of potential attributes to be configured is described within the component model configuration section below. Each attribute must be a Description attribute and must be valid on the address object. The attributes must also be standard text attributes, with the exception of the attribute that will be used for the 'Validation Time' field, which must have a validation base type of 'ISO Date and Time.'

An example of a text-based Description attribute is shown below.

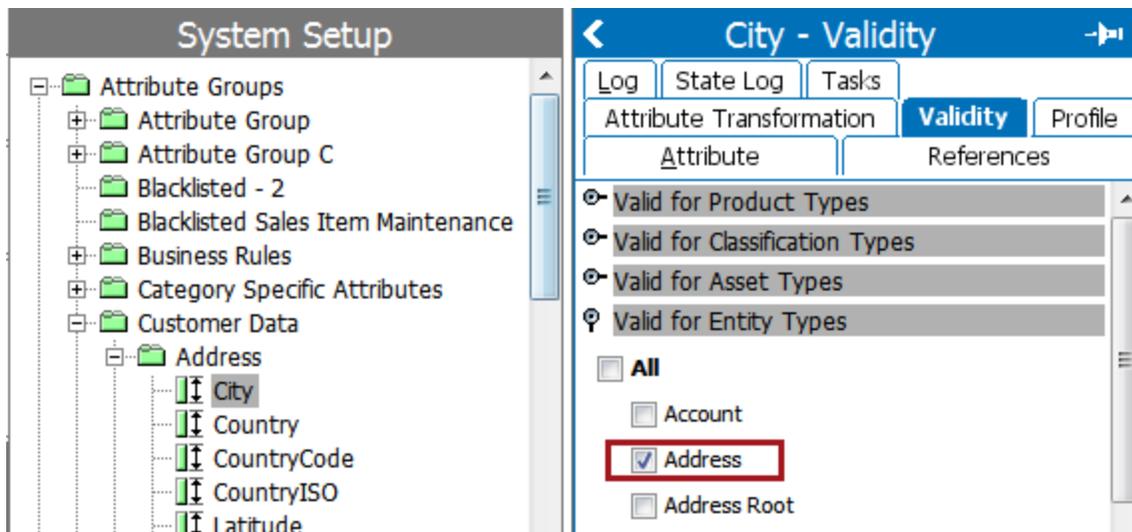
<b>Attribute</b>	References	Attribute Transformation	Validity	Profile
------------------	------------	--------------------------	----------	---------

Description	
Name	Value
> ID	City
> Name	City
> Last edited by	2016-03-10 15:32:13 by USER2
> Full Text Indexable	No
> Externally Maintained	No
> Hierarchical Filtering	None
> Calculated	No
> Type	Description
> Dimension Dependencies	
> Mandatory	No

Attribute Validation	
Name	Value
> Validation Base Type	Text
> List Of Values	N/A
> Multi Valued	No
> Mask	
> Minimum Value	N/A
> Maximum Value	N/A
> Maximum Length	100

[Edit Validation Rule](#)

Aspects		
Component	Name	Description
Address Component Model	City	The City



Once the required data model configuration is in place, the component model can be set up.

## Manual Attribute Mapping

Each field in the component model has the option to be mapped. Most mappings are self-explanatory, but some tips and guidelines for completing the configuration are noted below.

- The **Address** mapping must be configured. The selection can be the address object type referred to in step 1 of the data model considerations and requirements, above, or can be any entity or address data container on which the attributes selected in the component model are valid.
- The **Input Street**, **Input Street Name**, and **Input Street Number** parameters are closely related. Input Street is used to hold a complete street address, including a house or building number, as well as a street name. Input Street Name holds the street name only, while Input Street Number holds the building / house number only. These separated fields are especially useful when dealing with standardization and/or deduplication of addresses. Note that Input Street is required, while Input Street Name and Input Street Number are optional.
- Any attributes for which address data should be stored must be populated. Some mappings are required, while others are optional. For full information on which fields are required and which fields are optional, see the attribute table in the **Address Component Model** topic.

To start the mapping process, click the blue Edit link shown at the bottom of the table.

**System Setup**

- Tags
- Units
- Users & Groups
- Reference Types
- Workspaces
- Table
- Keys
- Event Queues
- Component Models
  - Address Component Model
  - Auto Classification Model
  - CASS Address Component Model
  - Country Aliases

**Address Component Model - Component Model Configuration**

Component Model Configuration			
> Standardized Street Type			Output field for street type, e.g. Road field ThoroughfareType [out].
> Standardized SubBuilding			Output field for secondary identifier from the Loqate field SubBuilding [ou
> Standardized Zip	Standardized Zip		Output field for complete postal cod
> Validation Hash	Validation Hash		Hash value for the Address Validatic
> Validation Integration Status			Field containing the latest status of
> Validation Response	Validation Response		Output field for the Cached Validatic from Loqate.
> Validation Time	Validation Time		Date and time stamp of the most rec

[Edit](#)

This will open the editor, allowing you to add, edit, and remove mappings.

Edit Component Model Configuration ✕

>	Name	>	Value	>	Description
>	✓ Address	+	Address	✕	Address Object Type
>	✓ Country ISO Code	+	Country ISO Code	✕	The Country ISO 3166-1 Alpha-2 code. Optional field not mapped to Loqate.
>	✓ Geocode Accuracy	+	Geocode Accuracy	✕	Output field for Geocode Accuracy. This field indicates the precision level of the geocode that has been assigned to an address. Maps from the Loqate field GeoAccuracy [out].
>	✓ Geocode Distance	+	Geocode Distance	✕	Output field for the Geocode Distance. This field indicates the uncertainty in the physical location of the address. Maps from the Loqate field GeoDistance [out].
>	✓ Geocode Latitude	+	Geocode Latitude	✕	Output field containing the Latitude. Maps from the Loqate field Latitude [out].
>	✓ Geocode Longitude	+	Geocode Longitude	✕	Output field containing the Longitude. Maps from the Loqate field Longitude [out].
>	✓ Input Address 1	+			Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g. street number and name. Maps to the Loqate field Address1 [in].
>	✓ Input Address 2	+			Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g. city state abbreviation postcode. Maps to the Loqate field Address2 [in].
>	✓ Input Address 3	+			Input address line field, for one part of an address, e.g. country. Maps to the Loqate field Address3 [in].
>	✓ Input Address 4	+			Input address line field, for one part of the full address. Typically used if optional information is put into one of the other input Address1-3 fields. Maps to the Loqate field Address4 [in].
>	✓ Input Address Line	+			Single line input field for an entire address. Maps to the Loqate field Address [in].
>	✓ Input Building	+			Input field for name identifying an individual location, e.g. a building. Maps to the Loqate field Building [in].
>	✓ Input City	+	City	✕	Input field for name of a large population center, e.g. city or municipality. Maps to the Loqate field Locality [in].
>	✓ Input Country	+	Country	✕	Input field for country name or code. Maps to the Loqate field Country [in].
>	✓ Input County	+			Input field for small geographic unit within a country, e.g. county. Maps to the Loqate field SubAdministrativeArea [in].
>	✓ Input Dependent Locality	+			Input field for small geographic unit within a city, e.g. neighborhood. Maps to the Loqate field DependentLocality [in].
>	✓ Input Dependent Street	+			Input field for street information that depends on adjoining road. Maps to the Loqate field DependentThoroughfare [in].
>	✓ Input Organization	+			Input field for business name associated with location. Maps to the Loqate field Organization [in].
>	✓ Input PostBox	+			Input field for post box for a location. Maps to the Loqate field PostBox [in].
>	✓ Input State	+	State	✕	Input field for name of geographic unit within a country, e.g. state or province. Maps to the Loqate field AdministrativeArea [in].
>	✓ Input Street	+	Street	✕	Input field for street information, e.g. street name and number. Maps to the Loqate field Thoroughfare [in].
>	✓ Input Street Name	+			Input field for street name. Maps to the Loqate field ThoroughfareName [in].
>	✓ Input Street Number	+			Input field for street number identifying an individual location. Maps to the Loqate field Premise [in].
>	✓ Input SubBuilding	+			Input field for secondary identifier of an individual location, e.g. flat or suite. Maps to the Loqate field SubBuilding [in].
>	✓ Input Zip	+	Zip	✕	Input field for complete postal code. Maps to the Loqate field PostalCode [in].
>	✓ Latitude	+	Latitude	✕	The Latitude. Optional field not mapped to Loqate.
>	✓ Longitude	+	Longitude	✕	The Longitude. Optional field not mapped to Loqate.
>	✓ Quality	+	Quality	✕	Quality attribute for simple address. Not mapped from Loqate.
>	✓ Quality Index	+	Quality Index	✕	Output field for the Address Quality Index is used to indicate the quality of an address. Maps from the Loqate field Address Quality Index.
>	✓ Quality Verification Code	+	Quality Verification Code	✕	Output field for the Address Verification Code. This is used to indicate the level of verification of an address. Maps from the Loqate field Address Verification Code.
>	✓ Standardized Building	+			Output field for name identifying an individual location, e.g. a building. Maps from the Loqate field Building [out].
>	✓ Standardized City	+	Standardized City	✕	Output field for large population center name, e.g. city or municipality. Maps from the Loqate field Locality [out].
>	✓ Standardized City Extra	+			Output field for supplemental information related to city. Maps from the Loqate field LocalityExtra [out].

When editing the mappings, double-click the + button to make value additions and the X button to remove any existing values. If the + button is inactive, then the value must be removed before trying to add a new one.

Rows that are required to be populated will show a red X when not populated. In this case, the Save button is disabled and only the Save pending button is available. Save pending allows you to save the current mappings until all required values can be supplied. The required values must be populated before a true save can be completed and the component model is functional.

□ Edit Component Model Configuration
✕

>	✓ Input Address Line	+	⇅	Input Address Line	✕	Single line input field for an entire address. Maps to the Loqate field Address [in].
>	✓ Input Building	+	⇅		✕	Input field for name identifying an individual location, e.g. a building. Maps to the Loqate field Building [in].
>	<b>✕ Input City</b>	+	⇅		✕	Input field for name of a large population center, e.g. city or municipality. Maps to the Loqate field Locality [in].
>	✓ Input Country	+	⇅	Input Country	✕	Input field for country name or code. Maps to the Loqate field Country [in].
>	✓ Input County	+	⇅		✕	Input field for small geographic unit within a country, e.g. county. Maps to the Loqate field SubAdministrativeArea [in].
>	✓ Input Dependent Locality	+	⇅		✕	Input field for small geographic unit within a city, e.g. neighborhood. Maps to the Loqate field DependentLocality [in].
					✕	Input field for street information that depends on

Save
Restore live settings
Save pending
Cancel

# CASS Address Component Model

Users of the Loqate Local solution who are located in the United States can obtain an additional license from Stibo Systems to take advantage of the CASS program, which provides an even stricter level of address standardization. CASS (Coding Accuracy Support System) is a certification program run by the United States Postal Service (USPS) that is offered to all mailers, service bureaus, and software vendors that would like the USPS to evaluate the quality and accuracy of their address-matching software. Mailers who use CASS-certified software to check their mailing addresses are able to qualify for discounted postage rates from the USPS. STEP makes it possible to standardize and validate address using the CASS process and to generate and extract CASS reports that can be used to certify that addresses have been CASS validated.

The CASS Address Component Model determines the output fields for the information that is returned from Loqate to STEP after addresses have been validated against CASS data on the Loqate Local server. Loqate is CASS certified and offers CASS verification of address data.

Once the CASS component model has been configured, the system will be ready to standardize addresses against CASS data using the Loqate Local solution.

For additional information on CASS input fields, see the Loqate 'CASS Overview' support website: <https://support.loqate.com/support/local-apis/cass-overview-2/>

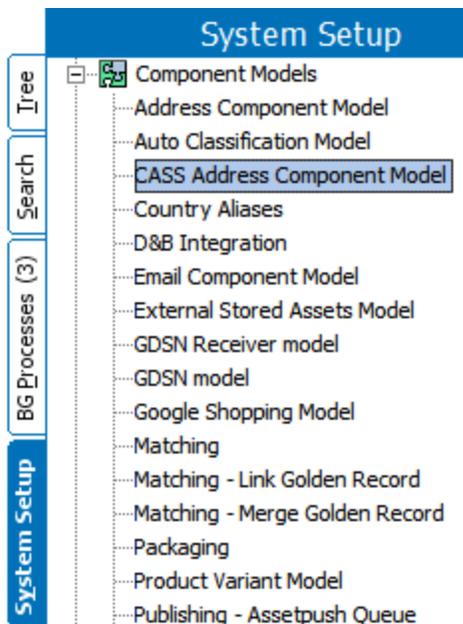
## Prerequisites

Before configuring the CASS Address Component Model, the following conditions must be met:

- Users must be based in the United States, as CASS is not valid outside of the US.
- Users must be connected to a Loqate **Local** API server installation and have a CASS license. The CASS solution will not work with a Loqate Cloud API installation.
- Users must have updated the Loqate reference data with the CASS reference data and libraries
- The Address Component Model must already be configured. For more information, see the **Address Component Model** topic.

## CASS Address Component Model Overview

The CASS Address Component Model is found under Component Models on the System Setup tab. If the CASS Address Component Model is not present, contact your Stibo Systems account manager.



## CASS Address Fields - Input From Address Component Model

The CASS integration requires that users first complete the **Address Component Model**, which contains the basic address attributes such as city and state. The following fields within the Address Component Model are required for CASS address validation. All are mandatory in the Address Component Model except for 'Input Address 1.'

- Input Address 1 – may contain the street number and name, but not the entire address. This is not a mandatory field in the Address Component Model but is required to use CASS.
- Input City – may contain the city only, but can also contain the city, state, and ZIP combined
- Input State
- Input Zip

The following fields can also be used with CASS but are optional:

- Input Dependent Locality – input field for a small geographic unit within a city, e.g., neighborhood
- Input Organization – input field for a business name associated with location

## CASS Address Fields - Output In CASS Address Component Model

The following table lists the fields contained in the CASS Address Component Model, along with a description of each field and the corresponding Loqate field. The fields are all output attributes, meaning that they are not populated by users. They are populated with the values returned from Loqate after an address has been validated against the CASS address standardization data files on the Loqate Local server.

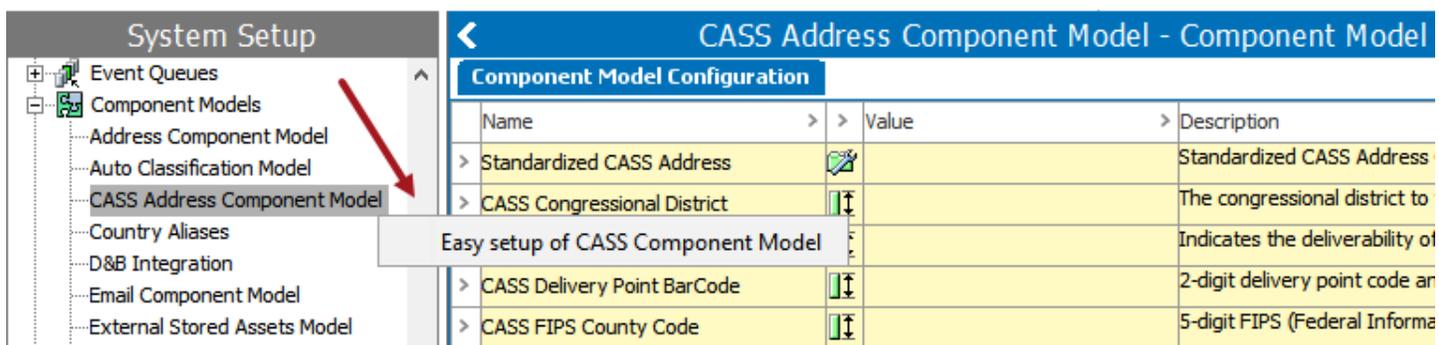
CASS Address Component Model Field	Description	Local Loqate Field Mapping
<b>Address Object Types and/or Address Data Container Types</b>		
Standardized CASS Address	The address types used to represent addresses, can be either entities or data containers	N/A
<b>Standardized Address Attributes (OUTPUT Fields)</b>		
CASS Congressional District	The congressional district to which the address belongs	CongressionalDistrict
CASS DPV Confirmed Indicator	Indicates the deliverability of the address	DPVConfirmedIndicator
CASS Delivery Point BarCode	2-digit delivery point code and 1-digit check digit	DeliveryPointBarCode
CASS FIPS County Code	5-digit FIPS (Federal Information Processing Standard) code	FIPSCountyCode
CASS No Stat Indicator	Indicates the address is not receiving delivery, and the address is not counted as a possible delivery	NoStatIndicator
CASS Residential Delivery	Indicates whether the input address is a residential address or a business address	ResidentialDelivery
CASS Vacant Indicator	Indicates that the delivery point was active in the past, but is currently vacant and is not receiving deliveries.	VacantIndicator
<b>Remaining CASS fields</b>		
CASS Validation Response	<p>Collects remaining CASS output field values. Validation base type is text; maximum length must be at least 1000.</p> <div data-bbox="488 1123 1193 1465" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>CASS Validation Response abc AutoZoneIndicator: D, CarrierRoute: C014, CMRAIndicator: N, DefaultFlag: , DPVFootnotes: AAB, eLOTCode: A, eLOTNumber: 0202, EWSFlag: , FalsePositiveIndicator: , Footnotes: , LACSLinkCode: , LACSLinkIndicator: , LACSStatus: , PMBNumber: , PMBType: , PrimaryAddressLine: 3550 BUSBEE PKWY NW STE 350, RecordType: H, ReturnCode: 31, SecondaryAddressLine: KENNESAW GA 30144-2122, SUITELinkFootnote:</p> </div>	AutoZoneIndicator CarrierRoute CMRAIndicator DefaultFlag DPVFootnotes eLOTCode eLOTNumber EWSFlag FalsePositiveIndicator Footnotes LACSLinkCode LACSLinkIndicator LACSStatus PMBNumber PMBType PrimaryAddressLine RecordType ReturnCode SecondaryAddressLine SUITELinkFootnote

# Easy Setup of CASS Address Component Model

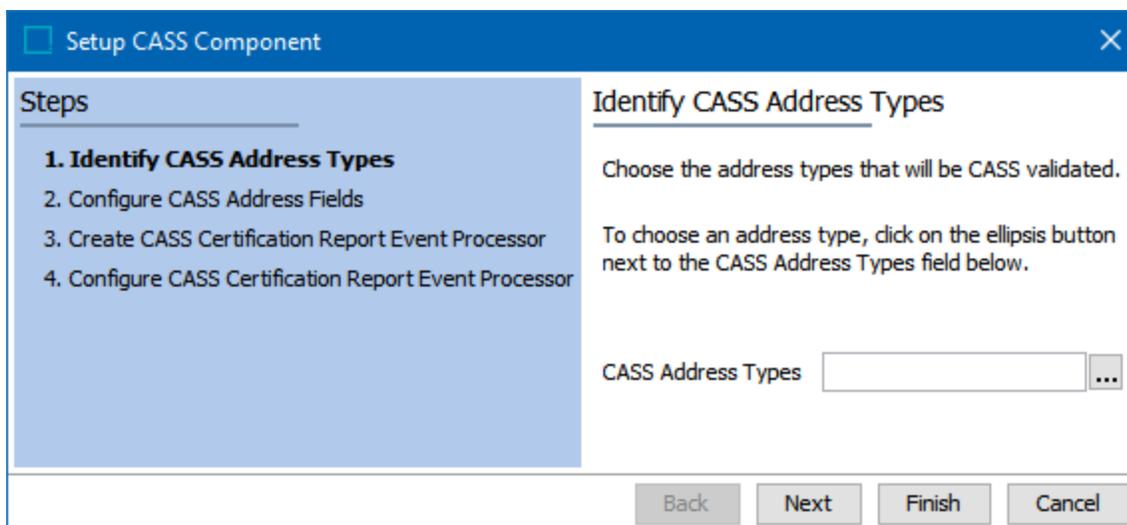
The recommended method for configuring the CASS Address Component Model is to use the 'Easy setup of CASS Component Model' wizard. By using this wizard, STEP can automatically create all of the address attributes required for the CASS solution, as well as a CASS Certification Report event processor used to generate CASS certification reports. By using this wizard, little manual action needs to be taken to complete the configuration, making it a simple and straightforward way to get the solution up and running.

The following steps describe how to configure the CASS Address Component Model using the easy setup method. Also note that detailed help text is present on each step of the wizard.

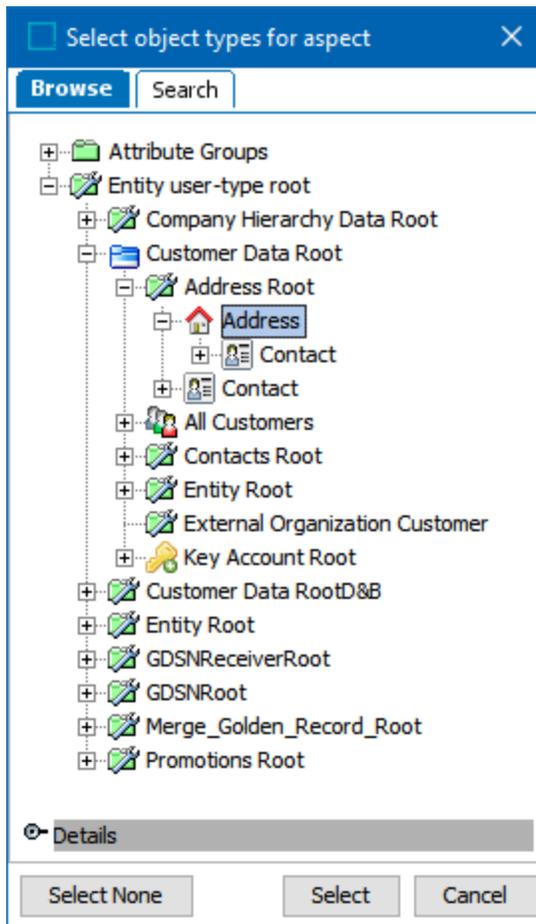
1. Locate the CASS Address Component Model under System Setup > Component Models.
2. Right-click on the CASS Address Component Model and click 'Easy setup of CASS Component Model.'



3. On the **Identify CASS Address Types** screen, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the CASS Address Types field and select the relevant object type(s) from the 'Select object types for aspect' dialog that displays. This should be one or more of the address types used in the Address Component Model.



The below screenshot shows the dialog with an 'Address' entity object type selected. Note that only entities and or data containers can be selected. To multi-select objects, click and hold the Ctrl or Shift key. Click **Select** to choose the object(s) and close the dialog.



Click **Next**.

4. On the **Configure Address Fields** screen, attributes are mapped to corresponding CASS output fields. To select or remove an existing attribute, click on the corresponding ellipsis button (...) in the Value column.

To have STEP automatically create an address attribute, leave the corresponding Value field blank and enable the respective checkbox in the Create column. All automatically created attributes will be Description attributes and be made valid for the configured address types. They will have a name equal to the field name and an ID equal to the field name with spaces removed. For example, for the 'CASS Congressional District' field, the automatically created attribute will be named 'CASS Congressional District' and have the ID of 'CASSCongressionalDistrict.'

It is not required to have STEP create the attributes, but is recommended. If any of the attributes already exist (based on ID), a message will display to inform the user that the attribute already exists.

**Note:** No 'select all' option is available for the Create column; this omission is intentional, as it forces users to give more thought as to which attributes they actually need instead of creating all attributes at once and having too many.

To select an attribute group where you would like to store the newly created attributes, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the Attribute Group field to launch the 'Select Attribute Group' dialog. Leave the field blank to have STEP automatically create the attribute group, which will be named 'CASS Attribute Group' (ID = CASSAttributeGroup).

Setup CASS Component
✕

**Steps**

1. Identify CASS Address Types
- 2. Configure CASS Address Fields**
3. Create CASS Certification Report Event Processor
4. Configure CASS Certification Report Event Processor

### Configure CASS Address Fields

STEP can automatically create new address attributes and update the CASS Address Component Model, or existing attributes can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create an address attribute, leave the corresponding Value field blank in the table below and enable the respective checkbox in the Create column. Fields marked with \* are required.

To select or remove an existing attribute, click on the corresponding ellipsis button in the Value column.

STEP can automatically create a new 'CASS Attribute Group (CASSAttributeGroup)' to store the address attributes, or an existing attribute group can be selected.

To have STEP automatically create and use the 'CASS Attribute Group', leave the Attribute Group field below empty.

To choose an existing attribute group, click the ellipsis button next to the Attribute Group field.

Attribute Group

Name	*	Value	>	Create	>
CASS Congressional District	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS Delivery Point BarCode	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS DPV Confirmed Indicator	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS FIPS County Code	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS No Stat Indicator	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS Residential Delivery	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS Vacant Indicator	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CASS Validation Response	*		...	<input type="checkbox"/>	

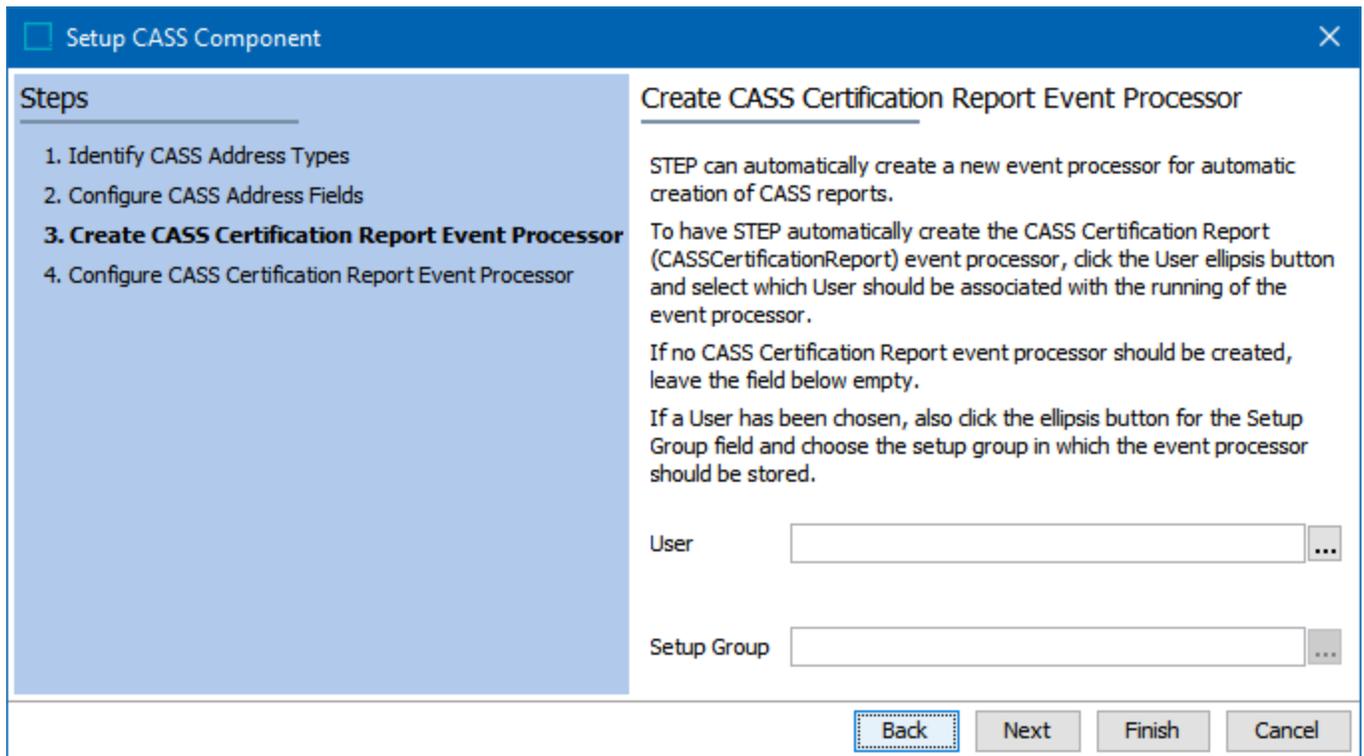
Click **Next** when you have finished mapping and/or creating your attributes.

5. On the **Create CASS Certification Report Event Processor** screen, the system prompts you to choose a User and a Setup Group to have STEP automatically create a 'CASS Certification Report' event processor. This processor will be used to generate CASS certification reports. For more information on the default configuration of this event processor, see the 'Default Configuration - CASS Certification Report Event

Processor' section of this topic (below). For more information on CASS certification reports, see the CASS Certification Report Generation section of this topic (below).

Click **Finish** if you do not want to create the event processor or would like to create it at a later time. Otherwise, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the User field to select the dedicated system user for the event processor.

Then, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the Setup Group field to select the setup group where the event processor should be stored.



**Setup CASS Component**

**Steps**

1. Identify CASS Address Types
2. Configure CASS Address Fields
- 3. Create CASS Certification Report Event Processor**
4. Configure CASS Certification Report Event Processor

**Create CASS Certification Report Event Processor**

STEP can automatically create a new event processor for automatic creation of CASS reports.

To have STEP automatically create the CASS Certification Report (CASSCertificationReport) event processor, click the User ellipsis button and select which User should be associated with the running of the event processor.

If no CASS Certification Report event processor should be created, leave the field below empty.

If a User has been chosen, also click the ellipsis button for the Setup Group field and choose the setup group in which the event processor should be stored.

User  ...

Setup Group  ...

**Back** **Next** **Finish** **Cancel**

6. On the **Configure CASS Certification Report Event Processor** screen, click the ellipsis button (...) next to the 'CASS Report Object Asset Type' field to select the asset object type that will be used for the CASS certification reports. These assets will be stored in STEP as normal .txt files. If you do not already have an asset object type that you would like to use, leave the field blank to have STEP automatically create it.

Click the ellipsis button (...) next to the 'CASS Report Location' field to choose the classification hierarchy folder where the CASS certification reports should be stored.

Setup CASS Component
✕

**Steps**

1. Identify CASS Address Types
2. Configure CASS Address Fields
3. Create CASS Certification Report Event Processor
- 4. Configure CASS Certification Report Event Processor**

### Configure CASS Certification Report Event Processor

STEP can assist you in the configuration of the new CASS Certification Report event processor.

To have STEP automatically create and use the CASS Certification Report (CASSCertificationReport) asset object type, leave the field below empty. Otherwise, click the ellipsis button and choose an asset object type to use for CASS certification reports.

CASS Report Object Asset Type  ...

Click the ellipsis button and choose a location in which to store the CASS certification reports. This field is mandatory.

CASS Report Location  ...

CASS certification report generation must be activated by configuring the 'Standardize Address Action' business action (created on the Create New Standardize Business Action screen of the Easy setup of Address Component Model wizard) with the CASS event queue that was chosen or created above.

Complete setup of the event processor requires additional manual configuration. Refer to the Creating an Event Processor section of the System Setup online help documentation for more information.

Click **Finish** to complete the easy setup of the component model.

For more information on how to complete the configuration of the event processor after you have completed the easy setup wizard, see the **CASS Certification Report Processing Plugin Parameters and Triggers** topic in the **Event Processors** documentation.

## Default Configuration - CASS Certification Report Event Processor

The default configuration of a CASS certification report event processor, as created through the easy setup of the CASS Address Component Model, is pictured below. All default options can be left as-is, or users can adjust specific settings to meet their business needs. The event processor is configured, by default, with a large batch size and a low frequency.

The default queue for the event processor is called CASSCertificationReportEventQueue. If not created through the easy setup of the component model, this queue must first be created, then the name must be manually entered on the 'Configure Event Processor' screen of the Event Processor Wizard.

**System Setup**

- Asset Importer
- BusinessRuleMigration
- Change Packages
- Completeness Metrics
- D&B Integration
- Event Processors
  - BestEP
  - CASS Certification Report**
  - Email user when Attribute value
  - External Item Async Matching
  - Find Existing
  - Find Similar Search
  - Image Cache
  - LOV Value Merge Events
  - MatchCodeProcess
  - Matching Event
  - Matching Processor
  - Person Match
  - Product Revision Management
  - Update LOV Values
- Gateway Endpoints
- GDSN
- Global Business Rules
- Inbound Integration Endpoints
- Integration Endpoints
- Match Codes and Matching Algorithm
- Merge GR
- Merge GR II EP
- Outbound Integration Endpoints
- Web UIs

**CASS Certification Report - Event Processor**

Background Processes | Statistics | Error Log Excerpts | Log

**Event Processor** | Event Triggering Definitions

**Description**

Name	Value
ID	CASSCertificationReport
Name	CASS Certification Report
Type	Event Processor
Last edited by	2017-06-11 15:45:09 by USER4
Enabled	Yes
Processor Status	Running

**Configuration**

ID	Name
User running event processo...	User 4
Number of events to batch	10000
Days to retain events	0
Queue for event processor	CASSCertificationReportEventQueue
Maximum number of old proc...	100
Maximum age of old process...	168
Limit of lines in execution report	1000
Processor	CASS Certification Report
Schedule	Not scheduled
Queue Status	Read Events
Unread events (approximated)	Click to estimate ...

[Edit Configuration](#)

**Important:** By default, CASS certification event processors are not scheduled. When address standardization operations are initiated by a manual 'Standardize Address' bulk update on address / data container objects or by a 'Standardize Address' business action, these events will sit in the event processor unless the event processor is manually invoked or the processor is scheduled to pick up events at certain intervals. For more information, see the **EPW - Schedule Event Processor** topic within the **Creating an Event Processor** section of the **Event Processors** documentation.

## CASS Certification Report Generation

When objects are sent to the CASS certification report event processor, the Loqate Local API uses a Loqate program, lqtBatch, to generate the CASS reports. This program is delivered with the Loqate Local API. When the event processor is invoked, the CASS Certification Event processor plugin:

1. Extracts all US addresses from all originating objects of all the events in the batch
2. Generates an input text file with all these addresses
3. Sends a command to lqtBatch, using this text file as the input
4. Places the output file 'CASS\_report\_[time stamp]\_lqtv\_[loqate version].txt' in the specified CASS report location in the classification hierarchy using the specified CASS report asset object type.

The below screenshot shows an example of CASS reports stored within the Assets folder in the STEP classification hierarchy. In the below pictured Filename, the first number string (1) is a report generation time stamp the second number string (2) is the Loqate version number.

The screenshot displays a file management interface. On the left, a 'Tree' view shows a folder structure under 'Assets' containing a sub-folder 'Matching Tables' with numerous 'CASS\_report' files. The main pane shows the details for 'CASS\_report\_20170524155443 rev.1.0 - Images & Documents'. The 'Description' section includes fields for ID, Name, Object Type, Revision, Approved status, Translation, and Path. The 'System Properties' section contains a table with the following data:

Name	Value
Extension	txt
Filename	CASS_report_20170524155443_lqtv_2_23_0_9136.txt
Format	Text (Plain ASCII text)
MIME Type	text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Size	176,842
Upload Time	2017-05-24 15:54:45

The below is a sample CASS certification report.

```

CASS_report_20170524155443.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
InputID|InputAddress1|InputLocality|InputAdministrativeArea|
InputPostalCode|InputDependentLocality|InputOrganization|
CongressionalDistrict|DeliveryPointBarCode|DPVConfirmedIndicator|
FIPSCountyCode|NoStatIndicator|ResidentialDelivery|VacantIndicator
1|null|Kennesaw|GA|30144|null|null|||
2|null|Kennesaw|null|30144|null|null|||
3|null|null|null|null|null|null|||
4|null|Kennesaw|null|null|null|null|||
5|null|Kennesaw|null|30144|null|null|||
6|null|null|null|null|null|null|||
7|null|Kennesaw|null|null|null|null|||
8|null|Kennesaw|null|30144|null|null|||
9|null|null|null|null|null|null|||
10|null|Kennesaw|null|null|null|null|||
11|null|Kennesaw|null|30144|null|null|||
12|3526 HIGH ST|SACRAMENTO|CA|95838|null|null|||
13|3526 HIGH ST|SACRAMENTO|CA|95838|null|null|||
14|3526 HIGH ST|SACRAMENTO|CA|95838|null|null|||

```

# Machine Learning-Based Auto Classification Integration

Machine learning is available for auto classification as a cloud service referred to as Machine Learning Auto Classification (MLAC). This service provides assisted or automated classification of products into the primary product hierarchy and/or into classification hierarchies where the product can exist only once.

The MLAC service uses supplied hierarchies and products already classified to make suggestions, or predictions, for classifying products that are not yet classified. The topic **Classification Predictions** shows the format of the prediction service requests and responses while the following topics describe how the prediction functionality can be integrated into / tested from STEP:

- Gateway IEP Configuration for MLAC
- Business Action Configuration for MLAC
- Testing MLAC Service Predictions
- Integrating MLAC Predictions in a Workflow

Before prediction requests can be made, the service algorithm must have been trained using customer specific data. For initial evaluation of the service, data for hierarchies and already classified products can be submitted manually to Stibo Systems. Manual data export is covered in the following topics:

- Manual Export of Hierarchies for MLAC
- Manual Export of Classified Products for MLAC

It is, however, also possible to configure STEP to upload the data to the service directly. This functionality is covered in the topics:

- Uploading Hierarchies
- Uploading Classified Products

**Note:** For information on standard automatic classification functionality without the cloud service, see the **Automatic Classification** documentation.

# Classification Predictions

Predictions are suggestions for how products might be classified. The following examples show the format of the service requests and responses. The service API is documented in detail in Swagger available at <https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1>.

The prediction resource <https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/predict> accepts POST requests with a JSON message body.

In STEP, the predict request can be sent from a business action via a gateway integration endpoint. For more information, see the topics in this section:

- Gateway IEP Configuration for MLAC
- Business Action Configuration for MLAC

## Example Request

The request can contain information about a single or multiple unclassified products. Responses are synchronous with a number of classification predictions for each product.

The request body format is:

```
{
  "products": [
    {
      "id": "string",
      "sourceId": "string",
      "description": "string"
    }
  ]
}
```

The request body fields are:

- 'id' - Mandatory. Required for each product.
- 'description' - Optional. A description can improve the accuracy of predictions.
- 'sourceId' - Optional. A source ID should only be populated if it is significant for the classification and if it is supplied when uploading already classified products.

The request query parameters are:

- 'hierarchyIds' - Specifies the hierarchies that should be used to generate predictions. The hierarchy IDs provided must match the IDs used when uploading hierarchies and training products.
- 'maxSuggestionsPerHierarchy' - Optional. Limits how many predictions are returned for each hierarchy.

## Example Response

A response for a single product, for two hierarchies with IDs 'primary' and 'gs' with 'maxSuggestionsPerHierarchy' set to 2, could look as follows:

```
{
  "predictions": [
    {
      "id": "ABC-123",
      "hierarchies": [
        {
          "hierarchyId": "primary",
          "predictions": [
            {
              "classificationId": "Lvl4-16772",
              "confidence": 92
            },
            {
              "classificationId": "Lvl4-16723",
              "confidence": 72
            }
          ]
        },
        {
          "hierarchyId": "gs",
          "predictions": [
            {
              "classificationId": "Bike Wheels",
              "confidence": 95
            },
            {
              "classificationId": "Bike Wheel Parts",
              "confidence": 69
            }
          ]
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Notice that each prediction is accompanied with a confidence number indicating how confident the service is about the prediction.

# Gateway IEP Configuration for MLAC

A Gateway Integration Endpoint (IEP) allows STEP to communicate with the MLAC service. Setup includes editing the properties file and configuring the endpoint.

For general information, see the **Gateway Integration Endpoints** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

## Prerequisites

Perform these prerequisites before configuring the IEP.

1. In the 'workarea' directory shared between the application servers, edit the sharedconfig.properties file. Add or modify the case-sensitive **RESTGateway.ServerURL** property to identify <https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1> as the URL for the auto classification service as shown below.

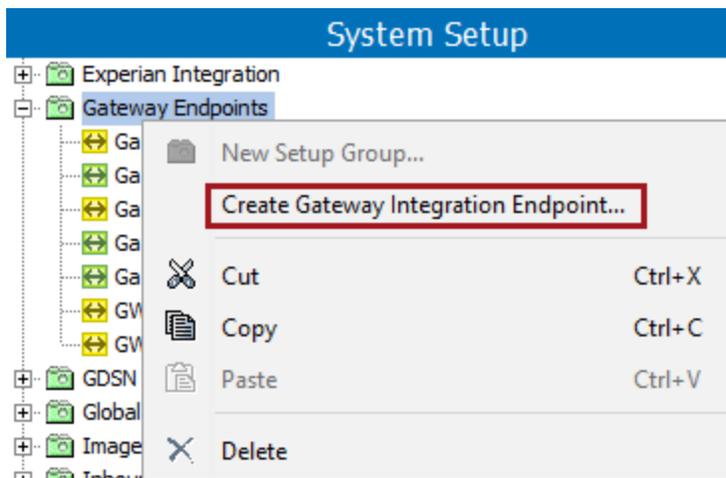
```
RESTGateway.ServerURL=1= https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1
```

2. Restart the server to implement the properties file changes.

## Configure the Gateway IEP

Use the following steps to create and configure the gateway endpoint for MLAC.

1. In workbench on System Setup, select the Gateway Integration Endpoint node, right-click the node, and select the **Create Gateway Integration Endpoint** option.

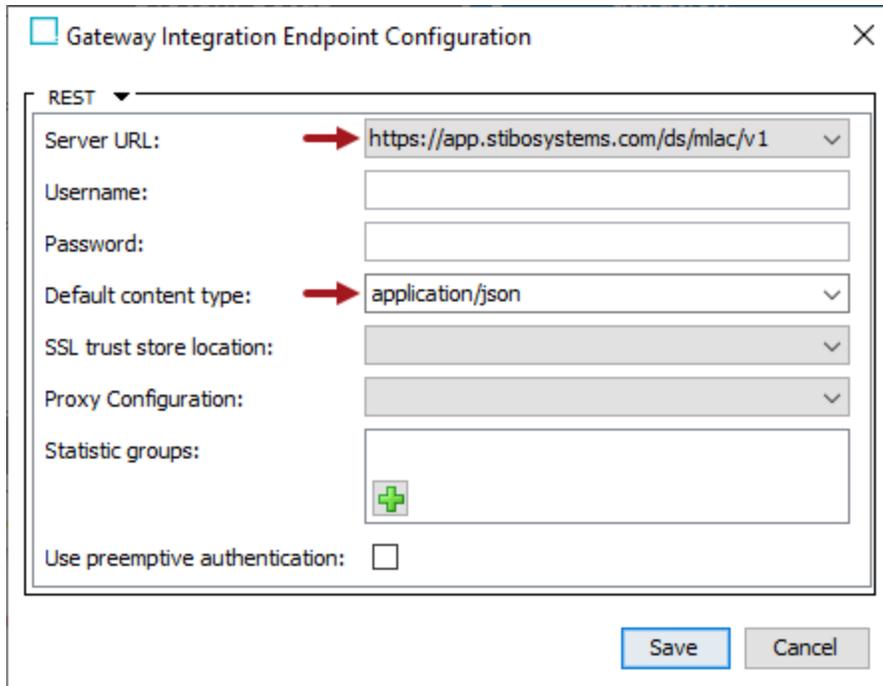


2. On the Create Gateway Integration Endpoint dialog, select an object type if required, and type an **ID** and **Name**. Description is optional. Click the **Create** button.

3. Select the new IEP to display the Gateway Integration Endpoint editor. On the Configuration tab, click the **Edit** link to open the 'Gateway Integration Endpoint Configuration' dialog.

4. Click the 'Not Configured' dropdown and select the **REST** option to display the configuration parameters.

5. Add settings for the following parameters:
  - For Server URL, select the prediction resource URL from the dropdown.
  - For Default content type, type **application/json**.
  - Leave other parameters blank.
  - Click the **Save** button.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Gateway Integration Endpoint Configuration" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog is set to "REST" mode. It contains the following fields and controls:

- Server URL:** A dropdown menu with a red arrow pointing to the selected value "https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1".
- Username:** An empty text input field.
- Password:** An empty text input field.
- Default content type:** A dropdown menu with a red arrow pointing to the selected value "application/json".
- SSL trust store location:** A dropdown menu.
- Proxy Configuration:** A dropdown menu.
- Statistic groups:** A text area with a green plus icon (+) for adding new groups.
- Use preemptive authentication:** An unchecked checkbox.

At the bottom right of the dialog are two buttons: "Save" (highlighted in blue) and "Cancel".

6. Select the IEP, right-click, and select **Enable Integration Endpoint** option.
7. Create a business action for use with MLAC as defined in the **Basic Business Action Configuration for MLAC** topic.

# Business Action Configuration for MLAC

A business action is used to communicate with the MLAC prediction service and to get predictions for a single product.

For general information about business actions and functions, see the **Business Rules** documentation.

**Important:** The example scripts should not be used as-is without thorough testing, including updating the script to match object and link types that exist on your system. JavaScript variable names are case-sensitive.

## Prerequisites

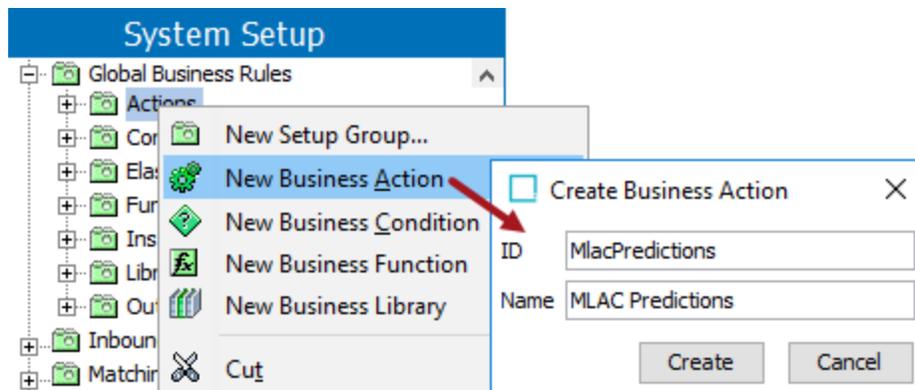
This business rule requires the gateway integration endpoint created in the **Gateway IEP Configuration for MLAC** topic.

## Configure the Business Action

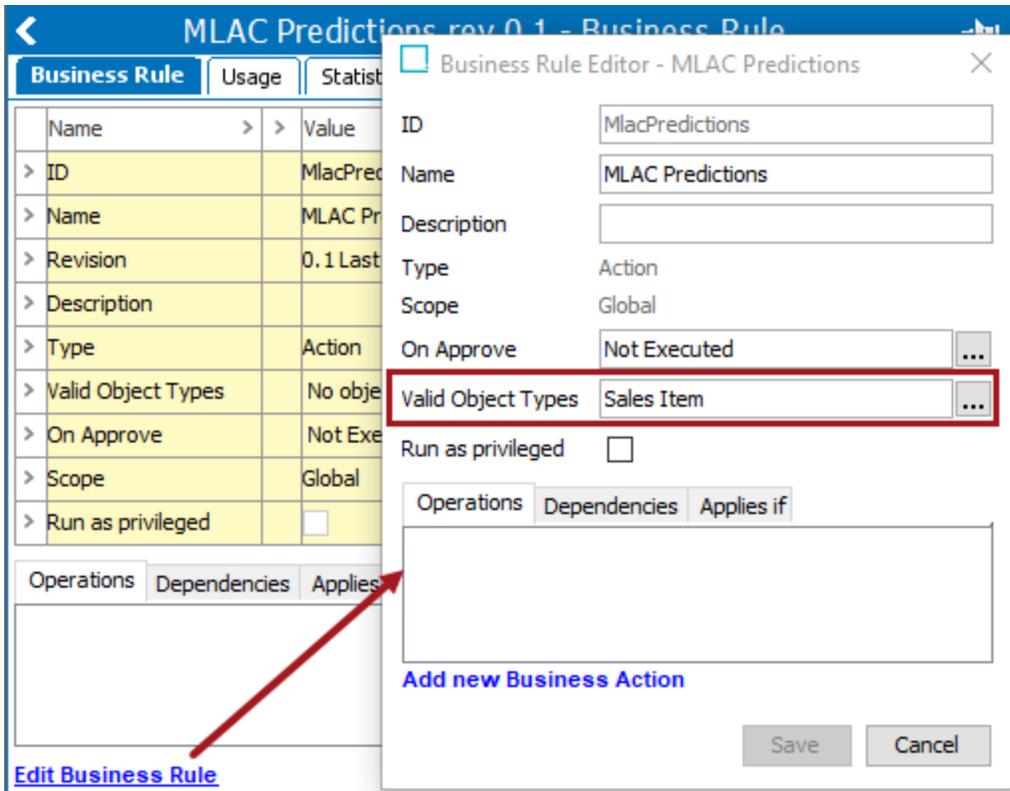
Use the following steps to create a basic MLAC business action:

1. On System Setup, select the Global Business Rules node where the MLAC business rule will be saved. Right-click the node and select the **New Business Action** option.

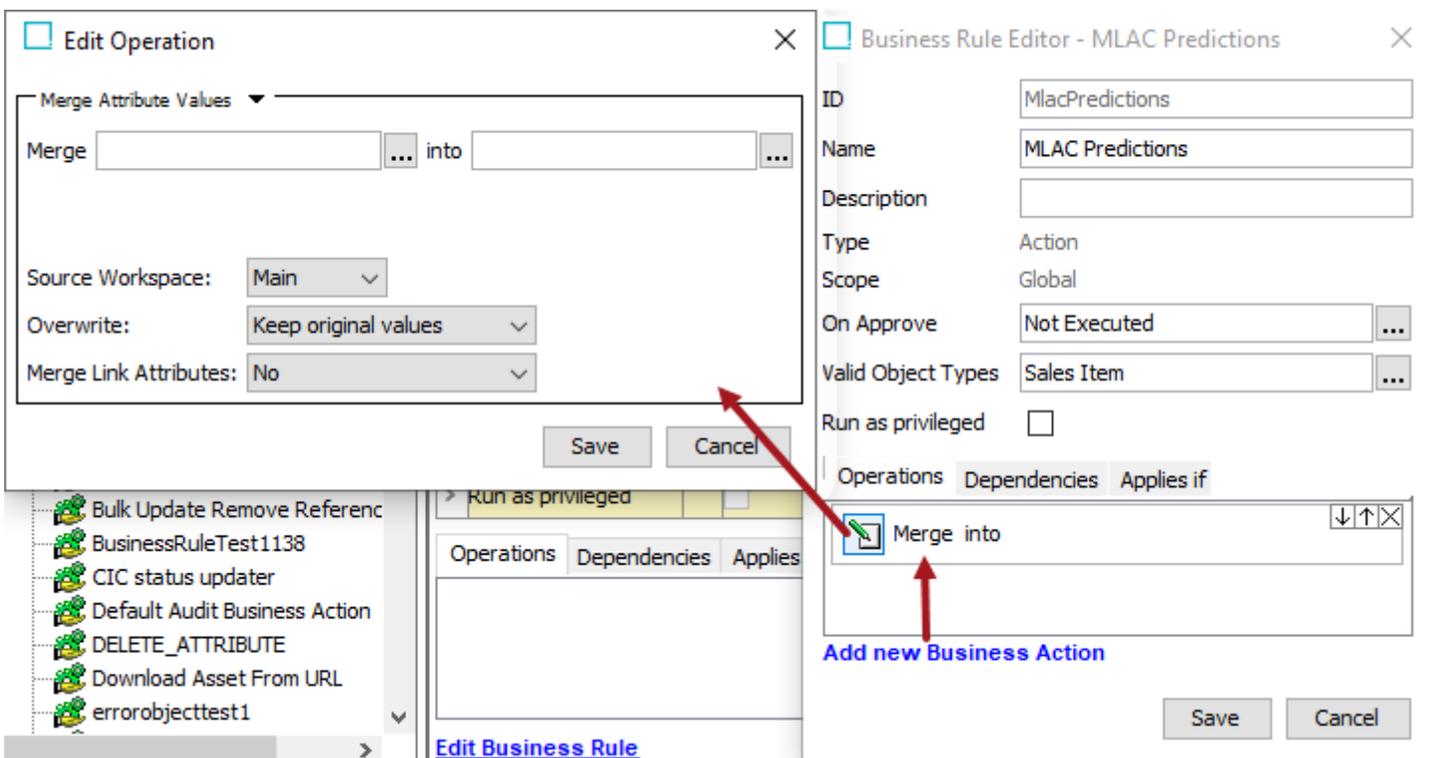
On the Create Business Action dialog, add an **ID** and a **Name** and click the **Create** button.



2. On the business rule editor, click the **Edit Business Rule** link dialog to display the Business Rule Editor dialog.
  - For the Valid Object Types parameter, add the product object type for which predictions are to be generated.

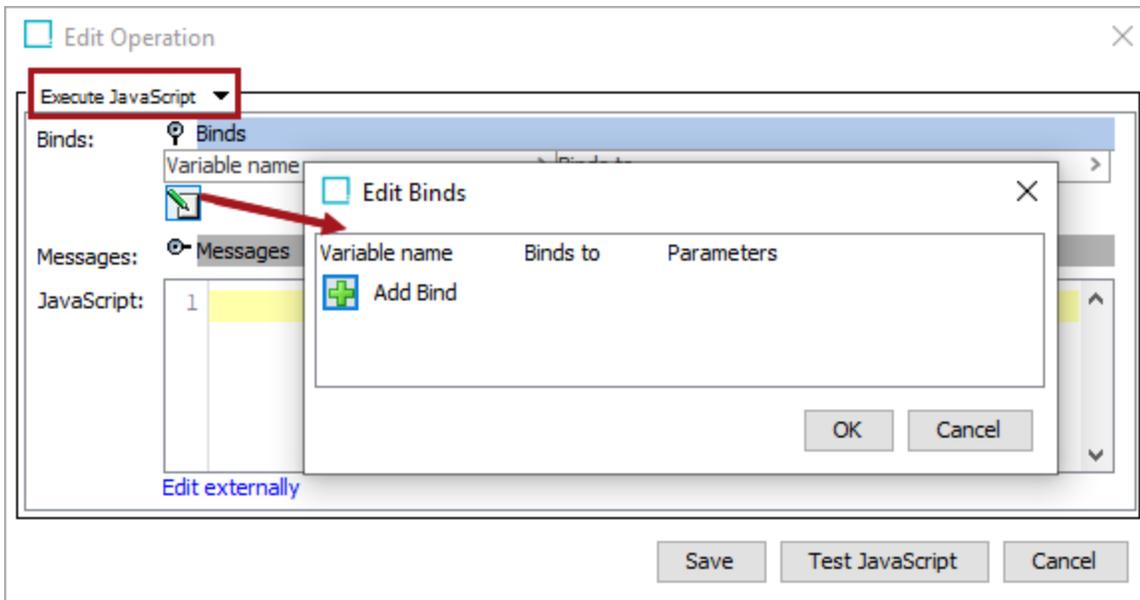


3. Click the **Add new Business Action** link to add an operation, and click the operation's edit button (🔍).



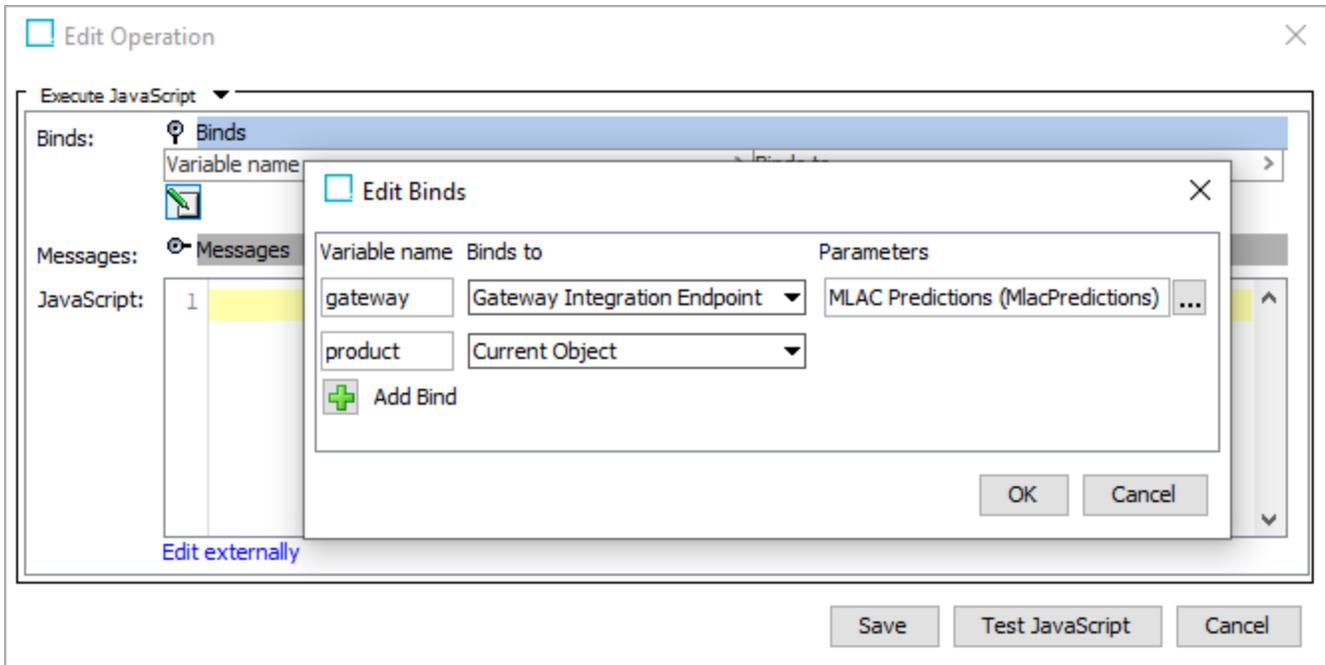
4. On the Edit Operation dialog:

- Select the **Execute JavaScript** operation from the dropdown.
- Click the edit button (  ) under the Binds flipper.

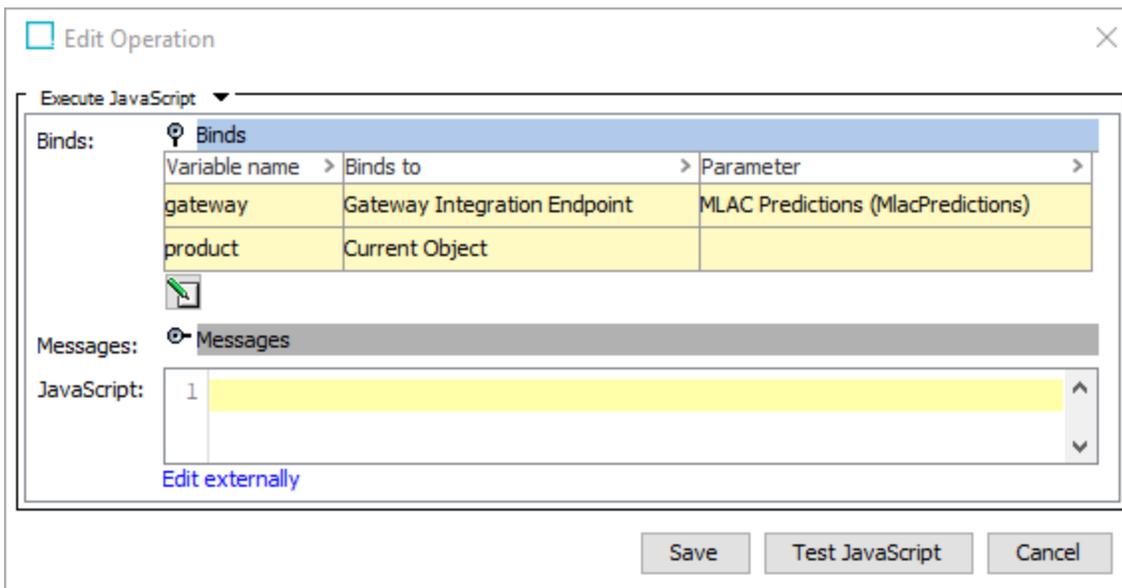


5. On the Edit Binds dialog:

- Click the **Add Bind** button.
  - For 'Variable name' type **gateway**.
  - For 'Binds to' select the Configuration option, and select the **Gateway Integration Endpoint** option.
  - For 'Parameters' select the **MLAC gateway IEP** previously created.
- Click the **Add Bind** button again.
  - For 'Variable name' type **product**.
  - For 'Binds to' select **Current Object**.
- Click the **OK** button.

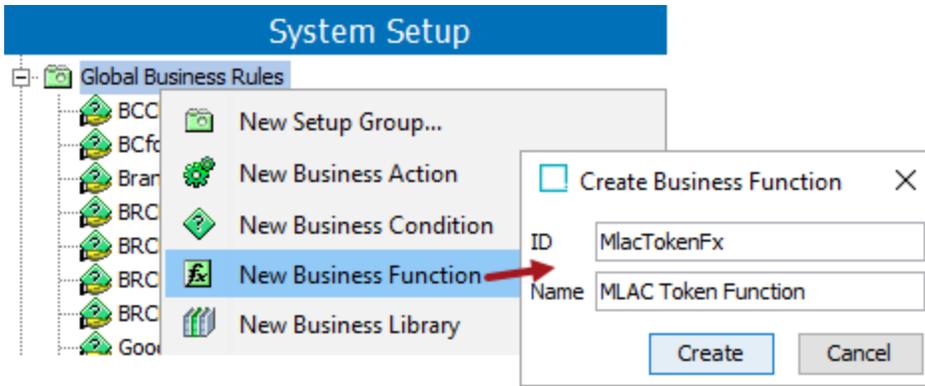


6. On the Edit Operation dialog, click the **Save** button.



7. On the Business Rule Editor dialog, click the **Save** button to complete the business rule creation.

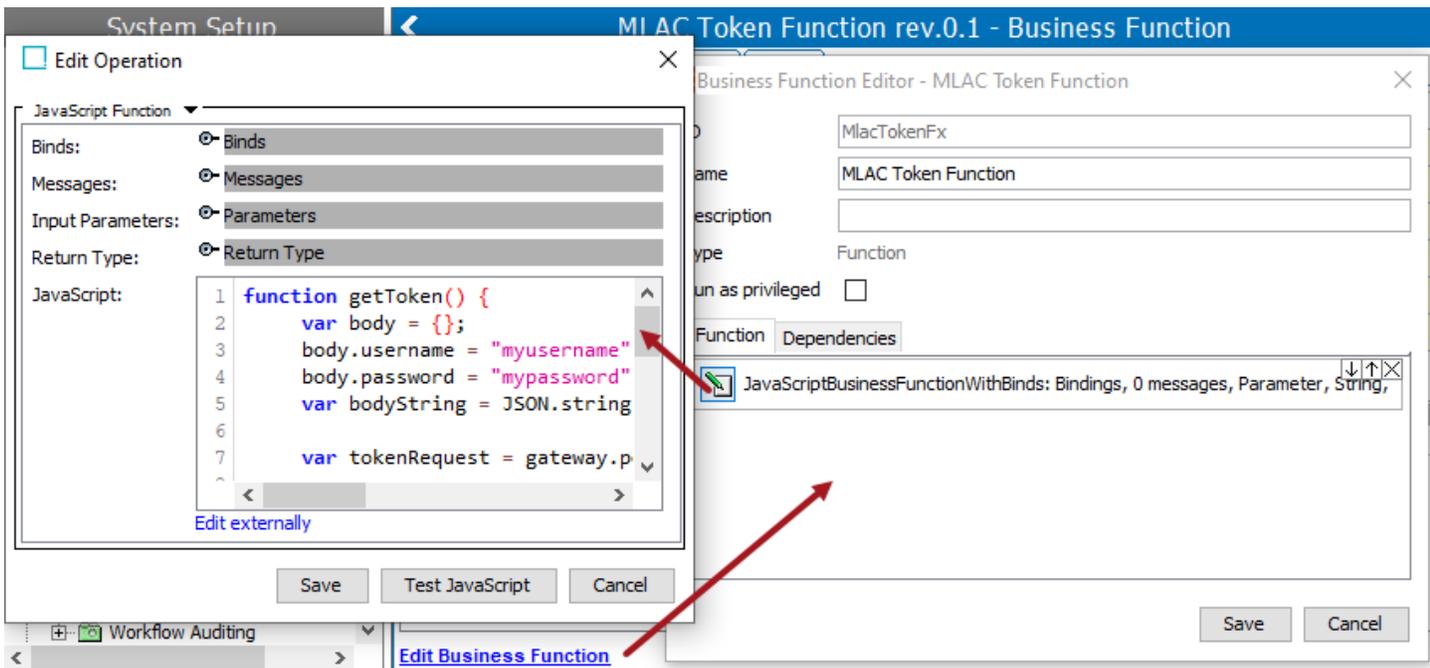
8. On System Setup, select the Global Business Rules node where the MLAC token function will be saved. Right-click the node and select the **New Business Action** option. On the Create Business Action dialog, add an **ID** and a **Name** and click the **Create** button.



9. In the business function editor, click the **Edit Business Function** link. Click the edit button (📝) for the JavaScript function.
10. In the JavaScript parameter:
  - Add the **getToken** function shown below for obtaining a token from the token endpoint.

**Important:** Replace the username ("myusername") and password ("mypassword") with your credentials.

- Click the **Save** buttons to close both dialogs and complete this function.



For example:

```
function getToken() {
    var body = {};
    body.username = "myusername";
    body.password = "mypassword";
    var bodyString = JSON.stringify(body);

    var tokenRequest = gateway.post().pathElements
("token").acceptContentType("text/plain").body(bodyString);

    var tokenResponse;
    try {
        tokenResponse = tokenRequest.invoke();
    } catch(e) {
        if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
            throw "Error getting token: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
        } else {
            throw(e);
        }
    }
    return tokenResponse;
}
```

11. Create a **getProductJsObject** function that produces the JSON body for the request to be sent to the prediction service. This function uses the same relevant attributes that are also used when uploading data for already classified products.

**Important:** When creating a JavaScript object, the string values retrieved from STEP should be concatenated with an empty string to produce JavaScript strings.

For example:

```
function getProductJsObject(prod) {
    var id = prod.getID();
    var vendor = prod.getValue("Vendor").getSimpleValue();
    var description = prod.getValue("ConsumerShortDescription").getSimpleValue();

    var jsObject = {};
    jsObject.id = "" + id;
    if (description) {
        jsObject.description = "" + description;
    }
    if (vendor) {
        jsObject.sourceId = "" + vendor;
    }
    return jsObject;
}
```

```
function createBody() {
    var prodJsObject = getProductJsObject(product);
    var prodsArray = [];
    prodsArray.push(prodJsObject);
    var bodyJsObject = {};
    bodyJsObject.products = prodsArray;
    return JSON.stringify(bodyJsObject);
}
```

12. Create a **getPredictionsString** function that composes the prediction request, sends it, and returns the result.

**Important:** Hierarchy IDs must match IDs used when uploading hierarchies.

For example:

```
function getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body) {
    var queryParams = new java.util.HashMap();
    queryParams.put("hierarchyIds", "primaryHierarchy");
    queryParams.put("maxSuggestionsPerHierarchy", "2");

    var request = gateway
        .post()
        .pathElements("predict")
        .header("Authorization", tokenResponse)
        .pathQuery(queryParams)
        .body(body);
}
```

```

var response;
try {
    response = request.invoke();
} catch(e) {
    if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
        throw "Error getting prediction: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
    } else {
        throw(e);
    }
}
return response;
}

```

13. Create an optional **getResponseJsObject** function for converting the Java String prediction response to a JavaScript object. This function is not required if, for example, the prediction response is written as an attribute value.

For example:

```

function getResponseJsObject(responseString) {
    var jsResponseString = "" + responseString;
    return JSON.parse(jsResponseString);
}

```

14. Add code to call the functions.

For example:

```

var tokenResponse = getToken();

var body = createBody();

var responseString = getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body);

```

15. Create a script to handle the response. For example, classify the product, create a workflow task, or write the prediction results to a value.

Below is a full example script.

```

function getToken() {
    var body = {};
    body.username = "myusername";
    body.password = "mypassword";
    var bodyString = JSON.stringify(body);

    var tokenRequest = gateway.post().pathElements
("token").acceptContentType("text/plain").body(bodyString);

    var tokenResponse;
    try {
        tokenResponse = tokenRequest.invoke();
    }
}

```

```
    } catch(e) {
        if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
            throw "Error getting token: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
        } else {
            throw(e);
        }
    }
    return tokenResponse;
}

function getProductJsObject(prod) {
    var id = prod.getID();
    var vendor = prod.getValue("Vendor").getSimpleValue();
    var description = prod.getValue
("ConsumerShortDescription").getSimpleValue();

    var jsObject = {};
    jsObject.id = "" + id;
    if (description) {
        jsObject.description = "" + description;
    }
    if (vendor) {
        jsObject.sourceId = "" + vendor;
    }
    return jsObject;
}

function createBody() {
    var prodJsObject = getProductJsObject(product);
    var prodsArray = [];
    prodsArray.push(prodJsObject);
    var bodyJsObject = {};
    bodyJsObject.products = prodsArray;
    return JSON.stringify(bodyJsObject);
}

function getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body) {
    var queryParams = new java.util.HashMap();
    queryParams.put("hierarchyIds", "primaryHierarchy");
    queryParams.put("maxSuggestionsPerHierarchy", "2");

    var request = gateway
        .post()
        .pathElements("predict")
        .header("Authorization", tokenResponse)
        .pathQuery(queryParams)
        .body(body);

    var response;
```

```
try {
    response = request.invoke();
} catch(e) {
    if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
        throw "Error getting prediction: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
    } else {
        throw(e);
    }
}
return response;
}

function getResponseJsObject(responseString) {
    var jsResponseString = "" + responseString;
    return JSON.parse(jsResponseString);
}

var tokenResponse = getToken();

var body = createBody();

var responseString = getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body);
```

# Testing MLAC Service Predictions

After creating the basic business action as defined in the **Business Action Configuration for MLAC** topic, testing can be performed using the following methods:

- via a business action to test unclassified products individually.
- via a bulk update process to test a large number of products as a group.

For general information about editing and testing business actions, see the **Editing a Business Rule** topic and the **Testing a Business Rule** topic, both in the **Business Rules** documentation.

**Important:** The example scripts should not be used as-is without thorough testing, including updating the script to match object and link types that exist on your system. JavaScript variable names are case-sensitive.

## Testing Products Individually

Use the following steps to modify your business action to test an individual product.

1. Edit the MLAC predictions business action to include a Logger bind.
2. In the JavaScript parameter, log the 'responseString'. For example:

```
logger.info(responseString);
```

3. Test the business action against an unclassified product.

## Testing Products in Groups

To test a set of unclassified products, the MLAC business action can first write the returned predictions to an attribute on the unclassified products. Then the MLAC business action can be executed from a bulk update process for a group of products.

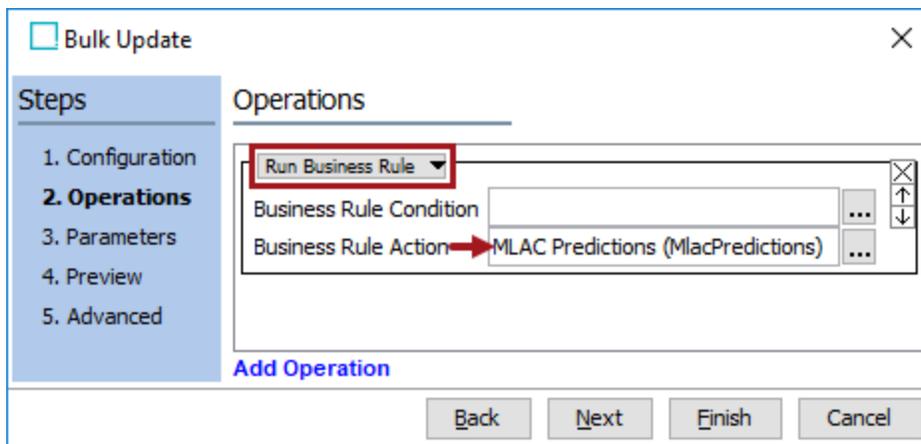
For general information, see the **Bulk Updates** documentation.

Use the following steps to modify your business action to test a group of products.

1. Edit the MLAC predictions business action to write the predict response to a value. For example:

```
product.getValue('Prediction').setSimpleValue(responseString)
```

2. Use Tree or Search to select the products to test via bulk update.
3. Run the Bulk Update option for the selected products.
4. Choose the 'Run Business Rule' bulk update operation from the dropdown.
5. For the Business Rule Action parameter, select the MLAC predictions business action.



6. Click the **Finish** button to run the bulk update process.

# Integrating MLAC Predictions in a Workflow

The prediction functionality can be used in a production setup by calling the business action that retrieves the predictions from a product onboarding workflow. The workflow can then branch based on the prediction confidence, resulting in the product being automatically classified for a prediction with a high confidence, while a creating a user task with the prediction information if no predictions meet the desired confidence threshold.

Given that the prediction service response time can be several seconds, to avoid blocking users, the configuration examples in this topic make use of an event processor (EP). The EP can be configured to use no batch and batch options and sends the prediction request from the event processor instead of sending it from an action executed in the workflow. Options are:

- Using the 'Execute Business Action' event processor plugin — a business action will be executed once per queued event and a prediction request is sent for each event.
- Using the 'Execute Business Action for Event Batch' event processor plugin — a business action will be executed via a batch, meaning that data for multiple events will be handled with a single action invocation and a single request.

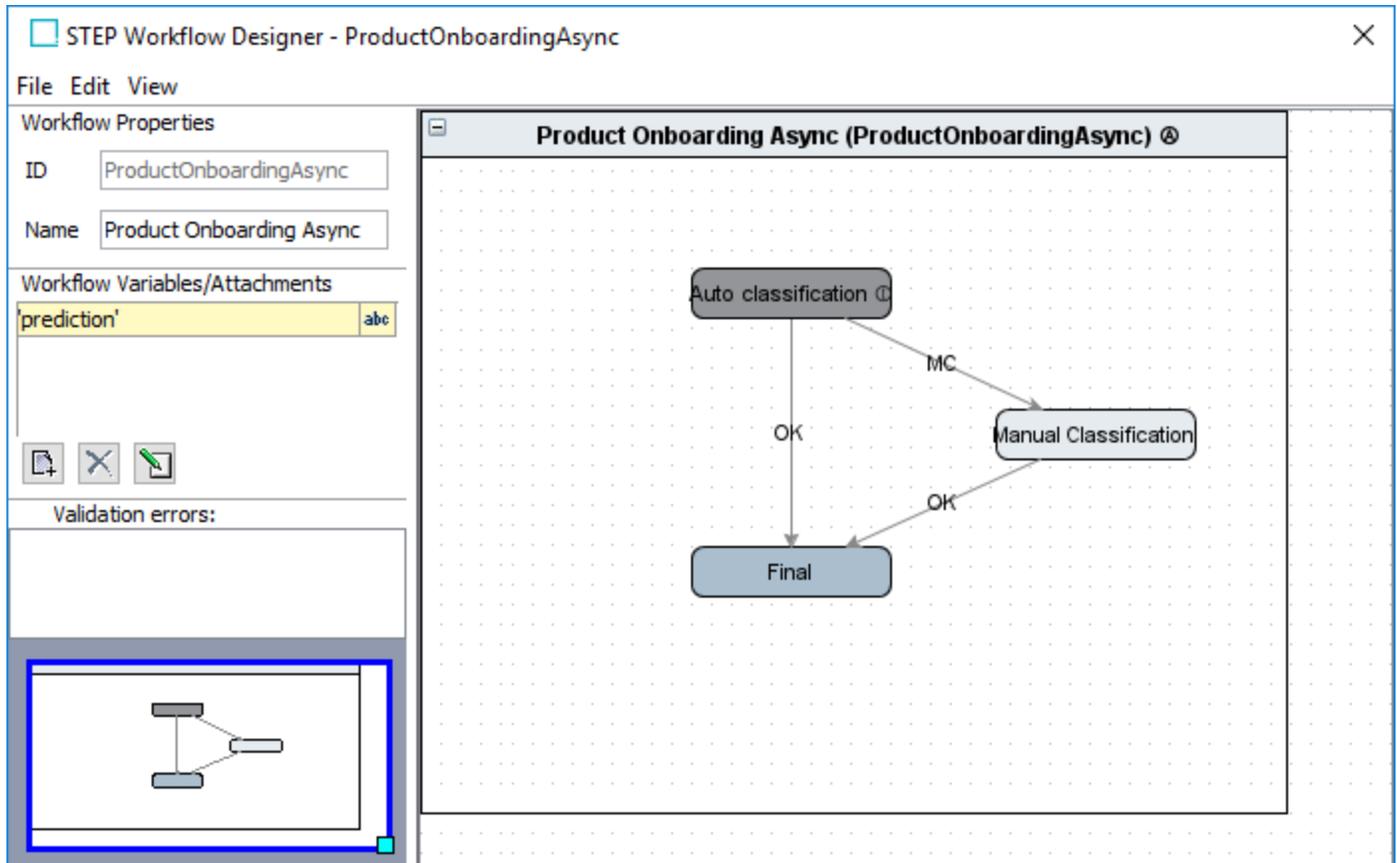
The full process of implementing the MLAC auto classification functionality in a workflow includes these steps:

1. Create an Onboarding Workflow
2. Define a Derived Event Type
3. Create an Event Processor Filter Condition
4. Create a Prediction Business Action
5. Create and Configure an MLAC Event Processor
6. Create a Workflow Business Action

## Create an Onboarding Workflow

While the MLAC auto classification logic could be part of a larger product onboarding flow, states not relevant for auto classification have been left out of this example.

For initial (and simplified) testing, create a workflow based on the image below, including the defined workflow states. After verifying the functionality, these states can be added to your existing onboarding workflow.



For general information, see the **Workflows** documentation.

## Workflow States

The states for this onboarding / classification workflow are:

- **Auto classification** is a system state that does not represent a human task. When a product enters this state, an event is placed on the queue for the event processor to make the prediction request and, dependent on the confidence of the best prediction, either classify the product and trigger the 'OK' event or trigger the 'MC' event.
- **Manual Classification** is a human task to manually classify a product with a low prediction confidence. The predictions returned from the service are made visible to the user via the 'prediction' workflow variable to which the prediction response will be written.
- **Final** is a basic mandatory final state.

The following sections describe the configuration necessary for this setup.

## Define a Derived Event Type

The event to be produced from within the workflow and placed on the queue for the event processor should be of a user-defined type, also called a derived event.

To create a derived event:

1. In System Setup, click the 'Derived Events' node to open the editor.
2. Click the **Add Derived Event Type** link.
3. Add an **ID** for the event type.



4. Click the **Add** button to save the event type.

For more information, see the **Derived Events** topic in the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

## Create an Event Processor Filter Condition

An event filter is required on the Event Triggering Definitions tab of the event processor to ensure that only events generated from the workflow are allowed on the event processor queue. For more information, event triggering definitions for event processors are the same as for OIEPs as defined in the **OIEP - Event-Based - Event Triggering Definitions Tab** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

This event filter is a JavaScript-based business condition that is valid for all object types.

In the JavaScript editor create a bind with:

- 'Variable name' set to **currentEventType**
- 'Binds to' set to **Current Event Type** (in the Event Handling group)
- Add the following to the JavaScript parameter:

```
var isDerivedEvent = currentEventType instanceof
com.stibo.core.domain.eventqueue.DerivedEventType;
var idIsCorrect = currentEventType.getID() == "MlacAsync";

return isDerivedEvent && idIsCorrect;
```

## Create a Prediction Business Action

### No Batch Processing

Using the 'Execute Business Action' event processor plugin executes the configured prediction (confidence) business action once for each event in a non-batched manner. This business action has access to the node (product) for which the event was generated via the 'Current Object' bind. This allows the logic described in the **Business Action Configuration for MLAC** topic to be reused.

Below is a full-script example with bodies of functions described earlier omitted and a TODO for actually classifying the product given a prediction with a sufficient confidence is returned. If not duplicating and extending a business action created earlier based on the information in the Business Action Configuration for MLAC topic, binds should be configured as explained in that section and the action should either be made applicable for the product object type or for all object types.

```
function getToken() {
    //Omitted. See "Business Action Configuration for MLAC"
}

function getProductJsObject(prod) {
    //Omitted. See "Business Action Configuration for MLAC"
}

function createBody() {
    //Omitted. See "Business Action Configuration for MLAC"
}

function getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body) {
    //Omitted. See "Business Action Configuration for MLAC"
}

function getResponseJsObject(responseString) {
    //Omitted. See "Business Action Configuration for MLAC"
}

function createPredictionsVariableValue(responseJsObject) {
    var predictions = responseJsObject.predictions[0].hierarchies
[0].predictions;
    var predictionsString = "";
    for (var i = 0; i < predictions.length; i++) {
        if (i > 0) {
            predictionsString = predictionsString + ", "
        }
        var prediction = predictions[i];
        predictionsString = predictionsString + prediction.classificationId +
": " + prediction.confidence;
    }
    return predictionsString;
}

var confidenceThreshold = 90;
var wfId = "ProductOnboardingAsync";
var stateId = "Auto-classification";

var instance = product.getWorkflowInstanceByID(wfId);
if (!instance) {
    throw "Product with ID '" + product.getID() + "' is not active in
workflow '" + wfId + "'";
}
var task = instance.getTaskByID(stateId);
```

```
if (!task) {
    throw "Product with ID '" + product.getID() + "' is not in expected
state '" + stateId + "'";
}

var tokenResponse = getToken();
var body = createBody();
var responseString = getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body);
var responseJsonObject = getResponseJsonObject(responseString);

var confidence = parseInt(responseJsonObject.predictions[0].hierarchies
[0].predictions[0].confidence);

if (confidence >= confidenceThreshold) {
    // TODO: Classify the product in classification jsonResp.predictions
[0].hierarchies[0].predictions[0].classificationId
    task.triggerByID("OK", "Triggered by script");
} else {
    var predictionsString = createPredictionsVariableValue
(responseJsonObject);
    instance.setSimpleVariable("prediction", predictionsString);
    task.triggerByID("MC", "Triggered by script");
}
```

## Batch Processing

For improved business action processing, a batch business action allows multiple events to be handled with a single action invocation and a single request.

The batch business action to be used for the batch event processor plugin is similar to the one described above. The main difference is that the batch version does not use 'Current Object' as its input, but instead uses the 'Current Event Processor Event Batch' bind to access a batch of queued events. Additionally, the batch business action composes a single request with data for multiple products and similarly handles the response containing predictions for multiple products.

Use the following steps to create the batch business action:

1. The business action should have the following binds:
  - gateway = Gateway Integration Endpoint (under the Configuration group), with the MLAC IEP selected
  - logger = Logger
  - manager = STEP Manager
  - eventBatch = Current Event Processor Event Batch (under the Event Handling group)

Binds		
Variable name >	Binds to >	Parameter >
gateway	Gateway Integration Endpoint	MLAC Predicitons (MlacPredicitons)
logger	Logger	
manager	STEP Manager	
eventBatch	Current Event Processor Event Batch	

- For the JavaScript parameter, add a script to compose a request and handle the response.

The full JavaScript example is below.

```
function getToken() {
    var body = {};
    body.username = "myusername";
    body.password = "mypassword";
    var bodyString = JSON.stringify(body);

    var tokenRequest = gateway.post().pathElements
("token").acceptContentType("text/plain").body(bodyString);

    var tokenResponse;
    try {
        tokenResponse = tokenRequest.invoke();
    } catch(e) {
        if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
            throw "Error getting token: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
        } else {
            throw(e);
        }
    }
    return tokenResponse;
}

function getProductJsObject(prod) {
    var id = prod.getID();
    var vendor = prod.getValue("Vendor").getSimpleValue();
    var description = prod.getValue
("ConsumerShortDescription").getSimpleValue();

    var jsObject = {};
    jsObject.id = "" + id;
    if (description) {
        jsObject.description = "" + description;
    }
    if (vendor) {
        jsObject.sourceId = "" + vendor;
    }
}
```

```
        return jsObject;
    }

function createBody(prodsArray) {
    var bodyJsObject = {};
    bodyJsObject.products = prodsArray;
    return JSON.stringify(bodyJsObject);
}

function getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body) {
    var queryParams = new java.util.HashMap();
    queryParams.put("hierarchyIds", "primaryHierarchy");
    queryParams.put("maxSuggestionsPerHierarchy", "5");

    var request = gateway
        .post()
        .pathElements("predict")
        .header("Authorization", tokenResponse)
        .pathQuery(queryParams)
        .body(body);

    var response;
    try {
        response = request.invoke();
    } catch(e) {
        if (e.javaException instanceof
com.stibo.gateway.rest.RESTGatewayException) {
            throw "Error getting prediction: " + e.javaException.getMessage();
        } else {
            throw(e);
        }
    }
    return response;
}

function getResponseJsObject(responseString) {
    var jsResponseString = "" + responseString;
    return JSON.parse(jsResponseString);
}

function createPredictionsVariableValue(predictions) {
    var predictionsString = "";
    for (var i = 0; i < predictions.length; i++) {
        if (i > 0) {
            predictionsString = predictionsString + ", "
        }
        var prediction = predictions[i];
        predictionsString = predictionsString + prediction.classificationId +
": " + prediction.confidence;
    }
    return predictionsString;
}
```

```
}

function getProductsArrayFromBatch() {
    var products = [];

    var batchIterator = eventBatch.getEvents().iterator();

    while (batchIterator.hasNext()) {
        var node = batchIterator.next().getNode();
        if (node instanceof com.stibo.core.domain.Product) {
            var instance = getInstance(node);
            var task = getTask(instance);
            if (task) {
                products.push(getProductJsObject(node));
            } else {
                logger.warning("Product with ID '" + node.getID() +
                    "' is not in the expected state '" + stateId +
                    "' in workflow '" + wfId + "'. No predictions will be
                    obtained for the product.");
            }
        }
    }
    return products;
}

function getInstance(node) {
    return node.getWorkflowInstanceByID(wfId);
}

function getTask(instance) {
    if (!instance) {
        return null;
    }
    return instance.getTaskByID(stateId);
}

function handlePredictions(predictions) {
    for (var index in predictions) {
        var prediction = predictions[index];
        var id = prediction.id;
        var product = manager.getProductHome().getProductByID(prediction.id);
        if (product) {
            var instance = getInstance(product);
            var task = getTask(instance);
            if (task) {
                var confidence =
                parseInt(prediction.hierarchies[0].predictions[0].confidence);
                if (confidence >= confidenceThreshold) {
                    // TODO: Classify the product in classification
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

prediction.hierarchies[0].predictions[0].classificationId
        task.triggerByID("OK", "Triggered by script");
    } else {
        var predictionsString =
createPredictionsVariableValue(prediction.hierarchies[0].predictions);
        instance.setSimpleVariable("prediction",
            predictionsString); task.triggerByID("MC",
                "Triggered by script");
    }
}
}
}
}

var confidenceThreshold = 90;
var wfId = "ProductOnboardingAsync";
var stateId = "Auto-classification";

var products = getProductsArrayFromBatch();
var body = createBody(products);

var tokenResponse = getToken();
var responseString = getPredictionsString(tokenResponse, body);
var responseJsonObject = getResponseJsonObject(responseString);

handlePredictions(responseJsonObject.predictions);

```

## Create and Configure an MLAC Event Processor

Use the steps below to create and configure the event processor required for the auto classification setup. For detailed information on event processors, see the **Creating an Event Processor** topic in the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

### No Batch Processing

1. Create a new event processor and on the 'Configure Event Processor' step:
  - For the 'User running event processor plugin' parameter, select a **privileged system user**.
  - For the 'Select Processor' parameter, choose the **Execute Business Action** processor plugin.

The screenshot shows the 'Event Processor Wizard' dialog box. The 'Steps' list on the left includes: 1. Identify Event Processor, 2. **Configure Event Processor**, 3. Configure Processing Plugin, 4. Schedule Event Processor, and 5. Configure Error Reporter Processing Plugin. The main area is titled 'Configure Event Processor' and contains the following fields:

- User running event processor plugin: stepsys (STEPSYS)
- Days to retain events: 0
- Queue for event processor: EVPROC
- Maximum number of old processes: 100
- Maximum age of old processes in hours: 168
- Limit of lines in execution report: 1000
- Select Processor: Execute Business Action
- Select Error Reporter: Do nothing
- Number of events to batch: 1000

Buttons at the bottom: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel.

2. On the 'Configure Processing Plugin' step:

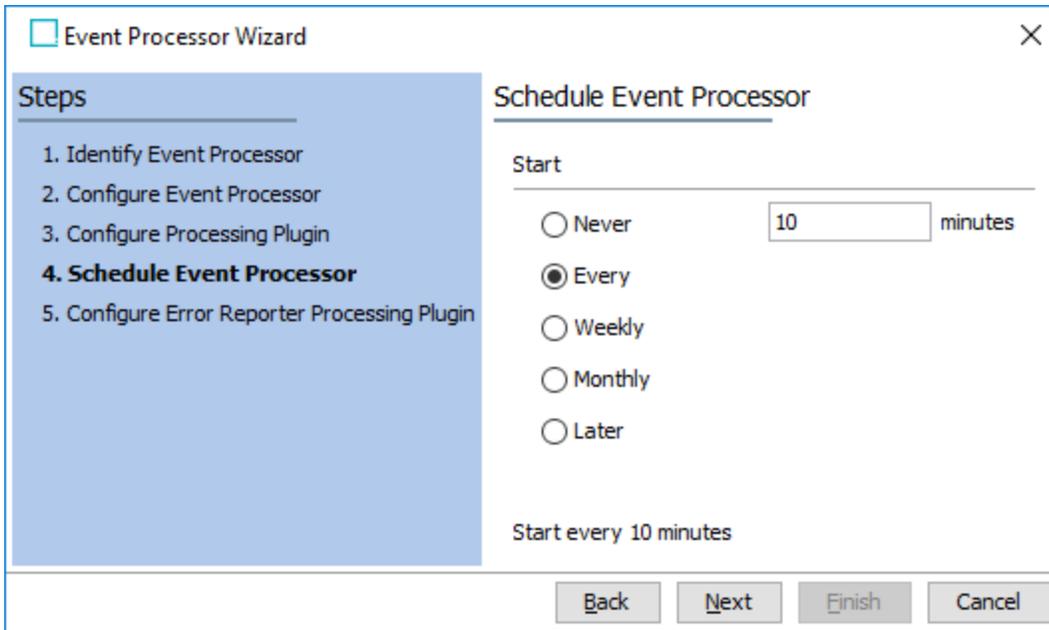
- For the Business Action parameter, select **the previously created business action**.
- For the Context parameter, select the **context in which the action should be executed**. Product data (like the description) will be read from this context.
- For the Workspace parameter, select the **workspace in which the action should be executed**. Product data (like the description) will be read from this context.

The screenshot shows the 'Event Processor Wizard' dialog box. The 'Steps' list on the left includes: 1. Identify Event Processor, 2. Configure Event Processor, 3. **Configure Processing Plugin**, 4. Schedule Event Processor, and 5. Configure Error Reporter Processing Plugin. The main area is titled 'Configure Processing Plugin' and contains the following fields:

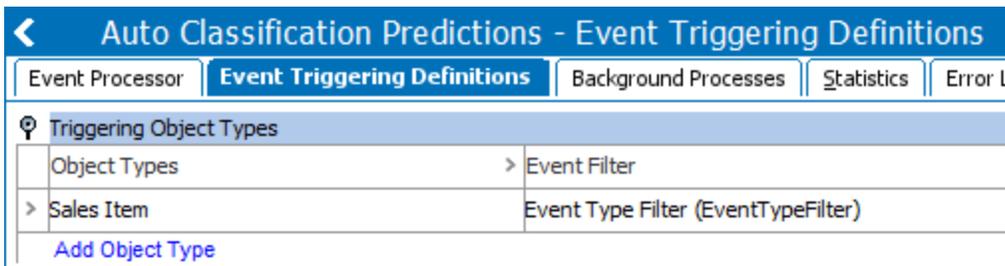
- Business Action: MLAC Event Processor Action (MlacEventProcessorAction)
- Context: US-eng
- Workspace: Main
- Collate nodes: No

Buttons at the bottom: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel.

3. On the 'Schedule Event Processor' step, specify how frequently the event processor should handle events on the queue.



4. Click the **Next** button and the **Finish** button to close the wizard.
5. On the event processor, click the Event Triggering Definitions tab and open the Triggering Object Types flipper.
  - Click the **Add Object Type** link and add your product object type. It displays in the Object Types column.
  - Click in the Event Filter column to display an ellipsis (...), click the ellipsis button (...) and add the event filter business condition created previously.



6. On the Event Processor tab, set the Queue Status parameter to **Read Events**.
7. Right-click the event processor and select the **Enable Event Processor** option.

## Batch Processing

The event processor used for the batch functionality is configured almost exactly like the non-batched version described in the previous section. The difference is that the batch processor uses the 'Execute Business Action for Event Batch' plugin and references the business action that can handle a batch of events.

Use the following steps to create a batch event processor:

1. On the Configure Event Processor step:

- For the 'User running event processor plugin' parameter, select a **privileged system user**.
- For the 'Select Processor' parameter, select the **Execute Business Action for Event Batch** option.

**Event Processor Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Identify Event Processor
- 2. Configure Event Processor**
3. Configure Processing Plugin
4. Schedule Event Processor
5. Configure Error Reporter Processing Plugin

**Configure Event Processor**

User running event processor plugin	stepsys (STEPSYS)
Days to retain events	0
Queue for event processor	EVPROC
Maximum number of old processes	100
Maximum age of old processes in hours	168
Limit of lines in execution report	1000
Select Processor	Execute Business Action for Event Batch
Select Error Reporter	Do nothing
Number of events to batch	100

Buttons: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel

2. On the Configure Processing Plugin step, select the **batch business action** created previously.

**Event Processor Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Identify Event Processor
2. Configure Event Processor
- 3. Configure Processing Plugin**
4. Schedule Event Processor
5. Configure Error Reporter Processing Plugin

**Configure Processing Plugin**

Business Action	MLAC Event Processor Batch Action (MlacEventProcessorBatchAction)
Context	US-eng
Workspace	Main

Buttons: Back, Next, Finish, Cancel

3. If a workflow has already been configured using the non-batched event processor, it can be used for the batch process with a single modification. The workflow action that queues events must be modified to queue events for the new event processor.

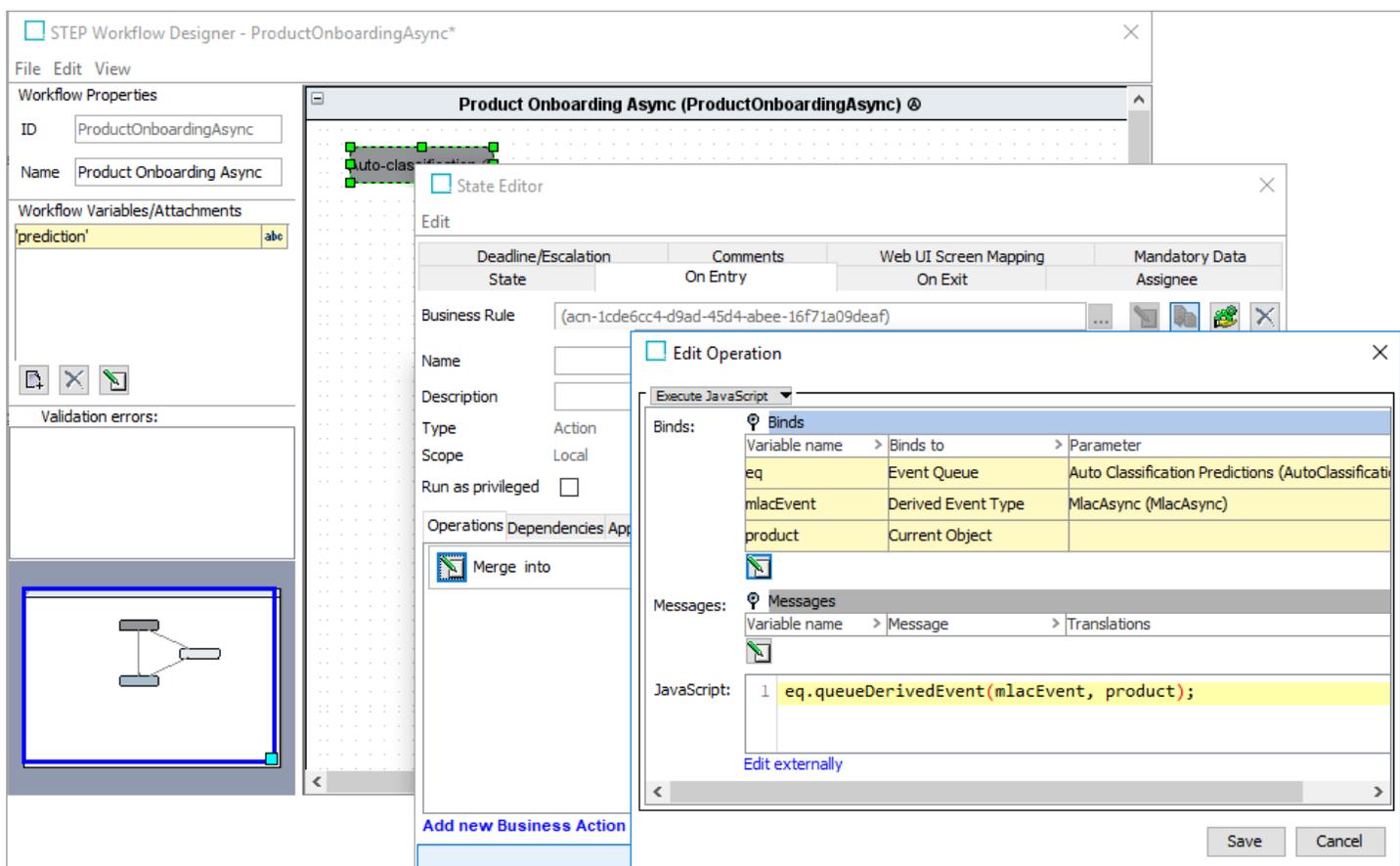
## Create a Workflow Business Action

Create an action to generate the required event type and set it to be executed when a product enters the 'Auto classification' system state. The example shown in this section is for the non-batched EP and the batch EP would

work similarly using the info in the prior sections.

1. Edit the onboarding workflow, select the 'Auto classification' state, right-click and choose the Edit State option.
2. Click the 'On Entry' tab click the **Add new Business Action** link.
3. On the Operations tab, click the edit button (  ) and select **Execute JavaScript** from the operations dropdown.
4. On the Edit Operation dialog:
  - In the Binds flipper, create three (3) binds:
    - **eq** = the event queue
    - **mlacEvent** = the derived event type
    - **product** = the current object
  - For the JavaScript parameter, add the following script:

```
eq.queueDerivedEvent(mlacEvent, product);
```



The screenshot displays the STEP Workflow Designer interface for the 'Product Onboarding Async' workflow. The 'Auto-classification' state is selected, and the 'Edit Operation' dialog is open, showing the configuration for an 'Execute JavaScript' action. The 'Binds' section is expanded, showing three binds: 'eq' (Event Queue), 'mlacEvent' (Derived Event Type), and 'product' (Current Object). The JavaScript code is entered as `eq.queueDerivedEvent(mlacEvent, product);`. The 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons are visible at the bottom right of the dialog.

Variable name	Binds to	Parameter
eq	Event Queue	Auto Classification Predictions (AutoClassification)
mlacEvent	Derived Event Type	MlacAsync (MlacAsync)
product	Current Object	

5. Click the **Save** button, and close the State Editor dialog.
6. On the STEP Workflow Designer, open the File menu and click the **Save and Exit** button.

# Uploading Hierarchies

The MLAC service offers a REST endpoint for uploading entire hierarchies using a CSV file. Uploading data requires an OIEP for a single hierarchy with the required output format to publish the data.

To upload hierarchies, perform all steps in the following sections:

1. Prerequisites
2. Configure a Hierarchy OIEP
3. Publish Hierarchy Data to MLAC

**Important:** Repeat all of the steps in this topic for each hierarchy being uploaded.

## Prerequisites

Complete the following setup to successfully configure the OIEP and publish data.

1. In the 'workarea' directory shared between the application servers, edit the sharedconfig.properties file. Add or modify the case-sensitive **RestDirectDeliveryURL** property to identify the hierarchy-specific URL for the MLAC service hierarchy upload resource. The URL is used to supply values for the REST Direct Delivery Method in the OIEP. The URL uses the format: `https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/hierarchies/[hierarchyId]`

**Note:** The hierarchy identifier ([hierarchyId]) is also used when uploading classified products.

```
RestDirectDeliveryURL=1=https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/hierarchies/primary
```

In this example, the hierarchy ID of 'primary' has replaced the placeholder text '[hierarchyId]'.

2. Restart the server to implement the properties file changes.
3. Confirm your username and a password to get a token.
4. Use the service token endpoint (`https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/token`) to obtain a token. See the Swagger UI available at `https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/`. By default, tokens are valid for one (1) month.

Make note of the token for use in configuring the REST Direct Delivery Method Headers.

## Token ▼

POST /token Obtain authorization token

Resource operation for obtaining an authorization token to be used for the other service resources

**Parameters**

Cancel

No parameters

Request body

application/json ▼

```
{
  "username": "myusername",
  "password": "mypassword"
}
```

## Configure a Hierarchy OIEP

Use the following steps to configure the necessary OIEP. For more general information on OIEPs, see the **Outbound Integration Endpoints** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

1. Create an event-based OIEP (as defined in the **Creating an Event-Based Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic of the **Data Exchange** documentation) with the following settings in the wizard:
  - On the 'Identify Endpoint' step, set the **User** parameter to a user who is privileged to see all hierarchy nodes.
  - On the 'Configure Endpoint' step, the **Contexts** parameter identifies the location of the classified products to be published.
  - On the 'Configure Endpoint' step, the **Workspace** parameter identifies the location of the classified products to be published. This is typically the 'Approved' workspace.
  - Click the **Finish** button to complete the wizard.
2. Open the OIEP's Event Triggering Definitions tab, open the Triggering Object Types flipper, and click the **Add Object Type** link to add the hierarchy object types. Leave the other settings as their default values.

**MLAC Hierarchy Publishing - Event Triggering Definitions**

Outbound Integration Endpoint | Configuration | **Event Triggering Definitions** | Background Process

**Triggering Object Types**

Object Types	> Event Filter
> Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Products	

[Add Object Type](#)

**Triggering Attributes**

Name >

[Add Attribute](#)

**Triggering Table Types**

Table Types >

[Add Table Type](#)

**Reference Type Triggers**

Reference Types >

[Add Reference Type](#)

**Triggering Data Container Types**

Data Container Types >

[Add Data Container Type](#)

**Miscellaneous Triggers**

- Names enabled
- Parent links enabled
- Attribute-links enabled
- Index-word Hierarchy enabled

- On the Configuration tab, open the Configuration flipper and set the 'Schedule' parameter to **Never** and click the **OK** button.

MLAC Hierarchy Publishing - Configuration

Outbound Integration Endpoint | **Configuration** | Event Triggering Definitions | Background Processes | Statistics | Err

Configuration

Process Engine	STEP Exporter
Error reporter	Not Defined
<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Not scheduled</b>
Queue for endpoint	
Queue for endpoint processes	
Transactional settings	
Number of threads	
Maximum number of waiting processes	
Maximum number of old processes	
Maximum age of old processes	
Contexts	
Workspace	

Event Queue Configuration

Event Actions: Forward Rewind

Start

Never ←

Every

Weekly

Monthly

Later

Start Not scheduled

Refresh collections before each run

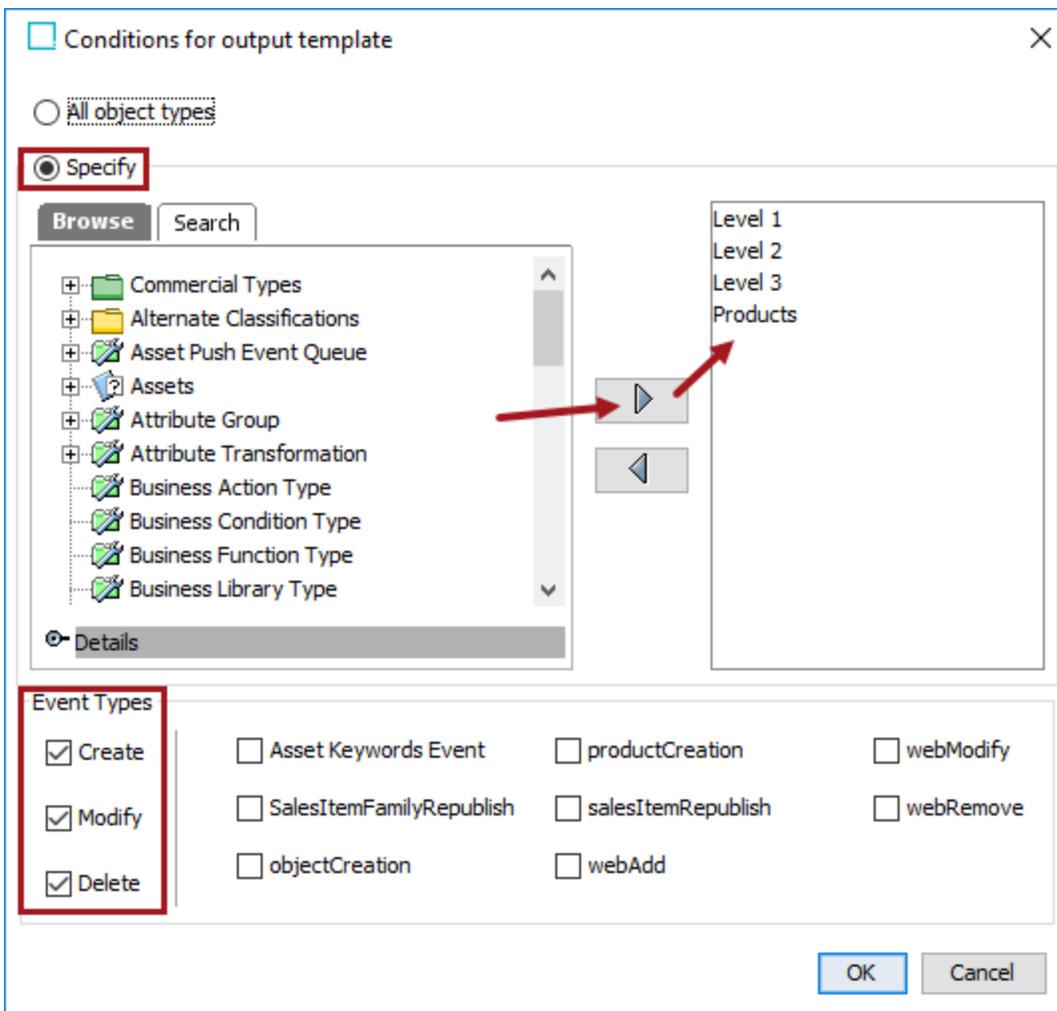
OK Cancel

- On the Configuration tab, open the Output Templates flipper, and set the following for the Object-Eventtype column:

Output Templates

Object-Eventtype	> Format	> Pre-Processor
> <b>Add configuration</b>		

- Click the **Add configuration** link to display the 'Conditions for output template' dialog.
- Select the **Specify** radio button and add the hierarchy object types to be output.
- Select the **Create**, **Modify**, and **Delete** event types, and click the **OK** button.



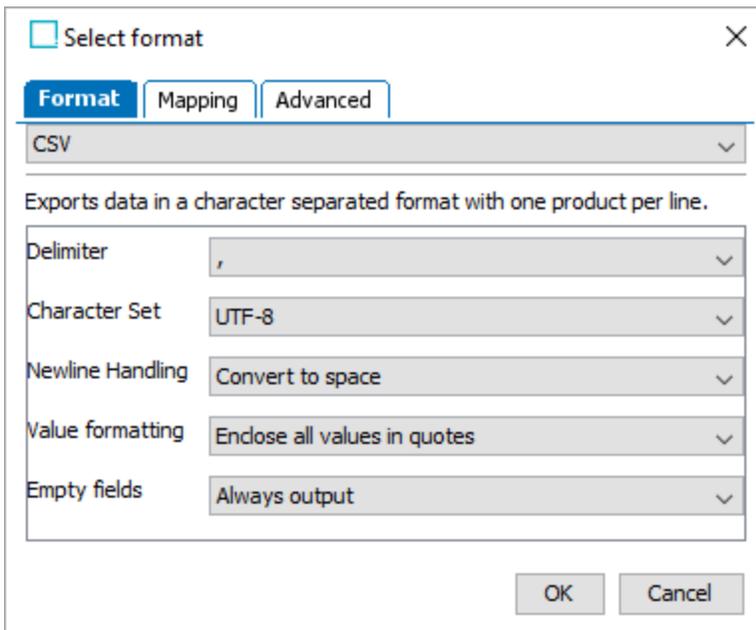
5. On the Output Templates flipper set the following for the Format column:

- Click the Format column cell to display an ellipsis button.
- Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the 'Select format' dialog.

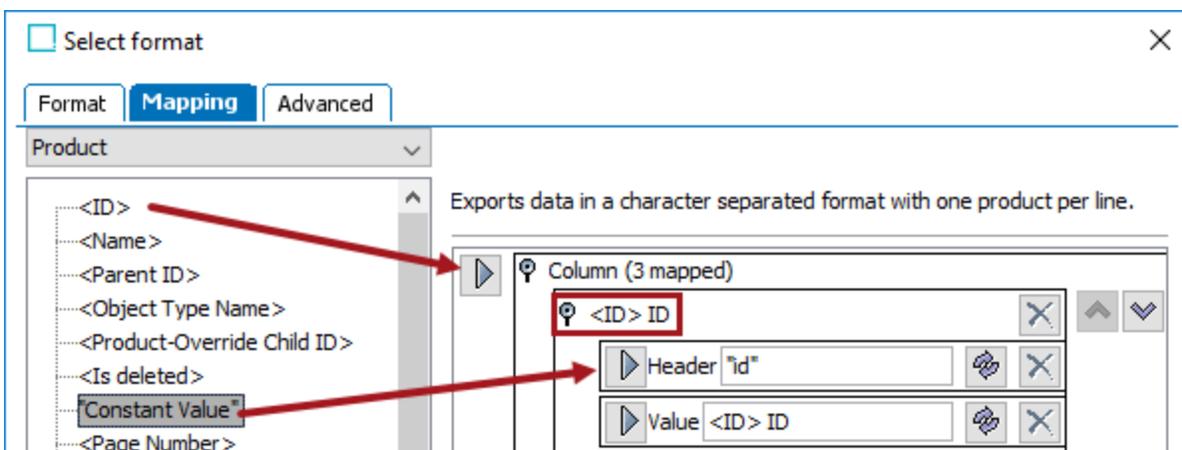
Output Templates		
Object-Eventtype	> Format	> Pre-Processor
> Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Products (Create, Modify, Delete)		None
<a href="#">Add configuration</a>		

- On the 'Select format' dialog 'Format' tab (shown below), select **CSV** from the dropdown and set the following parameters:
  - For the 'Delimiter' parameter, select the comma (,).
  - For the 'Character Set' parameter, select **UTF-8**.
  - For the 'Newline Handling' parameter, select **Convert to space**.

- For the 'Value formatting' parameter, select **Enclose all values in quotes**.
- For the 'Empty fields' parameter, select **Always output**.

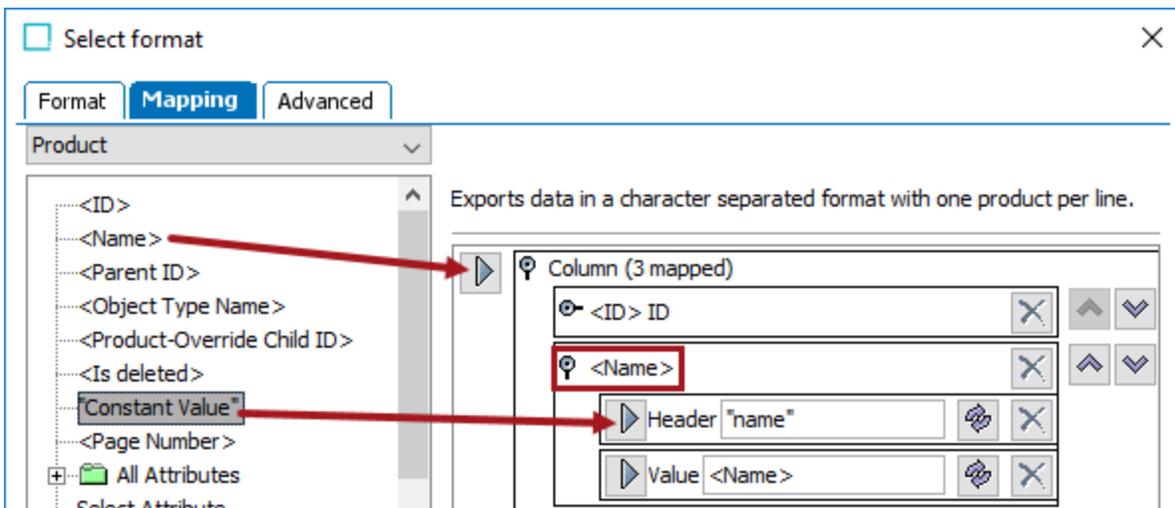


- On the 'Mapping' tab:
  - Map the **<ID>** data source.
  - Open the '<ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **id** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.

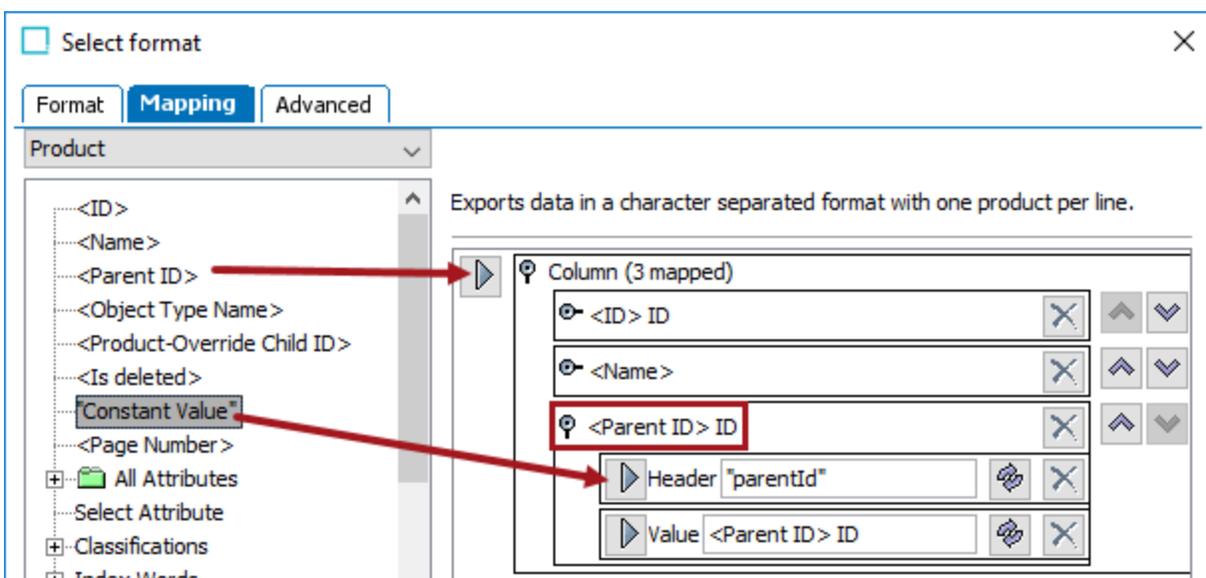


- Map the **<Name>** data source.
- Open the '<Name>' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **name** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.

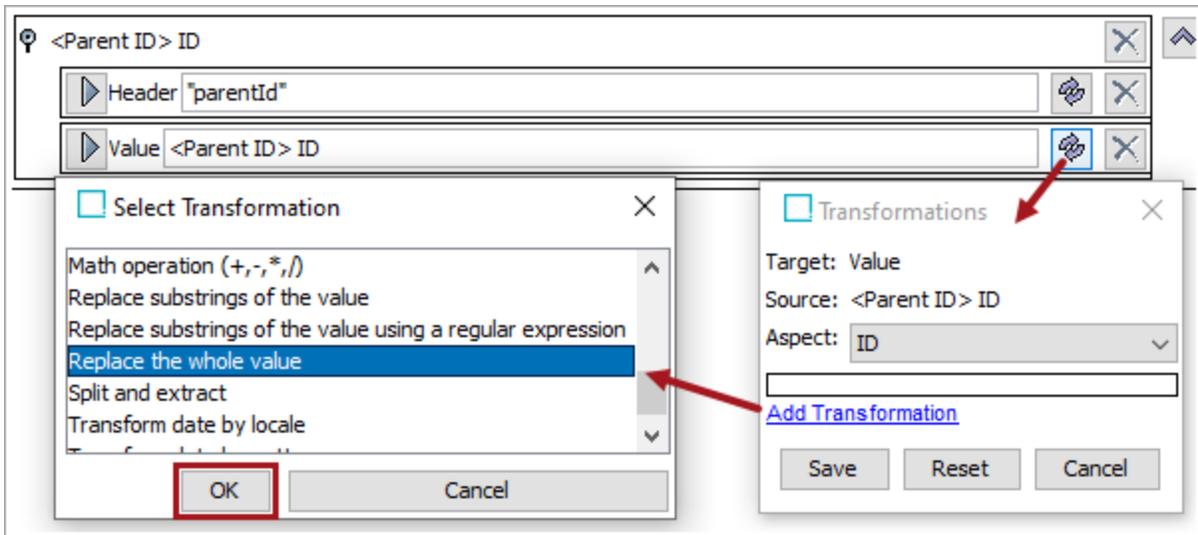
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



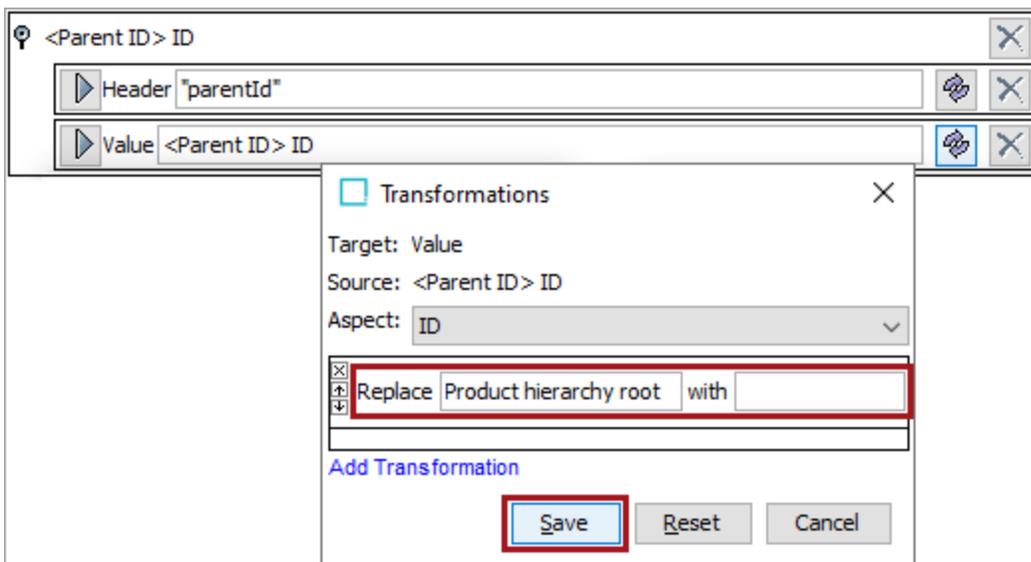
- Map the **<Parent ID>** data source.
- Open the '<Parent ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **parentId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



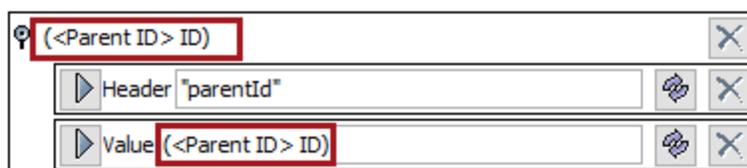
- On the value part of the mapped Parent ID, click the transform button (⚙️).
- On the Transformations dialog, click the **Add Transformation** link.
- On the Select Transformation dialog, select the **Replace whole value** option and click the **OK** button to update the Transformations dialog.



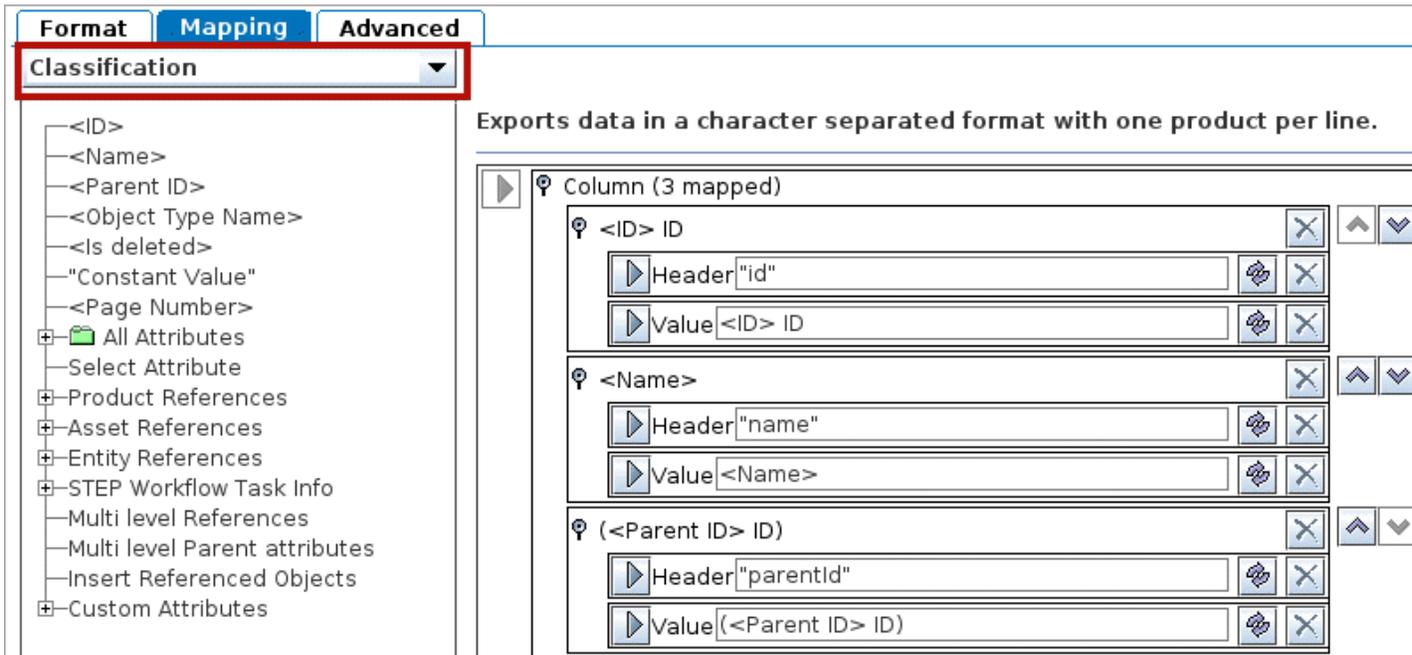
- On the updated Transformations dialog, in the 'Replace' parameter type **ID of the hierarchy root** and in the 'with' parameter, remove the value. This causes the 'parentId' for the hierarchy root node to be blank and the MLAC service sees this node as the root.
- Click the **Save** button.



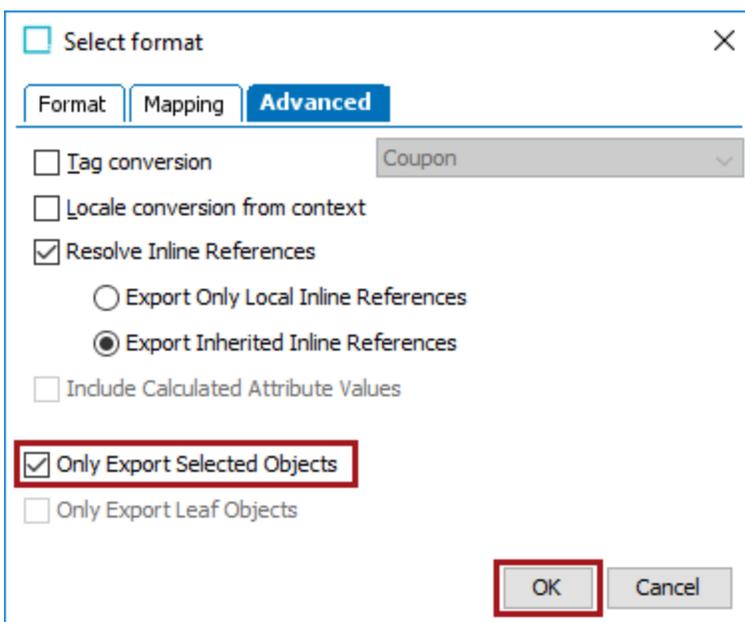
- Now the final '<Parent ID> ID' mapping is in parentheses, like (<Parent ID> ID), to indicate a transformation is applied for the Value element.



- With the 'Mapping' tab selected, set the object type of the hierarchy to be exported. In this example, the user has selected 'Classification.'



- On the 'Advanced' tab:
  - Check the **Only Export Selected Objects** checkbox.
  - Click the **OK** button.



- The final state of the Output Templates flipper fields are displayed.

Output Templates		
Object-Eventtype	Format	Pre-Processor
> Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Products (Create, Modify, Delete)	CSV (3 mappings)	None
> <a href="#">Add configuration</a>		

6. On the Delivery Method flipper, click the **Edit Delivery** link to open the 'Edit Delivery Configuration' dialog.

**Note:** To validate the configuration, instead of setting the REST Direct method, first use the 'Copy to directory' or 'Email' delivery method and check the generated CSV file. See the **OIEP Delivery Methods** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation for details.

- For the Select Delivery Method parameter, select **REST Direct** from the dropdown.
- For the URL parameter, select the **hierarchy-specific URL** in the dropdown.
- For the HTTP Method parameter, select **PUT**.
- For the Headers parameter, click the **Add parameter** link to display the 'Add Parameter' dialog. Set the Key parameter to **Content-Type**, the Value parameter to **application/octet-stream**, and click **OK**.
- For the Headers parameter, click the **Add parameter** link again to display the 'Add Parameter' dialog. Set the Key parameter to **Authorization**, the Value parameter to **the response from the token endpoint**, and click **OK**.
- For the ZIP Content parameter, select **No**.
- Leave other parameters blank.
- Click **OK** on the Edit Delivery Configuration dialog.

☐ Edit Delivery Configuration
✕

---

Select Delivery Method REST Direct ▾

---

URL https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/hierarchies/primary ▾

HTTP Method PUT ▾

Query Parameters    
[Add parameter](#)

Headers Authorization = Bearer eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXLTUwLmVudC5CIGoiAisldUwi ...✕  
Content-Type = application/octet-stream ...✕  
[Add parameter](#)

Footer (Optional)  

ZIP Content No ▾

Basic Authentication (Optional)

Username  

Password  

OK
Cancel

7. Repeat this setup for each hierarchy that will hold the newly classified products.

## Publish Hierarchy Data to MLAC

Publishing hierarchy data to the MLAC service requires invoking an OIEP with unread events. For details about these steps, see the **Running an Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic and the **Event-Based OIEP Forward, Rewind, Purge, and Republish** topic, both in the Data Exchange documentation.

**Important:** Before publishing data to the MLAC service, it can be useful to first validate the configuration by using either the 'Copy to directory' or 'Email' delivery method and checking the generated CSV file. See the **OIEP Delivery Methods** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation for details.

Use the following steps to publish hierarchy data to the MLAC service.

1. On System Setup, right-click the configured OIEP and click the **Enable Integration Endpoint** option.
2. On the OIEP's Configuration tab, open the Event Queue Configuration flipper and set the Queue Status parameter to **Read Events**.
3. Click the **Republish** button to display the Republish dialog.

**Event Queue Configuration**

Event Actions:

> Days to retain events	0
> Number of events to batch	1000
> Number of event batches to include per delivery	1
> Queue Status	Read Events
> Unread events (approximated)	<input type="button" value="Click to estimate ..."/>

[Edit Configuration](#)

4. On the Republish dialog:

- Click the **Add Node** link and add the hierarchy root node.
- Check the **Include Child Nodes** checkbox.
- For the Process Description parameter, type a description. 'Generate hierarchy node events' is the description in the following image.
- Click the **Start Republish** button.

**Republish** ✕

Select Nodes to Republish

ID	Name
> I-Products	Products

> [Add Node](#)

Include Child Nodes

Include Linked Products

Include Linked Assets

Include Referenced Assets

---

Select Setup Nodes to Republish

Republish all Attributes

Republish all Units

Republish all setup nodes

---

Select Execution Context

Current Context (Context1)

Cross Contexts

---

Process Description

**NOTICE:** Your view workspace is not Approved workspace it is Main, the republish analysis will be executed from Main workspace.

5. Verify that the republish background process finishes successfully.
6. Right-click the OIEP and click the **Invoke** option to manually publish the hierarchy data.
7. Right-click the OIEP and click the **Disable Integration Endpoint** option.
8. On the OIEP's Configuration tab, open the Event Queue Configuration flipper and set the Queue Status parameter to **Discard Events**.

# Uploading Classified Products

The MLAC service offers a REST Direct OIEP for uploading sets of products that are already classified, or 'labeled,' using a CSV file. Uploading data requires an OIEP for a single hierarchy with the required output format to publish the data.

To upload hierarchies, perform all steps in the following sections:

1. Prerequisites
2. Configure a Classified Products OIEP
3. Publish Classified Products Data to MLAC

## File Requirements

As outlined in the Mapping steps below, the REST Direct OIEP requires a CSV file with the following headers / columns in the specified order.

- 'id' - ID of the classified product. Mandatory.
- 'description' - The description of the product. Mandatory. This must be a 'raw' source description not modified after the product was classified. Values for multiple description attributes can be supplied either by creating a calculated attribute that concatenates the values or by mapping multiple attributes to this column. More about mappings is defined below.
- 'sourceid' - Source identification, for instance a vendor ID. Optional. A column with this header must be present in the generated file even when data is not exported. Include data if the source information is available and if it has significance for the classification of the product.
- '[Hierarchy ID 1..n]' - ID of the classification (hierarchy node ID) in the hierarchy identified via the header value. Header values must correspond with the agreed upon IDs for the hierarchies.

For the primary product hierarchy case, if there are intermediate hierarchy levels between the product and the classification / hierarchy node (for example, a product family level), a calculated attribute can be used to output the appropriate hierarchy node ID for this column.

**Important:** The example scripts should not be used as-is without thorough testing, including updating the script to match object and link types that exist on your system. JavaScript variable names are case-sensitive.

The example below shows a function that will output either the ID of the parent or ID of the grandparent, based on whether the parent is of a specific object type.

```
{
  i:=path(),
  parent:=listitem(i,listlen(i)-1),
  grandparent:=listitem(i,listlen(i)-2),
  parentobjecttype:=iterate(parent, 'stepobjecttype()')
} if (exact(parentobjecttype, "Sales Item Family"), iterate(grandparent, 'stepid()'),
iterate(parent, 'stepid()'))
```

In this example, 'stepobjecttype()' returns the object type name and not the ID. Thus, on systems with dimension dependent object type names, consider the object type for the Context of the export when making the comparison on the name.

## Prerequisites

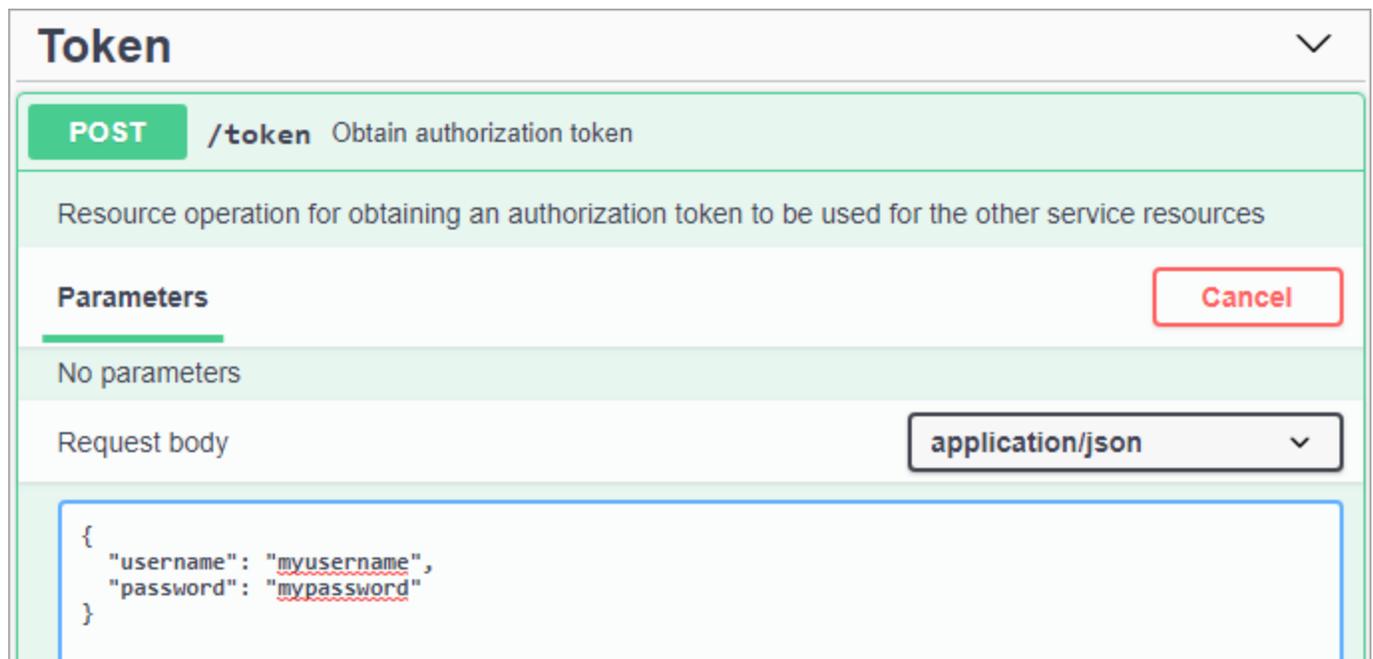
Complete the following setup to successfully configure the OIEP and publish data.

1. In the 'workarea' directory shared between the application servers, edit the sharedconfig.properties file. Add the case-sensitive **RestDirectDeliveryURL** property to identify the hierarchy-specific URL for the MLAC service training products upload resource. The URL is used to supply values for the REST Direct Delivery Method in the OIEP.

```
RestDirectDeliveryURL=1= https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/products
```

2. Restart the server to implement the properties file changes.
3. If you do not already have a token, confirm your username and a password to get a token.
4. If you do not already have a token, use the service token endpoint (<https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/token>) to obtain a token. See the Swagger UI available at <https://app.stibosystems.com/ds/mlac/v1/>. By default, tokens are valid for one (1) month.

Make note of the token for use in configuring the REST Direct Delivery Method Headers.



**Token** ▼

**POST** /token Obtain authorization token

Resource operation for obtaining an authorization token to be used for the other service resources

**Parameters** Cancel

No parameters

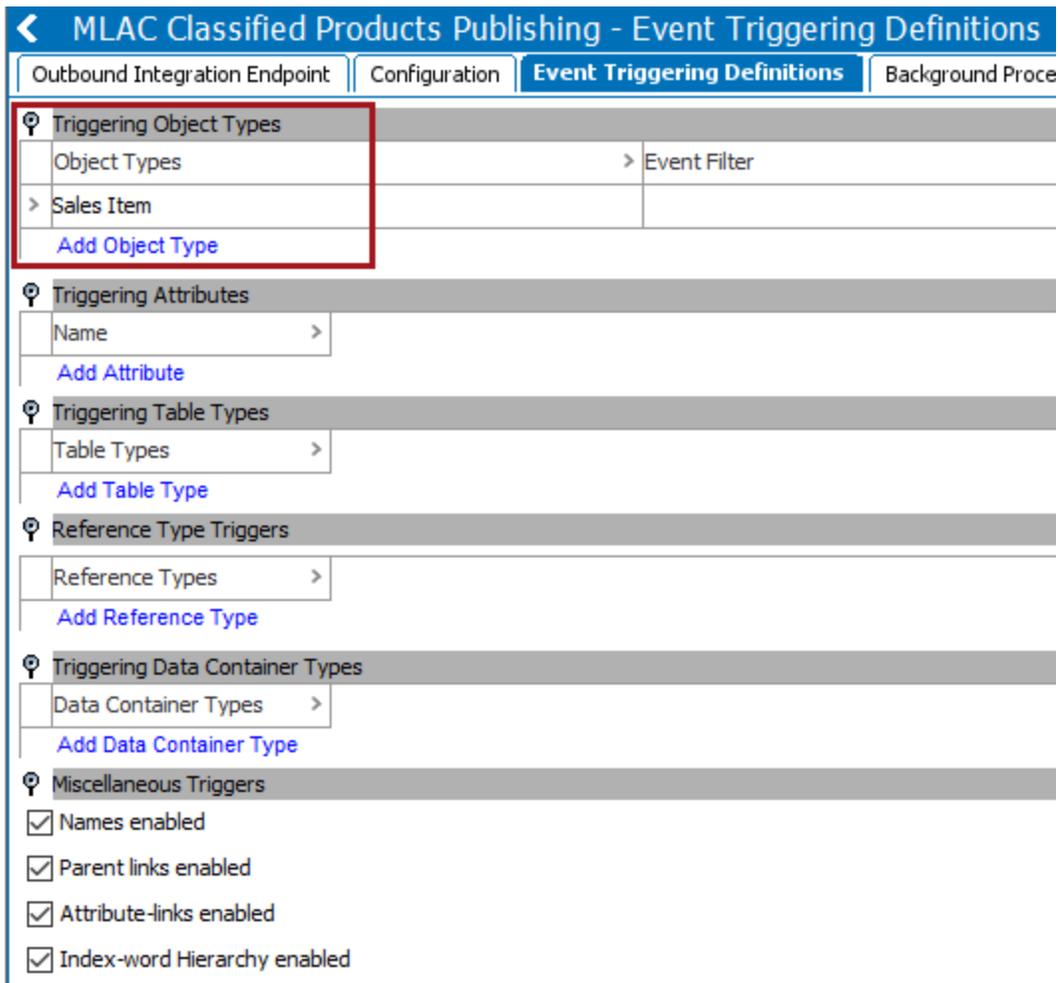
Request body application/json ▼

```
{
  "username": "myusername",
  "password": "mypassword"
}
```

## Configure a Classified Products OIEP

Use the following steps to configure the necessary OIEP. For more general information on OIEPs, see the **Outbound Integration Endpoints** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

1. Create an event-based OIEP (as defined in the **Creating an Event-Based Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic of the **Data Exchange** documentation) with the following settings in the wizard:
  - On the 'Identify Endpoint' step, set the **User** parameter to a user who is privileged to see all classified products and hierarchy relations.
  - On the 'Configure Endpoint' step, the **Contexts** parameter identifies the location of the classified products to be published.
  - On the 'Configure Endpoint' step, the **Workspace** parameter identifies the location of the classified products to be published. This is typically the 'Approved' workspace.
  - Click the **Finish** button to complete the wizard.
2. Open the OIEP's Event Triggering Definitions tab, open the Triggering Object Types flipper, and click the **Add Object Type** link to add the product object type(s).
  - For manual publishing leave the other settings as their default values.
  - For automatic publishing as events are generated for the products, select the relevant triggering types (attributes, classification product link types, etc.) to monitor for changes that should generate an event.



**MLAC Classified Products Publishing - Event Triggering Definitions**

Outbound Integration Endpoint | Configuration | **Event Triggering Definitions** | Background Proce

**Triggering Object Types**

Object Types	> Event Filter
> Sales Item	

[Add Object Type](#)

**Triggering Attributes**

Name >

[Add Attribute](#)

**Triggering Table Types**

Table Types >

[Add Table Type](#)

**Reference Type Triggers**

Reference Types >

[Add Reference Type](#)

**Triggering Data Container Types**

Data Container Types >

[Add Data Container Type](#)

**Miscellaneous Triggers**

- Names enabled
- Parent links enabled
- Attribute-links enabled
- Index-word Hierarchy enabled

3. On the Configuration tab, open the Configuration flipper and open the 'Schedule' parameter:

- For manual publishing, set to **Never** and click the **OK** button.
- For automatic publishing, set a schedule for publishing labeled products' data upon approval.

**MLAC Classified Products Publishing - Configuration**

Outbound Integration Endpoint | **Configuration** | Event Triggering Definitions | Background Processes | Statistics | Err

**Configuration**

Process Engine	STEP Exporter
Error reporter	Not Defined
<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Not scheduled</b>
Queue for endpoint	
Queue for endpoint processes	
Transactional settings	
Number of threads	
Maximum number of waiting processes	
Maximum number of old processes	
Maximum age of old processes	
Contexts	
Workspace	

**Event Queue Configuration**

Event Actions: Forward | Rewind

> Days to retain events

> Number of events to batch

> Number of event batches to include per deli

Edit Scheduling

Start

**Never** ←

Every

Weekly

Monthly

Later

Start Not scheduled

Refresh collections before each run

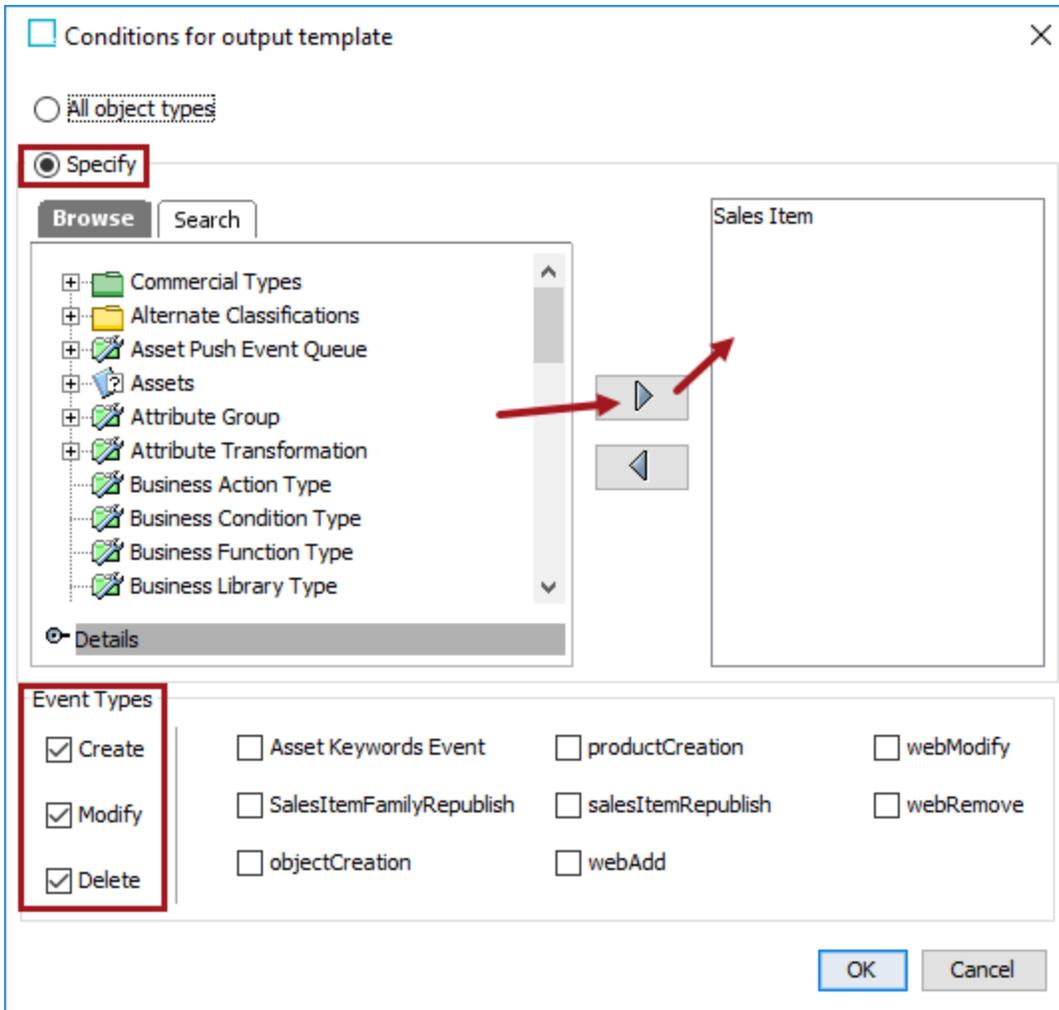
OK | Cancel

4. On the Configuration tab, open the Output Templates flipper, and set the following for the Object-Eventtype column:

**Output Templates**

Object-Eventtype	> Format	> Pre-Processor
<b>Add configuration</b>		

- Click the **Add configuration** link to display the 'Conditions for output template' dialog.
- Select the **Specify** radio button and add the classified product object types to be output.
- Select the **Create**, **Modify**, and **Delete** event types, and click the **OK** button.



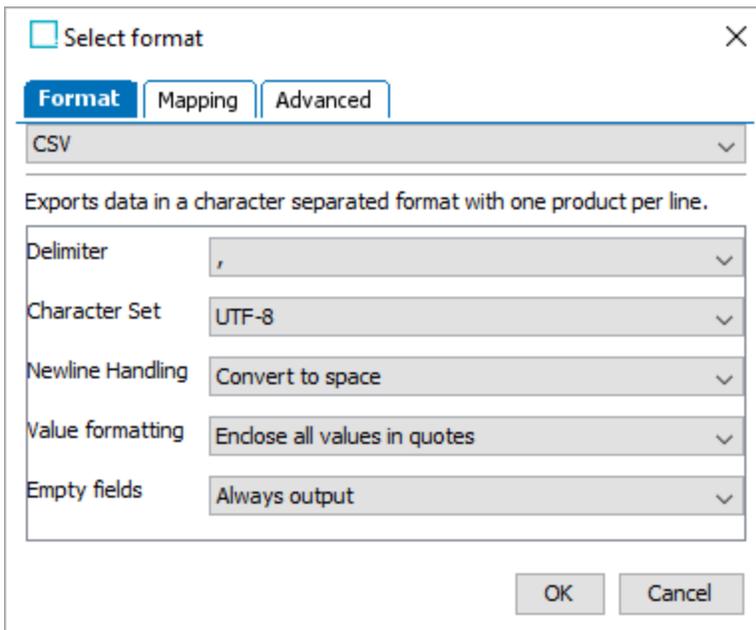
5. On the Output Templates flipper set the following for the Format column:

- Click the Format column cell to display an ellipsis button.
- Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the 'Select format' dialog.

Output Templates		
Object-Eventtype	> Format	> Pre-Processor
> Sales Item (Create, Modify, Delete)	→ ...	None
> Add configuration		

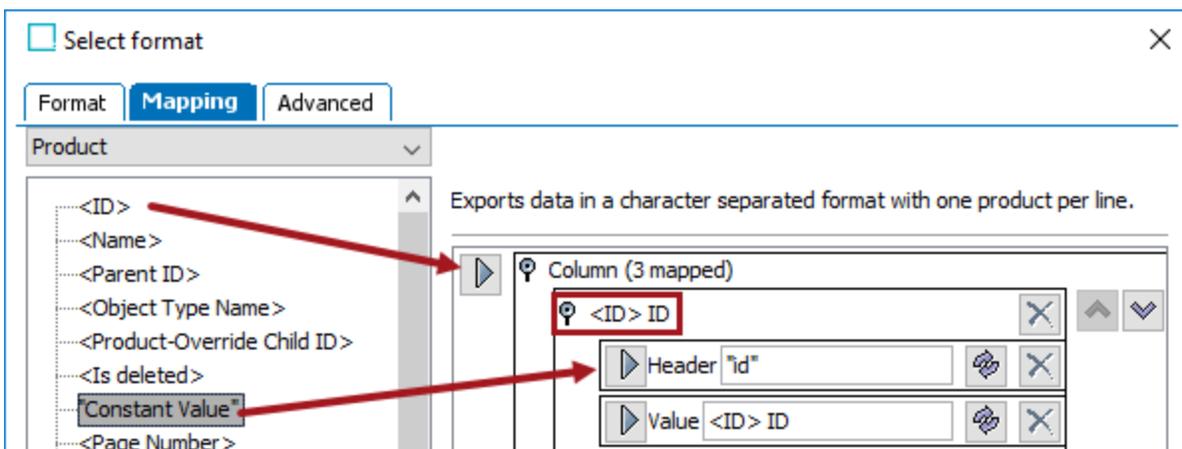
- On the 'Select format' dialog 'Format' tab (shown below), select **CSV** from the dropdown and set the following parameters:
  - For the 'Delimiter' parameter, select the comma (,).
  - For the 'Character Set' parameter, select **UTF-8**.
  - For the 'Newline Handling' parameter, select **Convert to space**.

- For the 'Value formatting' parameter, select **Enclose all values in quotes**.
- For the 'Empty fields' parameter, select **Always output**.



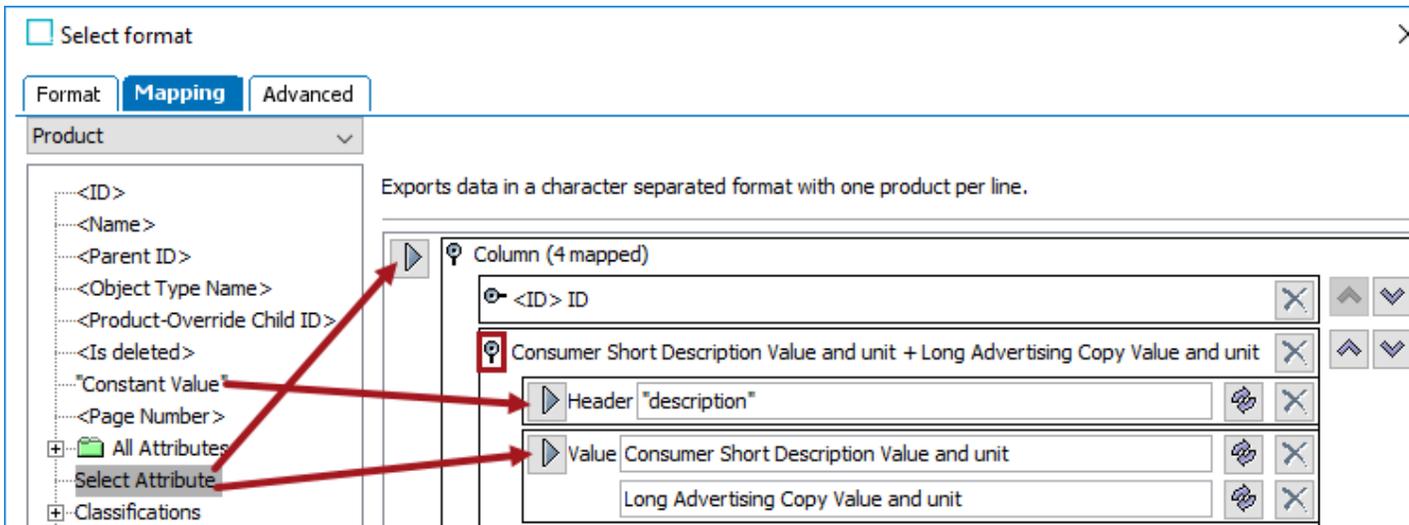
**Note:** See the **File Requirements** section above for definitions of the mapping elements below.

- On the 'Mapping' tab:
  - Map the **<ID>** data source.
  - Open the '<ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **id** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



- Map the **Select Attribute** data source and choose the attribute that holds the description.

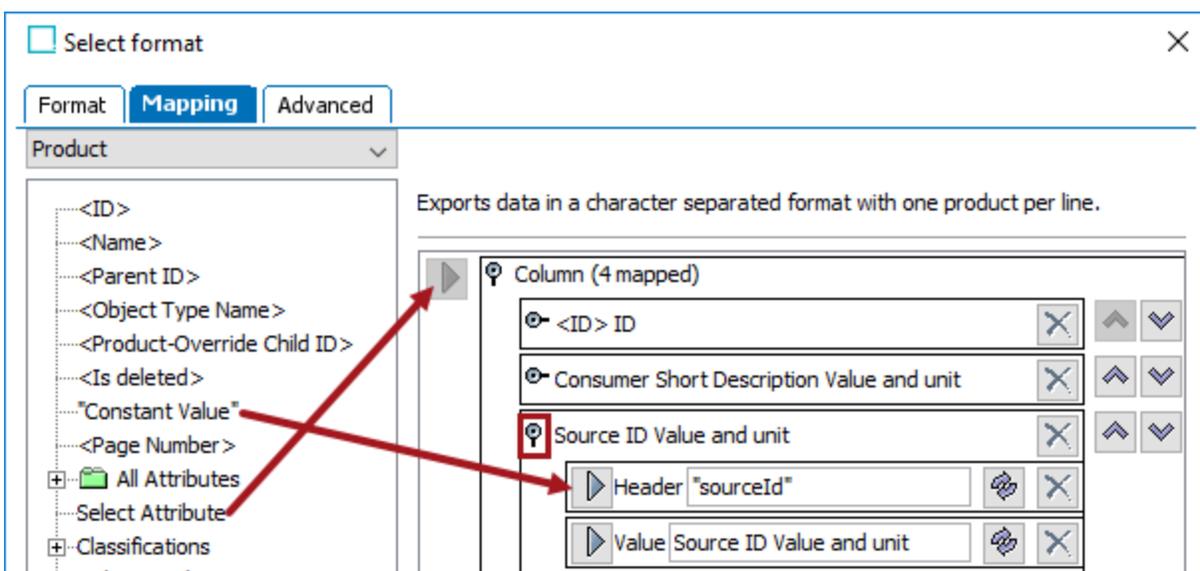
- Open the description attribute flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **description** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.
- If multiple attributes hold description information, map them as additional value elements as have been mapped below for the 'Consumer Short Description Value' and the 'Long Advertising Copy Value' attributes.



- Choose a method to handle the source ID with significance for the classification:

If a source ID that has significance for the classification is available in an attribute, map the **Select Attribute** data source and choose that attribute.

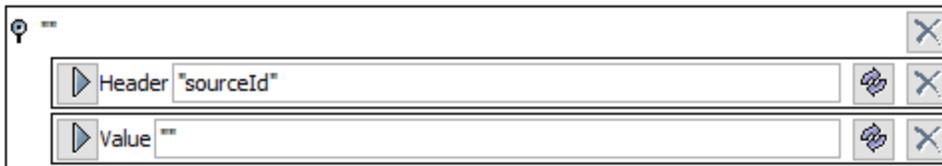
- Open the source ID attribute flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **sourceId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



If a source ID that has significance for the classification is not available in an attribute, map the **Constant Value** data source.

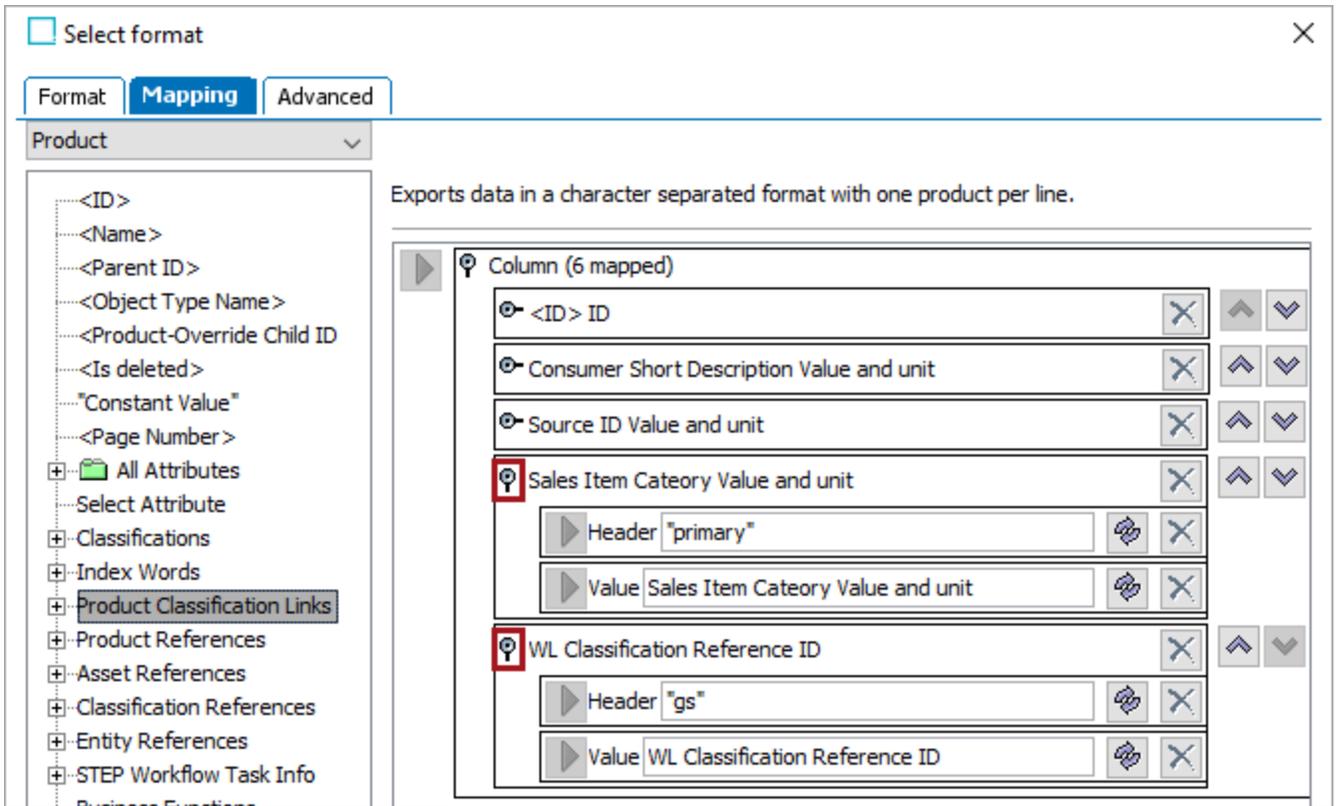
- On the 'Enter Value' dialog, leave the 'Enter constant value' parameter blank and click the **Save** button.
- Open the 'Constant' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **sourceId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.
- For the Value row, click the transform button (🔗), delete the 'Constant' text from the Source parameter, and click the **Save** button.

The final Header and Value mapping should match the image below.

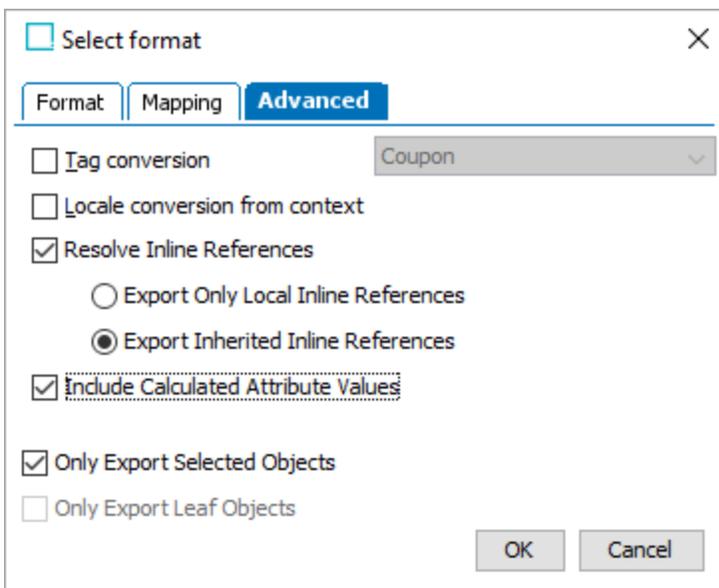


- Choose a method to map a column for each hierarchy; in each instance replace the header with the hierarchy ID:
  - For a primary product hierarchy where there are no intermediate levels between the product and the hierarchy node, use <Parent ID> for the value.
  - For intermediate level hierarchies, map a calculated attribute that holds the appropriate hierarchy node ID.
  - For classification hierarchies, use 'Product Classification Links' data source to map the appropriate link type.

For example, in the screenshot below, two hierarchy columns have been mapped: one by mapping a calculated attribute, and one by mapping a link type.



- On the 'Advanced' tab:
  - Check the **Only Export Selected Objects** checkbox.
  - Check the **Include Calculated Attribute Values** checkbox. A mapped calculated attribute is required for this box to become active (able to be checked).
  - Click the **OK** button.



- The final state of the Output Templates flipper fields are displayed.

Output Templates		
Object-Eventtype >	Format >	Pre-Processor
> Sales Item (Create, Modify, Delete)	CSV (4 mappings) ...	None
> <a href="#">Add configuration</a>		

6. On the Delivery Method flipper, click the **Edit Delivery** link to open the 'Edit Delivery Configuration' dialog.

**Note:** To validate the configuration, instead of setting the REST Direct method, first use the 'Copy to directory' or 'Email' delivery method and check the generated CSV file. See the **OIEP Delivery Methods** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation for details.

- For the Select Delivery Method parameter, select **REST Direct** from the dropdown.
- For the URL parameter, select the **URL** in the dropdown.
- For the HTTP Method parameter, select **PUT**.
- For the Headers parameter, click the **Add parameter** link to display the 'Add Parameter' dialog. Set the Key parameter to **Content-Type**, the Value parameter to **application/octet-stream**, and click **OK**.
- For the Headers parameter, click the **Add parameter** link again to display the 'Add Parameter' dialog. Set the Key parameter to **Authorization**, the Value parameter to **the response from the token endpoint**, and click **OK**.
- For the ZIP Content parameter, select **No**.
- Leave other parameters blank.
- Click **OK** on the Edit Delivery Configuration dialog.



**Event Queue Configuration**

Event Actions:

> Days to retain events	0
> Number of events to batch	1000
> Number of event batches to include per delivery	1
> Queue Status	Read Events
> Unread events (approximated)	<input type="button" value="Click to estimate ..."/>

[Edit Configuration](#)

4. On the Republish dialog:

- Click the **Add Node** link and add a root node that holds the products to publish.
- Check the **Include Child Nodes** checkbox.
- For the Process Description parameter, type a description. 'Generate events for sales items' is the description in the following image.
- Click the **Start Republish** button.

**Republish** ✕

Select Nodes to Republish

ID	Name
> I-Products	Products

> [Add Node](#)

Include Child Nodes

Include Linked Products

Include Linked Assets

Include Referenced Assets

---

Select Setup Nodes to Republish

Republish all Attributes

Republish all Units

Republish all setup nodes

---

Select Execution Context

Current Context (Context1)

Cross Contexts

---

Process Description

**NOTICE:** Your view workspace is not Approved workspace it is Main, the republish analysis will be executed from Main workspace.

5. Verify that the republish background process finishes successfully.
6. Right-click the OIEP and click the **Invoke** option to manually publish the hierarchy data.
7. Right-click the OIEP and click the **Disable Integration Endpoint** option.
8. On the OIEP's Configuration tab, open the Event Queue Configuration flipper and set the Queue Status parameter to **Discard Events**.

**Important:** A model must be trained by Stibo Systems and the model made available before predictions can be generated for uploaded data.

# Manual Export of Hierarchies for MLAC

Using the MLAC service requires manually exporting hierarchies from STEP as Excel or CSV files that can be handled by the service.

For general information about manual exports, see the **Export Manager** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

## Prerequisites

Ensure that the hierarchies being exported comply with the following standards:

- The hierarchy must not classify the same product more than once. This includes the primary product hierarchy (PPH, or the 'blue hierarchy') and classification hierarchies (the 'yellow hierarchies').

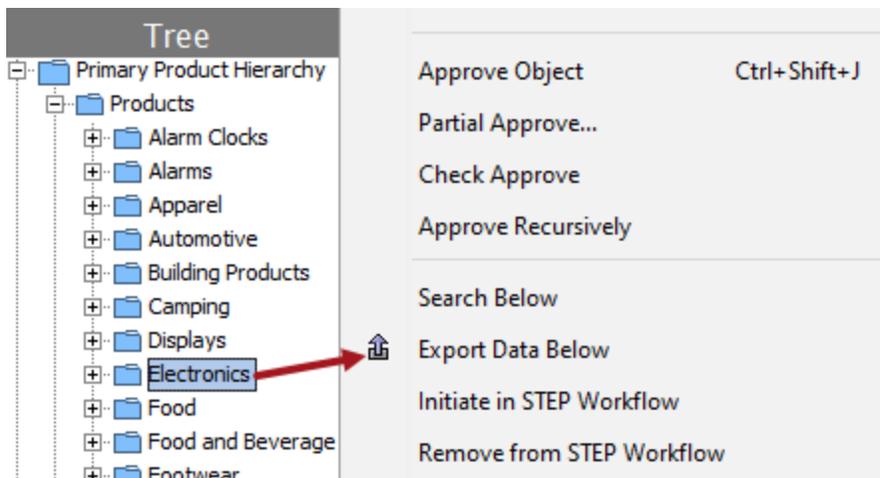
**Important:** Classification hierarchies where the same product can be present in multiple classifications (such as website) are not allowed.

- Dimension dependent classifications are not supported.
- The hierarchy must have only one root node.
- The hierarchy must be constructed using object types different from those object types used for modeling the products already classified in the hierarchy.

## Export a Hierarchy

Confirm that the Prerequisites above are met and use the following steps to export a hierarchy:

1. In workbench on the Tree tab, select a hierarchy root node, right-click and select the 'Export Data Below' option to display the Export Manager with the selected objects.



2. On the 'Select Objects' step:

- Uncheck the 'Only export leaf object' option.
- In the 'Export' dropdown, select 'Product' or 'Classification' based on the type of hierarchy being exported.
- In the 'Include object types' parameter, click the ellipsis button (...) to display the 'Select Object Types for Export' dialog. Select the object types that constitute the hierarchy and press the **OK** button.

**Export Manager**

**Steps**

1. Select Configuration
- 2. Select Objects**
3. Select Format
4. Map Data
5. Advanced
6. Select Delivery Method

**Select Objects**

ID	Name	Object Type	Path
8302	Electronics	Level 1	Primary Product Hierarchy/Products/Electronics
<a href="#">Add Objects</a>			

Only export selected objects  
 Only export leaf objects  
 Export: **Product**  
 Include object types: Level 1; Level 2; Level 3; Level 4

3. Click the **Next** button, and on the 'Select Format' step, choose one of the following file formats from the dropdown:

- **Excel**

- For the 'Excel version' parameter, select **Excel 2007**.

**Select Format**

Excel

Exports data in Excel format.

Excel version: Excel 2007

- **CSV**

- For the 'Delimiter' parameter, select the comma (,).
- For the 'Character Set' parameter, select **UTF-8**.
- For the 'Newline Handling' parameter, select **Convert to space**.
- For the 'Value formatting' parameter, select **Enclose all values in quotes**.
- For the 'Empty fields' parameter, select **Always output**.

### Select Format

CSV

Exports data in a character separated format with one product per line.

Delimiter: ,

Character Set: UTF-8

Newline Handling: Convert to space

Value formatting: Enclose all values in quotes

Empty fields: Always output

4. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Map Data' step.
5. Map the **<ID>** data source.
  - Open the '<ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **id** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.

### Map Data

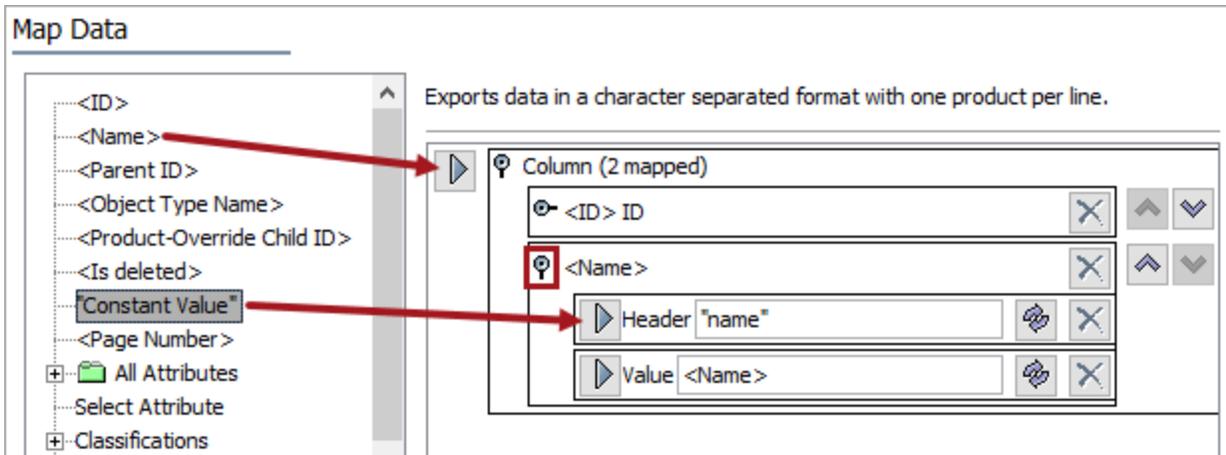
Exports data in a character separated format with one product per line.

Column (1 mapped)

<ID> ID	✕
Header "id"	✕
Value <ID> ID	✕

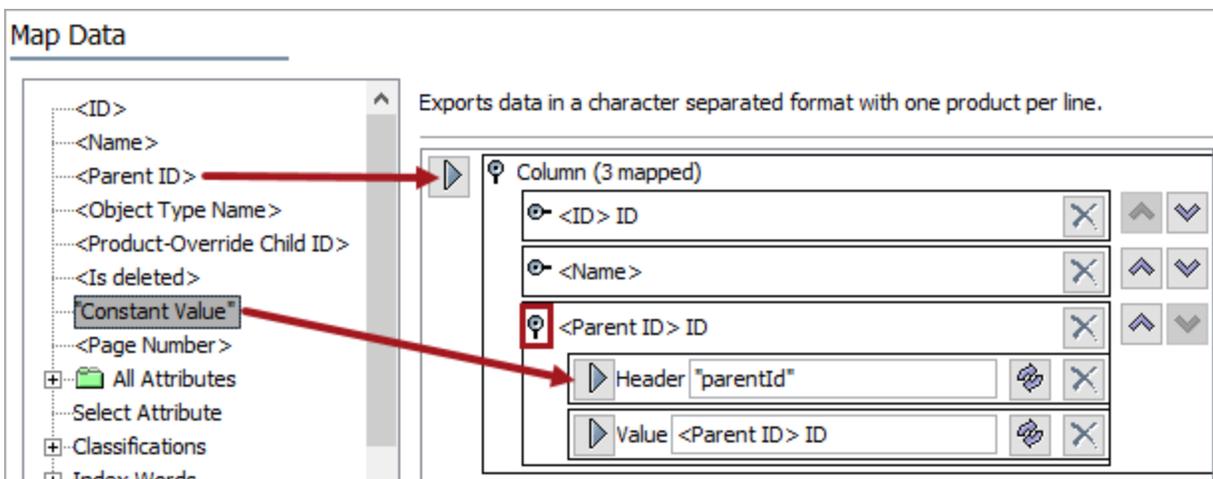
Source list: <ID>, <Name>, <Parent ID>, <Object Type Name>, <Product-Override Child ID>, <Is deleted>, **Constant Value**, <Page Number>

6. Map the **<Name>** data source.
  - Open the '<Name>' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **name** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



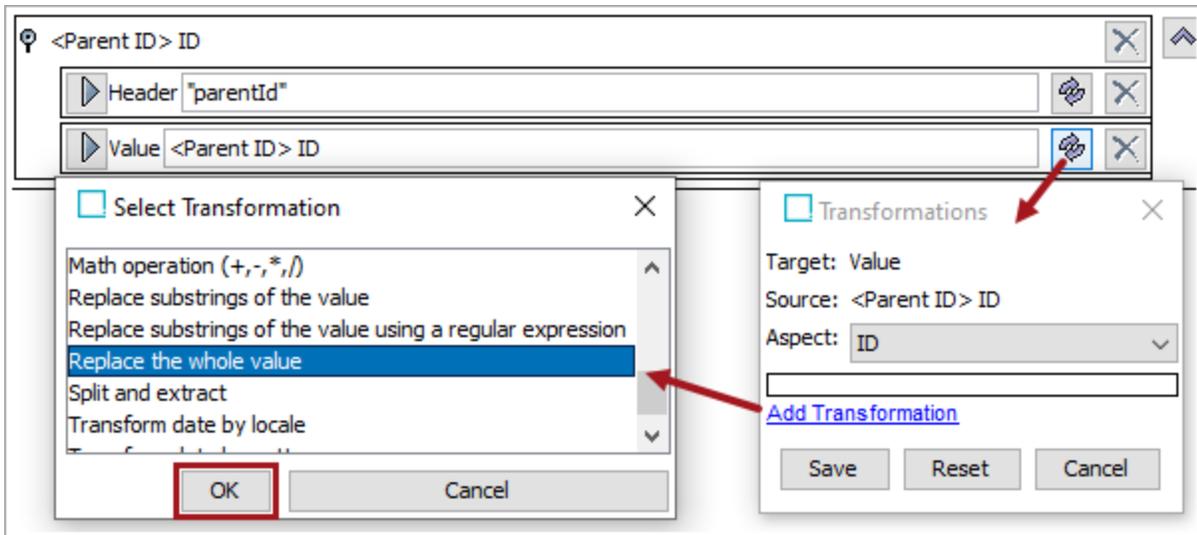
7. Map the **<Parent ID>** data source.

- Open the '<Parent ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **parentId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (X) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.

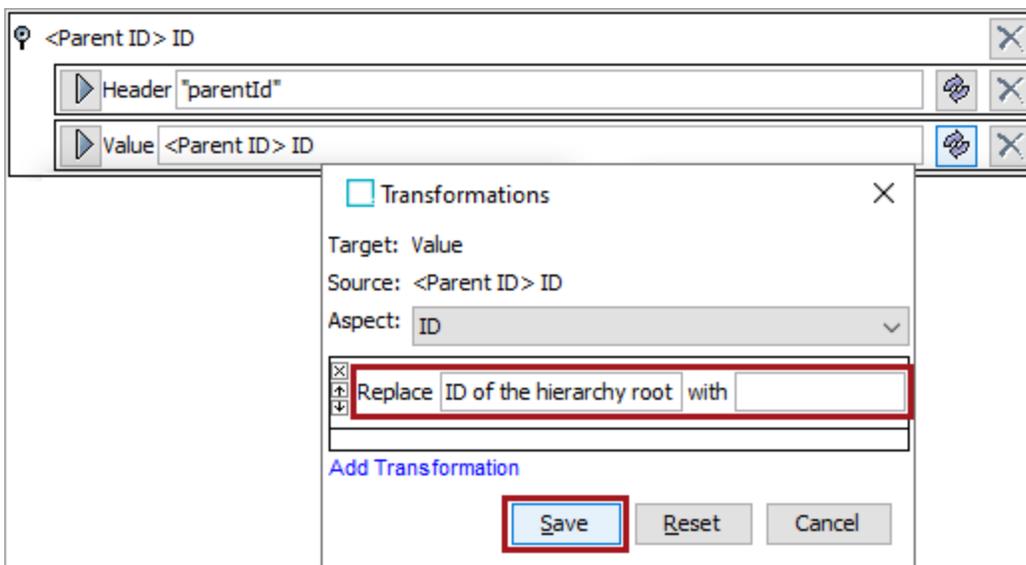


8. Transform the Parent ID Value as follows:

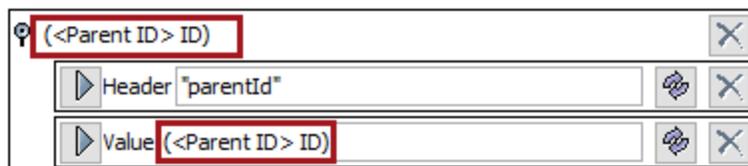
- Click the transform button (🔗) for the value part of the mapped Parent ID.
- On the Transformations dialog, click the 'Add Transformation' link.
- On the Select Transformation dialog, select the **Replace whole value** option and click the **OK** button to update the Transformations dialog.



- On the updated Transformations dialog, in the 'Replace' parameter type **ID of the hierarchy root** and in the 'with' parameter, remove the value. Click the **Save** button.



As shown in the image below, the final '<Parent ID> ID' mapping is in parentheses, like (<Parent ID> ID), to indicate a transformation is applied for the Value element.



9. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Advanced' step.

- For the Workspace parameter, choose the workspace to be used for the export. This is typically the 'Approved' workspace.
- For the Context parameter, choose the context for export.

**Advanced**

Tag conversion Coupon ▾

Locale conversion from context

Resolve Inline References

Export Only Local Inline References

Export Inherited Inline References

Include Calculated Attribute Values

---

Workspace Main ▾

Context English US ▾

10. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Select Delivery Method' step and click the **Finish** button.
11. On the 'Save Export Configuration' dialog, optionally save the configuration. For more information, see the **Running a Data Export** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.
12. Click the **OK** button to start the Export Manager Pipeline background process. For more information, see **Monitoring a Data Export** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

## Output Examples

The generated file should look similar to the examples below.

### Excel

1	id	name	parentId
2	I-Products	Products	
3	I-Level1-1	Audio Visual Equipment	I-Products
4	I-Level2-11	Audio Visual Accessorie	I-Level1-1
5	I-Level3-111	3D Glasses	I-Level2-11
6	I-Level3-112	Audio Visual Stands/Bra	I-Level2-11
7	I-Level2-12	Portable Audio/Video	I-Level1-1
8	I-Level3-121	Portable Music Players	I-Level2-12
9	I-Level3-122	Portable DVD Players	I-Level2-12
10	I-Level2-13	Televisions	I-Level1-1
11	I-Level3-131	LCD	I-Level2-13

### CSV

```
1 "id","name","parentId"  
2 "I-Products","Products",""  
3 "I-Level1-1","Audio Visual Equipment","I-Products"  
4 "I-Level2-11","Audio Visual Accessories","I-Level1-1"  
5 "I-Level3-111","3D Glasses","I-Level2-11"  
6 "I-Level3-112","Audio Visual Stands/Brackets","I-Level2-11"  
7 "I-Level2-12","Portable Audio/Video","I-Level1-1"  
8 "I-Level3-121","Portable Music Players","I-Level2-12"  
9 "I-Level3-122","Portable DVD Players","I-Level2-12"  
10 "I-Level2-13","Televisions","I-Level1-1"  
11 "I-Level3-131","LCD","I-Level2-13"
```

# Manual Export of Classified Products for MLAC

Products that are already classified in STEP can be handled by the MLAC service via an exported Excel or CSV file. While data for a hierarchy must be submitted in a single file (as defined in the **Manual Export of Hierarchies for MLAC** topic), data for products that are already classified can be submitted in one or multiple Excel or CSV files. Each file should contain hierarchy information for all hierarchies for which predictions should be generated.

## File Requirements

As outlined in the Map Data steps below, the export file must have the following headers / columns in the specified order. For Excel, no quotes should be included in the header values.

- 'id' - ID of the classified product. Mandatory.
- 'description' - The description of the product. Mandatory. This must be a 'raw' source description not modified after the product was classified. Values for multiple description attributes can be supplied either by creating a calculated attribute that concatenates the values or by mapping multiple attributes to this column. More about mappings is defined below.
- 'sourceid' - Source identification, for instance a vendor ID. Optional. A column with this header must be present in the generated file even when data is not exported. Include data if the source information is available and if it has significance for the classification of the product.
- '[Hierarchy ID 1..n]' - ID of the classification (hierarchy node ID) in the hierarchy identified via the header value. Header values must correspond with the agreed upon IDs for the hierarchies.

For the primary product hierarchy case, if there are intermediate hierarchy levels between the product and the classification / hierarchy node (for example, a product family level), a calculated attribute can be used to output the appropriate hierarchy node ID for this column.

**Important:** The example scripts should not be used as-is without thorough testing, including updating the script to match object and link types that exist on your system. JavaScript variable names are case-sensitive.

The example below shows a function that will output either the ID of the parent or ID of the grandparent, based on whether the parent is of a specific object type.

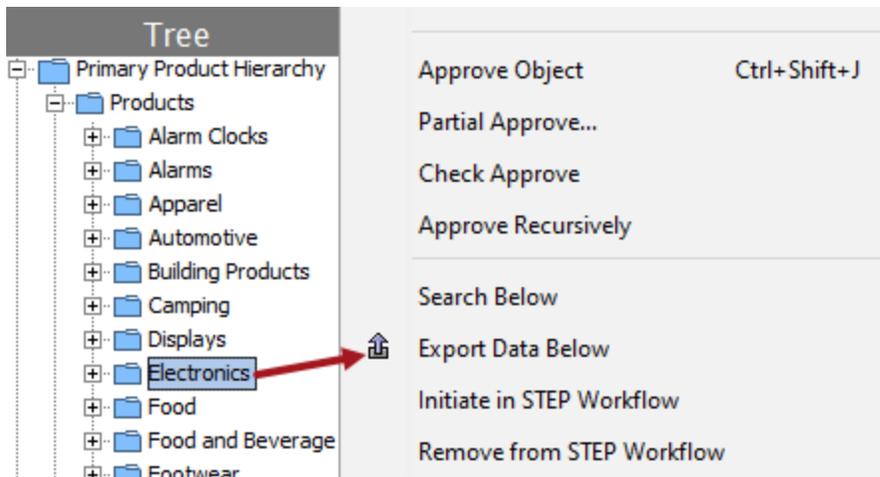
```
{
  i:=path(),
  parent:=listitem(i,listlen(i)-1),
  grandparent:=listitem(i,listlen(i)-2),
  parentobjecttype:=iterate(parent, 'stepobjecttype()')
} if (exact(parentobjecttype, "Sales Item Family"), iterate(grandparent, 'stepid()'),
iterate(parent, 'stepid()'))
```

In this example, 'stepobjecttype()' returns the object type name and not the ID. Thus, on systems with dimension dependent object type names, consider the object type for the Context of the export when making the comparison on the name.

## Export Classified Products

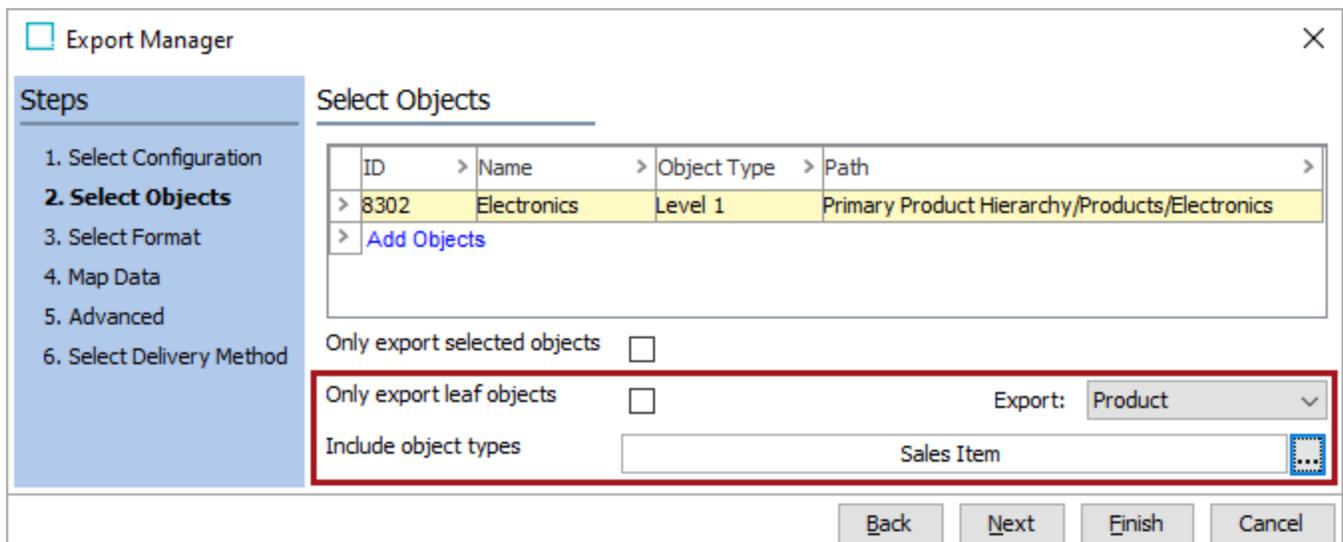
Exporting classified products involves the following steps:

- In workbench on the Tree tab, select an appropriate root node for the export, right-click and select the 'Export Data Below' option to display the Export Manager with the selected objects.
  - If the MLAC service is only used for classifying products into a STEP classification hierarchy ('yellow hierarchy'), the root node can be the classification hierarchy root.
  - If the MLAC service is used for classifying into the product hierarchy or multiple different hierarchies, the root node should be a product node below which all relevant products can be found.



2. On the 'Select Objects' step:

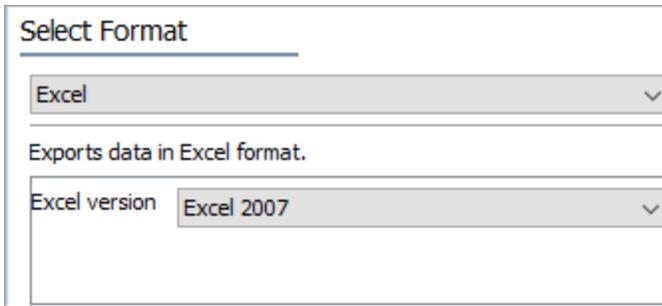
- Uncheck the 'Only export leaf object' option.
- In the 'Export' dropdown select 'Product' based on the type of hierarchy being exported.
- In the 'Include object types' parameter, click the ellipsis button (...) to display the 'Select Object Types for Export' dialog. Select the object type(s) for the hierarchy and press the **OK** button.



3. Click the **Next** button, and on the 'Select Format' step, choose one of the following file formats from the dropdown:

- **Excel**

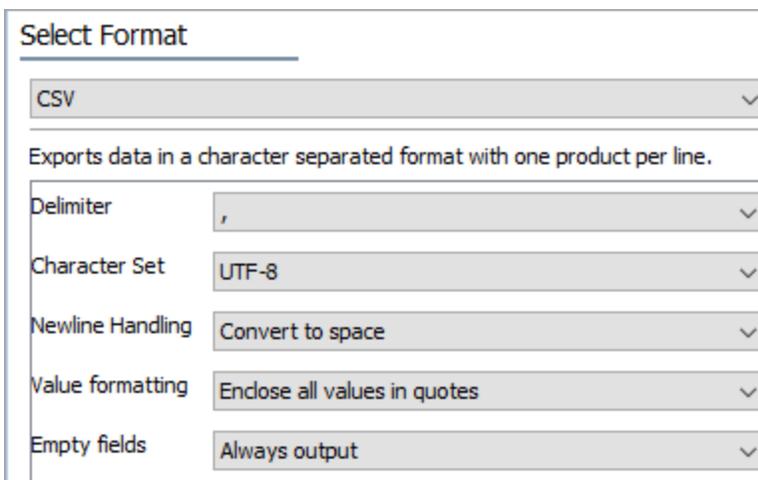
- For the 'Excel version' parameter, select **Excel 2007**.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Select Format". At the top, there is a dropdown menu with "Excel" selected. Below this, the text "Exports data in Excel format." is displayed. Underneath, there is a label "Excel version" followed by a dropdown menu with "Excel 2007" selected.

- **CSV**

- For the 'Delimiter' parameter, select the comma (,).
- For the 'Character Set' parameter, select **UTF-8**.
- For the 'Newline Handling' parameter, select **Convert to space**.
- For the 'Value formatting' parameter, select **Enclose all values in quotes**.
- For the 'Empty fields' parameter, select **Always output**.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Select Format". At the top, there is a dropdown menu with "CSV" selected. Below this, the text "Exports data in a character separated format with one product per line." is displayed. Underneath, there are five rows of parameters, each with a label and a dropdown menu: "Delimiter" (comma), "Character Set" (UTF-8), "Newline Handling" (Convert to space), "Value formatting" (Enclose all values in quotes), and "Empty fields" (Always output).

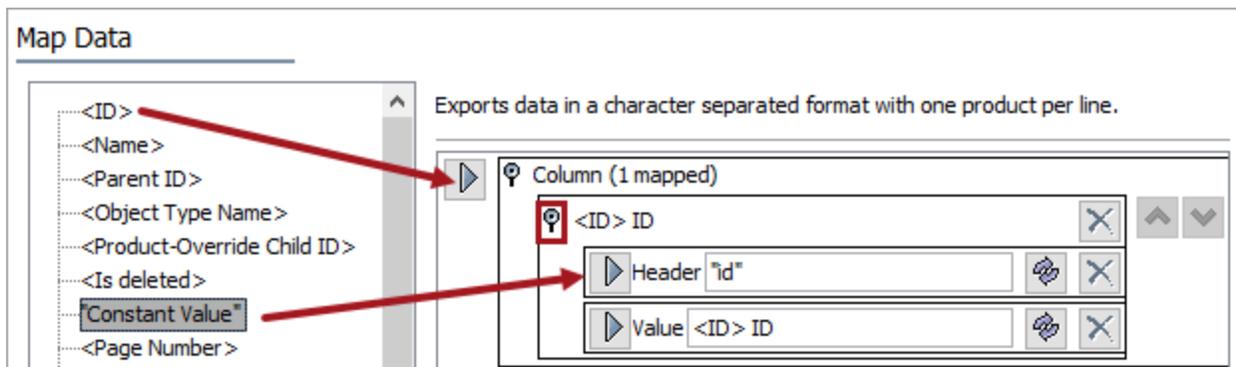
**Note:** See the **File Requirements** section above for definitions of the mapping elements below.

4. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Map Data' step.

5. Map the **<ID>** data source.

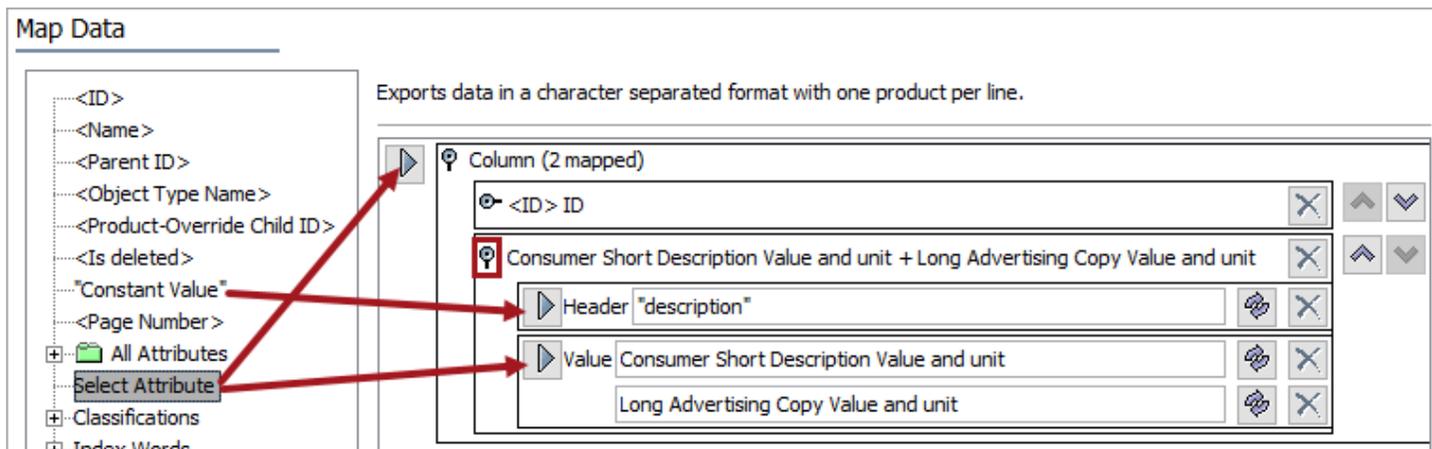
- Open the '<ID> ID' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **id** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.

- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



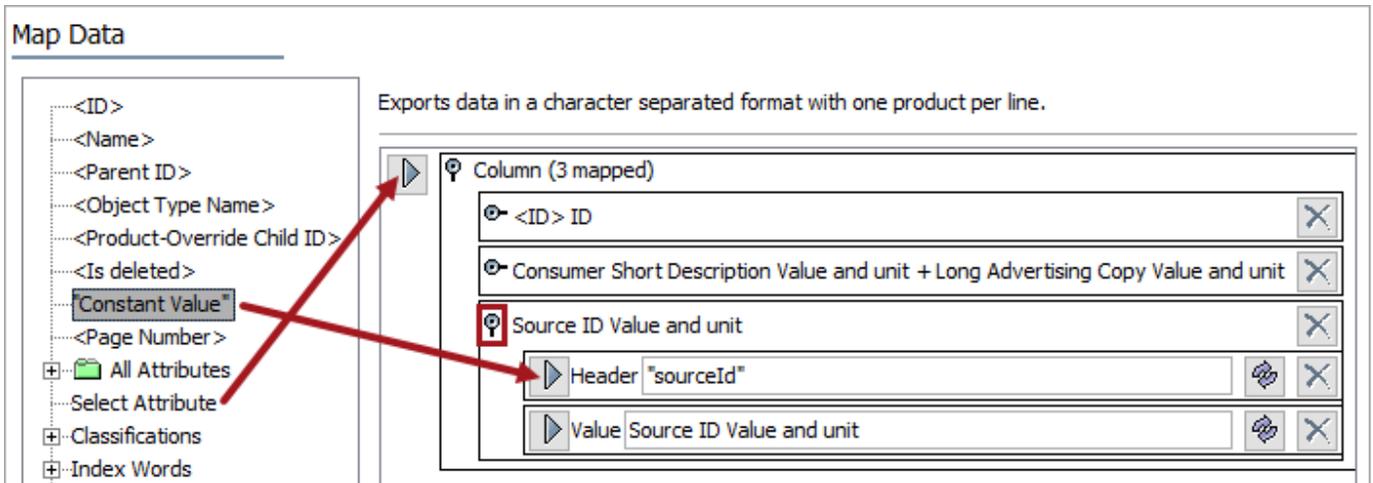
6. Map the **Select Attribute** data source and choose the attribute that holds the description.

- Open the description attribute flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **description** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
- Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.
- If multiple attributes hold description information, map them as additional value elements as have been mapped below for the 'Consumer Short Description' and the 'Long Advertising Copy Value' attributes.



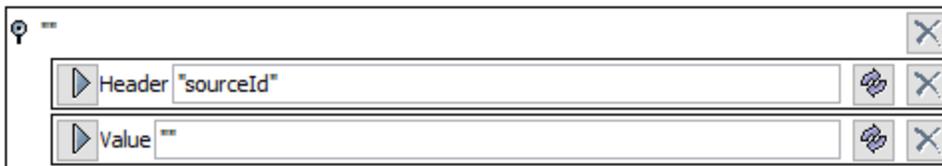
7. Choose a method to handle the source ID with significance for the classification:

- If a source ID that has significance for the classification is available in an attribute, map the **Select Attribute** data source and choose that attribute.
  - Open the source ID attribute flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **sourceId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.



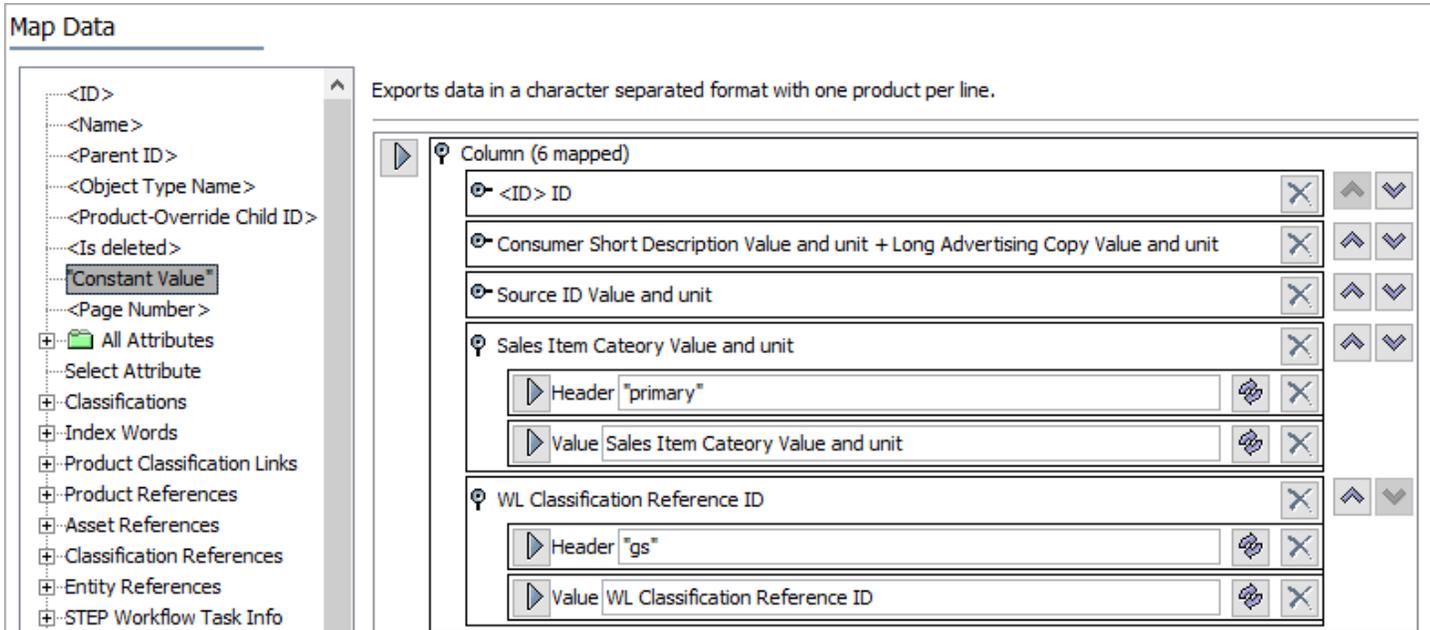
- If a source ID that has significance for the classification is not available in an attribute, map the **Constant Value** data source.
  - On the 'Enter Value' dialog, leave the 'Enter constant value' parameter blank and click the **Save** button.
  - Open the 'Constant' flipper and map 'Constant Value' as a Header row. On the 'Enter Value' dialog enter **sourceId** (without quotes) and click the **Save** button.
  - Click the delete button (✕) for the original header so the Header mapping matches the image below.
  - For the Value row, click the transform button (🔗), delete the 'Constant' text from the Source parameter, and click the **Save** button.

The final Header and Value mapping should match the image below.



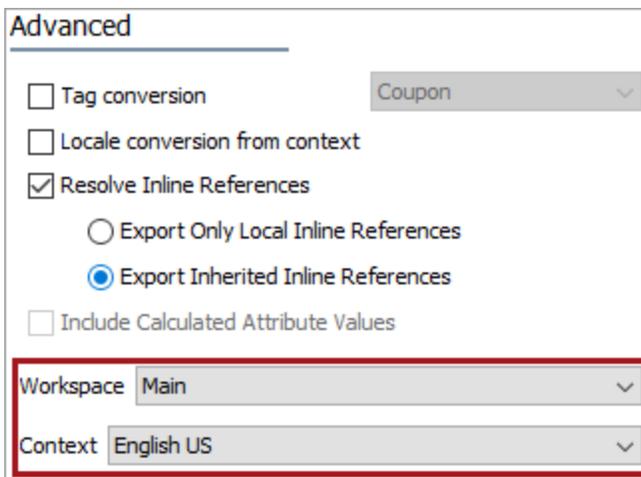
8. Choose a method to map a column for each hierarchy, in each instance replace the header with the hierarchy ID:
  - For a primary product hierarchy where there are no intermediate levels between the product and the hierarchy node, use <Parent ID> for the value.
  - For intermediate level hierarchies, map a calculated attribute that holds the appropriate hierarchy node ID.
  - For classification hierarchies, use 'Product Classification Links' data source to map the appropriate link type.

For example, in the screenshot below, two hierarchy columns have been mapped. One by mapping a calculated attribute, and one by mapping a link type.



9. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Advanced' step.

- For the Workspace parameter, choose the workspace to be used for the export. This is typically the 'Approved' workspace and should be the same as used for exporting hierarchies.
- For the Context parameter, choose the same context for export as was used for exporting hierarchies.



10. Click the **Next** button to display the 'Select Delivery Method' step and click the **Finish** button.
11. On the 'Save Export Configuration' dialog, optionally save the configuration. For more information, see the **Running a Data Export** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.
12. Click the **OK** button to start the Export Manager Pipeline background process. For more information, see **Monitoring a Data Export** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

## Output Examples

The generated file should look similar to the examples below. The number of hierarchy columns depends on the use case.

### Excel

1	id	description	sourceId	primary	gs
2	I-SalesItem-1111	Active 3D GlassesActive 3D Glasses		I-Level3-111	W-343232
3	I-SalesItem-1121	Wall Bracket for P Series Acme TVsThe perfect fit for Acme LCD P Series TVs sized 32" to 65"		I-Level3-112	W-31234395
4	I-SalesItem-1122	Wall Bracket for Z Series Acme TVsThe perfect fit for Acme LCD Z Series TVs sized 32" to 65"		I-Level3-112	W-55434396
5	I-SalesItem-12111	Premium Headband Music PlayerHang it ar		I-Level3-121	W-3444397
6	I-SalesItem-12113	Premium Headband Music PlayerHang it ar		I-Level3-121	W-2343342598
7	I-SalesItem-12112	Premium Headband Music PlayerHang it ar		I-Level3-121	W-34399
8	I-SalesItem-12114	Premium Headband Music PlayerHang it ar		I-Level3-121	W-34400

### CSV

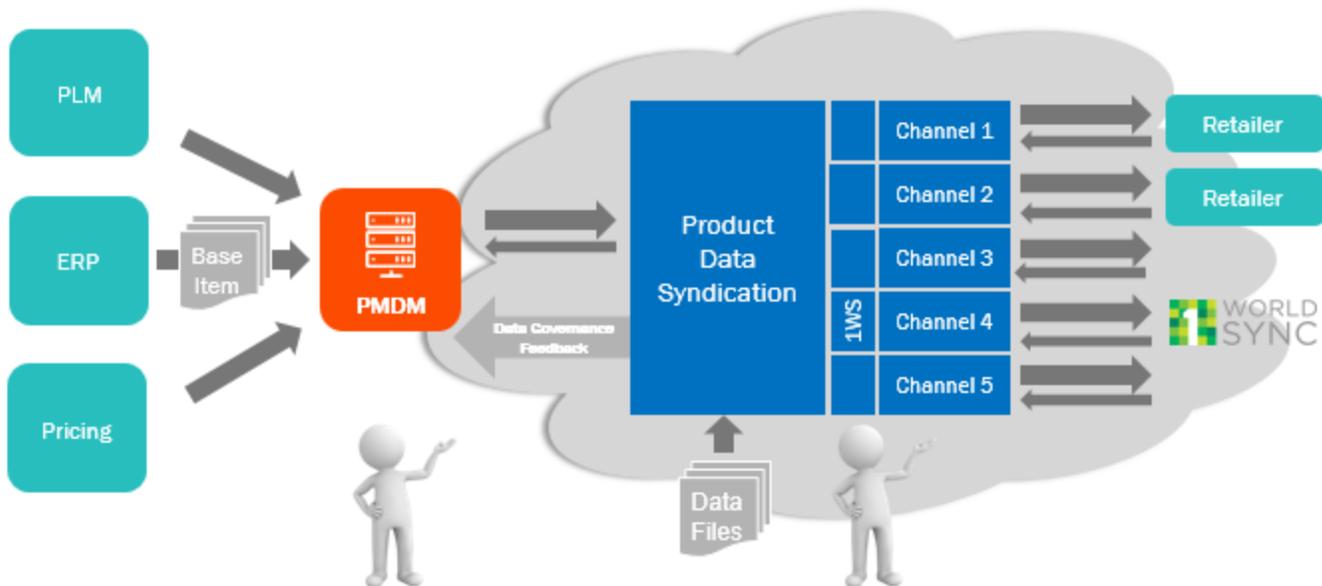
```

1 "id","description","sourceId","primary","gs"
2 "I-SalesItem-1111","Active 3D GlassesActive 3D Glasses","","I-Level3-111","W-343232"
3 "I-SalesItem-1121","Wall Bracket for P Series Acme TVsThe perfect fit for Acme LCD P Series TVs sized 32" to 65""",,"I-Level3-112","W-31234395"
4 "I-SalesItem-1122","Wall Bracket for Z Series Acme TVsThe perfect fit for Acme LCD Z Series TVs sized 32" to 65""",,I-Level3-112,W-55434396
5 "I-SalesItem-12111","Premium Headband Music PlayerHang it around your neck for personal surround sound or share your music aloud with your friends. Wi
Enjoy high quality reproduction of rich bass and clear sound with this integrated wireless MP3 player. With 16GB for your expansive playlist from cont
music.",,"I-Level3-121","W-3444397"

```

# Product Data Syndication

One element of product master data management is product data syndication—delivering your onboarded, cleansed, and enhanced STEP data as a single view to multiple external systems, called channels. Stibo Systems' **Product Data Syndication** (PDS) platform allows your single-view master data to be mapped, based on the established data standards for the channels you require. Channels (depending on availability) allow syndication to product retailers, GDSN, and/or Sales / Distribution sites.



On-the-fly error checking in PDS is performed against channel data standards to prevent you from publishing non-standard data. Corrections for errors can be saved as rules for future use, reducing the overall time spent generating quality data.

Integration between STEP and PDS involves:

- Master data sent from STEP to PDS via an outbound integration endpoint. This can include a product's primary image, product references as well as metadata on those references, and packaging hierarchy information.
- PDS channel status information is received by STEP via an inbound integration endpoint. This allows STEP users to monitor the status of products being syndicated by PDS.

## Prerequisites

To get an administrative account for PDS, talk to your Stibo Systems account manager. Your account administrator has the ability to invite you to the PDS account from the PDS UI. In doing so, you will receive a sign-up email where you define the password. You will use these credentials to log into the PDS system at <https://pds.stibosystems.com>.

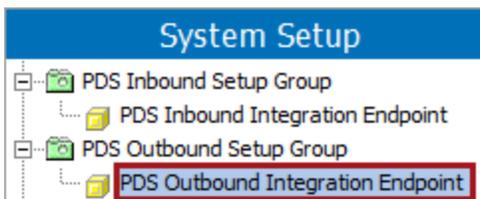
If you encounter any issues within the PDS site, use the live chat help in PDS – available on the question mark icon in the top right-hand corner of the application. Issues while in the STEP Web UI or STEP Workbench should be reported using your standard reporting methods.

## Configuration

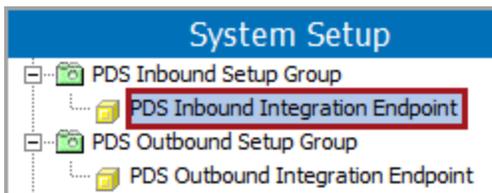
To access the PDS platform and functionality, the 'X.Adapter.ProductDataSyndication' license must be activated on your server and the 'productdatasyndication-integration' add-on component must be installed on your system. The add-on component will create an Outbound and Inbound Integration Endpoint, both pre-configured to the greatest extent possible. Once activated, STEP communication with PDS is handled via the API using auto-generated integration endpoint objects. To install the component, you will need to know the appropriate patch level based on the version of STEP you are using. For more information regarding activating / installing the required license / component, contact your PDS representative.

Some manual configuration setup is required for the following objects:

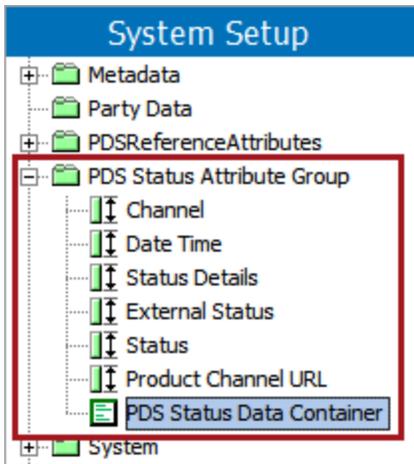
1. **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint** - the OIEP sends master data to PDS and must be modified to work with your data. The **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic includes details for:
  - Manual required setup
  - Packaging hierarchy export setup
  - Optional product references metadata export setup



2. **PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint** - the IIEP receives the PDS channel status information. For details, see the **PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic.



3. **PDS Status Data Container** - the data container used to display and monitor the PDS product status in the Web UI and the workbench, using the attributes contained within the PDS Status Attribute Group. For details, see the **PDS Channel Status Monitoring** section of this documentation.



4. **pdsPostActionID** - the business rule used to generate derived events from edits made to the Main workspace by clicking the Save button on the Product Editor screen in Web UI. For details, see the **Events Generated on Main Workspace** topic of the **System Setup / Super User** documentation.

# PDS Category Attribute

Within the master data of PDS, products can be assigned to specific master data categories. Users that want to add additional master data categories to the PDS master data can do so by including a specific property within the sharedconfig.properties on their STEP application server. The property is used for designating which attribute contains category information for products. The value of the designated attribute is used as the category in the master data within PDS. When a product is exported from STEP to PDS and includes information regarding the category in which the product belongs, the category is added to the master data categories.

**Important:** While this topic will cover the specifics regarding the PDS Category Attribute, it is assumed that users have read the **Product Data Syndication** topic as well as the relevant topics that are referenced within this topic. Additionally, it is assumed that users are familiar with the procedure of creating, editing, and assigning attributes; detailed information regarding these procedures can be accessed within the topic **Attributes** in the **System Setup** documentation.

## Configuring the PDS Category Attribute

Before designating the attribute that will be used to convey product category details from STEP to PDS, the property 'PDSDelivery.CategoryAttributeID' must be added to the sharedconfig.properties file on your STEP application server. The ID of the attribute that is created to house the category name (in the form of a value) must be assigned to this property. In the example below, the attribute 'Category' has been created and will be used to house the category details; therefore, the property in the sharedconfig.properties file would look like this:

```
PDSDelivery.CategoryAttributeID=Category
```

The image below shows the product 'Play Puppy Pacifier' with the assigned attribute 'Category.' This attribute has a value of 'Pacifiers,' which will be the category in which 'Play Puppy Pacifier' will be included in PDS.

Name	Value
Category	Pacifiers

Running a PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint(OIEP) that has Advanced STEPXML as the configured format of data delivery will produce the following data, as part of a JSON file, which can be read by PDS.

```

    "products": [
{
    "__ID": "141435",
    "__NAME": "Play Puppy Pacifier",
    "__CATEGORY": "Pacifiers",

```

Note the Category value 'Pacifiers.' Because the attribute 'Category' was assigned as the value for 'PDSDelivery.CategoryAttributeID' in the sharedconfig.properties file, PDS will assign the product 'Play Puppy Pacifier' to the category 'Pacifiers.' To create a nested category, create a file path for the value of the 'Category' attribute, as shown below.

Hierarchy Details		
Name	>	Value
> Category	abc	Infants/Teething/Pacifiers

For more information on the PDS OIEP, see the **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic.

# PDS Data Container Exports

By providing specific information via the Advanced STEP XML template, users are able to export selected data containers from STEP to PDS using the PDS outbound integration endpoint.

The screenshot displays a software interface with two main sections. On the left, a 'Tree' view shows a hierarchical product structure. The 'Primary Product Hierarchy' is expanded to show 'Products', which includes '113052', 'Air Care', 'Appliances', 'Hair Care', 'Oral Care', 'Personal Cleansing', and 'Soap'. Under 'Soap', 'Body Cleanse Soap' is expanded to show 'Body Cleanse Soap - Old Spice' and 'Body Cleanse Soap - Evergreen', which is currently selected. On the right, a pane titled 'Data Containers' shows three sections: 'MultiDataContainer', 'PDS Status Data Container', and 'SingleDataContainer'. The 'MultiDataContainer' section contains a table with columns 'ID', 'GPC Code', and 'Unit Description'. The 'SingleDataContainer' section contains a table with columns 'ID', 'Attribute Name', and 'Value'.

ID	GPC Code	Unit Description
Rounded	34222454	Rounded Edges
Squared	34222455	Beveled Edges

ID	Attribute Name	Value
Hypoallergenic	Allergy Tested	Yes
Hypoallergenic	Odorless	No
Hypoallergenic	Tear Free	No

In the example above, the selected product includes both a single and multi data container, as well as a PDS Status Data Container. In this topic we will be focusing on the single and multi data containers.

For more information regarding data containers, including single and multi data containers, see the **Data Containers** topic with the **System Setup** documentation.

**Note:** The PDS Status Data Container will never be exported to PDS, as any information provided by this container is not relevant within PDS. For more information regarding the PDS Status Data Container, see the **PDS Status Data Container Configuration** topic in the **Product Data Syndication** documentation.

## Configuring Advanced STEPXML for Data Container Exports

In order to export selected data containers to PDS using the PDS outbound integration endpoint, the Advanced StepXML template must be configured in a way that includes the data container type ID within a '<DataContainers>' tag. As the image below shows, the '<DataContainers>' tag includes the IDs for both the SingleDataContainer and MultiDataContainer data container types as values for '<DataContainer Type>' tags.

☐ Select format
✕

Format

Mapping

Advanced

Advanced STEPXML

Exports data in a STEP XML format. Note that this format ignores the...

Template	
	<pre> &lt;?xml version='1.0'?&gt; &lt;STEP-ProductInformation ResolveInlineRefs="true" FollowOverrideSubProducts="true"&gt; &lt;UnitList ExportSize="Minimum"/&gt; &lt;AttributeList ExportSize="Minimum"/&gt; &lt;Assets ExportSize="Minimum"&gt; &lt;Asset&gt; &lt;/Asset&gt;&lt;/Assets&gt; &lt;Products ExportSize="Minimum" FlattenHierarchy="false"&gt; &lt;Product&gt; &lt;DataContainers&gt;   &lt;DataContainer Type="SingleDataContainer"/&gt;   &lt;MultiDataContainer Type="MultiDataContainer"/&gt; &lt;/DataContainers&gt; &lt;Name/&gt; &lt;Values IncludeInherited="true"/&gt; </pre>

In the example above, the DataContainer and MultiDataContainer tag with the Type attribute is used. Only data containers within the open and closed DataContainer tags and identified by the type ID (in this case, SingleDataContainer and MultiDataContainer) are exported. If you only specify <DataContainers/> without any specific data container types in the template, then all data containers for your product (except the PDS Status Data Container) will be extracted. For more information, see the **Filter Data Containers in STEPXML** topic in the **STEPXML Format** documentation.

The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface. On the left, a tree view under 'Data Containers' has 'SingleDataContainer' selected. On the right, a table displays the configuration for this container type.

Data Container Type		References	Validity	Log
Description				
Name	>	>	Value	
ID	>	>	SingleDataContainer	
Name	>	>	SingleDataContainer	
Last edited by	>	>	2019-02-13 10:36:49	
ID Pattern	>	>		
Allow multiple data containers	>	>	No	
Inheritance	>	>	None	
Restriction	>	>	None	
Mandatory	>	>	No	

The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface. On the left, a tree view under 'Data Containers' has 'MultiDataContainer' selected. On the right, a table displays the configuration for this container type.

Data Container Type		References	Validity	Log
Description				
Name	>	>	Value	
ID	>	>	MultiDataContainer	
Name	>	>	MultiDataContainer	
Last edited by	>	>	2019-02-13 11:22:09 by	
ID Pattern	>	>		
Allow multiple data containers	>	>	Yes	
Inheritance	>	>	None	
Restriction	>	>	None	
Mandatory	>	>	No	

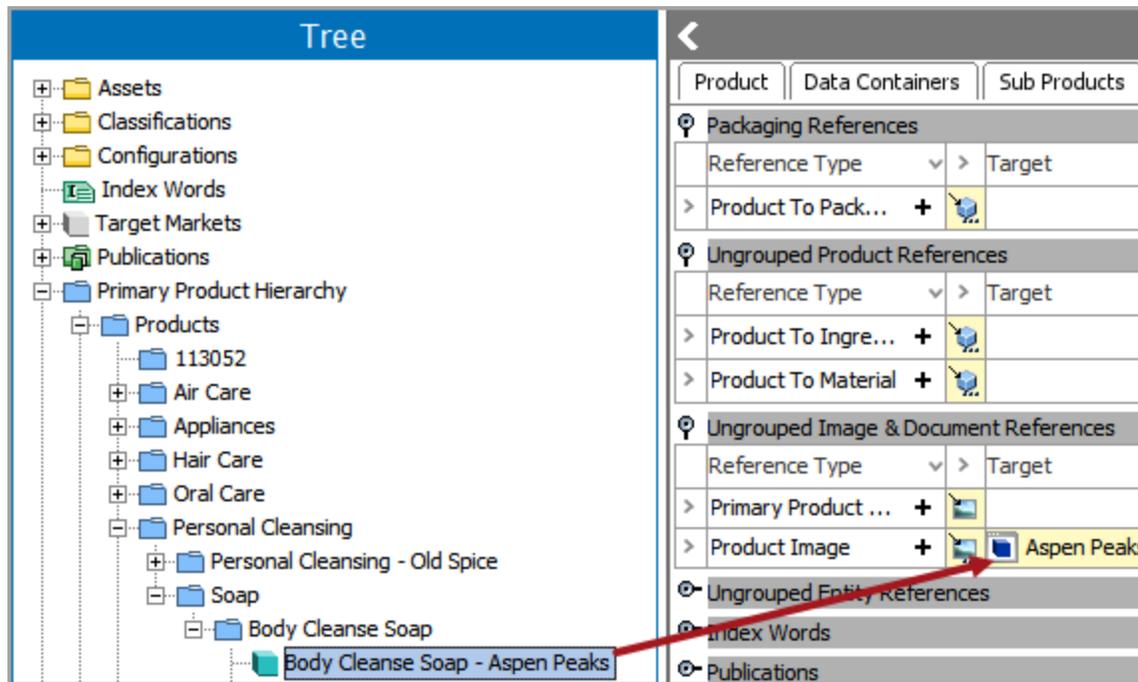
As shown above, the user-created ID for the SingleDataContainer and the MultiDataContainer matches the DataContainer Type and MultiDataContainer Type values in the Advanced STEPXML template. When the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint is invoked, the data containers will be created as composite attributes in PDS, and the names of those composite attributes will correspond with the ID of the data container type in STEP. For instance, if a tag in the Advanced STEPXML template is `<DataContainerType="SingleDataContainer"/>` then the name of the composite attribute will be SingleDataContainer.

For more information on data containers in STEPXML, see the **Data Containers in STEPXML** topic in the **STEPXML Format** documentation.

# Exporting Metadata Attributes of an Asset to PDS

By configuring the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint (OIEP), users are able to export metadata attributes on assets that are referenced by a product that is configured to be (or has already been) exported to PDS.

As shown in the graphic below, the asset 'Aspen Peaks,' of type 'Product Image,' is being referenced by the product 'Body Cleanse Soap - Aspen Peaks.' This topic will cover how the metadata for an asset referenced by a product is delivered to PDS.



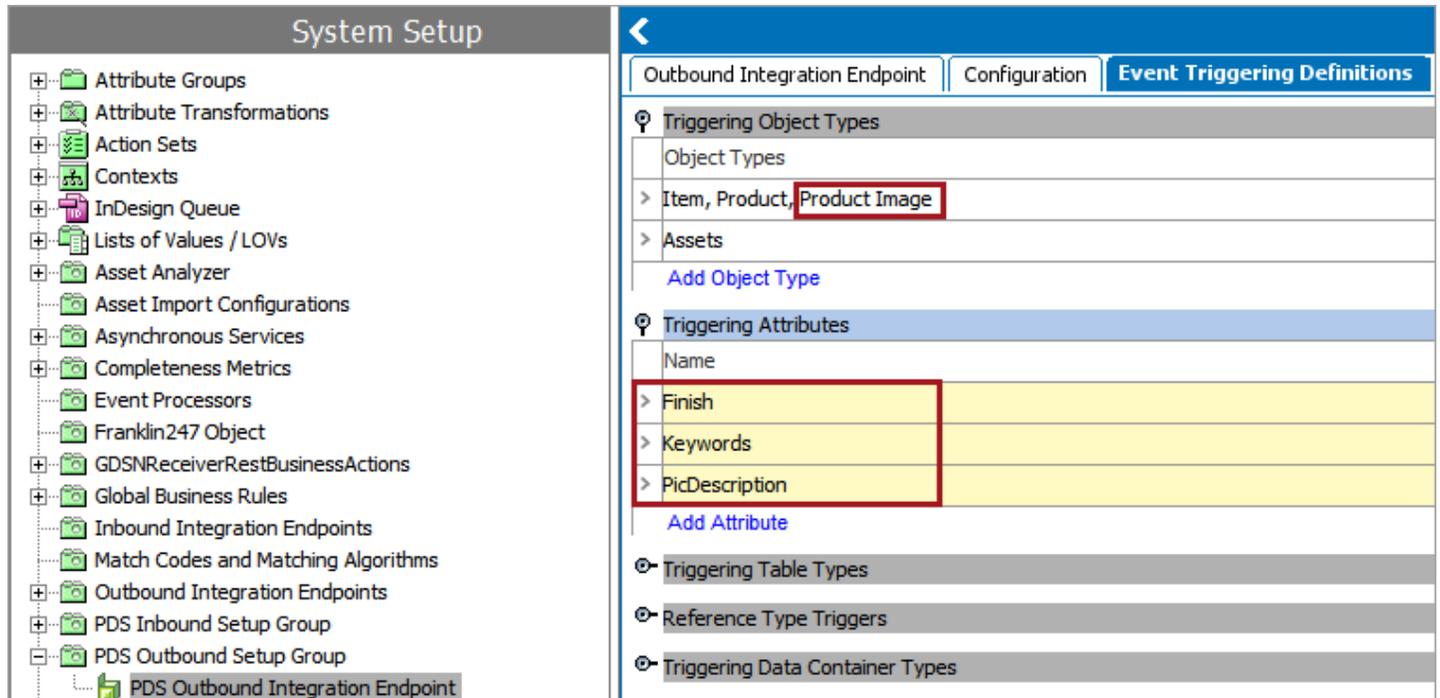
For more information regarding linking assets to products, see the **Linking Assets to Products** topic in the **Asset Maintenance** documentation.

## Configuring the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint for Exporting Asset Metadata

To export asset metadata referenced by a product in PDS, the PDS OIEP must be configured. In addition to this configuration, there is also an option to include specific metadata attributes of the asset that can be used to trigger the endpoint to be invoked. For information regarding enabling and invoking an endpoint, see the **Running an Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic in the **Outbound Integration Endpoints** documentation. For information regarding event-based triggering definitions, see the **OIEP - Event-Based - Event Triggering Definitions Tab** topic in the **Outbound Integration Endpoints** documentation.

As shown below, the 'Product Image' must be included as an Object-Eventtype for metadata of the asset to be exported to PDS. The 'PDS Outbound Preprocessor' Pre-Processor handles change events on reference assets, and forwards this information to the PDS product.

To use specific attributes to invoke the PDS OIEP and export any updated asset metadata to PDS, 'Product Image' must also be included as one of the Triggering Object Types. In addition, one or more attributes of the asset must be added to the Triggering Attributes list. In the example below, the attributes 'Finish', 'Keywords', and 'PicDescription' have been added as triggering attributes. Any changes to these attributes, once approved, will resend any updated changes to the asset metadata to PDS.



For more information regarding configuring the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint, see the **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic in the **Product Data Syndication** documentation.

## Configuring the Advanced STEPXML Template for Asset Metadata Export

By configuring the Advanced STEPXML template, users can specify whether they want specific metadata attributes for assets to be exported, or all metadata attributes for assets to be exported. In the example below, three attributes on the asset and their values are highlighted.

Images & Documents		References	Referenced By
🔍 Description			
Name	> >	Value	
> ID		113423	
> Name		Aspen Peaks	
> Object Type		Product Image	
> Revision		1.9 Last edited by USERK	
> Approved		✔ Approved on Thu Mar	
> Translation		Not Translated	
> Path		Classification 1 root/Asset	
> Asset URL Attribute	URL	▶▶	
> Confirmed Duplicates	abc	...	
> Confirmed Non-Duplicates	abc	...	
> Deduplication Delete Flag	abc		
> Finish	abc	Semi-Gloss	
> Image ID = Finish	abc		
> Image Display Sequence =	URL	▶▶	
> Keywords	abc	Soap	
> PicDescription	abc	Full Red Bar	
> StartDate	📅		
🔍 System Properties:			

**Note:** To quickly identify the attribute ID for the purpose of insertion into the XML template, hover over the attribute name. A popup will display with the attribute ID.

Using the 'Value AttributeID' tag, the corresponding Advanced STEPXML template has been configured to include those same attributes, identified by their IDs, within the <Values></Values> element.

```
<?xml version='1.0'?>
<STEP-ProductInformation ResolveInlineRefs="true" FollowOverrideSubProducts="true">
<UnitList ExportSize="Minimum"/>
<AttributeList ExportSize="Minimum"/>
<Assets ExportSize="Minimum">
<Asset>
<Values>
<Value AttributeID="AssetAnalyzer.Keywords"/>
<Value AttributeID="Finish"/>
<Value AttributeID="PicDescription"/>
</Values>
</Asset>
</Assets>
```

When the PDS OIEP is invoked, the resulting JSON structure exported to PDS will display the specified metadata attribute values, as well as the assetID of the specific asset, as a composite attribute with the name 'ProductImage.' This composite attribute will be displayed on the product in PDS, not on the asset.

```

"ProductImage": [
  {
    "assetID": "113423",
    "AssetAnalyzer.Keywords": "Soap",
    "Finish": "Semi-Gloss"
    "PicDescription": "Full Red Bar",
  }
]

```

**Note:** In the example above, the ID of the asset reference type is 'ProductImage.'

For more information regarding Advanced STEPXML, see the **Advanced STEPXML Format** topic in the **Data Formats** documentation.

# PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration

The PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint (OIEP) is used to send STEP master data (for example, a product's primary image, product references as well as metadata on those references, and packaging hierarchy information) to PDS.

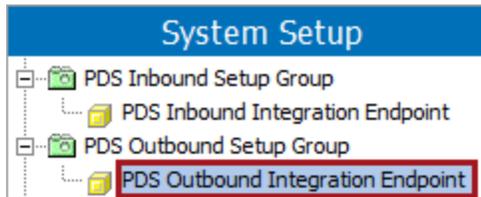
The PDS OIEP includes a predefined template and a number of other settings to reduce the setup required. However, the following updates are necessary for it to work with your data model.

This topic includes information and/or links to more information for the following configurations:

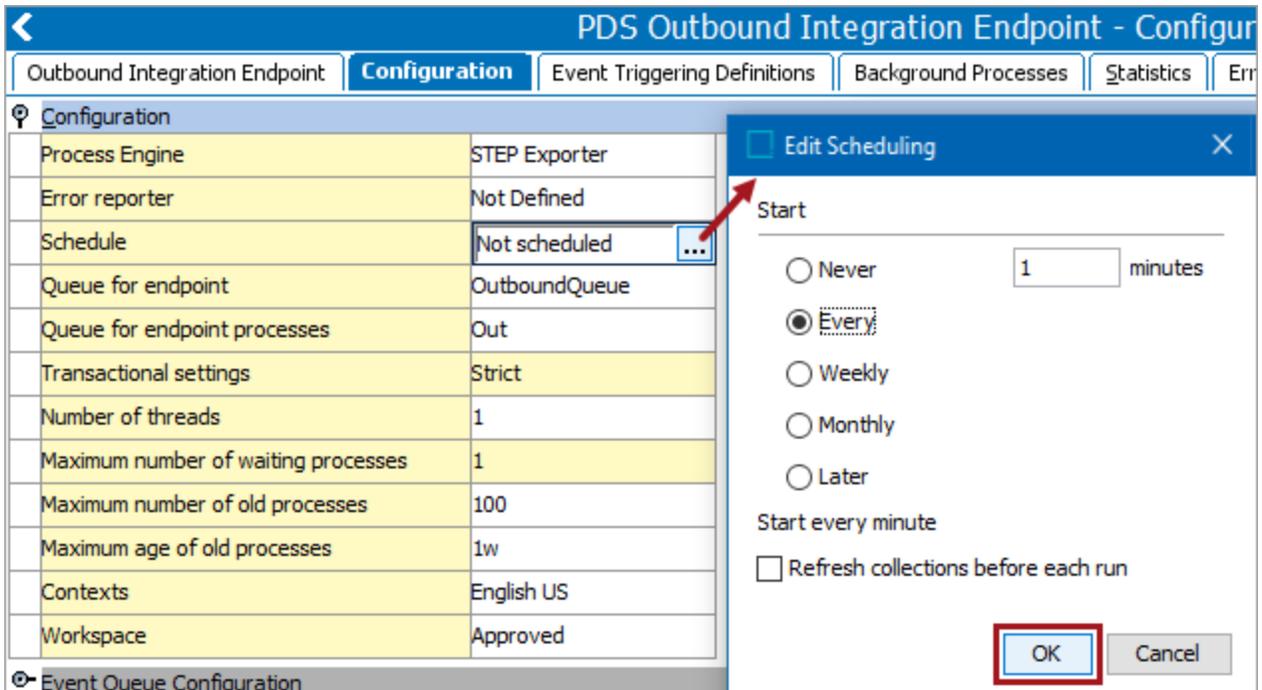
- Required manual setup
- Packaging hierarchy information export setup

## Required Manual Setup

1. In the System Setup > PDS Outbound Setup Group node, open the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint.



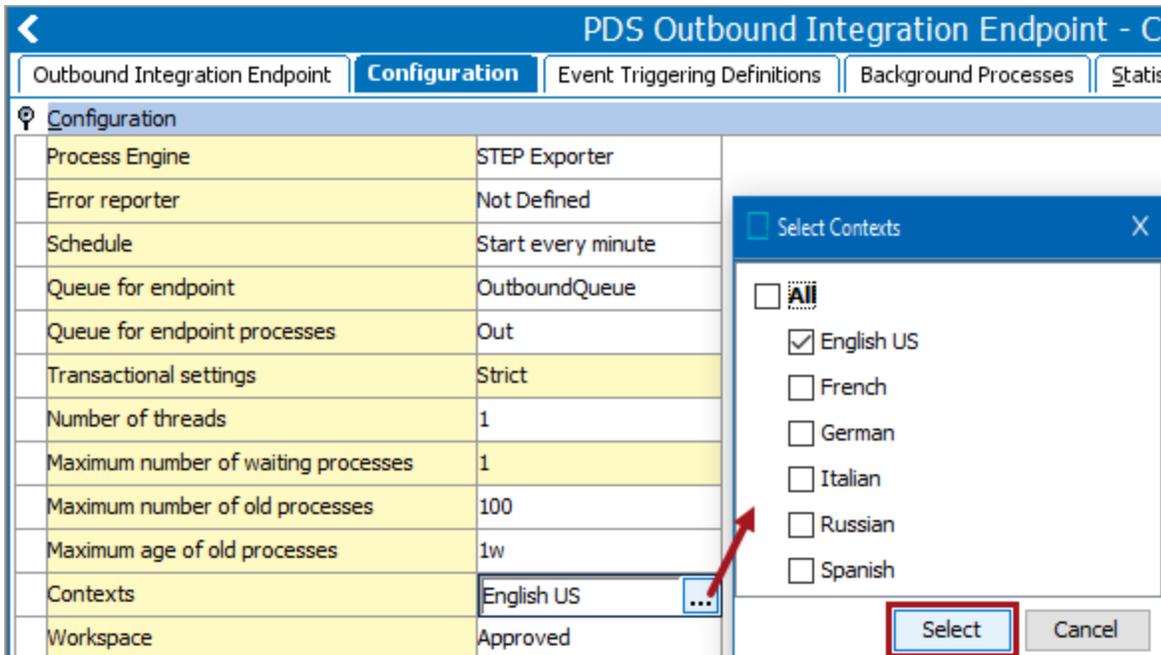
2. On the OIEP Configuration tab, open the Configuration flipper, and click into the **Schedule** parameter value to display an ellipsis button (...).
3. Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the Edit Scheduling dialog and set the required Start interval. Click the **OK** button to update the Schedule parameter.



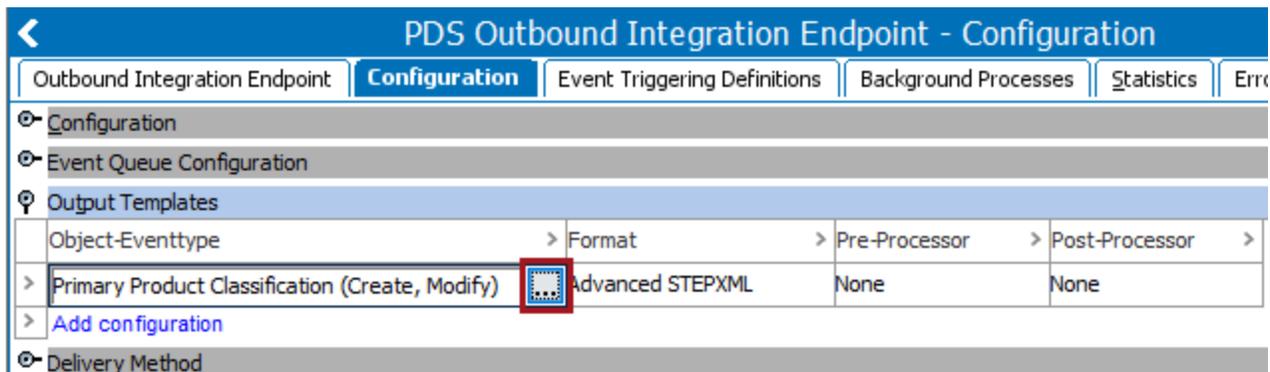
**Important:** Consider the time zone of the application server compared to that of the workbench (the client) where the schedule is created or viewed. When scheduling a job, the local time zone is displayed in the workbench, but the time zone of the server is used to run the background process. Although displayed, the time zone of the client is not included in the instruction to the server to run the job. This can cause confusion about when the job will run since the scheduled time is not automatically converted to accommodate potential differences in time zones.

4. Click into the **Contexts** parameter value to display an ellipsis button (...).
5. Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the Select Contexts dialog and set the required single context to export. Click the **Select** button to update the Contexts parameter.

**Note:** A locale has a language ISO code associated with it; the ISO code is a language qualifier in the JSON that is sent to PDS. PDS is able to read that qualifier and 'translate' it into a language. For more information regarding locales, see the **Context Locales** topic in the **Contexts** documentation.

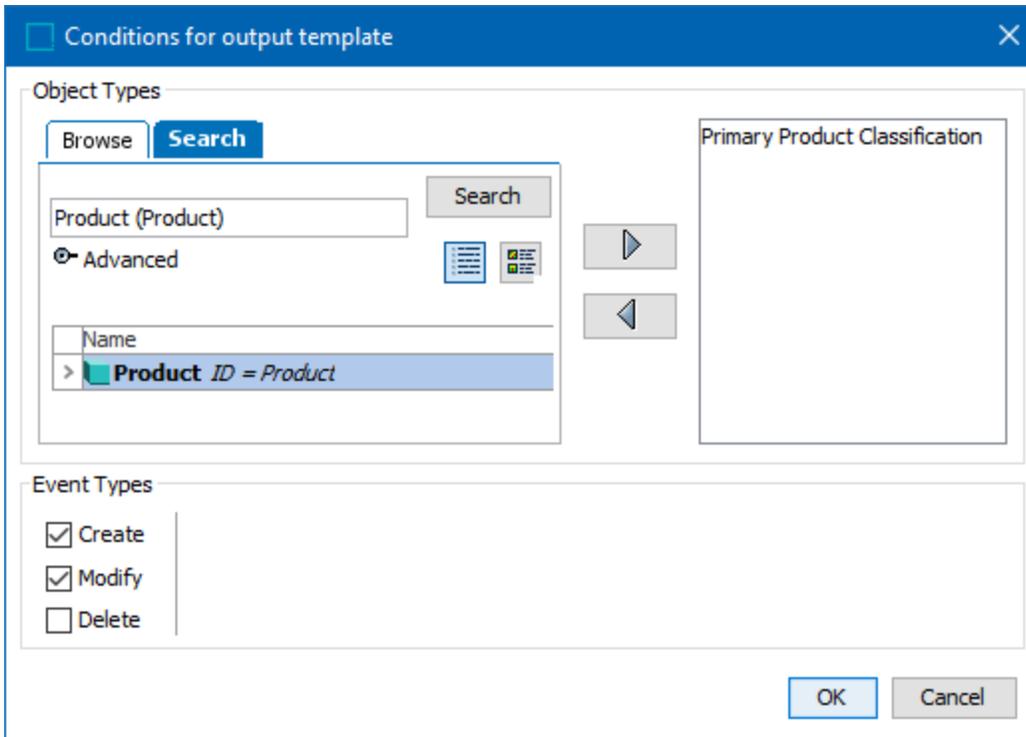


- Open the Output Templates flipper and click into the **Object-Eventtype** parameter value to display an ellipsis button (...).



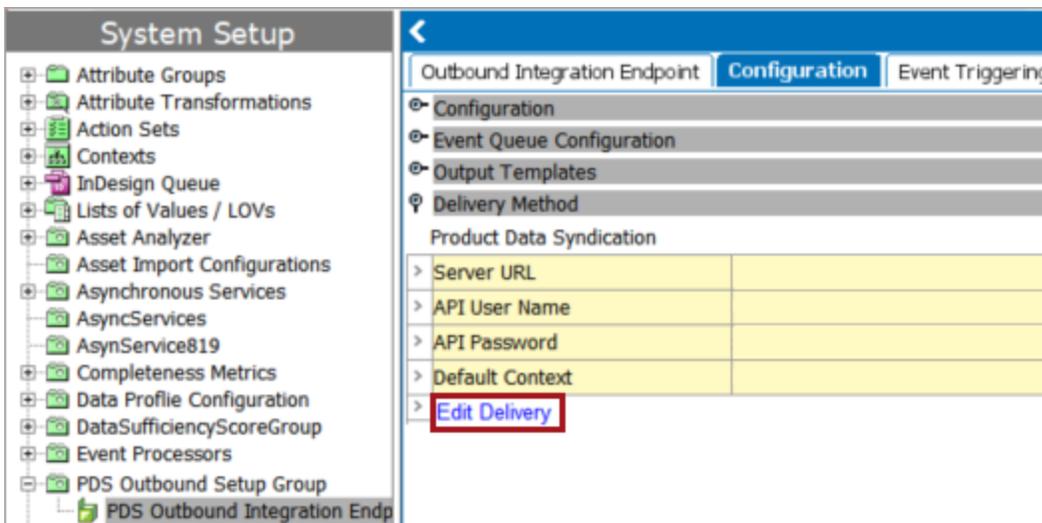
- Click the ellipsis button (...) to display the 'Conditions for output template' dialog and modify the object types and event types to export to PDS. Click the **OK** button to update the output template.

For more information, see the **Configure the Object Types and Event Types** section of the **OIEP - Event-Based - Output Templates Flipper** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

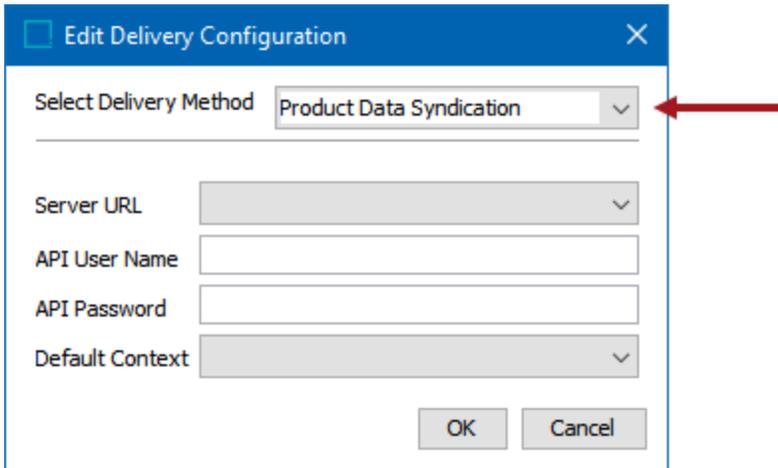


**Note:** The default Advanced STEPXML format template can be modified if necessary, as required to include product reference metadata, defined in the **Optional Product References Metadata Export Setup** section below.

8. Open the Delivery Method flipper and click the **Edit Delivery** link.



- On the Edit Delivery Configuration dialog, configure the 'Product Data Syndication' delivery method to establish the connection from STEP to PDS. For details, see the **Product Data Syndication Delivery Method** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.



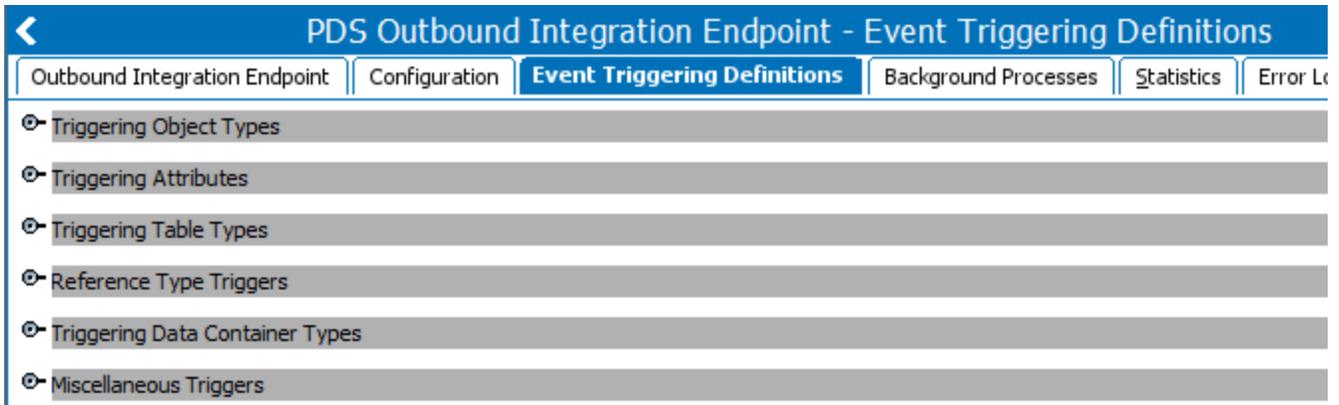
The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Edit Delivery Configuration" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The "Select Delivery Method" dropdown menu is set to "Product Data Syndication" and is highlighted by a red arrow. Below this are four input fields: "Server URL" (a dropdown menu), "API User Name" (a text box), "API Password" (a text box), and "Default Context" (a dropdown menu). At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

Updates made in the previous steps are displayed on the 'Configuration' tab, under the 'Configuration' flipper, 'Output Templates' flipper, and 'Delivery Method' flipper.

**Note:** The API User Name / API Password credentials for the PDS OIEP and PDS IIEP are not necessarily the same credentials that are needed to log into the PDS system. The API User Name and API Password credentials can be obtained by contacting your PDS representative.

Outbound Integration Endpoint	Configuration	Event Triggering Definitions	Background Process
<b>Configuration</b>			
Process Engine	STEP Exporter		
Error reporter	Not Defined		
Schedule	Start every minute		
Queue for endpoint	OutboundQueue		
Queue for endpoint processes	Out		
Transactional settings	Strict		
Number of threads	1		
Maximum number of waiting processes	1		
Maximum number of old processes	100		
Maximum age of old processes	1w		
Contexts	English US		
Workspace	Approved		
<b>Event Queue Configuration</b>			
Event Actions: <input type="button" value="Forward"/> <input type="button" value="Rewind"/> <input type="button" value="Purge"/> <input type="button" value="Republish"/>			
> Days to retain events	0		
> Number of events to batch	1000		
> Number of event batches to include per delivery	1		
> Queue Status	Discard Events		
> Unread events (approximated)	<input type="button" value="Click to estimate ..."/>		
<a href="#">Edit Configuration</a>			
<b>Output Templates</b>			
Object-Eventtype	Format	Pre-Processor	Post-Processor
> Case, Item, Level 1, Level ...	Advanced STEPXML	PDS Outbound Preprocessor	None
<a href="#">Add configuration</a>			
<b>Delivery Method</b>			
Product Data Syndication			
> Server URL	https://api.pds.stibosystems.com		
> API User Name	adminuser		
> API Password	xxxxxxxx		
> Default Context	English US		
<a href="#">Edit Delivery</a>			

- On the 'Event Triggering Definitions' tab, select the necessary actions that should trigger events for this OIEP. For more information, see the **OIEP - Event-Based - Event Triggering Definitions Tab** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.



**Note:** When using either of the setups defined in the following sections, reference types must be set as triggers. For more information, see the **Packaging Hierarchy Information Export Setup** section or the **1WorldSync Composite Attribute Values Export Setup** section below.

11. Enable the endpoint as described in the **Running an Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic of the **Data Exchange** documentation.

## Multi-Language Syndication Configuration

Users that want to syndicate product master data from STEP to PDS in multiple languages can do so by selecting 'Context splitter' from the Post-Processor dropdown menu, located in the Output Templates parameter. The language is retrieved from the selected context; this language must have a locale configuration.

To configure the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint for multi-language syndication:

1. Confirm that step 5 from the 'Required Manual Setup' section located earlier in this topic has been completed and more than one context has been selected.
2. Click the ellipsis button (...) to open the Select Post-Processor window, and from the dropdown menu, select "Context splitter." Users also have the ability to copy inherited product value.

**PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint - Configuration**

Outbound Integration Endpoint | **Configuration** | Event Triggering Definitions | Background Processes | Statistics

Configuration

Event Queue Configuration

Event Actions: Forward | Rewind | Purge | Republish

> Days to retain events	7
> Number of events to batch	1000
> Number of event batches to include per d...	1
> Queue Status	Read Events
> Unread events (approximated)	Click to estimate ...

Edit Configuration

Output Templates

Object-Eventtype	Format	Pre-Processor	Post-Processor
> Cage, Carton, DOBox, DOSet, Pack, Pallet,...	Advanced STEP...	PDS Outbound Preproce...	None

Add configuration

Delivery Method

Product Data

Server URL

API User Name

API Password

Default Context

Edit Delivery Method

Select Post Processor

Configure PostProcessor: Context splitter

- No post-processing
- Context splitter**
- Copy Context Dependent Values and References

Copy inherited product values: Yes

The Context Splitter generates an export file for each context specified in the Wizard. Each file contains context specific data.

OK Cancel

- In the Delivery Method parameter, click 'Edit Delivery' and choose a Default Context. In this example, the user has selected 'English'; this is the language send to PDS as the default language. All other contexts / languages not marked as the default context are exported following the default language.

**Note:** Because PDS operates with English as the default language, it is recommended that users select an English - based language for the Default Context. If a language is selected for the Default Context that is not English - based (e.g., Spanish), then the output would display Spanish data for the English language in PDS.

**Delivery Method**

Product Data Syndication

> Server URL	https://api.pds.stibosystems.com
> API User Name	adminuser
> API Password	xxxxxxxx
> Default Context	English US
> <a href="#">Edit Delivery</a>	

---

Edit Delivery Configuration ✕

Select Delivery Method: Product Data Syndication

Server URL: https://api.pds.stibosystems.com

API User Name: adminuser

API Password: ●●●●●●●●

Default Context: English US

## Packaging Hierarchy Information Export Setup

The Packaging component model allows you to send products in a packaging hierarchy (e.g., pallet-to-case-to-pack) to PDS and also include this hierarchy in PDS. The activated and configured packaging reference types determine the packaging data exported to PDS.

If your products do not need the packaging hierarchy in PDS, this setup is not necessary.

### Configuration

1. If necessary, complete the Packaging component setup as defined in **Configuring the Packaging Component in STEP Workbench** under the **Web User Interfaces** documentation.
2. Edit the PDS OIEP triggering definitions as follows to determine the STEP data activity that causes events to be sent to PDS. At a minimum, one Object Type trigger must be set before the OIEP can be enabled.

On the Event Triggering Definitions tab, set triggers for the identified packaging reference types. For more information, see the **OIEP - Event-Based - Event Triggering Definitions Tab** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

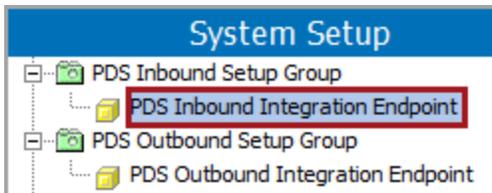
3. Enable and invoke the PDS OIEP (manually or on schedule) as described in the **Running an Outbound Integration Endpoint** topic of the **Data Exchange** documentation.

# PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint Configuration

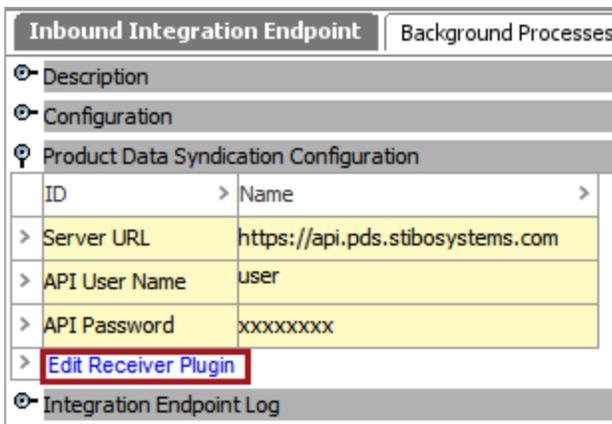
The PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint (IIEP) is used to receive the PDS status information for integrated products.

The PDS IIEP includes a number of preset parameters to reduce the setup required. However, the following updates are necessary for the IIEP to work with your data model.

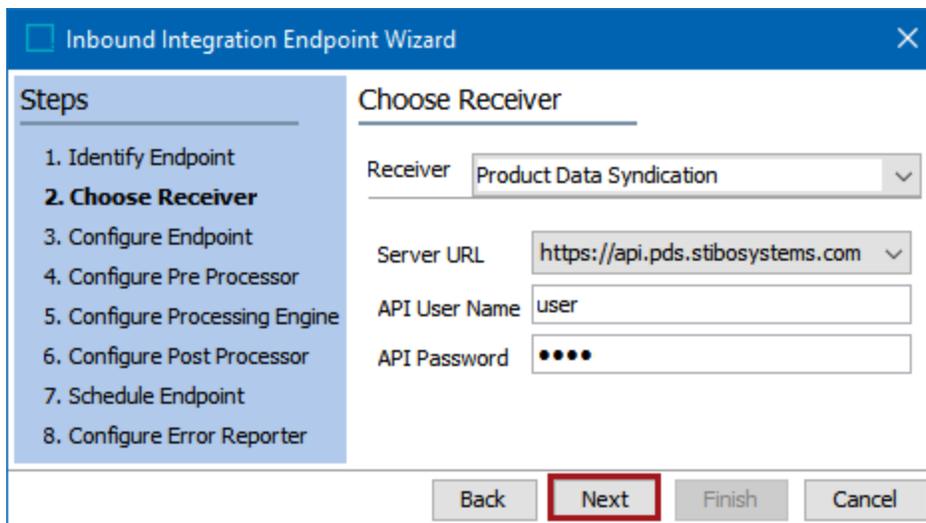
1. In the System Setup > PDS Inbound Setup Group node, open the **PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint**.



2. Display the 'Inbound Integration Endpoint' tab.
3. Open the 'Product Data Syndication Configuration' flipper and click the **Edit Receiver Plugin** link.



4. On the Inbound Integration Endpoint Wizard dialog, configure the 'Product Data Syndication' receiver option and click the **Next** button.



**Inbound Integration Endpoint Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Identify Endpoint
- 2. Choose Receiver**
3. Configure Endpoint
4. Configure Pre Processor
5. Configure Processing Engine
6. Configure Post Processor
7. Schedule Endpoint
8. Configure Error Reporter

**Choose Receiver**

Receiver: Product Data Syndication

Server URL: https://api.pds.stibosystems.com

API User Name: user

API Password: ●●●●

Buttons: Back, **Next**, Finish, Cancel

For details, see the **Product Data Syndication Receiver** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.

5. On the Inbound Integration Endpoint Wizard, update the following parameters:
  - Ensure the 'Processing Engine' parameter is set to **Product Data Syndication** and 'Transactional settings' is set to **None**.
  - Set 'Context' parameter as required for your inbound data. The Workspace must remain set to 'Main' since new data can only be added to this workspace. For more information, see the **IIEP - Configure Endpoint** topic in the **Data Exchange** documentation.
  - Click the **Next** button repeatedly until the Schedule Endpoint step displays.

**Important:** Consider the time zone of the application server compared to that of the workbench (the client) where the schedule is created or viewed. When scheduling a job, the local time zone is displayed in the workbench, but the time zone of the server is used to run the background process. Although displayed, the time zone of the client is not included in the instruction to the server to run the job. This can cause confusion about when the job will run since the scheduled time is not automatically converted to accommodate potential differences in time zones.

**Inbound Integration Endpoint Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Identify Endpoint
2. Choose Receiver
- 3. Configure Endpoint**
4. Configure PreProcessor
5. Configure Processing Engine
  - 5.1. Configuration
6. Configure PostProcessor
7. Schedule Endpoint
8. Configure Error Reporter

**Configure Endpoint**

**Processing**

Processing Engine: Product Data Syndication

Transactional settings: None

**Context**

Workspace: Main

Context: English US

**Queue Settings**

Queue for endpoint: InboundQueue

Queue for endpoint processes: In

Maximum number of waiting processes: 1000

Maximum number of old processes: 100

Maximum age of old processes: 1w

Number of messages per background process: 1

Buttons: Back, **Next**, Finish, Cancel

6. On the Schedule Endpoint step, set the desired schedule and click the **Finish** button.

**Inbound Integration Endpoint Wizard**

**Steps**

1. Identify Endpoint
2. Choose Receiver
3. Configure Endpoint
4. Configure PreProcessor
5. Configure Processing Engine
  - 5.1. Configuration
6. Configure PostProcessor
- 7. Schedule Endpoint**
8. Configure Error Reporter

**Schedule Endpoint**

**Start**

Never
  **Every** 1 minutes
  Weekly
  Monthly
  Later

Start every minute

Buttons: Back, Next, **Finish**, Cancel

Updates made in the previous steps are displayed in the 'Configuration' and 'Product Data Syndication Configuration' flippers.

← PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint rev.0.2 - Inbound Integr

**Inbound Integration Endpoint** | Background Processes | Statistics | Error Log Exc

⊖ Description

⊖ Configuration

Pre-Processor	No pre-processing
Process Engine	Product Data Syndication
Post-Processor	No post-processing
Error reporter	Not Defined
Schedule	Start every minute <input type="button" value="..."/>
Queue for endpoint	InboundQueue
Queue for endpoint processes	In
Transactional settings	None
Maximum number of old processes	100
Maximum age of old processes	1 week
Number of messages per background process	1
Contexts	defaultcontext
Workspace	Main

> [Edit Configuration](#)

⊖ Product Data Syndication Configuration

ID	Name
> Server URL	https://api.pds.stibosystems.com
> API User Name	user
> API Password	xxxxxxxx

> [Edit Receiver Plugin](#)

⊖ Integration Endpoint Log

7. Enable the endpoint as described in the **Running an Inbound Integration Endpoint** topic of the **Data Exchange** documentation.

After successful setup, and invocation, PDS product status information can be seen on the Data Containers tab of the product editor.

# Referenced Object Metadata as PDS Composite Attributes

Using specific tags within Advanced STEPXML as defined on the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint (OIEP), users can export metadata on product, image and document, and entity reference types from STEP to PDS. Once exported, reference metadata values will display as part of a composite attribute in PDS. With this additional information, users within PDS are able to access and utilize more detailed information regarding references of products exported to PDS.

**Note:** Although a product reference type is used in the example below, the setup in workbench will be the same regardless of whether the user is exporting product, image and document, and/or entity reference types metadata to PDS. However, the STEPXML tags will differ, depending on the reference type. For more information regarding tags in STEPXML, see the **STEPXML Tags and Examples** topic in the **STEPXML** documentation.

## Prerequisites

While this topic will provide an overview of the steps /configurations required to export metadata on various references types, it is expected that anyone exporting metadata from references to PDS have an overall understanding of the following topics:

- References and Link Types
- Product Data Syndication
- Advanced STEPXML Format

## Exporting Metadata on Reference Types

Users can export metadata from reference types to PDS as part of a composite attribute by including specific STEPXML tags within the Advanced STEPXML format. Before exporting metadata on a reference type to PDS, a reference type (in this example, a product reference type) must first be configured.

1. Create a product reference type. In this example, the user has created a product reference type with the ID and Name 'Product to Product Case.' Note the highlighted valid attribute 'CaseSupplier.' The 'CaseSupplier' attribute will contain the metadata on the product reference type.

**System Setup**

- Inbound Integration Endpoints
- List Process Configurations
- List Processing Configurations
- Match Codes and Matching Algorithms
- Metrics
- Outbound Integration Endpoints
- PDS Inbound Setup Group
- PDS Outbound Setup Group
  - PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint
- Status Flags
- Sufficiencies 1
- ValueGenerators
- Web UIs
- Wiki Setup Group
- Workflow Profiles
- Workflows
- Derived Events
- Object Types & Structures
- Tags
- Units
- Users & Groups
- Reference Types
  - Product Reference Types
    - BicycleWheel
    - Case To Child
    - DC\_Reference\_Type
    - Product To Package
    - Product to Product Case**
    - Product to Product Power

**Reference Type** | Validity | Log

**Description**

Name	Value
ID	Product to Product Case
Name	Product to Product Case
Last edited by	2020-11-03 16:13:04.0 by USERK
Externally Maintained	No
Dimension Dependencies	
Allow multiple references	Yes
Mandatory	No
Inheritance	None
Attribute Completeness Score	123
Completeness Score	123

**In Attribute Groups**

ID	Name
<a href="#">Add Attribute Group</a>	

**Valid Attributes**

ID
<b>CaseSupplier</b>
<a href="#">Add Attribute</a>

- Make the newly created product reference type 'Product to Product Case' valid on the product you would like to export to PDS. In the example below, the user has made the 'Product to Product Case' reference type, with a target of 'Hard Case for Bose SoundLink Micro Bluetooth Speaker,' valid for the product 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black).' The attribute 'Case Supplier' has four metadata values (Aenllosi, SKB, Gator, Penguin) for this reference. The goal is to make these metadata values part of a composite attribute within PDS once the 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)' is exported to PDS.

The screenshot displays the 'References' section for the product 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black) rev.0.85'. The interface is divided into a 'Tree' view on the left and a main 'References' table on the right. The 'Tree' view shows a hierarchical structure of product categories, with 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)' selected. The 'References' table has tabs for 'Product', 'Data Containers', 'Sub Products', 'References', 'Referenced By', and 'Images & Documents'. The 'References' tab is active, showing a table with columns for 'Reference Type', 'Target', and 'CaseSupplier'. Two rows are visible: one for 'Product to Product Case' pointing to 'Hard Case for Bose SoundLink Micro Bluetooth Speaker' with suppliers 'Aenlosi', 'SKB', 'Gator', and 'Penguin'; and another for 'Product to Product Po...' pointing to 'BOSE\_BT\_PowerAdapters'.

Reference Type	Target	CaseSupplier
> Product to Product Case +	Hard Case for Bose SoundLink Micro Bluetooth Speaker	Aenlosi SKB Gator Penguin
> Product to Product Po... +	BOSE_BT_PowerAdapters	

3. In the Advanced STEPXML format template, include the following tags, as shown in the example below.

**Note:** The example presented in Step three is only a portion of the Advanced STEPXML template, and not the entire template.

4. Using the PDS OIEP, export the selected product to PDS.

The product 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black),' along with the metadata on the 'Product to Product Case' reference type, has been exported to PDS.

The image directly below shows how the composite attribute would be presented in PDS. Note that the title of the composite attribute is titled 'Product to Product Case,' based on the ID of the product reference type.

✕ Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)

Summary
Product attributes
Packaging
Product variants
Digital assets

Ungrouped attributes

<b>PrimaryProductImage *</b>	BTImage1 <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px;">1</span>
<b>Product to Product Case *</b>	AenIlosi SKB Gator Penguin <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px;">1</span>
<b>ProdMFG *</b>	Bose

For more information on the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint, see the **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic.

## Assigning an Alternative Title for Reference Types and Metadata Attributes within PDS

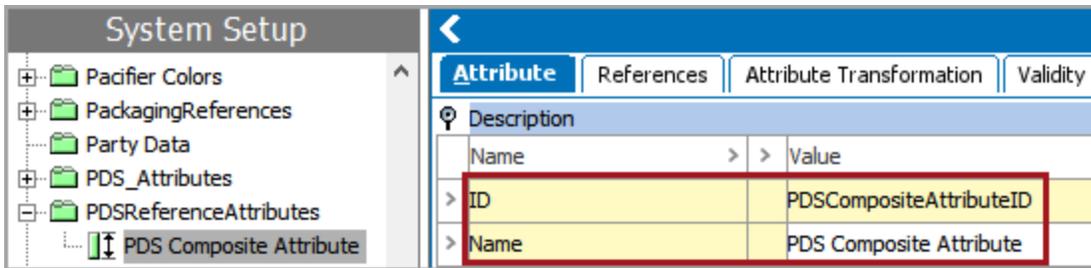
By default, composite attributes made up of reference type metadata are titled based on the ID of the reference type that contains the metadata, i.e., in the example above, the title of the composite attribute in PDS would be the ID of the reference type, 'Product to Product Case.' However, users may want the composite attribute that contains the reference type metadata to have a different title. This can be achieved by assigning the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute to the reference type.

The following configuration steps must be performed to set up and use the 'PDS Composite Attribute ID' attribute:

- First, a description attribute must be created. The ID of this attribute must be added to the **PDSDelivery.CompositeAttributeID=[attribute\_id]** property in the sharedconfig.properties file on your STEP application server. For example:

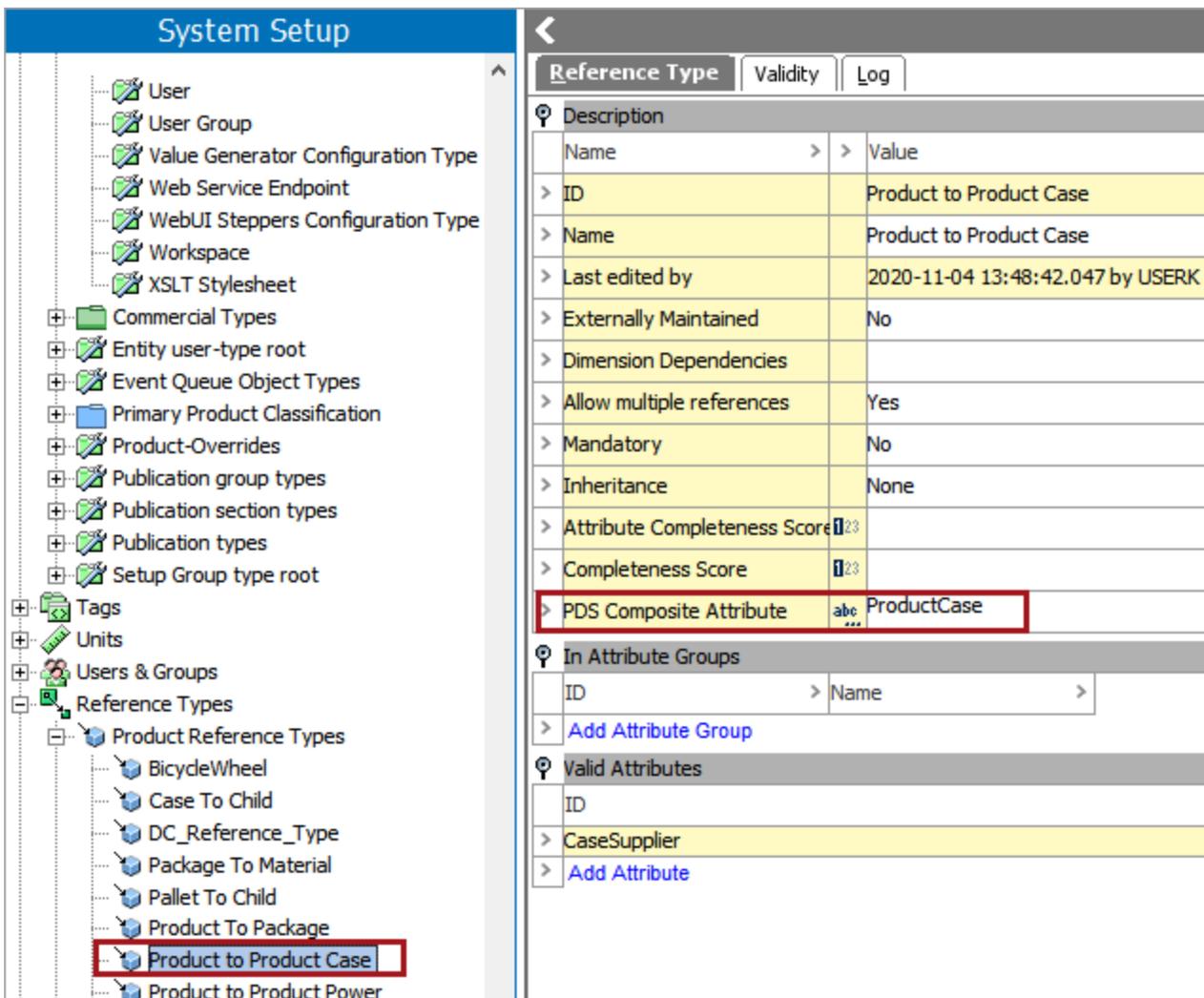
```
PDSDelivery.CompositeAttributeID=PDSCompositeAttributeID
```

The 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute can be given any ID or name and can be created anywhere in your system. In this example, the name of the attribute is 'PDS Composite Attribute' and the ID of the attribute is 'PDSCompositeAttributeID' and has been created within an attribute group named 'PDSReferenceAttributes.'

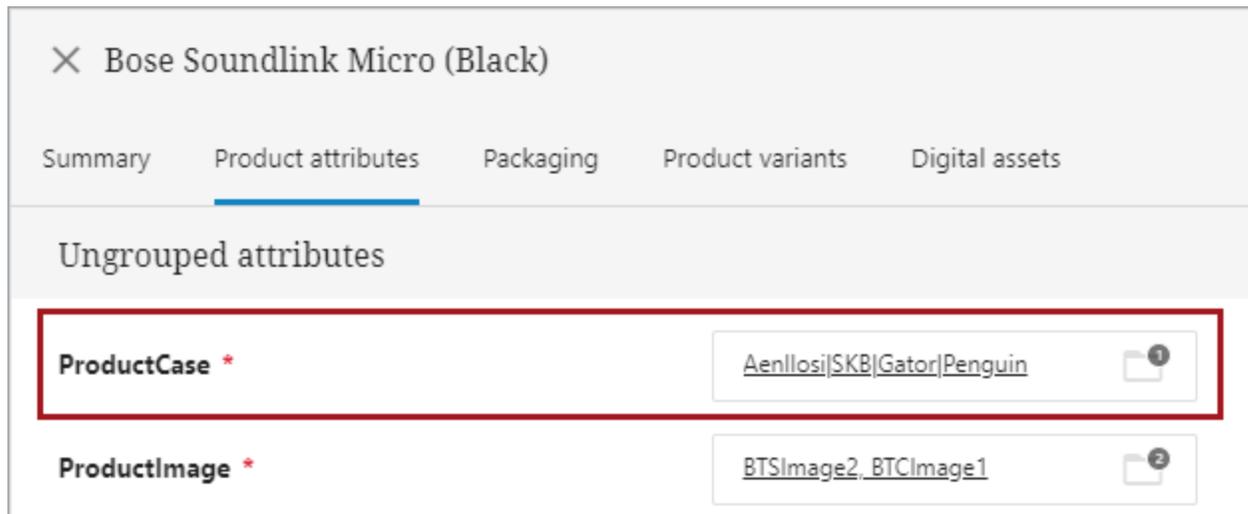


- The attribute must be made valid on the Reference-Type (Reference-Type user-type root) object type, which is located in System Setup under Object Types & Structures > Basic Object Types.

Once the bulleted items listed above are implemented, create a value for the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute, which will now be included as a description attribute within the 'Product to Product Case' reference type. In the example below, the user has assigned the value 'ProductCase' to the 'PDS Composite Attribute.'



With the 'PDS Composite Attribute' now assigned a value, when the 'Bose Soundlink Micro' (Black) product is exported to PDS, the composite attribute on the 'Product to Product Case' reference will be titled 'ProductCase,' based on the value of the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute.



For more information on the PDS Status Attribute Group attributes, see the **PDS Channel Status Monitoring** section of this documentation. For more information on creating attributes, see the **Creating Attributes** topic in the **System Setup** documentation.

## Assigning an Alternative Title for an Attribute that is Part of a PDS Composite Attribute

Just as the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute can be used to create an alternate title for a reference type that is exported to PDS, it can also be used to create an alternative ID for an attribute that is part of a composite attribute.

**Note:** To assign an alternative title for an attribute that is part of a PDS Composite Attribute, the attribute must be made valid on the Attribute (stibo.normalattribute) object type.

As an example, the image below shows the product 'Bose BTS Hard Case' with 'ProductDimensions' as one of its attributes:

### Tree

- Assets
- Classifications
- Configurations
- eClass 11.0.1
  - Index Words
- UNSPSC
- Target Markets
- Publications
- Primary Product Hierarchy
  - All Products Mfg. Co.
    - Air Care
    - Appliances
    - Hair Care
    - Oral Care
    - Personal Cleansing
    - Bluetooth Speakers
      - Bose
        - Bose Soundlink Micro
          - Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)
        - BluetoothSpeakerCases
          - BoseBlueToothSpeakerCases
            - Bose BTS Hard Case**

<
Product
Data Containers
Sub Products
References
Referenced By

? Description

Name	Value
> ID	154009
> Name	Bose BTS Hard Case
> Object Type	Product
> Revision	0.14 Last edited by USERK on Mon Mar 01 11:42:13 EST 2021
> Approved	✓ Approved on Mon Mar 01 11:42:13 EST 2021
> Translation	Not Translated
> Path	Primary Product Hierarchy/All Products Mfg. Co.
> Custom	abc
> Allergy Tested	

⊖ GDSN Mandatory Attributes

? Bose Bluetooth Speaker Attributes

Name	Value
> ColorOptions	Black
> ItemWeight	123 3.2 oz
> ModelName	abc Bose BTS Hard Case
> ProductDimensions	12a 4.5 x 4.4 x 2.5 in

Because the 'Bose BTS Hard Case' product is referenced by the 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)' product using the 'Product to Product Case' reference type (as detailed earlier in this topic), when the Bose Soundlink Micro (Black) is exported to PDS, the 'ProductDimensions' attribute will be displayed as such:

## Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)

ID: 154004

Path: Master data / ProductCase

Description:

PRODUCTCASE/CASESUPPLIER\* ▼

PRODUCTCASE/ITEMWEIGHT\* ▼

PRODUCTCASE/PRODUCTDIMENSIONS\* ▼

<input type="checkbox"/> Aenllosi SKB Gator Penguin	3.2 oz	4.5 x 4.4 x 2.5 in
-----------------------------------------------------	--------	--------------------

However, if the user needed the title of the attribute to be something different than the ID of the attribute itself, a value could be assigned to the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute, as shown in the example below:

The screenshot shows the 'System Setup' interface. On the left, a tree view under 'Attribute Groups' has 'ProductDimensions' highlighted with a red box. On the right, the 'Attribute' tab is active, showing a table of attribute details. The 'PDS Composite Attribute' row is highlighted with a red box, showing the value 'ProductSize'.

Attribute		References	Attribute Transformation	Validity
Description				
Name	>	>	Value	
ID			ProductDimensions	
Name			ProductDimensions	
Last edited by			2021-03-01 12:05:19 by USERK	
Full Text Indexable			No	
Externally Maintained			No	
Hierarchical Filtering			None	
Calculated			No	
Type			Specification	
Dimension Dependencies				
Mandatory			No	
Translation			Not Translated	
eCl@ss Synonym		abc		
PDS Composite Attribute		abc	ProductSize	
Validation Error Message		abc		

With the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute assigned a value (in this case, 'ProductSize'), the attribute, once exported along with the product, would instead be displayed as shown in the image below:

The screenshot shows the product details for 'Bose Soundlink Micro (Black)' with ID 154004. The 'Description' section shows three attribute values: 'PRODUCTCASE/CASESUPPLIER\*', 'PRODUCTCASE/ITEMWEIGHT\*', and 'PRODUCTCASE/PRODUCTSIZE\*'. The 'PRODUCTCASE/PRODUCTSIZE\*' value is highlighted with a red box. Below, the product details table shows the value '4.5 x 4.4 x 2.5 in' for the 'PRODUCTCASE/PRODUCTSIZE\*' attribute.

Description:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PRODUCTCASE/CASESUPPLIER* ▾	PRODUCTCASE/ITEMWEIGHT* ▾
<input type="checkbox"/>	PRODUCTCASE/PRODUCTSIZE* ▾	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aenllosi SKB Gator Penguin	3.2 oz
<input type="checkbox"/>		4.5 x 4.4 x 2.5 in

The 'ProductDimensions' attribute is now identified within PDS by the value assigned to the 'PDS Composite Attribute' attribute, 'ProductSize.'

For information on how to make an attribute valid on the Attribute object type and the Reference object type, see the **Attribute Metadata on Attributes** topic in the **Attributes** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation. The steps for making an attribute valid on the Reference object type are the same as those used for making an attribute valid on the Attribute object type.

For information regarding Reference and Link Types, see the **Reference and Link Types** topic in the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

For more information regarding Advanced STEPXML, see the **Advanced STEPXML Format** topic in the **Data Formats** documentation.

# PDS Channel Status Monitoring

Status information related to products sent to PDS via STEP, as well as products added / submitted to channels in PDS, can be viewed and monitored in the **PDS Status Data Container** in the workbench and within the **PDS Channel Status** component in the Web UI.

The PDS Status Data Container is located within the **PDS Status Attribute Group**, which also contains the PDS status attributes that are valid for the PDS Status Data Container. These attributes are used to monitor the send and receive status of products between STEP and PDS, including the relevant PDS channel statuses. The data container and attributes are created automatically when the PDS integration is activated, and rows within the data container are added as products are submitted to PDS from STEP and from PDS to channels.

**Note:** While the PDS Data Container within the workbench and the PDS Channel Status component in the Web UI may be referred to separately in this documentation section, details will be relevant for both unless otherwise noted, as function and output are similar.

This documentation section includes the following topics related to the monitoring of PDS channel statuses:

- PDS Status Data Container Configuration
- PDS Channel Status Web UI Component
- PDS Channel Status Monitoring in Web UI

**Note:** This documentation section assumes that users have a basic understanding of data containers. For more information on data containers, see the **Data Containers** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

# PDS Status Data Container Configuration

The PDS Status Data Container displays information relevant to:

- Products that are submitted from STEP to the master data list in PDS
- Products that are submitted from PDS to specific stand-alone channels (e.g., Amazon, Walmart), and group channels (e.g., 1WorldSync)
- Acceptance / rejection statuses received back from the channels within PDS

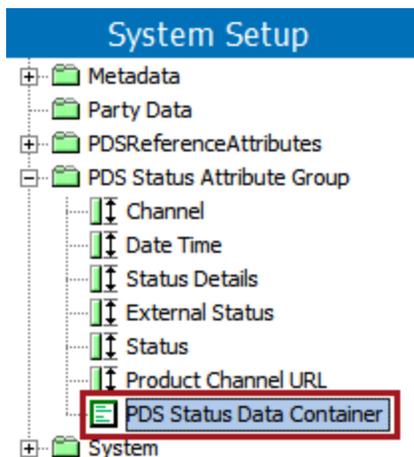
This topic provides information on:

- How to configure the PDS Status Data Container in STEP Workbench
- The attributes that make up the PDS Status Data Container
- How the data container functions when products are submitted to PDS and when status messages are returned from PDS

## Configuring the PDS Status Data Container

The PDS Status Data Container is created automatically when the PDS integration is activated on your STEP system. To configure it for initial use, follow these steps:

1. In System Setup, open the 'Attribute Groups' node, select 'PDS Status Attribute Group' and click 'PDS Status Data Container.'



2. On the Validity tab, make the data container valid for the product object types that will be integrated with PDS.
3. Optionally, restrict the data container to specified hierarchies. Select the 'Data Container Types' tab, click the 'Restriction' parameter and set it to 'Validity restricted to hierarchies.' On the 'References' tab, select the required classification or product hierarchies.

For more information regarding configuring data containers, see the **Setting Up Data Container Types in Workbench** topic in the **Data Containers** section of the **System Setup / Super User Guide** documentation.

## Viewing PDS Status Data Containers in the Workbench

In the product editor, valid object types display a 'Data Containers' tab and contain a flipper for the PDS Status Container. No data containers will display beneath the flipper until the product is initially submitted to PDS.

The example below displays a PDS Status Data Container in the workbench that includes pertinent channel names, date and times of product submission, status of products, the URL where the specific product is located, and any relevant status messages. The ID column contains the ID of the data container, which does not display in the Web UI PDS Channel Status component.

Product	Data Containers	References	Referenced By	Images & Documents	Commercial	Tables	Proof View	Status	State Log	Tasks
HazardWarningSufficiency										
MultiDataContainer										
PDS Status Data Container										
>	ID	Channel	Date Time	External Status	Product Channel URL	Status	Status Details	>		
>	0a64385b-45...	Canada	2020-01-03 15:05:02		https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-channel#CA	Progress		>		
>	0bb681b9-71...	Pierre's Bistro	2020-01-10 10:40:10	GDSN Status: Registration sent	https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-pool-channel#FR#1597930042136	Submitted		>		
>	186f3b9b-8c...	Franklin's	2020-01-10 10:40:10	GDSN Status: Registration sent	https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-pool-channel#US#4531620868238	Submitted		>		
>	1bb38e15-f8...	1WorldSync Pre-Prod	2020-01-10 10:40:10		https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-pool-channel	Progress		>		
>	2b84ad93-aa...	Bozzutos	2020-01-08 10:39:43	GDSN Status: Registration sent	https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-channel#DK#1100001001118	Submitted		>		
>	5e78d896-49f...	Added to PDS	2020-01-03 14:24:07					>		
>	8895b8f8-806...	Amazon	2020-01-03 14:55:19		https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/amazon-afs-channel	Rejected		>		
>	8bd4419a-b9...	Jungle Jim's	2020-01-10 10:40:10	GDSN Status: Registration sent	https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-pool-channel#US#9643296662920	Submitted		>		
>	9bb89c10-37...	ACME	2020-01-09 13:52:37		https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/acme-channel	Accepted		>		
>	bb3aa1af-1b...	United Kingdom	2020-01-10 10:40:10		https://pds-qa.stibosystems.com/#/products/143801/channels/1worldsync-pool-channel#GB	Multiple		>		

For more information about the functionality of PDS Status Data Containers, see the 'Functionality of the PDS Data Container' subsection below.

## PDS Status Data Container Attributes

The attributes found in the PDS Status Data Container are the same attributes contained within the PDS Status Attribute Group. The PDS Status Container comes pre-configured with these attributes. Their descriptions and functions are as follows:

- **Channel** (PDS Channel): Indicates the name of the channel in which an action has taken place. When a product is initially submitted to PDS, the Channel field does not display the name of a channel but instead contains the value 'Added to PDS.' In the Web UI PDS Channel Status component, the Channel attribute also contains the link to the product URL. For further information regarding the product URL link, see the **PDS Channel Status Web UI Component** topic.
- **Date Time** (PDS Date Time): Specifies when an action (such as a product submission to channel) has occurred. By default, the time and date is displayed in the ISO format.

- **External Status** (PDS External Status): Indicates status of products submitted to a channel. These messages are generally channel-specific. Depending on the channel, a higher level of detailed information may be displayed than the information presented in the Status attribute text field.
- **Product Channel URL** (PDS Product Channel URL): Displays the URL of the product in PDS. In the workbench, the URL can be copied and then pasted into a browser to access the specific product's location. In the Web UI the Product Channel URL attribute can be added to the PDS Channel Status component, but is not necessary as a link is automatically provided in the Channel attribute.
- **Status** (PDS Status): Indicates both status of a product added and submitted to a channel. This is the same channel status that can be seen within PDS.
- **Status Details** (PDS Status Details): When applicable, displays pertinent and additional information related to an External Status message e.g., Catalog Item Confirmation (CIC) message details.

## Functionality of the PDS Data Container

The PDS Status Data Container is empty until a product is submitted to PDS. Since the PDS Status Data Container is configured to allow multiple data containers, multiple data containers will be added as products flow back and forth between STEP and PDS and their statuses are updated.

New rows are added to the data container when:

- A product is sent from STEP Workbench to PDS via the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint.
- A product is added to a PDS channel.

Rows are updated within the data container when a change of status is received from PDS via the PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint. Generally, these updates are due to a product being submitted to a channel within PDS or messages from channels, e.g., a submitted or rejected product message.

For more information on the PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint, see the **PDS Outbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic.

For more information on the PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint, see the **PDS Inbound Integration Endpoint Configuration** topic.

**Important:** Adding a product to a channel and submitting a product to a channel are two different actions. Adding a product to a channel is when the product within the master data list in PDS is added to a channel. Submitting a product to a channel is when a product that has already been added to a channel within PDS is submitted to a channel outside of PDS, meaning product data is being sent out of PDS to the receiving systems.

## Viewing PDS Status Data Containers in the Web UI

Though initially configured in STEP Workbench, end users will typically view the contents of the PDS Status Data Container in the Web UI, using the 'PDS Channel Status' component. For more information on the configuration of this component and how it is used to monitor PDS channel status, see the **PDS Channel Status Web UI Component** topic.

# PDS Channel Status Web UI Component

The PDS Channel Status Web UI component is used to track the status of products as they are submitted between STEP, PDS, and channels into which PDS sends data. Users that have a PDS integration in their STEP system have access to the PDS Channel Status in the Web UI. Provided users are also logged into their PDS system, users can directly access a given product via a link located in the PDS Channel Status Web UI component.

**Note:** This topic assumes that you are familiar with the Web UI Designer and basic Web UI component configurations. For more information, see the **Design Mode Basics** topic in the **Web UI Getting Started** documentation.

## Configuring the PDS Channel Status Web UI Component

The PDS Channel Status Web UI component can be added to the Web UI as a component on a Node Details screen or a row within a Node Editor.

For more information on adding a row to a Node Editor, see the **Node Editor Component** topic in the **Using a Web UI** documentation.

For more information on adding a component to a Node Details screen, see the **Node Details Screen** topic in the **Using a Web UI** documentation.

The PDS Channel Status Properties window comes pre-configured with the Data Container Type, Title, and Attributes necessary to use the PDS Channel Status component. No other configuration is necessary.

It is important to note that a title value entered for the PDS Channel Status component, either default or custom, will only display when added as a row in a Node Editor.

**Note:** Before entering a custom title, it is important to know the title parameter offers i18n key functionality. Presence of an i18n key indicates that the field can be included in extraction for external translation, and that a value has not been manually populated. Once a value has been manually populated within the designer, it is no longer available for extraction unless the manual value is removed and the configuration saved, closed, and then reopened. Customers planning to pursue or utilize Web UI translations should not overwrite i18n values manually in the designer, and should instead populate texts within the Web UI locale files on the application server. For more information, see the **Localization** topic within the **Administration Portal** documentation.

Properties (edited)  
 Configuration    Web UI style

Channel Status    Save    Close    New...    Delete    Rename    Save as...

**PDS Channel Status Properties**    [go to parent](#)

Component Description    Provides a tabular read-only view of PDS channel statuses for a single product. The component features an option to navigate to the product in PDS in the context of a given PDS channel.

\*Data Container Type    PDS Status Data Container

Title    i18n.stibo.PDSChannelStatus.title

Attributes

- PDS Channel
- PDS Status Details
- PDS Date Time
- PDS External Status
- PDS Status

Add...    Remove    Up    Down

**Child Components**

**Note:** Although the attribute 'Product Channel URL' can be added to the component, it is not necessary as the link for the URL is already included in the 'PDS Channel' column. It is recommended that the pre-configured attributes are left as-is for optimal performance.

## PDS Channel Status Web UI Component Link

The PDS Channel Status Web UI component includes a link to products that have been submitted to a channel within the PDS system. Users that are also logged into their PDS system will be redirected to the relevant product in the context of the channel when clicking the provided link.

Product Details		Channel Status	Reference Editor		
Channel	Date Time	External Status ▼	Status	Status Details	
Added to PDS		2018-11-15 16:00:55			
1WorldSync US		2018-11-15 16:28:15	GDSN Status: Registration sent	Submitted	
1WorldSync PreProd		2018-11-30 16:52:11	GDSN Status: CIC Rejected	Returned	CIC state: Rejected

In the example above, the relevant product has been added to PDS, and within the PDS system, submitted to the 1WorldSync US and the 1WorldSyncPreProd channels. Clicking the URL link button located within the Channel row (the blue box with upward arrow, highlighted in the graphic) opens the product in the channel connected to that link.

For more information regarding the functionality of the PDS Channel Status Web UI component, see the next topic in this documentation section, **PDS Channel Status Monitoring in Web UI**.

# PDS Channel Status Monitoring in Web UI

The PDS Channel Status component can be used to monitor the status of products within the Web UI as they are submitted between STEP, PDS, channels, and when applicable, specific markets and receivers within channels.

For more detailed information regarding PDS channel status monitoring, including configuring the PDS Channel Status Web UI component and the PDS Status Data Container attributes (i.e., Channel, Date Time, Status, etc.), see the **PDS Channel Status Monitoring** topic in the **Product Data Syndication** documentation.

**Note:** Channels are considered as being either a 'stand-alone' or 'group' channel. A stand-alone channel (e.g., Amazon, The Home Depot), does not have target markets / receivers, whereas a 'group' channel (e.g., 1WorldSync) does have target markets / receivers. A market is geographical (i.e., a specific country) and a receiver is a specific retailer. A stand-alone channel will have one product status, while a group channel can contain multiple product statuses regarding product submission, depending on the number of markets / receivers that have had products submitted within the channel.

The image below shows an example of the status of a product that has been added to PDS and then submitted to both stand-alone channels (i.e., ACME and Amazon) and group channels (i.e., 1WorldSync and 1WorldSync Pre-Prod).

Channel	Date Time	Status	Status Details	External Status
Added to PDS	2020-01-03 14:24:07			
▶ 1WorldSync 	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
▶ 1WorldSync Pre-Prod	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
ACME	2020-01-09 13:52:37	Accepted		
Amazon	2020-01-03 14:55:19	Rejected		

Both group channels have dropdown arrows. When these arrows are clicked, the target markets that the product was submitted to within the group channels are revealed.

Channel	Date Time	Status	Status Details	External Status
Added to PDS	2020-01-03 14:24:07			
▼ 1WorldSync	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
▶ Canada	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
▶ Denmark	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
▼ 1WorldSync Pre-Prod	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
▶ France	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
▶ United Kingdom	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
▶ United States of ...	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Multiple		
ACME	2020-01-09 13:52:37	Accepted		
Amazon	2020-01-03 14:55:19	Rejected		

Clicking on the dropdown arrows located next to the target markets (Canada, Denmark, etc.) reveals the receivers within the target markets that the product has been submitted to. In the image below, notice the highlighted blue icon in the 'Canada' row; this icon is a link to the product's URL within PDS and will appear when a channel name, market, or receiver is hovered over.

Channel	Date Time	Status	Status Details	External Status
Added to PDS	2020-01-03 14:24:07			
▼ 1WorldSync	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
▼ Canada 	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
Bunzi Distributi...	2020-01-02 14:17:20	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
▼ Denmark	2020-01-03 15:05:02	Progress		
Bozzutos	2020-01-08 10:39:43	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
▼ 1WorldSync Pre-Prod	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
▼ France	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
Pierre's Bistro	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
▼ United Kingdom	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Progress		
Bobo's Place	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
▼ United States of ...	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Multiple		
Franklin's	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
Jungle Jim's	2020-01-10 10:40:10	Submitted		GDSN Status: Regi...
ACME	2020-01-09 13:52:37	Accepted		
Amazon	2020-01-03 14:55:19	Rejected		

**Note:** If a product is submitted to the same channel more than once but without any changes to attribute values after the initial submission, there will be no change indicated in regards to submission status. Additionally, certain attributes (e.g., packaging size) cannot be changed for a product once the product is submitted to a channel.

## Truncated Status Messages

In the PDS Channel Status component, there will be instances (like the one shown directly above) where the full text of the message will not be displayed. To display this message in full, users can either:

- Hover over the truncated text to see the entire text in a pop-up:

Status Details	
CIC state: Rejected CIC001: Wrong publication type;	
CIC state: Rejected CIC001: Wrong publication type; was new should have been initial item load. Addition Description: Item already exists. Cannot resend as New Corrective action: INITIAL_ITEM_LOAD:Received as new item, please resend as an initial item load CIC013: Retailer issue Corrective action: CONTACT_TRADING_PARTNER:Call or email data recipient"	

- Drag the bottom rule line on the row until the row is large enough to view all the text. Alternatively, the column can be dragged wider.

Status Details	
CIC state: Rejected CIC001: Wrong publication type; was new should have been initial item load. Addition Description: Item already exists. Cannot resend as New Corrective action: INITIAL_ITEM_LOAD:Received as new item, please resend as an initial item load CIC013: Retailer issue Corrective action: CONTACT_TRADING_PARTNER:Call or email data recipient"	

## Catalog Item Confirmation (CIC) Messages

A Catalog Item Confirmation (CIC) message is a GDSN-specific message type that refers to communication between a data recipient and a data source, indicating the status of an item in regards to its standing with the recipient. CIC statuses are displayed within the External Status field and additional details are displayed within the Status Details field.

There are four possible CIC status responses:

**Received:** Item has been received by the recipient and has passed any GDSN validation rules.

**Review:** Item has not been stored in the recipient's system because of validation errors.

**Rejected:** Item will not be stored in the recipient's system. These items will not be sent anymore.

**Synchronized:** Item was successfully stored in the recipient's system.

**Note:** While the above information discusses CIC messages specifically, be aware that different PDS channels may have messages specific to their system and will not necessarily reflect the information within a CIC message.