

A business application development framework for PAS OpenEdge / WebSpeed



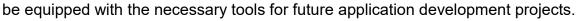


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AppPro for OpenEdge<sup>™</sup>, by App Technologies, Inc., leverages the power of Progress® OpenEdge® by providing a structured environment for robust web business application development.

App Technologies consulting services combined with the AppPro for OpenEdge framework will provide you with the needed resources, knowledge and direction that is critical for a successful web deployment. Once your initial project is completed, you will

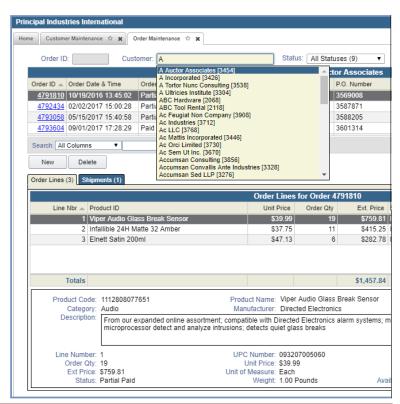




The AppPro for OpenEdge framework provides the necessary (and often overlooked) standards, security, and environmental tools that are an integral part of a successful web business application deployment. With AppPro for OpenEdge, you will realize productivity benefits in both the application development and production runtime environments.

## AppPro for OpenEdge features:

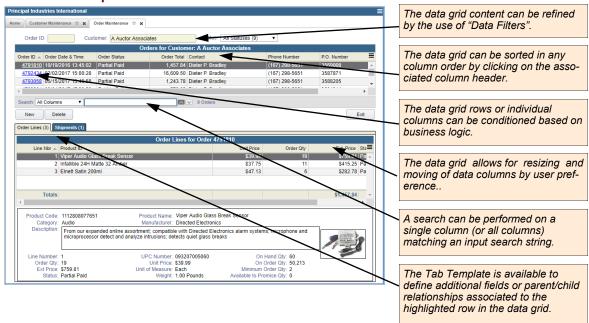
- Standard Program
   Development Wizards and Templates
- Integrated AJAX processing for interactive web applications
- Program Source Version Control
- On-line Cascading Style Sheet Management
- Login / Password Control
- Multi-language Translation Functionality
- Common Program Security Plug-in
- Dynamic Data-driven Menu System
- Common Function Utilities



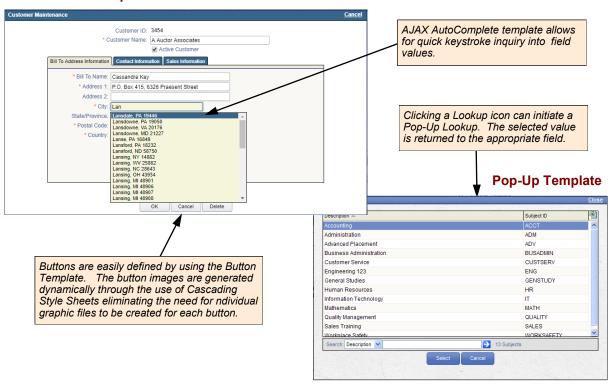
## **Standard Program Development Templates**

The Standard Program Templates provide a consistent user interface for presenting and maintaining data. The templates provide pre-defined developer interaction points where business logic can be easily inserted. Should your business require changes to the base functionality, the master templates are available for modification.

### **Container Template with Data Grid and Tabs**

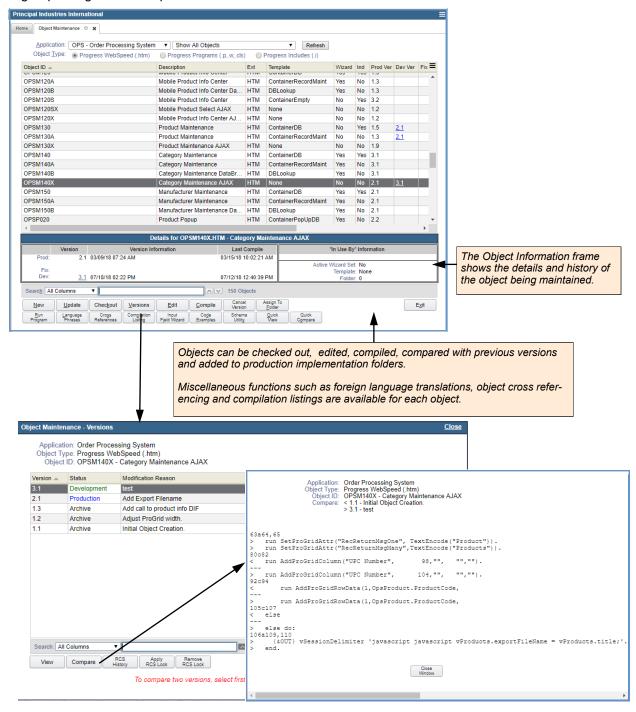


### **Maintenance Template**



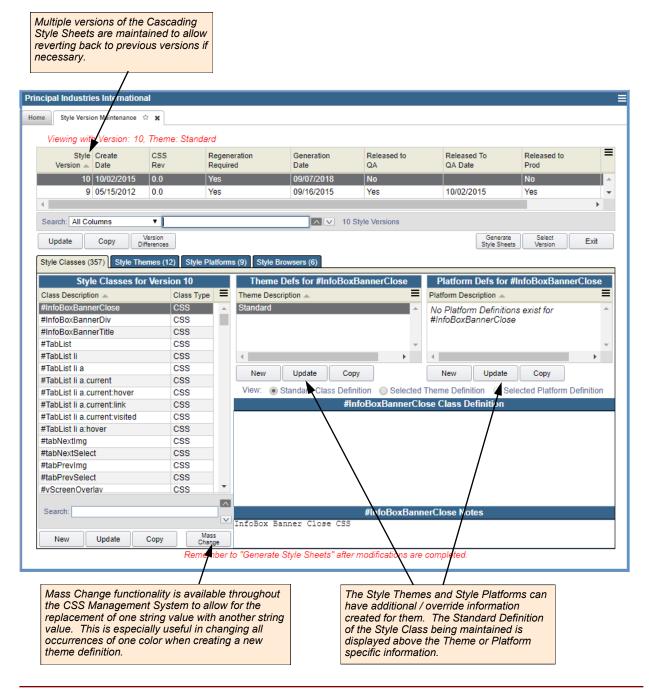
## **Program Source Version Control**

The Program Source Version Control supplies a structured development environment that provides visibility to all programs and other objects within the web environment. Developers are able to checkout, edit, and compile registered programs/objects. Previous program versions may be viewed or compared against another version for differences between the two versions. Previous versions are also available for possible production rollback. Once program changes are ready for production, the programs are assigned to Folders so multiple programs associated to the same project can be grouped together for implementation.



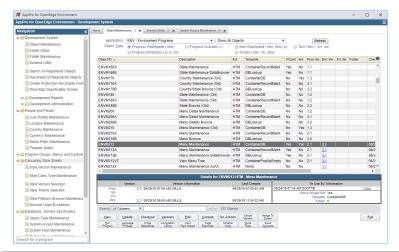
## On-line Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) Management

Cascading Style Sheets define how web pages will be displayed by assigning a "Style Class" to various elements on a web page. By changing an attribute of a Style Class, all references to that Style Class immediately inherit the new characteristics. An on-line Cascading Style Sheet management system is provided, allowing for the automatic generation of CSS files. Style Classes are defined for nearly every aspect of the **AppPro for OpenEdge** environment. "Style Themes" are also available to create unique Web page themes. Internet browser specific characteristics are maintained at the "Style Platform" level to compensate for the idiosyncrasies between browsers and versions. CSS version control is maintained to allow reverting back to previous CSS versions, if necessary.



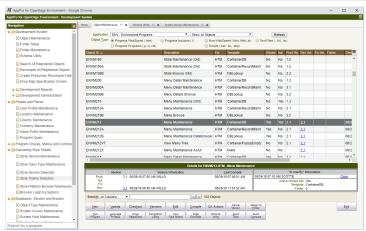
## **Style Themes**

By using the Cascading Style Sheet Maintenance and automatic CSS file generation process, a developer can quickly change the appearance of a Web application. A unique CSS file is generated for each defined theme and browser combination. The appropriate CSS file is automatically assigned to a user session based on the current theme and the internet browser being used. Style Themes allow organizations to create Web designs that are uniquely their own. The following menu and program examples illustrate the power of CSS by significantly modifying the appearance of various web applications when utilizing different CSS Style Themes.



Style Theme Example: "Standard"

Style Theme Example: "Earthtones"

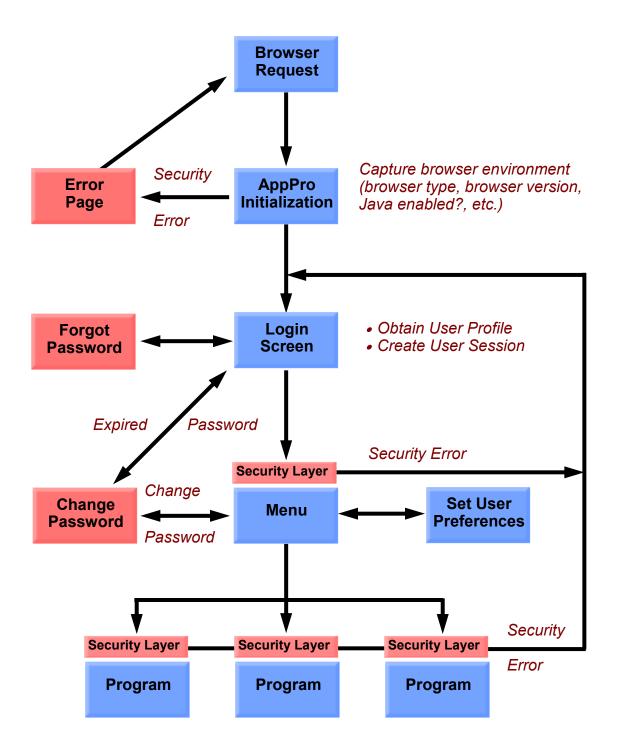


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Style Theme Example: "Flex Blue"

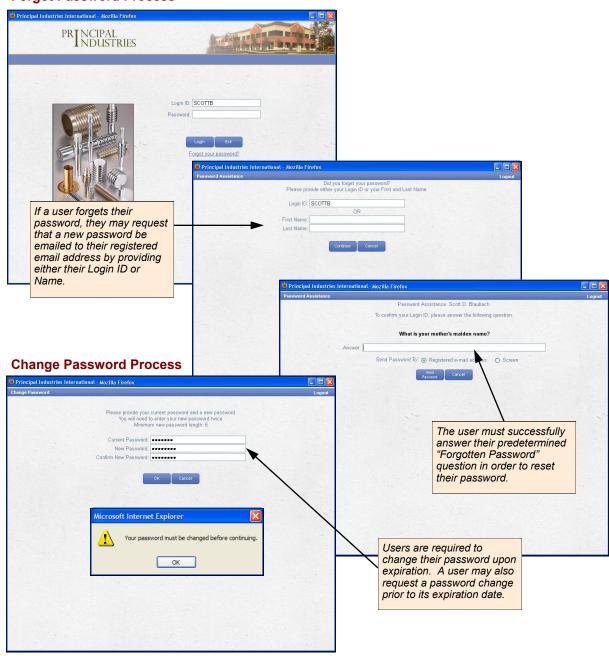
## Login / Password / Security Flow Diagram



## Login / Forgot Password / Expired Password / Change Password

The user login and password management process verifies that users have proper access authorization to your business applications. If a user forgets their password, they may request a new password to be emailed to their registered email address. Users are required to change their password upon expiration. A user may also request a password change prior to its expiration date. Upon successful login to the system, the user's profile determines the application programs that can be accessed. The **AppPro** framework can also support the integration of LDAP (Active Directory) or other authentication services for controlling the user login process.

#### **Forgot Password Process**



## **Features/Benefits - Application Development**

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## Features Benefits

### **Standard Program Templates and Wizards**

- The maintenance templates provide logic to perform the New, Update, Copy and Delete functions with appropriate developer interaction points. Other functions are easily added by using the button definition utility.
- The data browser template presents multiple data records to the user in a scrollable data grid. The "AJAX extended data" feature allows for additional information related to a selected data record to be easily accessible outside of the data grid without fully re-posting the page to the web server. The search function allows you to search for any string value in any of the displayed data fields.
- The Pop-Up template presents data in a "pop up" window when a lookup button is clicked for a specific data field. The pop up window returns the selection to the calling program.

Program Generation Wizards provide a quick method of automatically generating programs based on underlying Program Templates.

Standard Program Templates provide a consistent user interface for presenting and maintaining data.

Developers have full access to source code so any functions needed that are outside of the template logic can be easily created.

Changes to template functionality can be replicated to all associated programs with a simple recompile.

#### **Program Source Version Control**

AppPro provides a Program Source Version Control that allows for the registration and maintenance of all programs / objects used within the web environment. The developer can checkout, edit, and compile registered programs. Multiple versions of programs are retained for future comparisons and possible production rollback.

Each program checkout can be linked to a particular project for tracking all program changes associated to that project. Once testing of the modifications has been completed, the program / object is assigned to an implementation folder for transfer to the Quality Assurance (optional) and Production environments. Objects that can be registered include web programs, applets, scripts, graphic images, include files, functions, and HTML documents.

Program Source Version Control supplies a structured development environment that provides visibility to all programs / objects used within the web environment.

Version Control helps insure against accidental loss of programs / objects and provides a method for tracking the modifications made to each object version.

### **Common Function Utilities**

- Numeric Validation is available to verify that the user input value matches the numeric edit mask that the developer has specified for a given numeric field. Both integer and decimal formats are supported. Any non-numeric value or any numeric value that doesn't match the specified edit mask will result in an error message. Both European and American numeric formats are supported.
- Date Validation is available to verify that the user input value matches the date edit mask the developer has specified for a given date field. Multiple edit masks are supported. Both European (DMY) and American (MDY) formats are supported.
- Button Definitions quickly and consistently generate dynamic buttons with either one or two lines of text. Through the use of AppPro's Cascading Style Sheet generation process, the color and font of the buttons are easily changed to match the chosen theme of the page being displayed.

AppPro's common function utilities improve developer productivity and consistency, providing for improved end user ease-of-use and immediate client-side data validation.

The developer can designate the edit mask to use on each numeric and date field, alleviating the need to write specific code to ensure conformity.

Developers can quickly create buttons that are dynamically rendered based on the CSS specifications. Individual button graphic files do not need to be created for each button or theme, saving development time and providing accelerated page rendering.

## Features/Benefits - Run-Time Environment

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Features	Benefits
On-line Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) Management	
CSS defines how web pages will be displayed by assigning "Style Classes" to various elements on a web page. By changing an attribute of a Style Class, all references of that Style Class immediately inherit the new characteristics. AppPro provides an on-line CSS management system, allowing for the system generation of CSS files. Style Classes are defined for nearly every aspect of the AppPro environment. "Style Themes" are also available to create unique web page themes. Internet browser specific characteristics are maintained at the "Style Platform" level to compensate for the idiosyncrasies between browsers (Internet Explorer vs. Netscape) and versions (IE 5.6 vs. IE 7.0). CSS version control is maintained to allow reverting back to previous CSS versions, if necessary.	By using the CSS maintenance programs and CSS file generation process, the appearance of the web pages can be quickly changed. A unique CSS file is generated for each theme and browser combination. The appropriate CSS file is automatically assigned to a user session based on the current theme and internet browser being used.  Style Themes allow organizations to create web applications that are uniquely their own.
User Profile and User Access Management	
A User Profile is maintained for each user, including name, address, contact information, password expiration, and user preferences. Users can be granted access to one or more application environments (i.e. Order Entry Test vs. Production).	User profile and application security is easily maintained. User preferences include the choice between European and American date and numeric formats.
Common Security Plug-in for Programs	
AppPro provides a common security plug-in that contains various security checks, including program access security, user session timeout logic (based upon your predetermined timeout criteria) and logic to ensure that one of several security violations has not occurred. If any security breaches are detected, the user session is terminated and a new user session login is required.	The program security plug-in provides common security validations each time a web page is posted. Each user profile is assigned to various Program Groups, making user program access security maintenance quick and easy.
Multi-Language Translation Functionality	
AppPro allows translation of text phrases associated to messages, field labels, buttons, program names and menu names. Phrase can be programmed in any language, and the Language Phrase Translation functions allow for easy on-line translation to any desired languages.	Developers code the phrases in their pre- ferred language while users view them in their preferred language. No programming changes are required for this translation, only on-line translation maintenance.
Database-driven User and Session Values	
AppPro's "Get" and "Put" functions are available to easily store and retrieve data values unique to a specific user or a specific user session. These values are stored in the database rather than writing "cookies" to the user's workstation. Some users do not allow cookies to be written to their workstations, forbidding the developer from retaining information about the user or user session.	Storing User Profile and Session values on database tables give the developer control over "cookies" and the ability to track any user selections that were generated.  AppPro makes available to each program many "global variables" that contain the user and session environment information.
System Control Maintenance	
System Control records provide a centralized repository of all developer defined system program parameters. These records allow the developer to define and label an unlimited number of Character, Integer, Date, Logical, and Decimal fields. A version of each control record is maintainable in the Test, QA, and Production environments, so changes can occur in one environment without affecting the other environments.	The developer can quickly define and assign system control records instead of "hard coding" system parameters inside programs or defining new database tables for simple control data storage.



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App Technologies consulting services and the AppPro for OpenEdge web business application development framework have been the cornerstone to our client's success for their Progress OpenEdge application development projects. This winning combination provides the foundation for a solid web development and deployment infrastructure.

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