



## FAST EDIT: Writing back of data from IBM Cognos into the database

*Fast Edit is the extension for IBM Cognos, which allows you to alter and insert data within reports and in the portal or even import it from spreadsheets.*

Fast Edit combines data output with an effective data entry – by the click of the mouse and without programming. Fast Edit is completely integrated into the IBM Cognos Environment and uses the IBM Cognos Security.

### Business Overview

Using Fast Edit you can open an input window directly from inside Cognos Connection or an IBM Cognos report, in which data can be managed. It is possible within the input masks to insert, to alter and in some allowed cases also to delete data.

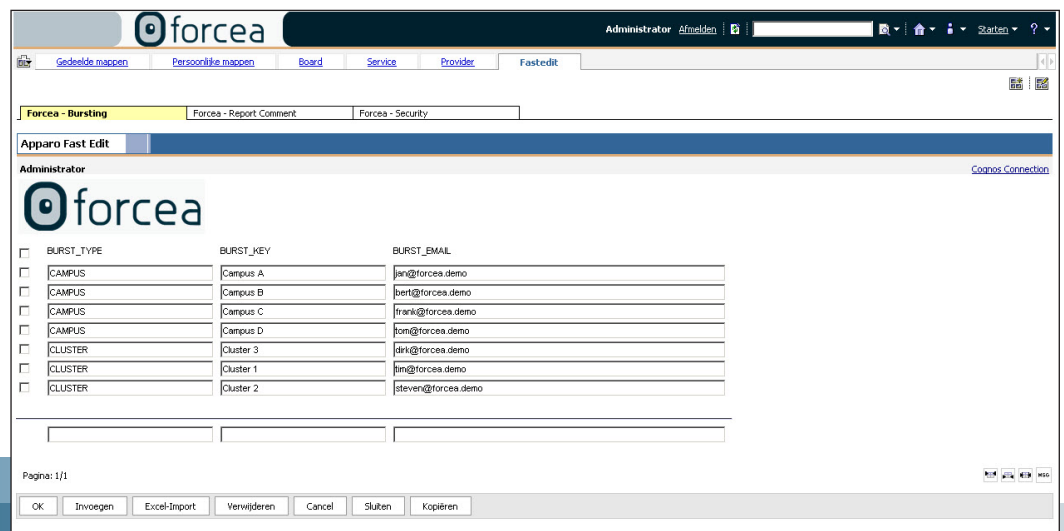
Using Fast Edit you do not require further applications for the recording of data in the area of data warehousing and master data management. Fast Edit is completely web based. The data input screens are specified out of of Cognos Connection and therefore require no development. The creation is so simple that a Power-User can work effectively with Fast Edit within a day.

### Fields of Activity

- **Master Data Management**  
Maintaining all master tables of your Data Warehouse in Cognos Connection
- **Report commentary**  
Flexible & powerful comment functionality without programming
- **Plan data input**  
Input, update, delete & search with IBM Cognos security
- **Spreadsheet import interface**  
Just import with copy & paste or file import with a mouse click

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*Business driven data input*



BURST_TYPE	BURST_KEY	BURST_EMAIL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMPUS	Campus A	jan@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMPUS	Campus B	bert@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMPUS	Campus C	frank@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMPUS	Campus D	tom@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CLUSTER	Cluster 3	strik@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CLUSTER	Cluster 1	tim@forcea.demo
<input type="checkbox"/>	CLUSTER	Cluster 2	steven@forcea.demo



### Why Fast Edit?

- Reporting and Data Entry can be connected together
- Can be setup and used by any business department area
- Business requirements can be very flexibly implemented and maintained
- No separate system, completely integrated within your IBM Cognos environment
- Grows with on-going needs, simple to use

### Fast Edit Features

- Data management i.e. master data, email distribution lists
- Manual input of: plan data, codes, Facts, single data
- Import of large amounts of data directly from spreadsheets into IBM Cognos
- Automatic Data-Import, language independent
- Commentate a report, directly within the IBM Cognos Report
- Enter plan or target data and evaluate immediately
- Control data quality and correct false entries
- Maintain Keys/Codes (Classification lists in data warehouse, SAP or other systems)

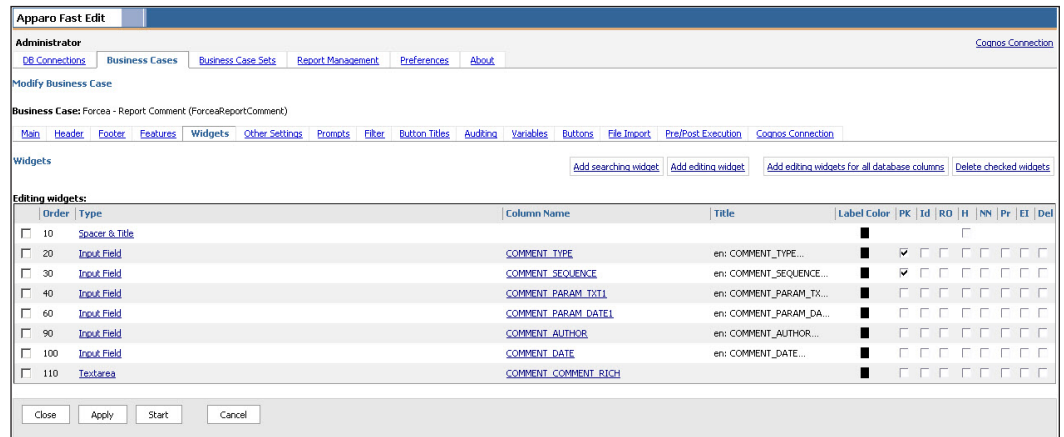
### About Fast Edit

Fast Edit is a solution from Apparo Sueddeutschland GmbH.

For more information on Apparo and Fast Edit, including product demonstrations:

[www.apparo.de/en](http://www.apparo.de/en)

*Web-based solution design without programming*

The screenshot shows the 'Apparo Fast Edit' web interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with options like 'DB Connections', 'Business Cases', 'Business Case Sets', 'Report Management', 'Preferences', and 'About'. Below this, the 'Business Case' is identified as 'Forcea - Report Comment (ForceaReportComment)'. A secondary menu includes 'Main', 'Header', 'Footer', 'Features', 'Widgets', 'Other Settings', 'Promots', 'Filter', 'Button Titles', 'Auditing', 'Variables', 'Buttons', 'File Import', 'Pre/Post Execution', and 'Cognos Connection'. The main area is titled 'Editing widgets:' and contains a table with columns for 'Order', 'Type', 'Column Name', 'Title', 'Label Color', 'PK', 'Id', 'RO', 'H', 'NN', 'Pr', 'EI', and 'Del'. The table lists various widgets such as 'Spacer & Title', 'Input Field', and 'Textarea' with their corresponding database column names and titles. At the bottom of the interface, there are buttons for 'Close', 'Apply', 'Start', and 'Cancel'.

Order	Type	Column Name	Title	Label Color	PK	Id	RO	H	NN	Pr	EI	Del
10	Spacer & Title											
20	Input Field	COMMENT_TYPE	en: COMMENT_TYPE...									
30	Input Field	COMMENT_SEQUENCE	en: COMMENT_SEQUENCE...									
40	Input Field	COMMENT_PARAM_TXT1	en: COMMENT_PARAM_TX...									
60	Input Field	COMMENT_PARAM_DATE1	en: COMMENT_PARAM_DA...									
90	Input Field	COMMENT_AUTHOR	en: COMMENT_AUTHOR...									
100	Input Field	COMMENT_DATE	en: COMMENT_DATE...									
110	Textarea	COMMENT_COMMENT_RICH										

### About Forcea

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**Forcea is an official distributor and reseller for the Apparo Fast Edit solution.**