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# Read any SAP Table with Microsoft Excel

## **Applies to:**

The code sample is created on the SAP Web Application Server 6.40 but is compatible with 6.20 and next releases.

## Summary

It's a fine example to understand how the macro Excel can call Function RFC in a very simple way.

With a little stress the call could be made to a dynamic function in order to read the content at any table defined in DDIC like a transaction SE16 (reduced version).

This utility could be useful to check in easy way different tables into Excel at the same time from differents system.

So here we have two functions to define in SAP, one to read the data dynamically from any table and the other one to prepare in an include the declaration of the table.

In Excel two macros are defined in order to call the SAP function and render the data on the sheet.

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#### **Function in SAP**

There are two necessary functions in SAP system plus one include.

#### Function 1 - set the table declaration

To retrive the data dynamically with the main function, is necessary to set the declaration of the table in a separated include.

This function redefine the include involved with the table in object.

```
FUNCTION Z BC TAB TABLE DEC.
*"*"Local Interface:
   IMPORTING
       VALUE(TABLENAME) LIKE DD03L-TABNAME
   EXCEPTIONS
     TABLE_NOT_EXIST
  select single tabname into tablename
                from dd021
                where tabname eq tablename.
  if sy-subrc ne 0.
    raise TABLE_NOT_EXIST.
  endif.
  DATA programm(72) OCCURS 0 WITH HEADER LINE.
 DATA lungh(6).
 FIELD-SYMBOLS <tabella>.
  READ REPORT 'ZBCTAB_TABLE_DECLARE' INTO programm.
  LOOP AT programm.
    CHECK programm(1) NE '*'.
    CONDENSE programm.
    IF programm(7) = 'TABLES'.
      CLEAR programm.
    CONCATENATE 'TABLES' tablename '.' INTO programm SEPARATED BY space.
      MODIFY programm.
    ENDIF.
  ENDLOOP.
  INSERT REPORT 'ZBCTAB_TABLE_DECLARE' FROM programm.
ENDFUNCTION.
```

#### Include – Table declaration

This include will be redefined at every call of the first function, here there is the start code.

```
*&-----*
*& Report ZBCTAB_TABLE_DECLARE
```

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```
*&
*&-----*
*&
*&
*&
```

TABLES T000.

#### Function 2 - extract all data from table

This function extracts the data and the structure of the table from the dictionary.

Prerequisite is that the table to query is declared in the include shared by this function.

```
FUNCTION Z_BC_TAB_TABLE.
*"*"Local Interface:
   IMPORTING
* #
       VALUE(N_RECORD) LIKE RSEUMOD-TBMAXSEL DEFAULT 200
       VALUE (TABLENAME) LIKE DD03L-TABNAME
       VALUE(N_FIELD) LIKE RSEUMOD-TBMAXSEL DEFAULT 10
       VALUE(CONDITION) LIKE TCUSDAT-VALUE
   TABLES
* "
        TABLECONTENT STRUCTURE ZCHART1250
        TABLESTRUCT STRUCTURE DD03L
        TABLESTEXT STRUCTURE DD03T OPTIONAL
   EXCEPTIONS
       TABLE_NOT_DECLARED
* 11
        NO RECORD FOUND
* Note: only declared table in TOP could be query dinamically
 include ZBCTAB_TABLE_DECLARE.
 DATA: count LIKE n field.
 data: offset type i.
 data: index like sy-index.
 DATA: BEGIN OF tablestruct_i.
          INCLUDE STRUCTURE dd031.
 DATA: END OF tablestruct i.
 DATA: BEGIN OF tablestruct t.
          INCLUDE STRUCTURE dd03t.
 DATA: END OF tablestruct_t.
 DATA:
      ftab TYPE TABLE OF string.
 DATA: fieldnam LIKE dd031-fieldname.
```

FIELD-SYMBOLS <f> TYPE ANY. FIELD-SYMBOLS <f2> TYPE ANY.

```
DATA: content_t LIKE zchart1250.
SELECT * FROM dd031 INTO tablestruct i
              WHERE tabname = tablename
              ORDER BY position.
  check tablestruct i-fieldname ns 'INCLUDE'.
  ADD 1 TO count.
  APPEND tablestruct_i TO tablestruct.
  APPEND tablestruct_i-fieldname TO ftab.
  select single * from dd03t into tablestruct_t
              WHERE tabname = tablename
              and DDLANGUAGE = sy-langu
              and FIELDNAME = tablestruct_i-FIELDNAME.
  if sy-subrc ne 0.
  select single DDTEXT into tablestruct_t-DDTEXT
         from dd04t
              WHERE ROLLNAME = tablestruct i-ROLLNAME
              and DDLANGUAGE = sy-langu.
               and FIELDNAME = tablestruct i-FIELDNAME.
  endif.
  APPEND tablestruct_t TO TABLESTEXT.
  IF count GE n_field.
    EXIT.
  ENDIF.
ENDSELECT.
ASSIGN TABLE FIELD (tablename) TO <f>.
if sy-subrc ne 0.
  raise TABLE_NOT_DECLARED.
endif.
count = 0.
SELECT DISTINCT (ftab)
     INTO CORRESPONDING FIELDS OF <f>
     FROM (tablename)
     where (condition).
  clear content t-string.
  clear offset.
  add 1 to count.
  loop at tablestruct into tablestruct_i.
   assign component sy-tabix of structure <f> to <F2>.
   write <F2> to content_t-string+offset.
    concatenate content_t-string <F2> into content_t-string.
   offset = offset + tablestruct_i-leng.
  endloop.
  APPEND content t TO tablecontent.
  if count ge N RECORD.
    exit.
  endif.
ENDSELECT.
```

#### ENDFUNCTION.

Be sure that your function has the option Remote-Enabled Module.



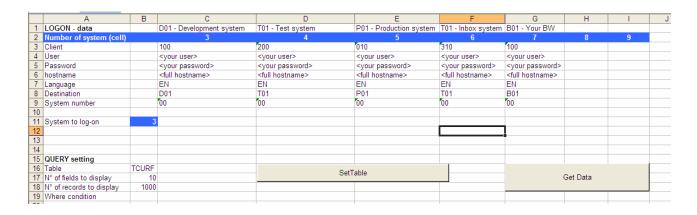
#### **Excel file**

#### **Sheet Query setting**

The first sheet in the file will contains the info of logon for different system and the selection data for It must be like the following:

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Note that in the macros the position of the cells are fixed, so if you intend to shift or change the disposition of the cells you must change also the macros.

#### Explanation:

Here you can maintain the logon data for different systems, as in the example you can have a development syste, a quality system, a production, an inbox, and so on.

On the rows Client, hostaname, language, destination and system number there are the info that you have in your SapGui

In the rows User and password you can write your personal user/password but pay attention these are sensible data here and can be hidden in different way. I don't go into details here.

In the row 2 I numbered the system to simple identification.

In the row 11 at "system to log-on" insert the identification of the system you would log-on.

Below in rows 16-19 there are the selection data for the specific query:

- Table
- N° of fields to display
- N° of records to display (cause of performance and Excel-limitation)
- Where condition = is a free cell in which you can define a simple where condition to filter the data

#### **Sheet Query Result**

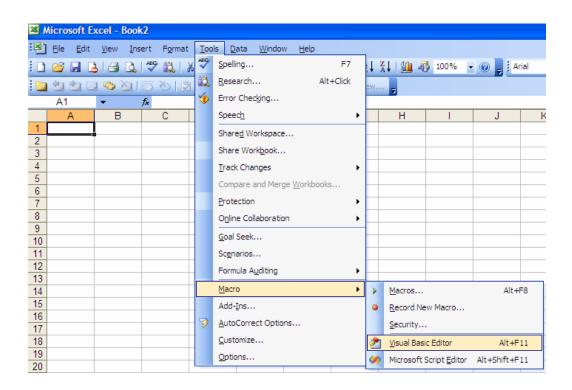
That's the second sheet in the Excel file. It will be filled directly from the macros after a successful query from SAP.

#### **VBA Macros in Excel**

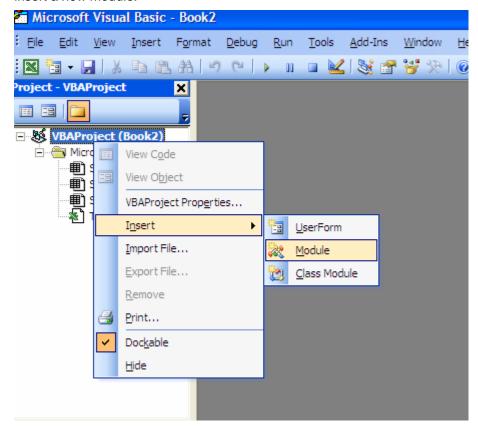
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In the Excel file, go to VBA editor:

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#### insert a new module:



In the editor insert the code reported in the article

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Sub SetTable()

Dim functionCtrl As Object 'Function Control (Collective object)

Set functionCtrl = CreateObject("SAP.Functions")

Set sapConnection = functionCtrl.Connection

'Declaration

Dim linetab As Object
Dim TabDef As Object
Dim returnFunc As Boolean
Dim startzeil As Integer
Dim endcol As Integer
Dim table\_name As String
Dim n\_record As String
Dim n\_fields As String
Dim where\_condition As String
Dim start\_char As Integer
Dim WriteCell As String
Dim Offset As Integer
Dim Destination\_System As Integer

'Logon with initial values

Destination\_System = ActiveSheet.Cells(11, 2).Value

sapConnection.client = ActiveSheet.Cells(3, Destination\_System).Value
sapConnection.user = ActiveSheet.Cells(4, Destination\_System).Value
sapConnection.Language = ActiveSheet.Cells(7, Destination\_System).Value
sapConnection.hostname = ActiveSheet.Cells(6, Destination\_System).Value

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```
sapConnection.Password = ActiveSheet.Cells(5, Destination_System).Value sapConnection.SystemNumber = ActiveSheet.Cells(9, Destination_System).Value sapConnection.System = ActiveSheet.Cells(8, Destination_System).Value sapConnection.Destination = ActiveSheet.Cells(8, Destination_System).Value
```

If sapConnection.logon(0, False) <> True Then
MsgBox "No connection to R/3!"
Exit Sub 'End program
End If

Set theFunc = functionCtrl.Add("Z\_BC\_TAB\_TABLE\_DEC")

table\_name = ActiveSheet.Cells(16, 2).Value

 $the Func. exports ("TABLENAME") = table\_name \\ return Func = the Func. Call \\$ 

die\_exception = theFunc.Exception

End Sub Sub GetTableContent()

Dim functionCtrl As Object 'Function Control (Collective object)

Set functionCtrl = CreateObject("SAP.Functions")

Set sapConnection = functionCtrl.Connection

'Declaration

Dim linetab As Object
Dim TabDef As Object
Dim TabDefName As Object
Dim returnFunc As Boolean
Dim startzeil As Integer
Dim endcol As Integer
Dim table\_name As String
Dim n\_record As String
Dim n\_fields As String
Dim where\_condition As String
Dim start\_char As Integer
Dim WriteCell As String
Dim Offset As Integer

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sapConnection.Language = ActiveSheet.Cells(7, Destination_System).Value
sapConnection.hostname = ActiveSheet.Cells(6, Destination_System).Value
sapConnection.Password = ActiveSheet.Cells(5, Destination System).Value
sapConnection.SystemNumber = ActiveSheet.Cells(9, Destination System).Value
sapConnection.System = ActiveSheet.Cells(8, Destination System).Value
sapConnection.Destination = ActiveSheet.Cells(8, Destination System).Value
If sapConnection.logon(0, False) <> True Then
  MsgBox "No connection to R/3!"
  Exit Sub
                                    'End program
End If
 Set theFunc = functionCtrl.Add("Z BC TAB TABLE")
 n_fields = ActiveSheet.Cells(17, 2).Value
 n record = ActiveSheet.Cells(18, 2).Value
 where condition = ActiveSheet.Cells(19, 2).Value
 table_name = ActiveSheet.Cells(16, 2).Value
'Prepare output to the EXCEL worksheet
Worksheets(2).Select
Cells.Clear
startzeil = 1
'Determine the import parameters for the function call
'For start_char = Asc("A") To Asc("Z")
    theFunc.exports("TABLENAME") = table_name
    theFunc.exports("N FIELD") = n fields
    theFunc.exports("N RECORD") = n record
    theFunc.exports("CONDITION") = where_condition
    returnFunc = theFunc.Call
    die_exception = theFunc.Exception
     If returnFunc = True Then
       Set linetab = theFunc.Tables.Item("TABLECONTENT")
       Set TabDef = theFunc.Tables.Item("TABLESTRUCT")
       Set TabDefName = theFunc.Tables.Item("TABLESTEXT")
       Call display header(TabDef, TabDefName, n fields)
       Call display lines(table name, linetab, TabDef, startzeil, endcol)
       startzeil = endcol
       Set customers = Nothing
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```
Else
       If die_exception = "NO_RECORD_FOUND" Then
         Cells(startzeil, 1) = "No values exist for " + the_name
         startzeil = startzeil + 1
       Else
         MsgBox "Error when accessing function in R/3!"
       Exit Sub
       End If
     End If
'Close connection to R/3!
functionCtrl.Connection.logoff
'Release the objects to free storage space
Set sapConnection = Nothing
Set functionCtrl = Nothing
MsgBox "Program terminated!", 0, "Exit"
End Sub
Sub display header(ByRef table def As Object, ByRef table name As Object, n fields As String)
'Show table header
'For each field, the name and the description.
 j = 1
 For Each TabDef In table_def.Rows
  Cells(1, j) = Trim(TabDef("FIELDNAME"))
  j = j + 1
 Next
 j = 1
 For Each TabDefName In table_name.Rows
  Cells(2, j) = Trim(TabDefName("DDTEXT"))
  i = i + 1
 Next
End Sub
Sub display_lines(TabName As String, ByRef line_table As Object, ByRef table_def As Object, start_zeil As
Integer, ByRef end_col As Integer)
'Display contents of customer table
bManyLines = False
If (bManyLines = False) Then
i = 3
For Each Line In line_table.Rows
 Offset = 1
 j = 1
```

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```
For Each TabDef In table_def.Rows
Leng = Trim(TabDef("LENG"))
WriteCell = Mid(Trim(Line("STRING")), Offset, Leng)
Cells(i, j) = WriteCell
Offset = Offset + Leng
j = j + 1
Next
i = i + 1
Next
End If
end_col = i
End Sub
```

## **Description of Module**

The routine are quite simple, two are the mains:

Routine: SetTable - Call the first function in SAP

Routine: GetTableContent - Call the second function in SAP to retrive the data and display it

The routine display\_header and display\_lines are used by GetTableContent to display the result.

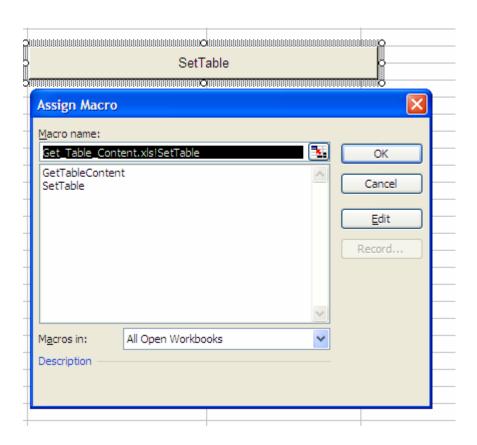
## Assign Macro to Button

Assign to the buttons the two main macros:

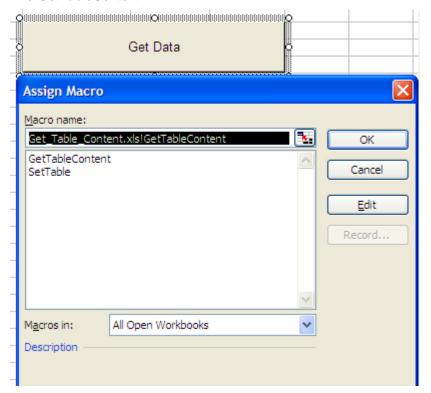
SetTable

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#### And GetTableContent



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#### Procedure to run the Excel

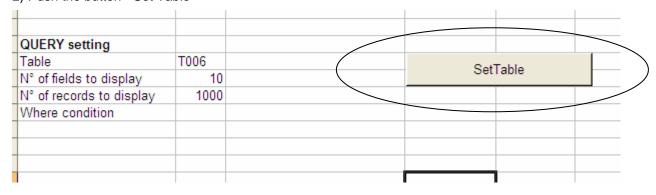
After the complete definition of functions and macros, after the insertion of the logon data, you can read the data of any table.

1) Insert the name of the table in query setting

		А	В	С	D	Е	F
	1	LOGON - data		D07 - Development SEM/BW			
	2	Number of system (cell)		3	4	5	
	3	Client		100			
	4	User		slocatelli			
	5	Password		tavoloom			
	6	hostname		d07ci.apps.pradagroup.net			
	7	Language		EN			
	8	Destination		D07			
	9	System number		00			
	10						
	11	System to log-on	3				
	12						
	13						
	14						
	15	QUERY setting					
	16		T006		Sat	Table	
		N° of fields to display	10	)		Table	
$\setminus$		N° of records to display	1000				
		Where condition					
	20						
	21						
	22						
	23						
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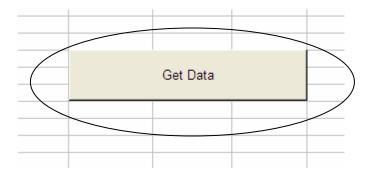
In the where clause you can set an optional condition ABAP to refine the selection (ex. KURST = 'M' AND FCURR = 'EUR')

2) Push the button "Set Table"



This step is necessary separated from the next because to set the table in the include.

3) Push the button "Get data"



# The macro sends you in the second sheet with the result of the query.

	А	D	L C	U		Г	G	П	1	J
1	MANDT	MSEHI						KZ1EH		DIMID
2	Client	Unit of Measurement	3-char indicator	6-char. ID for ex	No. of decimal	Commercial me	Value-based co	Indicator (1) uni	Indicator (2) unit	Dimension key
3		ONE	X	X						PROPOR
4	100	μF	X	X		X				CAPACI
5	100	NI	X	X		X				FORCE
6	100	MGO	X	X		X				RESIST
7	100	MHV	X	X		X				VOLTAG
8	100	BQL	X	X						SPARAD
9	100	CMH	X	X						SPEED
10	100	EU	X	X		X				AAAADL
11	100	MGQ	X	X		X				DENSI
12	100	MI2	X	X		X				SURFAC
13	100	MIN	X	X		X				TIME
14	100	ML	X	X		X				VOLUME
15	100	MMA	X	X						SPEED
16	100		X	X						FORCE
17	100	P	X	X		X				POINTS
18	100		X	X						PRESS
19	100	PAA	X	X		X				AAAADL
20	100	PAC	X	X		X				AAAADL
21	100	PAL	X	X		X				AAAADL
22	100	_	X	X						TIME
23	100	TES	X	X						MAGNFD
24	100	5	X	X		X				AAAADL
25	100		X	X		X				AAAADL
26	100		X	X		X				PROPOR
27		CMS	X	X		X				SPEED
28	100		X	X		X				CAPACI
29	100		X	X		X				CAPACI
30	100	CCM	X	X		X				VOLUME
31		DM3		X		X				VOLUME
32	100	DRM	X	X		X				AAAADL

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## Limitations

The limits of this sample tool are obvious but is correct to report them here to prevent an incorrect use of the program.

Type of table --> No cluster table could be read with this simple tool

<u>Type of data</u> --> The data type of time are not rendered in the correct way. The amount are displayed in the internal format of SAP. More develop are required in VBA to display correctly this info.

<u>Performance</u> --> The limitiations of Excel are on the maximum nuber of records. This tool is intended as an example and a nice way to retrive and check simple data. No massive extraction is inended.

## **Other Ideas**

Here I suggest some exercises to do starting on this sample code. The results could be useful for business and technical developing.

- Make many sheets like as the source systems. Every sheet will corresponds to one system, press button and import data from all system together. Add one sheet at the end with formulas to compare the data from the different systems but for the same table.
- Assign also the table of text (where it exists) and read also that together the main table. Insert also the language key as selection and render the data in one time.

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