

# **HOW TO CONFIGURE IDU LIGHT EDITION**

Welcome to IDU-Concept Budgeting and Reporting. You are about to start enjoying our easy-to-use, web-based system which will offer dramatically reduced budget cycles and crystalclear financial information.

We have provided you with a template company and default system configurations to get you up and running immediately. However, to fully maximise your benefit of using IDU-Concept, you should configure the software specifically for your needs. To help you do this, we will provide you with a series of short 'How to' videos.

The configuration process is explained below, with references to the corresponding **'How to videos''**, which will assist you with each step.

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#### **STEP 1: GETTING STARTED**

This video will guide you through how to access and set up IDU-Concept Light. You will receive an email containing an Admin and Client link as well as a licence string. You will need these to get started.



#### **1. Getting Started**



### FOLLOW THE STEPS AND HOW TO VIDEOS

#### **STEP 2: SET UP YOUR ACCOUNTS**

In order to budget and report on your financial information, you will need to set up your **Chart of Accounts** in IDU-Concept.



2. Add accounts

3. Add account attributes

#### **STEP 3: SET UP YOUR COST CENTRES/DEPARTMENTS**

In order to budget for your different cost centres/departments or divisions, you will need to create these in IDU-Concept.



4. Add cost centres/departments



5. Add cost centre/department attributes

## STEP 4: CREATE COST CENTRE/DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT RELATIONSHIPS

In IDU-Concept, budget and actual values are stored at a cost centre/department account level. You will therefore need to create relationships between the relevant cost centres/departments and accounts in order to achieve this.



6. Create cost centre/department account combinations



#### **STEP 5: CREATE STRUCTURES**

This video will show you how to create account structures and cost centre structures within IDU. This will allow you to structure your accounts to represent your income statement and balance sheet in IDU.



#### 7. Create structures

#### **STEP 6: CREATE USER ACCOUNTS**

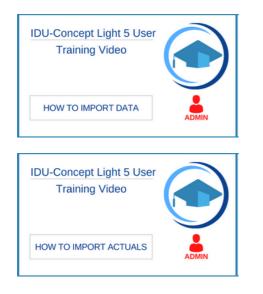
You are now ready to start capturing budgets and doing your reporting from within IDU-Concept. In order for your users to be able to access the system, you will need to create user accounts for them.



#### 8. Add and edit users

#### **STEP 7: IMPORTING DATA INTO IDU**

We have provided import functionality for most of the setup requirements in IDU-Concept, which will help you set up and configure the system. The Reporting module will require you to import your Actual values from your ERP or General Ledger system into IDU-Concept, in order to compare these against your budgeted values.



#### 9. Import data

**10. Import actuals** 



#### **STEP 8: ADD REPORTING PERIODS**

Once you have imported your Actual values, you will need to create/ open the relevant Reporting Periods (i.e. months) in IDU-Concept in order to view the Actual values.



#### **11. Add Reporting periods**

#### **STEP 9: ADD AND EDIT LAYOUT PROFILES**

Layout profiles define which columns of data the end-users will see when in the Budgeting and Reporting modules. We have provided you with default layout profiles. If you need to add additional profiles, take a look at the below video:



#### **12. Add and edit layout profiles**

#### **STEP 10: HOW TO SET UP STANDARD AND FIXED BUDGET TYPES**

Standard and fixed budget types determine the manner in which the budget is captured. **Fixed accounts** are accounts where the IDU administrator pre-populates the values for the cost centre and accounts. These accounts are available for enquiry and form part of the budget, but are not open for any amendment by users.

**Standard accounts** are those accounts that stand alone and are budgeted for per period based on the user's expectation of future expenses.



13. Set up standard and fixed budget types

## STEP 11: IMPORT BUDGET VALUES FOR STANDARD AND FIXED ACCOUNTS

Import budget values into IDU.



14. Import budget values for standard and fixed accounts



#### **STEP 12: BUDGETING USING IDU-CONCEPT**

Your users are now able to log into IDU-Concept in order to capture budgets and do their reporting. The below videos will help your users find their way around the system:



IDU-Concept Light 5 User

**Training Video** 

HOW TO CAPTURE STANDARD ACCOUNTS 15. Navigating the Financial Budgeting Module

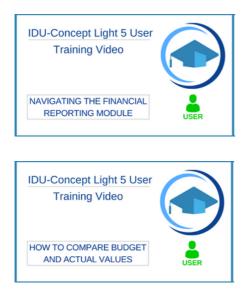
**16. How to capture standard accounts** 



17. How to view fixed accounts

#### **STEP 13: REPORTING USING IDU-CONCEPT**

Your users are now able to log into IDU-Concept in order to capture budgets and do their reporting. The videos below will help your users find their way around the IDU-Concept Reporting system:



18. Navigating the financial reporting module

**19.** How to compare budget and actual values