Questica ETO Can Dramatically Improve YOUR Business

The most advanced and intuitive ERP system designed exclusively for "Engineer-to-Order" custom manufacturers

Introducing Questica ETO 4.0

Questica is proud to announce the release of **Questica ETO 4.0** (formerly Questica SE). This release represents one of the more significant releases in recent years. While there are a substantial number of fixes and enhancements in this release, the most significant changes have been architectural. These architectural changes were designed to improve compatibility with the latest technologies with a focus on simplifying installations and upgrades.

Version 4.0 not only brings you many new features and bug fixes, it also includes a new ETO *Agent*, CAD Add ins, and an updated Notification Service.

Rebranding

Questica SE is now known as Questica **ETO**, signifying our continued focus on the unique challenges faced in the Engineer to Order world.

Microsoft Windows 10 Compatibility

Questica ETO is ready for your move to Windows 10, and the new ETO Agent is also compliant with Windows UAC (User Access Control) standards so you no longer need to run it with elevated Windows permissions, and can even be run as a Windows Standard user.

Microsoft SQL Server 2014 Compatibility

Questica ETO fully supports Microsoft SQL 2014, allowing you to keep up with the latest server offerings and hardware.

New Technologies...

Other underlying technologies that Questica ETO relies upon have been updated to the latest versions available.

All areas of Questica ETO now use Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5, no longer requiring older versions to be installed.

Crystal Reports dependencies have also been updated to the latest offered by SAP, bringing additional report export options.

... and Less Technology

We've also removed some dependencies, and dropped some support for other applications.

Questica ETO uses less Windows dependencies than Questica SE did, making it easier to install, run, and maintain, even after those pesky Windows Updates.

We've also dropped support for the AutoCAD (2D) BOM Insert tool, Windows Vista, and SQL Server 2005, allowing us to take advantage of newer SQL tools.

Questica ETO Agent

The Questica ETO Agent (formerly the Questica SE Smart Client) has been almost entirely rewritten, and has many new features.

The new ETO Agent will not only install and update the main Questica ETO application, but it will also update itself whenever new underlining technologies get added to the application. This saves your IT staff from having to manually update each client, and allows us to roll out the newer technologies quicker.

Additional detailed error messages have been added to assist with install and connectivity issues helping to troubleshoot even the most difficult installations.

The separate Questica ETO install file that gets installed thru the ETO Agent has been renamed from a .zip extension to a .qapp file extension.

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MS COM Control

The new installer for Questica ETO Agent will detect and correct any issues present with the installation of the MSCOMCTL.OCX. This will fix various issues including the well-known Report Center issue.

Themes

One of the most visible changes in 4.0 is the addition of Themes. Themes change the visual experience when using Questica ETO. Questica ETO comes with 3 themes - Black (default), Silver and Blue. Choose the one that's right for you!

Please note that changing themes requires you to log out and back into Questica ETO to see the changes.

CAD Add Ins

SolidWorks and Inventor Add Ins have also been updated, and no longer require separate installers.

The SolidWorks Add In is installed alongside the ETO Agent, and the Inventor Add In requires the ETO Agent to be installed, and at least one successful logon into Questica ETO.

With this release we have dropped support for SolidWorks version 2012 and older as well as Inventor version 2012 and older.

Notification Service

The Questica ETO Notification tool has been overhauled to ensure maximum uptime between server reboots and database updates.

In the event that the SQL Server is unavailable, the Notification Service will continue trying to connect to it, using several different methods. Initially, the service will try reconnecting on a frequent basis before using longer intervals between attempts, until it finally reconnects. Each day, the Notification Service restarts these reconnection modes, essentially guaranteeing that your Notification Service remains uninterrupted.

Questica ETO will require the installation of the new Notification Service. The previous version of the Service will not work with Questica ETO, and should be manually uninstalled.

BOM Release with Items on Hold

A new system setting now allows you to release Bills of Materials (BOMs) that *still* have items on hold.

This will allow you more flexibility and control over your BOMs and the Queues themselves.

This is a significant departure from the existing behavior, where all items must be off of hold before a BOM can be released. As such, the default system setting is set to 'Never', so it mimics your current behavior. You should discuss this option within your organization and determine its best setting.

This new setting can be found within Administration—Settings—Engineering, where you can now select between: Allow, Ask and Never.

Other odds and ends

The above items represent only some of the new features we've rolled out, in addition to numerous bug fixes, and many other improvements added to Questica ETO.

We hope you enjoy our new name, look, and features. We're also excited to hear any comments or suggestions you may have. Feel free to send your comments to: support@engineertoorder.com

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For More Information

Questica ETO is a comprehensive system, integrating your business processes from Prospecting to Shipments. It was developed in collaboration with a group of engineers to ensure the system would meet the unique needs of ETO manufacturers.

Further information on Questica ETO can be obtained at **www.engineertoorder.com**.

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