Print workbench

Applies to:

SAP IS-Utilities 4.6 and above.

Summary

This article explains the steps to create a Move-in letter using Print Workbench and SAPScripts.

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Introduction to Print Workbench

- Print Workbench is the central development environment for creating standardized outgoing correspondence.
- It is a tool used for printing in IS-Utilities.
- It offers an improved means of creating forms by making data retrieval flexible and easy to understand.

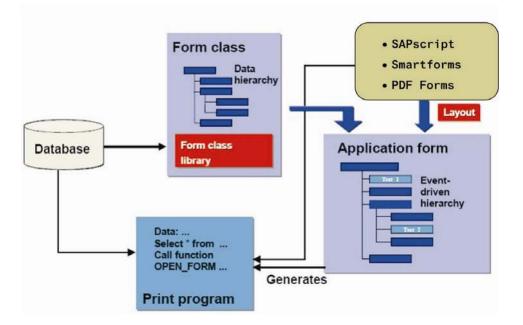
The Print Workbench is subdivided into following sub-objects :

Form Classes

- Contains the underlying data hierarchy of an application.
- Contains detailed information about the data for an application.
- Contains a library of modularized access routines.
- Can be used by different application forms.

Application Forms

- Application forms are configuration objects. They integrate
 - Data structure defined in Form Class
 - Data Procurement
 - Form Logic
 - Form layout
- You can add your own data using user exits.
- Can choose between basic tools for creating form layouts Smart Forms, SAPscripts or PDF Forms.



Advantages of Print Workbench

- Faster form design through flexible tools.
- Separation of data retrieval and layout design.
- Dynamically generated print programs.
- Maximum flexibility of forms through user exits.
- Is recommended for mass printing.

Scenario

Whenever a business partner begins using a utility service, i.e. move-in function is carried out, the utility company has to automatically create a Welcome letter / Move-in letter / Correspondence to be sent to the customer. For this, application form of Form Class IS_U_CS_MOVE_IN_WELCOME_LETTER has to be created in Print Workbench.

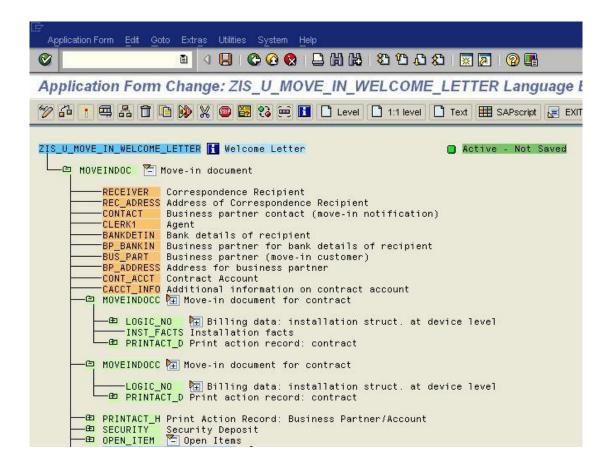
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- Create Application Form ZIS_U_MOVE_IN_WELCOME_LETTER.
- Layout of the welcome Letter can be created in SAPScript, SMARTFORMS or PDF based forms. We
 are using SAPScript Form ZIS_U_MOVE_IN in this example.
- Mention the User Exit Include and Top Include names you want to use for the Application Form. We
 are using Exit Include ZIS_U_MOVE_IN_EXIT and Top Include ZIS_U_MOVE_IN_TOP.

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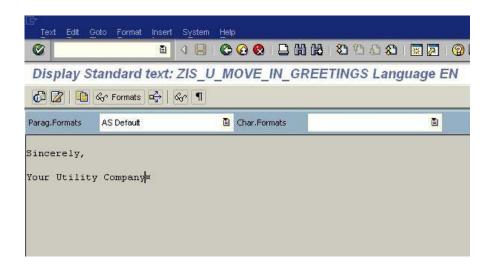
This is what the Application Form looks like.



• In order to include some text, place your cursor on the required node and click on 'Text' button on the toolbar.

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• Mention the window name and Window area where you want the text to appear.



• The form can be customized according to the requirements by adding Before / During / After exits at any node. To do so, double click on a node and mention the respective exit loops name.

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• To go to the User Exit, click on B, D or A against the node. It will take you to the ABAP editor where you can change the existing data or make your own enhancements.

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• Once the enhancements are done, activate the Applocation Form. You can test the form by Application Form -> Printing Test -> Execute.

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• This is how our Move-in Letter looks like.

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