

UPU-IP and IFS Cloud comparison

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Operational Systems Overview

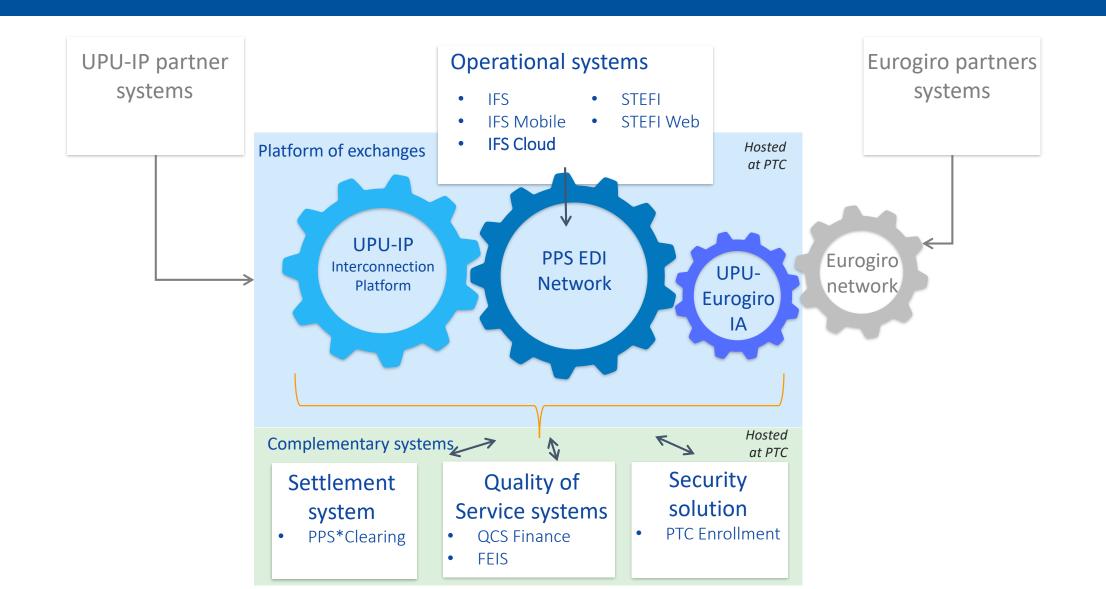
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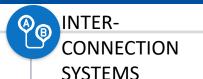
Current PPS systems overview





PPS Systems Production Releases





CLEARING

QUALITY OF SERVICES SOLUTIONS





Version 4.50.006

12.10.2020

STEF | SECURED TRANSFER OF ELECTRONIC FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Version 1.52.016

01.07.2016

BAMS

Version 1.00.000

05.09.2018

PPS*Clearing

Version 2.20.029

03.11.2020



Version 1.00.000

17.06.2019



Version 1.00.000

10.01.2018

PTC Enrollment

Version 2.01.000

25.08.2020

PTC Enroll Mobile App

Version 2.01.000

25.08.2020

IFS CLOUD INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM CLOUD

Version 4.50.006

12.10.2020

STEFI WEB SERVICE

Version 2.01.000

14.02.2018

☐ Interconnection ☐ Platform

Version 1.01.07

22.10.2020

UPU-Eurogiro IA

Version 2.00.009

06.01.2012

CIS CASH MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Version 1.01.001

16.01.2017



UPU-Interconnection Platform Key Features

Centralized system

- Switch for real-time message routing
- Repository of all payments, unique reference in case of discrepancy between connected Posts and partners
- Central management of bilateral agreements in BAMS

Urgent (instant) service with Web services solution

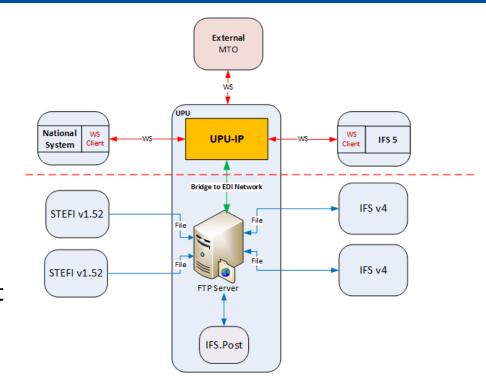
- Real-time communication
- Synchronous protocol for urgent international postal payment services

Payment anywhere facility

Client decides at Post, at a sub-agent of the Post, or at another agent

One-Time connection

Only one integration of further external partners or MTOs to UPU-IP for every Post





UPU-IP WS methods

LoadAgreements

Retrieve list of bilateral agreements with details



GetFxRates

Retrieves valid exchange rates



Issue

Issue a postal payment



BookIDToPayingExternal

Creates (books) a money order ID in an external system



Cancel

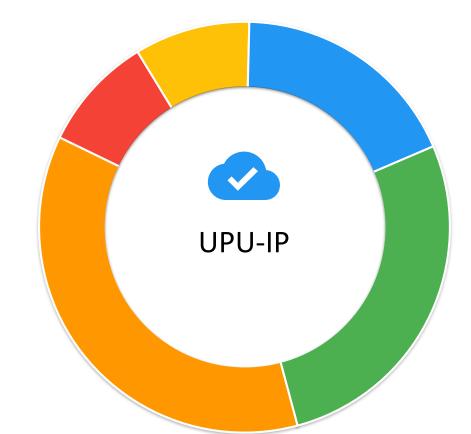
Cancel an issued postal payment in the UPU-IP



Reimburse

Reimburse the postal payment's customer at issuing party





Get

Retrieve payable postal payments



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Pay

Pay a postal payment available in the UPU-IP



ReceiveForAccount Retrieves all payable to account postal payments



ConfirmPayToAccount

between specified UTC dates

Confirms payment to account



CheckStatus

Check and retrieve current status and details of one postal payment



GetByCriteria

Retrieve list of postal payments according to defined criteria (corridor, dates, state, etc.)



IFS system overview

Operational system for international and domestic postal payments management

- International postal payments
 - Follow by default UPU Postal Payment Services Agreement (PPSA)
 - Exchange postal payments details with Designated Operators (DO) according to the established UPU EDI standard (M38)
 - Support of the different products for remittances (OR cash to cash) and other products when the DO integrates with bank accounts (OT - cash to account, IN - account to cash and GT - account to account)
 - Corridor exchanges tailored according to partners process thanks to bilateral agreement definition
 - Cash on delivery (COD) compatible
- Domestic postal payments
 - Support same products than international, but fully customizable to propose various products to customer thanks to the definition of multiple service agreements according to national processes
 - Integration with DO system or local DO partners systems with API





IFS components

Multiple components (1/3)

- Front office features to perform basic postal payment operations
 - Emission, payment, reimbursement and tracking with automated customer fees calculations
 - Customer receipts (letter, customized print format or SMS)
 - Office and user cash management follow up
 - Web site or android mobile user interfaces.
- Back office features
 - Postal payment exceptions operations: cancellation management, secret code unlocking, payment impossible declaration, expiration (individual or batch treatments)
 - Notifications management (notification letters or pre-filled postal payment forms according to PPSA)
 - Domestic claims management
 - Customer database management





IFS components

Multiple components (2/3)

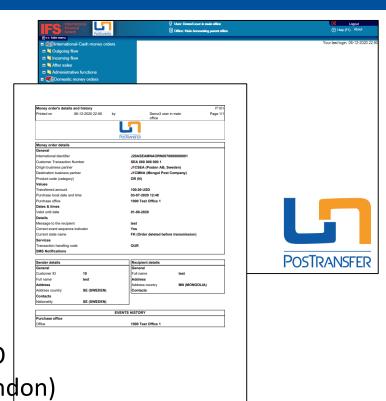
- Accounting office features
 - Accounting reports for internal usage
 - Generation of UPU official international accounting documents
 - Monitoring reports for observing postal payment flows and amounts, globally or individually for each destination on the PPS network
 - Cash management reports: Credit / debit balance, etc.
 - Automated report subscription
- Business management features
 - DO local services settings (point of sales, customer limits, working days)
 - International and Domestic services definition (bilateral and service agreements with associated customer fees and remuneration)
 - Currency exchange rates management or automatic download from PPS*Clearing



IFS components

Multiple components (3/3)

- System management features
 - Authorization (user credentials and privileges) management
 - User interface customization (incl. report & receipt content customization and appliance of brand header)
 - SMS provider configuration
 - Archive database administration tool
- System interoperability
 - Automated IFS service to automate EDI files exchange with other DO and process automated postal payment operations (expiration, abandon)
 - XML interface for international and domestic postal payments import / export
 - Web Services for international and domestic postal payments, customers integration with partner systems
 - Built-in PPS*Clearing compatibility (automatic exchange rates retrieval, amount conversion and remuneration calculation)



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Postal payments management core features

Exchange and validate key events with partner: issue, pay, cancel, reimburse postal payment

Provide post officer user interface: Web site or mobile extension

Provide track and trace of postal payment: local activities (notifications) and shared activities (main events: issue, pay, etc)

Produce notifications and receipts: HTML, PDF or SMS receipt with integrated SMS provider or gateway

Provide reporting module: local and international accounting reports and UPU forms on demand and at defined scheduled

Manage domestic postal payments

Provide customer database management: reload customer details and apply customer limits

UPU-IP		IFS Cloud / IFS Shared
Provided by WS API	To be integrated in local DO system	Integrated in IFS
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IES Cloud / IES Shared



UPU-IP & IFS Cloud comparison

IFS Cloud / IFS Shared UPU-IP Provided by To be integrated in Integrated in **Integration features** WS API local DO system IFS Configure business bilateral agreements Only to retrieve Management feature in BAMS & Collection in API Validate postal payment against agreements Provide PPS*Clearing exchange rates: collect exchange rates Rates to be integrated and used in system Integrate with PPS*Clearing: push payments to the automated clearing Support COD postal payments: transmit S10 number and adapt postal payment life cycle to COD Only transmit S10 Provide local system API: Web Services API Manage authorizations to perform postal payment operations: define offices, users and privileges and report on users' activities

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