

ACEIT E-News: 7.0a Patch Released

Overview

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The December ACEIT E-News focuses on the release of the ACEIT 7.0a Patch. This patch is available for download from the <u>ACEIT website</u> on December 15th. This month's <u>Tip of the Month</u> highlights the extension of the early registration and hotel deadlines for the upcoming ACEIT User Conference. Our <u>Downloads</u> section spotlights the new tutorials that are available for download (they are also included in the patch) or for online viewing. Take a look at the latest <u>training calendar</u> and see what class is right for you. Basic 7.0 classes are booking up fast! Don't miss this month's new <u>Support Alert</u> on POST. All this in this month's E-News.

Tip of the Month

ACEIT User Conference - Early Registration and Hotel Deadlines Extended

Early registration for the ACEIT User Conference and the hotel reservation deadlines have been extended to December 22nd. The early registration fee is only \$199. After December 22nd the registration fee increases to \$299. The hotel is booking up so make your reservations. Use reservation code **TECOLOTE** to get the Conference/Government rate. Rooms reserved by December 22nd receive the conference pricing. Don't miss out on the savings!

ACEIT Highlight: 7.0a Patch Released

On Friday December 15th, the ACEIT 7.0a patch will be available for download at the ACEIT website <u>Support>Downloads>Software Patches</u>. This patch makes ACEIT 7.0 even more stable and corrects several rarely experienced calculation issues. Also included with the patch are the new ACE, CO\$TAT, POST and Librarian tutorials. Below are some of the items that have been corrected in 7.0a.

ACE - The following items may cause your results to change:

- "F" phased rows in a TY Phased allocated risk report will now capture the results of referenced "C" phased rows.
- SUMIF now returns the total instead of 0 when referencing a constant-phased row.
- ACE 6.1a would generate FATAL error PHZ609 if Lead/lag would place costs after last FY. ACE 7.0 would truncate the phased values and leave the case column result for that row blank, without warning the user. ACE 7.0a now behaves like 6.1a and produces a fatal error.
- ACE will now report a FATAL error when users mix subjective and numerical values in spread and skew columns for RI\$K Beta distribution.
- ACE no longer reports "Unexplained Fatal Error Divide by Zero" when generating a TY Phased allocated risk report when a methodology included a "divide by a C phased row".

ACE - Some of the issues that have been corrected (for a complete list see the release notes):

- ACE occasionally crashed after inactivity or during a file save or after many continuous "Replace Unique ID" procedures.
- A memory leak which could cause ACE to crash if you were loading and unloading many sessions was fixed.
- DEC columns now convert from 7.0 back to 6.1 properly.
- After an initial calculation, the error log did not always report FATAL errors for subsequent calculations. Now all errors are always reported.

POST - Some of the issues that have been corrected (for a complete list see the release notes):

- POST now gives a message when calculation syntax check fails, and tells the user to check the errors in ACE.
- TY Allocated POST risk charts now receive the complete results from the ACE calculation engine. Previously there was a problem for "F" phased rows referencing "C" phased rows.

The full release notes can be found in the Help (once the patch has been installed) or on the <u>Release</u> <u>Notes</u> page of the ACEIT website.

Downloads

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ACEIT 7.0a PATCH – This is a 30 MB file. Typical download times appear to range between 10 and 20 minutes. A CD version is available upon request from <u>ACEIT Sales</u>.

<u>ACE Basic 7.0 Tutorial</u> – This tutorial will help you get started using ACE by walking you through the steps to create a simple estimate for a UAV (Unmanned Air Vehicle).

<u>CO\$TAT 7.0 Tutorial</u> – This tutorial will help you get started using CO\$TAT by walking you through the steps to perform the analysis tools available.

<u>POST 7.0 Tutorial</u> – This tutorial will help you get familiar with the use of POST. You will learn how to create reports, create cases, view results, create Power Point presentations, export results, and update

presentations automatically.

Librarian 7.0 Tutorial – This tutorial will help you use the ACEIT Librarian by walking you through the steps to create and customize you own inflation indices and CER Library.

Training Schedule

S Upcoming ACEIT Training

January 2007 – April 2007 classes are listed below. For a complete listing of all upcoming training, check the <u>ACEIT training schedule</u>.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1st Annual User Conference 2007	<u>23-25 SB,</u> <u>CA</u>			
Advanced ACEIT (In Depth ACEIT/POST)	<u>16-19 WDC</u>			
Automated Reports and Presentations Using Excel (POST)	<u>18-19 WDC</u>		<u>21-22 Las</u> Vegas, NV	
Basic ACEIT 7.0 (Basic ACEIT)		<u>5-8 Las</u> <u>Vegas, NV</u>		<u>3-6 Herndon,</u> <u>VA</u>
Risk Analysis in ACE (RI\$K)			<u>19-20 Las</u> Vegas, NV	
Training Bundle - 4 Day (COSTAT/RI\$K)			<u>13-16</u> <u>Herndon, VA</u>	

On-Site and Mechanics Training are available; contact our Training Coordinator for more information.

Support Alerts on ACEIT.com

There has been **1 New Warning Support Alert** posted since the last e-news. Below is a summary of this Support Alert.

ACEIT 7.0 - (Warning): POST displays error "Object doesn't support this object or method" when clicking on report buttons.

If you see this error message, copy the Excel configuration file "Excel.exe.config" from the ACEIT Help directory (available after installing the patch) into the directory containing the Excel executable. If you have not installed the patch, you can obtain the file from the <u>Support Alert</u> page. Please contact <u>Aceit_Support@tecolote.com</u> if you need further help to correct this problem.

Please see the <u>Support Alert page</u> of the ACEIT website for more information on recent alerts and to view other Warnings and Informational postings. You will need to login and have current DMS.

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