



**ACMS**  
**Adizes Change Management**  
**System**

**Blue & Red Book**  
**Implementation Guide**



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# OVERVIEW

## 1. Adizes Change Management System (ACMS)

ACMS is a system for the management of change, based on the Adizes Method of management. The ACMS architecture encompasses several specifically oriented sub-systems supporting different phases of the Adizes Method. The *Adizes Profitability Tracking and Accountability System (APTAS)* supports phases IV and VI.

## 2. APTAS - Adizes Profitability Tracking and Accountability System

APTAS focuses on the accountability for the end-results of an organization and its constituting organizational units. It comprises three managerial modules:

- **Black Book:** addresses *non-financial* information; and
- **Blue Book:** addresses *financial budgetary* information.
- **Red Book:** addresses *financial actual* information.

All the sub-systems of the *Adizes Change Management System (ACMS)*, including **APTAS**, share a set of common tables of data used throughout the system (such as companies, organizational units, structures, personnel, professional expertise, etc.). The maintenance of such tables is done by functions of the *Adizes Change management System (ACMS)* other than those of the APTAS.

## 3. ACMS Login

To log into ACMS, open your Windows Internet Browser (Internet Explorer) and go to the website where the system resides. The System Administrator of your Company will supply the address of this site.

# ACMS Implementation

## Common (Shared) Tables

ACMS is shipped for initial installation with just one blank company record (except for the company name field) and one personnel record (that of the System Administrator). The System Administrator must create all other records.

The common tables that are shared by several ACMS functions must be created first, as initial steps of the ACMS implementation process. Before the APTAS functions can become operational (including the creation of the APTAS specific tables), the following common tables must be created:

1. Company Data
2. Personnel Data
3. Structure Views

When first implementing the system, it is advisable to create the shared tables in the sequence they are listed above. This will minimize the need to return to the same screen or function more than once to fill in data that could not be entered on the first pass. This is so because of mandatory consistency checks (data validation) that are automatically performed against tables that must, therefore, be created first.

## 1. Company Data

ACMS is shipped for initial installation with just one blank company record (except for the company name field) so the System Administrator must enter data for the remaining fields of his company record. This is done using the **Company Data Management** function.

### 1.1. Company Data Management

To enter and edit company data, select the **Company Data Management** function (under Company Data) on the Menu:

When the **Company Data Management** screen appears, use the online help for each button and data field to edit and save the company data.



## 2. Personnel Data

Under **Personnel Data** there are three functions that create and update shared tables. The following two of these functions should be executed next:

## 2.1. Update Personal Profile:

Select this function first, to edit the user's personal data (or profile). Follow the online help instructions for each data field and functional button on the **Personal Profile** screen.

## 2.2. Personnel Data Management:

Select this function to edit the personnel table. Personnel records must be previously created before they can be referenced later, on a different screen, as members of any organizational unit or project team.

The following data fields comprise each staff member's record: Those highlighted in bold font are the ones that must be entered during the initial implementation stage.

- **Name**
- **Short Name**
- Unit
- Job Title
- E-mail
- Telephone
- Birth Date
- PAEI
- Gender
- **Language (\*)**
- **Culture (\*)**
- **Login Id and Password**
- **Role (\*)**
- Expertise (\*\*)



(\*) The default value is inherited from an external table, created when the system is configured for shipment.

(\*\*) To be selected from a list of available Expertise that are registered by the System Administrator, using the Expertise function on the Menu.

Use the online help available on the **Personnel Data Management** screen for additional information on the personnel data fields, buttons and selection boxes.

Remember to save each edited staff member record, by clicking on the save

button:  .


## 3. Structure



ACMS is shipped with no initial structures previously created, so the System or Company Administrator must create the necessary initial structures.

### 3.1. Create/Edit the first Structure/View

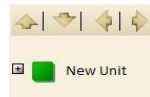
Select **Views** (under Structure) on the Menu to open the **Views** editing screen.

For the first view to be created, click on the

**New** button:  (top row of command buttons). Then enter a name for the new

view and **save** it: . Then click on  to see the newly created view, which will have only one unit, called "New Unit".

Select this new unit by clicking on it, and then click on the edit button



(use the lower row of buttons). This will enable the editing of this new unit of the structure (see the online help on the structure editing screen). After editing each unit,

save its edited version by clicking on the save button: 


To create another New Unit, you must first indicate its super ordinate unit, by clicking on the box representing the latter;



then click on the **New** button  on the lower row of icons.

This will create a new unit, subordinated to the previously selected one. To edit the newly created unit, first select it by clicking on the colored square representing it:

Then click on the edit button  (lower row) to edit the new unit just created.

Use the other available buttons  on the lower row of buttons (see online help on the screen) to reposition the units as required on the structure. Remember to save the edited version of each new unit.

#### 3.1.1. Create additional Structures/Views

Other views may be created just like the first one or, alternatively, if they resemble a previously created view, the latter can be duplicated and then edited, to reflect the differences. Select **Structure** and **Views** (Menu), to return to the View editing page.

To duplicate (or clone) a view, you must first position it on the screen, using the (upper



row) positioning buttons:  . Then click on the **clone** button:  .

Next, **edit** the clone view to change its name and structure, as required.

To make a previously created structural view the prevailing one for reporting, go to **Select View/Budget** (under Company Data on the Menu). Then select the new view and click on the **confirm** button.



The confirmed **View** name will appear in a window on the upper right part of the screen:



## APTAS Specific Tables

### 4. Accountability and Profitability (APTAS)

The **Accountability** macro function on the Menu encompasses the Black, Blue and Red Book functions, which indicate personal accountability for the goals and targets, as well as for the operational and financial results of an organization. It further links these elements to the organization's mission and strategies. Accountability functions are divided into:

- Blue Book
- Red Book
- Black Book

The functions of these books comprise what is collectively called the **Adizes Profitability and Accountability System (APTAS)**.

#### 4.1. Blue Book

The Blue Book macro function is further decomposable into executable functions, of which the following must be dealt with in an ACMS initial installation:

- Budget
- Chart of Accounts
- Inflows & Outflows
- Piping
- Sharing & Taxation
- Generate Blue/Red Books



### 4.1.1. Budget (creation and selection)

Before Budgets can be worked upon, they must be created and selected as the prevailing one. To create a budget, select the Budgets function on the Menu, under Blue Book:

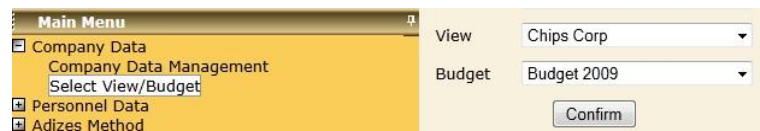


Then click on the New button  (Top row of commands).

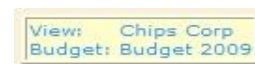
Specify a Name, a Year and a Budget Starting Month for the new budget, and save it



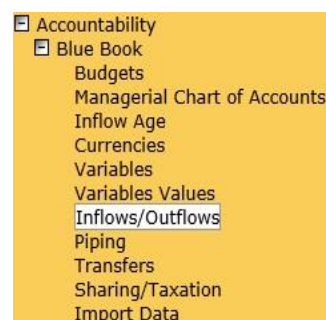
Next, go to **Select View/Budget** (under Company Data), to select the newly created budget and confirm it as the prevailing one.



The confirmed **Budget** name will appear in a window on the upper right part of the screen:

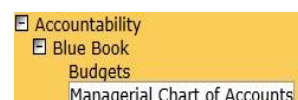



The Budgets function (under Accountability and Blue Book, on the Menu) is used to create/edit just a header record for a given budget. Entering detailed budgetary data into an existing budget record is done via the **Inflows/Outflows**, **Piping** and **Sharing/Taxation** functions, which, on their turn, require that a **Managerial Chart of Accounts** be created beforehand. This is the next step on the implementation process.



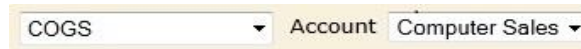
### 4.1.2. Managerial Chart of Accounts


Select this function from the Menu:



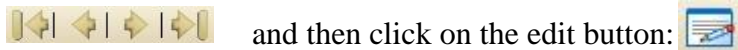
When the **Managerial Chart of Accounts** editing screen opens, type in the **Code** and **Name** for the first new account and select its type, or **Sign** (Inflow, Outflow, Cost, or COGS). Then save it: 


If the **COGS (Cost Of Goods Sold)** type of account is selected, an extra data field will be shown to allow the selection of a previously created **Inflow Account** that this **COGS** account will be associated with.



To create another **Managerial Account**, click on the “**Create New**” button:  and proceed as indicated for the first account created.

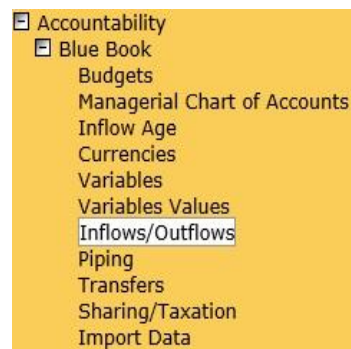
To edit an existing account, position it on the screen, using the positioning buttons



Follow the online help available on the screen and be sure to save the edited version of every account created or edited, by clicking on the save button: 

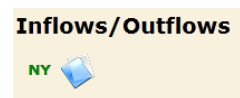
### 4.1.3. Inflows/Outflows

Select this function on the Menu to display the prevailing structural View of the company (see items 3.2 and 4.1.1 for selecting and confirming the prevailing View/Budget).

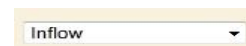


Click on a unit on the displayed View to select it and display the **Inflows/Outflows** budget-editing screen for that unit.

The selected unit Id (e.g.: NY) will be shown at the top of the screen:




On the **Inflows/Outflows** budget-editing screen, select the type of flow that will be input (e.g.: Inflow). Possible alternatives are: Inflow; Outflow; Cost; COGS.





Select the specific account, for which data will be input (e.g.: Computer Sales):






Click on the Edit button  to enable changes to the budget record for that account. Enter data on the corresponding monthly data fields (**Projection \$** for the first stage of the budgeting process, or **Stretch \$** for data generated in the Stretching phase):

	Projection \$	Stretch \$	Plan \$	Actual \$	Forecast \$	Vision \$
Year	0,00	0,00				
March	4.583,33	100,00	4.683,33	4.583,33	3.000,00	300,00
April	4.583,33	100,00	4.683,33	4.583,33	3.000,00	300,00

Do not forget to save the budget periodically and/or once completed (click on: ).

Instead of entering budget data on a month-by-month basis, it is also possible to enter a yearly lump sum (leave the month-by-month fields blank) and then click on the update button: . The system will automatically calculate and distribute the yearly amount into equal monthly figures that add up to the yearly lump sum that was input.

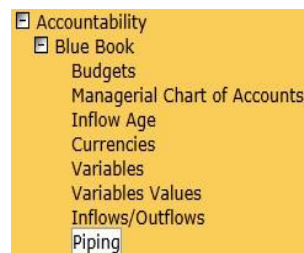
You may also change specific monthly values after this automatic distribution has been performed. Use the edit  and save  buttons to do it.

After entering Inflows/Outflows to some Units and Accounts in a given Budget, it is advisable to check whether they are correctly reflected on the **Blue Book Summary Report**. To see this report for a given Unit of the structure, click on the **Report** icon. 

Notice that, if you followed the sequence of tasks given in this manual for the ACMS implementation, the **Blue Book Summary Report** will show only **Inflows** and **Outflows**. This is so because, on one hand, no **Piping** or **Sharing/Taxation** figures will have been entered yet and, on the other hand, because the **Generate Books** function (item 4.1.6) will not have been executed yet. This function makes the roll-up calculations and the automatic postings of **Piping** and **Sharing/Taxation** transactions.

#### 4.1.4. Piping

Piping is the way through which some units pay for other units' services within the structure. Select the **Piping** function on the Menu.




The structure (View) of the organization will be displayed. Select a unit that **buys** goods/services from another by clicking on its representation on the displayed View.


The Piping budget screen for that buying unit will be displayed. The upper part of that screen has the following appearance:



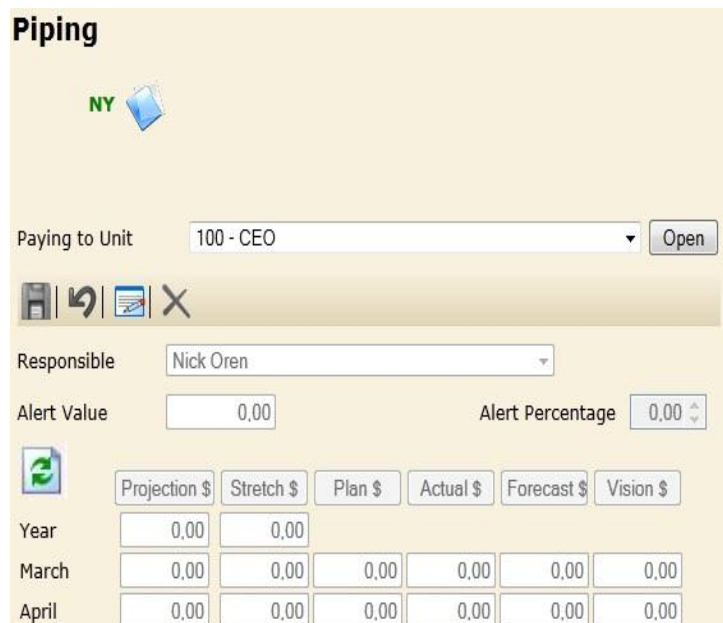
In the example above, the NY Unit is buying from the EAST-PLANT. Notice that the transaction type is automatically set to **Pipe**. You must then select the Unit that will receive the transaction amount (on the field labeled: **Paying to Unit**). In the example above, EAST-PLANT has been selected.

Next, click on the Edit button  to enable changes on the displayed budget screen.


Key into the Projection \$ fields, for every month, the budgeted amount to be paid (as piping) by one unit (e.g. NY) to the other (e.g. EAST-PLANT).

Just like in the Inflows/Outflows Budget Projection \$, Piping values can be entered on a month-by-month basis or as a yearly lump sum to be equally distributed month-by-month, upon clicking on the update button: 

Changes to specific months' data can still be made after the calculations to distribute the yearly amount into monthly figures have been performed.



**Piping**

NY 

Paying to Unit: 100 - CEO


Responsible: Nick Oren

Alert Value: 0.00 Alert Percentage: 0.00

	Projection \$	Stretch \$	Plan \$	Actual \$	Forecast \$	Vision \$
Year	0.00	0.00				
March	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
April	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

After entering the **Piping** budget data for the buying units, save the piping budget sheet for that pair by clicking on the save button. The corresponding transactions for the selling units will be automatically generated when the **Generate Books** function is activated.

You may check your Piping input on the Blue Book Summary Report by clicking on its

icon:  Remember, however, that *before activating the Generate Books function, the Blue Book Summary Report will only show the budgeted Piping originated by the buying units*. The counterpart of such Pipe payments for the receiving units will only become available after the Generate Books function is performed.

### 4.1.5. Sharing/Taxation

Select this function on the Menu to display the prevailing structural View of the company. Click on a unit that **pays** sharing or taxation, to select it and display **the Sharing and Taxation** budget screen for that unit. The selected unit Id (e.g.: NY) will be shown at the top of the screen:



Indicate whether you want to post Sharing or Taxation data, and the level to which this Sharing or Taxation applies:

Sharing  Level 1  Level 2  Level 3

Select the unit whose cost is being shared/taxed:

Unit Shared

Note that Level 1 Sharing/Taxation must specify the supporting percentages for the costs of not only the Parent Unit, but also of each of the existing Red siblings.

Click on the Edit button to enable changes to the Sharing/Taxation budget record for the shared unit:

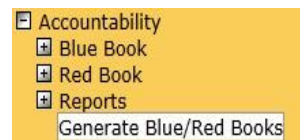
	Plan %	Actual %	Forecast %	Vision %
Year	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
March	35,00	35,00	0,00	0,00
April	35,00	35,00	0,00	0,00

Enter data on the corresponding monthly data fields (Plan %), or else enter a total % for the year and click on the

update button to replicate the annual % for each month. It is also possible to use a combination of these two methods: replicate a common % for all months and then change the % for some specific months, as required, if applicable.

### 4.1.6. Generate Blue/Red Books

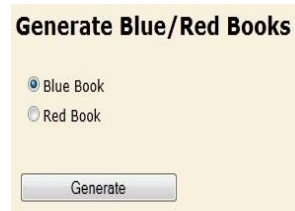
Select **Generate Blue/Red Books** from the Menu to automatically perform book calculations and generate counterpart postings to reflect data entered through the **Budgets**, **Piping**, or **Sharing/Taxation** functions.



For example, a budgeted amount of payments from Unit-A to Unit-B must be counterbalanced by an equal amount of charges or bills from Unit-B to Unit-A. This counterbalance of postings is automatically done when you activate the **Generate Blue/Red Books** function.

Select the book you want to generate and then hit the **Generate** button.

Once the book generation ends, you will be able to display/print reports.



## 4.2. Red Book

The **Red Book** has to do with the actual financial data to be compared with the budget.

### 4.2.1. Red Book Accounts Grouping

The first step to implement the Red Book is to specify the correspondence between the **ACMS Managerial Accounts** and the Company’s operational control systems, such as the **General Ledger Accounting System**, the **Pay Roll System** or other similar systems, which will be the source of data for the Red Book.

Typically, several of the Company’s control systems’ accounts will be grouped into one aggregate Managerial Account. This grouping of accounts is done through the **Managerial Chart of Accounts** function of the **ACMS Menu**. This function gives access to the **Red Book Accounts Grouping** box, where the grouping of control systems’ accounts into managerial accounts is specified, using the syntax explained in the example below.

Select Accountability, Blue Book, and Managerial Chart of Accounts on the Main Menu. Then choose an account to access the Red Book Accounts Grouping window for that account. If you have the adequate permission level (Controller Blue, Company Admin. or System Admin.) you will be able to edit Red Book Accounts Grouping rules, such as those in the example below:

```

Red Book Accounts Grouping
month = [direct_salaries, Payroll]*1.456
month = month+[ 110, 111, 112, 113, General Ledger]
month = month+[rm1000, cm1200, Acct_Payable]
month = (month-[dct500, rbt800, Acct_Receivable] )/1000
  
```

The statements in the above example indicate that the actual monthly balance for the selected Managerial Account will be computed as:

- Balance of the “direct \_salaries” account from the Payroll system, multiplied by a social burden factor of 1.456 (45.6% social burden), plus
- The sum of the balances of the accounts 110, 111, 112 and 113 of the Company’s General Ledger System, plus
- The added balances of accounts “rm1000” and “cm1200”, from the Accounts Payable system, minus



- The sum of the balances of accounts “dct500” and “rbt800”, from the Accounts Receivable system. A scaling factor of 1,000 shall then divide the final result of all the computations specified in the previous steps.

As shown in the above example, the identifiers of the source accounts may be numeric or alphanumeric. They should always, however, correspond to the actual data field names in their respective source systems. These identifiers shall be provided by the company’s IT Department.

### Exceptional grouping rules

As stated in the above example, the accounts grouping rules shall apply to all months.

Should one or more months require a special formula, different from the default one, this should be specified for each exceptional month.

Each exception to the general grouping rule (specified in the “month = [...]” statement) must be indicated by its own specific statement, which must start with the first three letters of the exceptional month’s name in English (e.g.: **sep** for **September**).

For example, if the General Ledger account **200** should replace account 110 for the month of **September**, the following statements should complement the ones of the previous example:

```
sep = [direct_salaries, Payroll]*1.456  
sep = sep+[ 200, 111, 112, 113, General Ledger]  
sep = sep+[rm1000, cm1200, Acct_Payable]  
sep = sep-( [dct500, rbt800, Acct_Receivable] )/1000
```

The parameters within the square brackets of each grouping statement must be separated by commas, and the last parameter shall always be the name of the source system for the data.

The **Red Book** macro function further decomposes in the following executable functions:

- Units Grouping
- Red Book Data Editing
- Import Red Book Data

## 4.2.2. Units Grouping

This function serves a similar purpose to that of the Red Book Accounts Grouping, except that it relates to the grouping of operational units (cost centers) to be reflected in a single Managerial Unit in the Red Book Reports.

To specify Units Grouping rules, go to the Main Menu and select Accountability, Blue Book, Red Book and Units Grouping. When the organization structure is displayed, select a Unit and edit its grouping rules in the Units Grouping box. In the example below the rules indicate that the operational units TX-S and TX-N are grouped into the Managerial Unit TX, for Red Book purposes.

\* Specific for Piping:

- Source System must be Piping and

- “From/To” Units must be the code of the unit chosen, for example if the Unit code for IAG (ITM-PT) is 1000, then write month=[1000]



### 4.2.3. Red Book Data Editing


Due to the large volume of available data, this function is executed in two stages:

- **Set up filters** to restrict the Red Book data to be seen and edited
- Actual **editing** of the Red Book data records


On the first stage (Filter Set Up) the System or Company Administrator, as well as the Controller Blue, can specify the following types of selective filters:

- **Date From - To:** Upon clicking on the calendar icons of those fields a calendar is displayed for each one to allow the specification of the calendar date span to be browsed through and eventually edited.
- **Values From - To:** works similarly to the calendar time span filter, except that the specified limits apply to the amounts involved in the imported transactions.
- **Description:** allows the specification of a character string that must be present in the description field of the transactions to be edited.
- **Source Filters:**

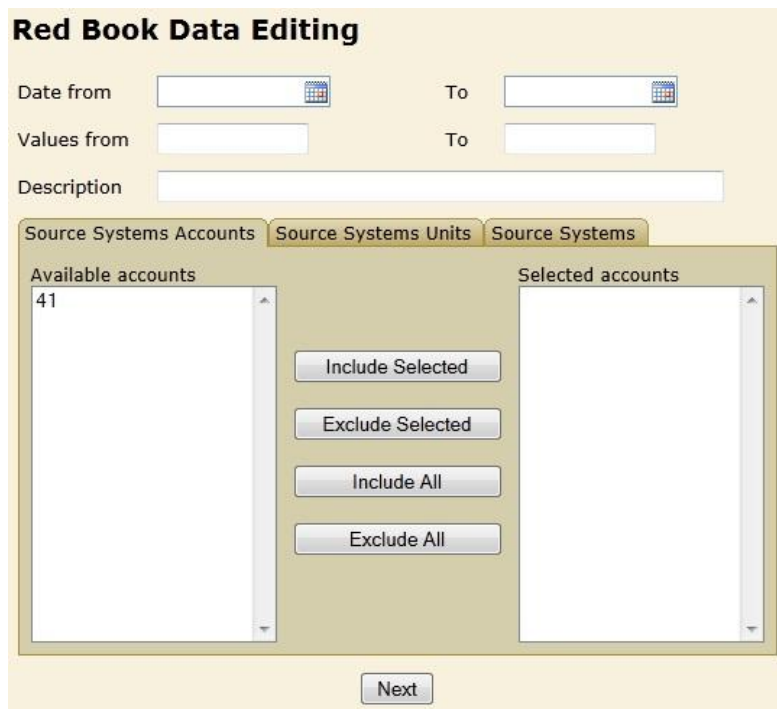
Depending on which tab is selected (Source Systems Accounts; Source Systems Units or Source Systems), data to be seen and edited may be filtered on the basis of their originating Accounts, Units or Systems. The available Accounts, Units or Systems appear listed on the left bottom box where they can be selected by clicking on each one while holding the Ctrl key pressed. Once selected in the left box, they can be transferred to the right one by clicking on the

 Include Selected

button. The reverse operation (bringing Accounts, Units





or Systems back to the left box) is done with the  Exclude Selected button.







The screenshot shows a web form titled "Red Book Data Editing". At the top, there are four input fields: "Date from" and "To" (both with calendar icons), "Values from" and "To". Below these is a "Description" text box. A tabbed interface follows, with three tabs: "Source Systems Accounts", "Source Systems Units", and "Source Systems". The "Source Systems Accounts" tab is active. It contains two list boxes: "Available accounts" (with the number "41" visible) and "Selected accounts" (which is empty). Between these list boxes are four buttons: "Include Selected", "Exclude Selected", "Include All", and "Exclude All". At the bottom of the form is a "Next" button.

Once the desired selection criteria for transactions have been specified (by Dates, Values, Descriptions, Accounts, Units, and/or Systems) the desired (filtered)

transactions will be displayed when the  button is hit. The displayed data can then be edited by clicking on the edit  button and subsequently saving () the edited record. To return to the filter specification screen, click on the  button.

#### 4.2.4. Import Red Book Data

Selecting this function will open a screen that allows the System or Company Administrator to specify a date span for the transactions to be imported. This is done using the **From**  and **To**  boxes.

The same screen allows the specification of a script file that will control the importation of transaction data from the organization's operational files, into the Red Book. This is an XML script file that must be created by an IT specialist, in accordance with information jointly supplied by the Organization's Financial Systems main user and the Adizes Consultant assisting the Red Book implementation. The XML script specifies (in XML format) which financial transactions from which financial operational files shall be mapped onto each Red Book transaction in APTAS. This XML script is created once and then used repeatedly to import Red Book data on a monthly basis. The XML

script only needs to be updated when the desired transactions mapping rules change. A sample XML script and its accompanying “XML Tags and Attributes Format and Description” is appended to this Implementation Guide.

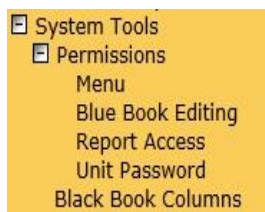
The  button will permit the System or Company Administrator to locate the desired XML file (previously prepared by the IT specialist) by browsing over the system server’s file directories.

The  button will actually start the data import action, under control of the XML file. Errors that may occur during the transfer of data for the Red Book will be shown on the log of **Rejected registers** on the **Import Red Book Data** screen.

The  **Reimport** check box, when checked, will repeat the import process, overwriting previously imported records. A date span must necessarily be specified.

## 5. System Tools (require System Administrator Privileges)

This macro function further decomposes into the executable functions shown in the figure on the left:



### 5.1. Permissions

APTAS permissions refer to:

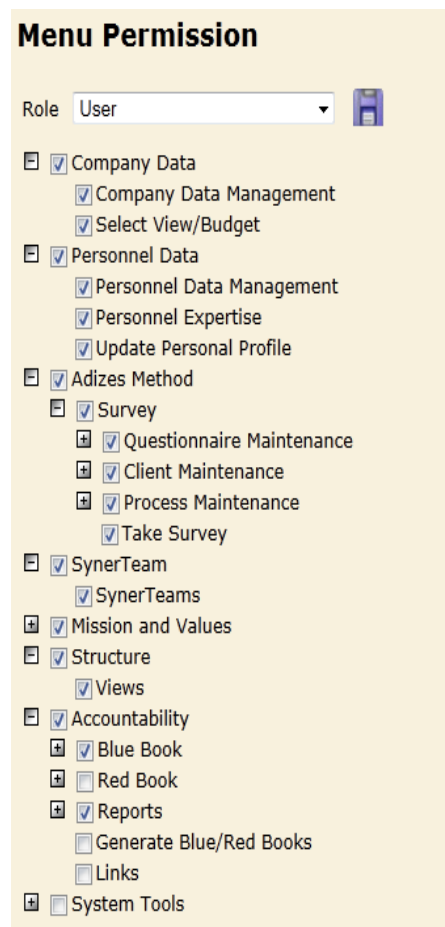
- Menu
- Blue Book Editing
- Blue Book Report Access



#### 5.1.1. Menu

The **Menu Permission** function determines the functions of the Menu that can be seen and activated by each of the existing personnel **Roles**. This must be done by the System Administrator.

Click on the arrowhead to the right of the Role field to select a Role from a drop down list, and then grant or deny permissions to that Role, by checking or unchecking each of the function boxes.

If a function box is not checked (permission not granted) for a given Role, the corresponding function will not appear on the Menu for a user with that Role.

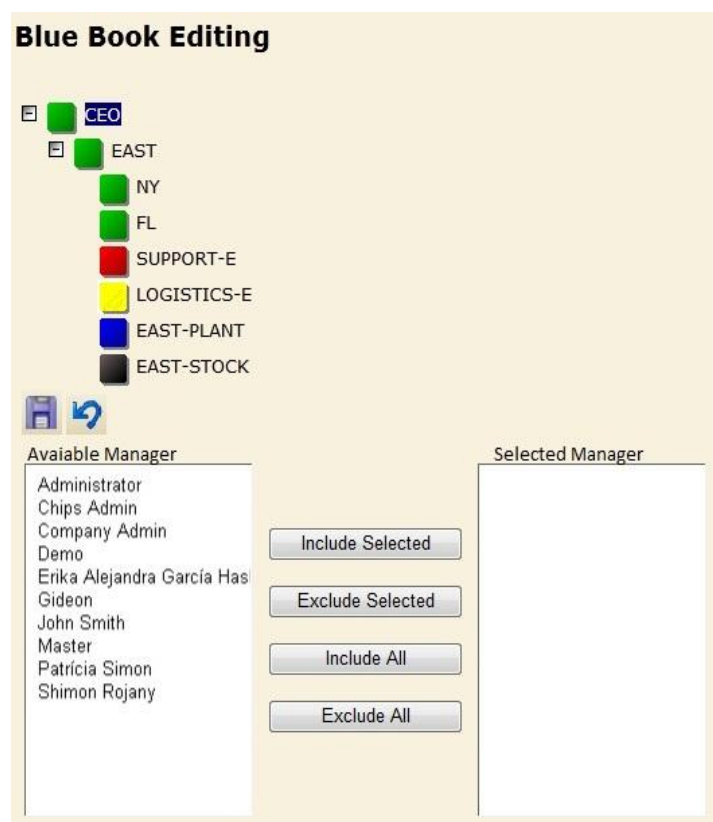


Notice that the **Menu Permission** panel completely reproduces the APTAS Menu, and the macro functions can be expanded or collapsed by clicking on the  or  sign on the left of each macro function.

Permissions may be granted at the macro function level or denied at that level. This permission/restriction will apply to subordinate functions, unless otherwise specified in further detailed assignments made at lower levels of the same macro function.



## 5.1.2. Blue Book Editing

The purpose of this function is to grant permission to edit Blue Book data for specific Units of the organization. Permission is granted for Managers selected from a list of Available Managers (in the left box of the figure below). “Manager” is a specific Role that has to be assigned for a person using the Personnel Data Management function. The selected Managers will have permission to edit Blue Book data for the selected unit and all of its subordinate units, if there are any.



The screenshot shows the "Blue Book Editing" interface. At the top, there is a tree view of units with expandable icons (minus signs) to the left of each unit name. The units listed are: CEO (green), EAST (green), NY (green), FL (green), SUPPORT-E (red), LOGISTICS-E (yellow), EAST-PLANT (blue), and EAST-STOCK (black). Below the tree view are two icons: a floppy disk and a circular arrow. The main area is divided into two columns: "Available Manager" on the left and "Selected Manager" on the right. The "Available Manager" list contains: Administrator, Chips Admin, Company Admin, Demo, Erika Alejandra García Has, Gideon, John Smith, Master, Patricia Simon, and Shimon Rojany. Between the two columns are four buttons: "Include Selected", "Exclude Selected", "Include All", and "Exclude All".

The list of available Managers appears on the left box, where they can be selected (highlighted) by clicking on each one while holding the keyboard Control Key down.

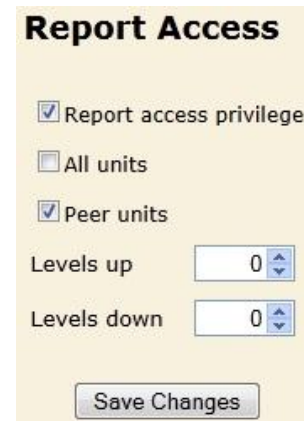
Once the desired Managers have been indicated in the left box, they can be transferred to the right box (Selected Managers) by clicking on the appropriate button in the column that separates the two boxes. The Include buttons (Selected or All) will transfer some or all the Managers on the left box to the right one. Likewise, the Exclude buttons (Selected or All) will transfer entries from the right box, back to the left one. Once the desired permissions to edit Blue Book data for the selected Unit have been granted, this setting may be either saved () or discarded ()

### 5.1.3. Report Access


This function allows the **System Administrator** to grant permissions to view the **Blue/Red Book Reports** related to the organizational units of the structure.

If the **Report access privilege** box is **not** checked, then only the selected Unit's Manager will have access to his/her Unit's reports (besides the System Administrator). Reports from any other units will not be shown.

When the **Report access privilege** box is checked, then the other boxes are enabled. If the **All units** box is also checked, then the remaining boxes are disabled and the Unit Manager will be allowed to view the Blue/Red Book reports for all the units in the structure.



When the **Report access privilege** box is checked, along with the **Peer units** box, then the Unit's Manager will have access to the Blue/Red Book reports of his Peer Units and, eventually, also to the units that are "n" levels up or down in the structure, depending on the numbers chosen for the respective boxes (**Levels up** and **Levels down**).

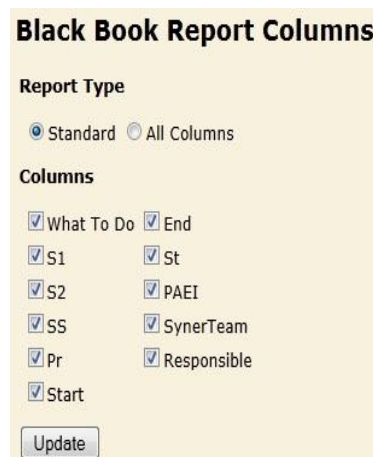
Once the permission settings have been chosen, the System Administrator must save those settings by clicking on the  button.

### 5.2. Black Book Columns

For each of the Black Book Report types (**Standard** and **All Columns**), select on the corresponding list of possible columns those that will actually be included when that type of report is issued.

Check the boxes for the columns you want included in the report and leave unchecked those that are not to be included.

Click on the **Update** button to make your choices effective.



### 5.3. Translation Tool



The purpose of this macro function is to permit the translation of system menus, data field labels on the system tables and other forms, such as buttons, login screen labels, etc.

#### 5.3.1. Menus

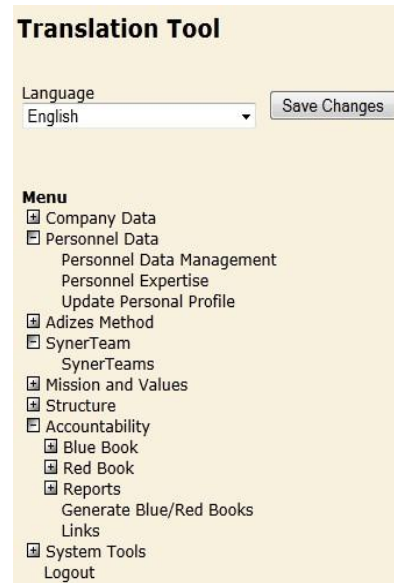
When Menus is selected from within the Translation Tool, a special icon appears on the screen to indicate that the System is in the Translation Mode (Translation Tool On).



A copy of the Menu is also exhibited to allow the selection of the Menu functions to be translated.

Notice that the Menu Translation Tool completely reproduces the APTAS Menu, and the macro functions can be expanded or collapsed by clicking on the  or  sign on the left of each macro function.

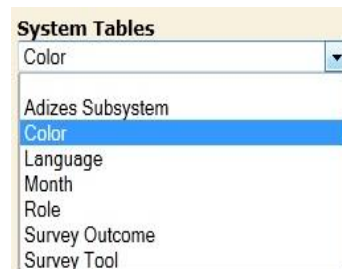
Select the function to be translated by **double-clicking** on it. You will then be able to edit the contents of the menu entry, substituting the translated function label for the original one.



#### 5.3.2. System Tables

Selecting **System Tables** from within the Translation Tool will allow the choice of a **Language** (from a list that is dropped down when you click on the arrowhead on the right of the **Language** field) and a **System Table** from a list of existing tables, also chosen from a drop down list.

Once a specific **System Table** is chosen (e.g: Color), a translation table will open, showing the original (English) labels for the chosen System Table entries (on the left side, in blue background), and allowing the Administrator to type in the translated labels on the right side (white background).



### 5.3.3. Other Forms

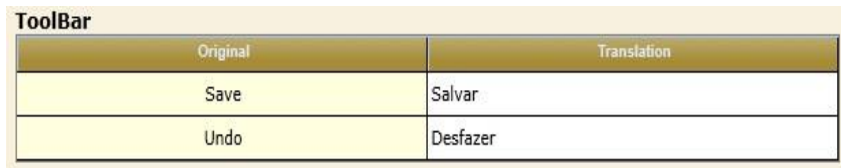
This function allows the translation of labels that appear on objects such as buttons,



The screenshot shows two dropdown menus. The first is labeled 'Special Forms' and has 'ToolBar' selected. The second is labeled 'Language' and has 'Portuguese' selected.

toolbars, etc. When the translation of **Other Forms** is invoked, the System Administrator is allowed to choose which special form is to be translated and into which language.

The picture below illustrates the translation of **Tool Bar** labels into Portuguese.



Original	Translation
Save	Salvar
Undo	Desfazer

Once the translation is complete click on the  button