

CICS Explorer for z/VSE

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CICS Explorer for z/VSE

- Announced 04/03/2012, GA 06/15/2012
- CICS Explorer The new face to CICS
 - New system management framework for CICS TS
 - Consists of CICS Explorer client and a CICS TS server extension
 - CICS Explorer client
 - Read-only capabilities
 - Eclipse-based user interface on workstation
 - Integrated Development Environment (IDE)
 - Workspace and plug-ins
 - Open source software (Eclipse Public License)
 - · Connects to CICS TS via TCP/IP
 - Communication via HTTP requests
 - CICS Explorer server extension
 - Delivered as PTF for CICS TS for VSE/ESA 1.1.1
 - Available on z/VSE Version 5 only



CICS Explorer for z/VSE

- CICS Explorer client supports
 - CICS TS for z/OS
 - CICS TS for VSE/ESA 1.1.1
- Provides a view of some CICS system management functions
- Displays details of CICS resources in definition views
- Administration operations are not supported
- Displays the resource attributes as of CEMT / CEDA
- Provides context and more detailed help

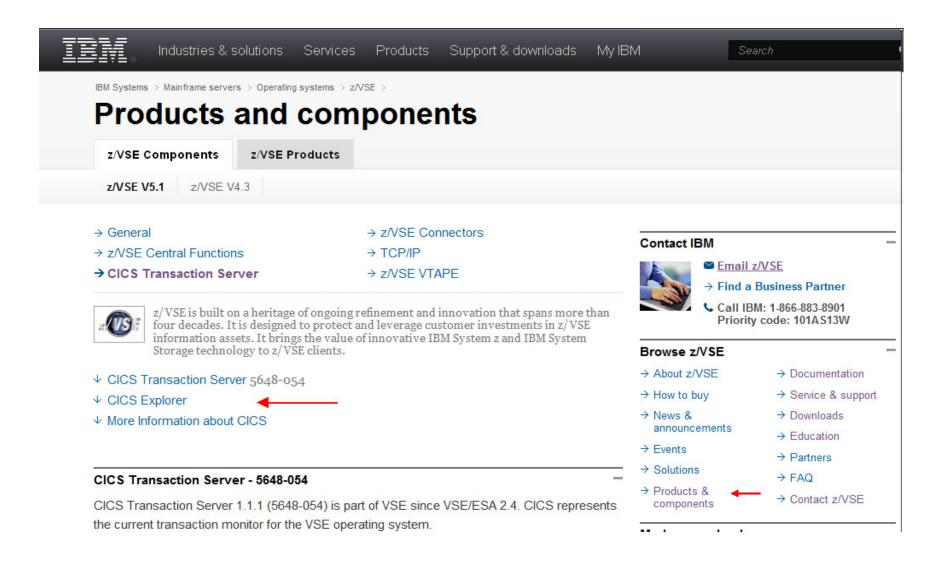


CICS Explorer for z/VSE – supported operations

- Regions
- TCP/IP services
- ISC/MRO connections
- Terminals
- Transactions
- Transaction classes
- Programs
- Tasks
- Files
- Interval control requests
- Transient data (TD) and temporary storage (TS) queues
- Document templates



CICS Explorer for z/VSE on the web - www.ibm.com/vse





CICS Explorer for z/VSE on the web ...

IIM License Charges ↑ Back to top → Linux on IBM → Recommended System z Service Level \rightarrow z/OS → IBM Shopz \rightarrow z/VM **CICS Explorer** Middleware The new face of CICS Transaction Server for VSE/ESA V1.1 → Mainframe software → Rational (software The CICS Explorer is the new systems management framework for CICS TS. It provides readfor IBM System z and systems delivery) only capabilities to display CICS resources. The CICS Explorer consists of a CICS Explorer → WebSphere → Tivoli (service client and a CICS TS server extension. The CICS Explorer client can be downloaded from the (integration and optimization) management) CICS Explorer web page, and the CICS TS server extension is delivered as CICS TS PTF. → Information → Lotus When used with CICS TS for VSE/ESA, it requires z/VSE V5.1, or later. (collaboration) Management (DB2, Informix, The CICS Explorer user guide provides some more information on the CICS Explorer InfoSphere) installation and use. Rate zEnterprise product ■ IBM CICS Explorer User Guide V1.2b (PDF, 500KB) Tell us what you think → IBM CICS Explorer download Your opinion matters and we want to hear from you. Write a review today! ↑ Back to top



CICS Explorer for z/VSE on the web





CICS Explorer for z/VSE client installation

- Download CICS Explorer zip file from the web
- Installation on the local workstation or remote network drive
- Configure the way it connects to the CICS system
 - Connect credentials, CICS system connection, ...
 - z/VSE supports the CICS Management Client Interface (CMCI) only



CICS Explorer for z/VSE - CICS TS installation

- System requirements
 - CICS Explorer connects to z/VSE Version 5 only
 - Additional extended Dynamic Storage Area (EDSA) required
 - Size depends on active CICS resources
 - Good start is 50 MB (with additional PTF)
 - May impact partition allocation
 - TCP/IP for VSE/ESA 1.5F or IPv6/VSE 1.1 or Linux Fast Path (IPv4 only)
- Install PTFs for CICS Explorer support (included in z/VSE 5.1.1 or higher)
 - CICS Management Client Interface (CMCI)
 - CICSPlex System Management (CPSM)
 - Code will be installed into PRD1.BASE
 - No additional z/VSE Librarian definitions (LIBDEFs) required

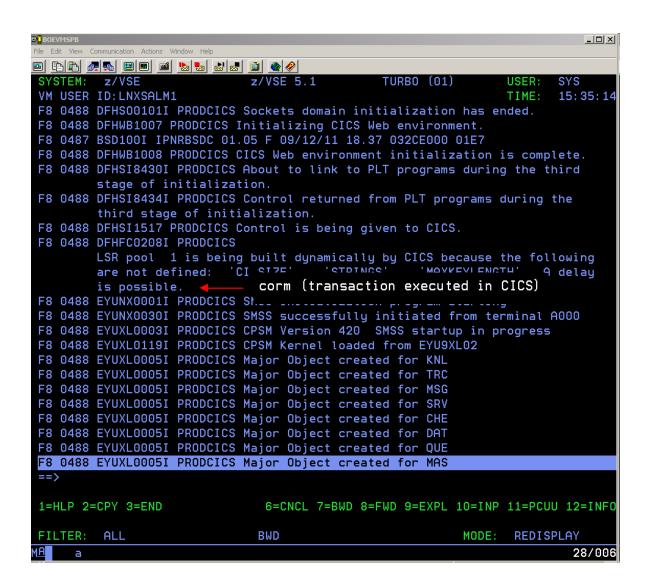


CICS Explorer for z/VSE - CICS TS installation ...

- CICS setup skeletons in ICCF library 59
 - CICS System Definitions (CSD)
 - Transaction security setup
 - DCT (Destination Control Table)
 - Define / initialize dataset EYUPARM (for debugging)
- Add DLBL / EXTENT / ASSGN statements for EYUPARM dataset to CICS start-up job
- Changing CICS SIT (SEC=YES, TCPIP=YES)
- Define TCPIPSERVICE
- Adjust EDSALIM, if additional DSA space required
- Define a conversion table DFHCNV
- Install new groups using CEDA



CICS Explorer for z/VSE – start CORM transaction on server



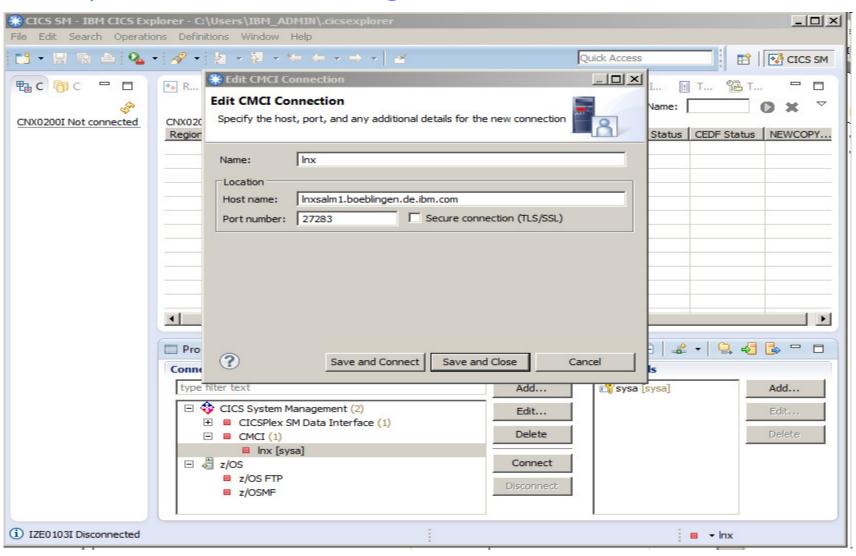


CICS Explorer for z/VSE – welcome page



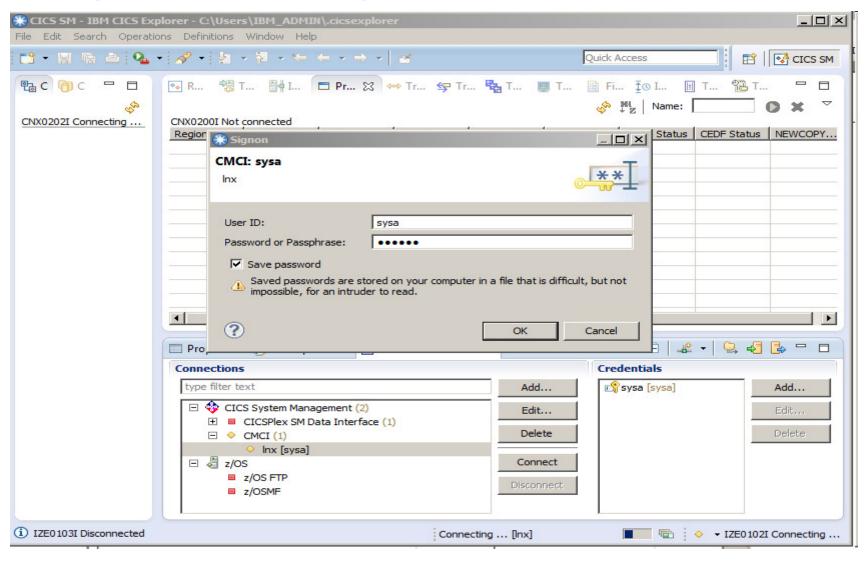


CICS Explorer for z/VSE - configuration



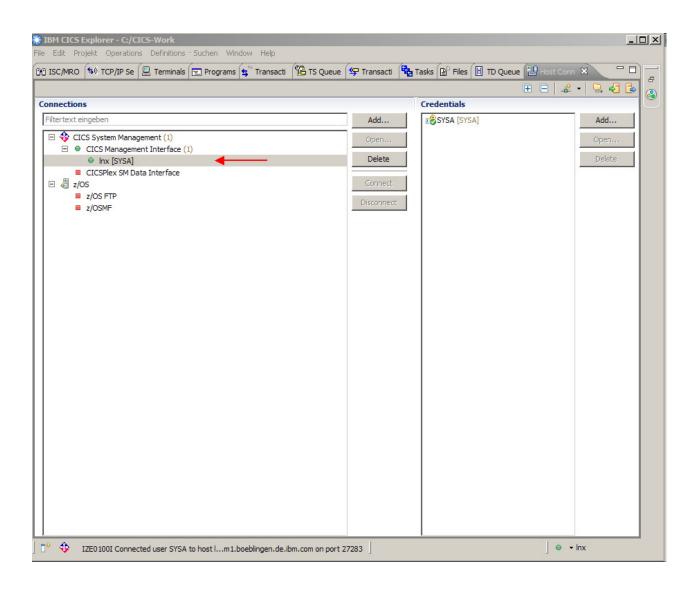


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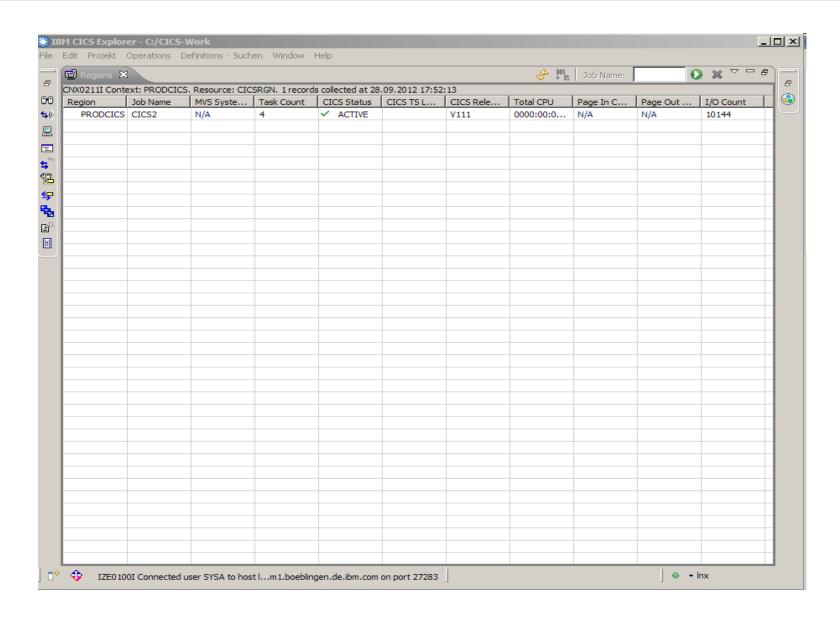




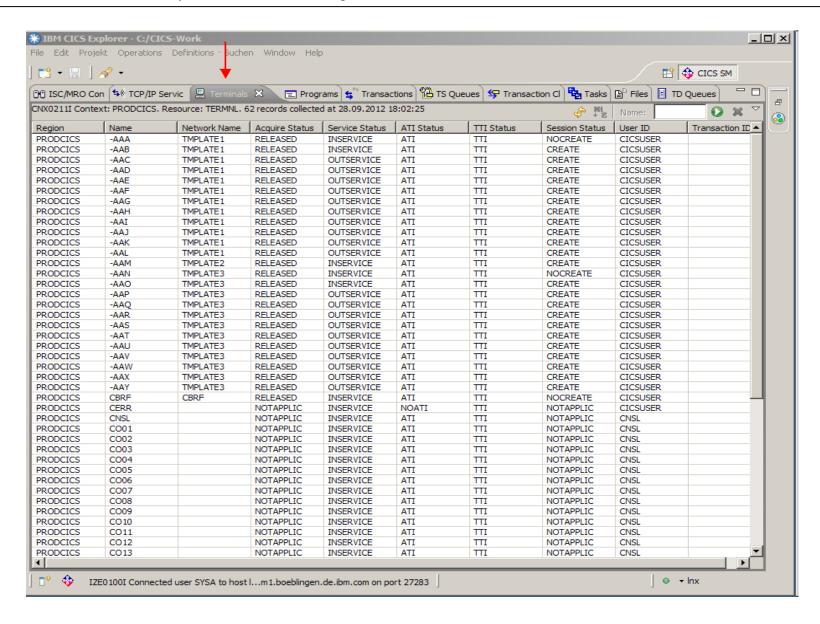
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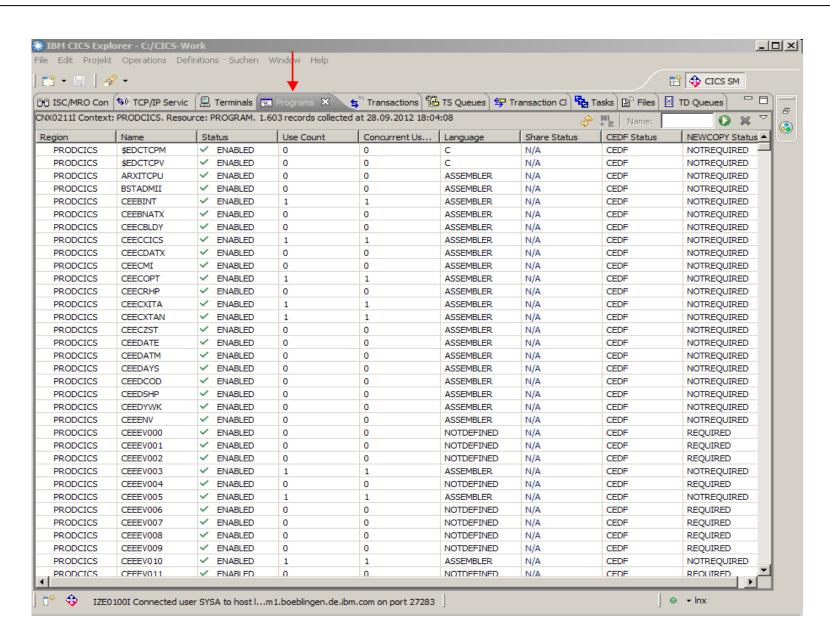




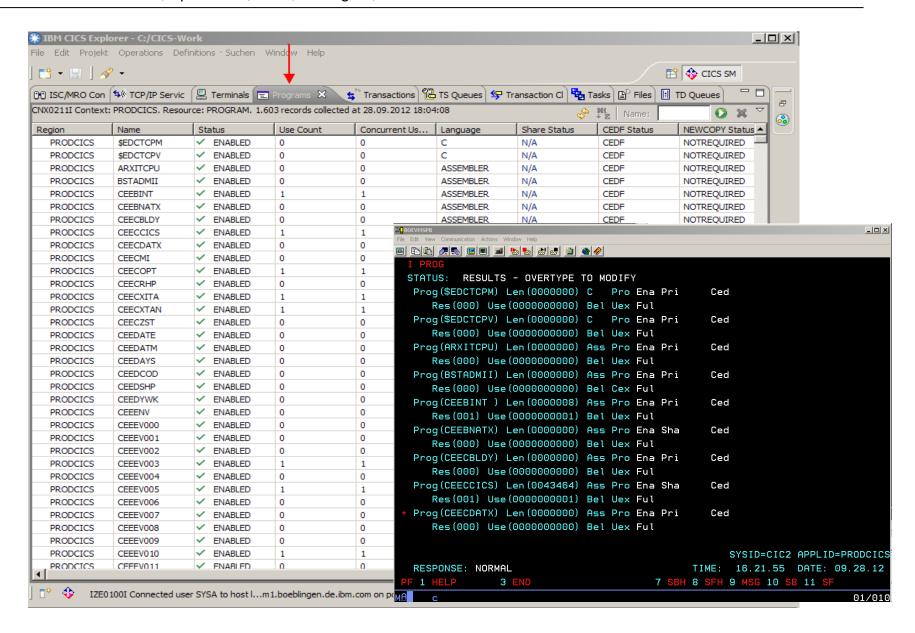




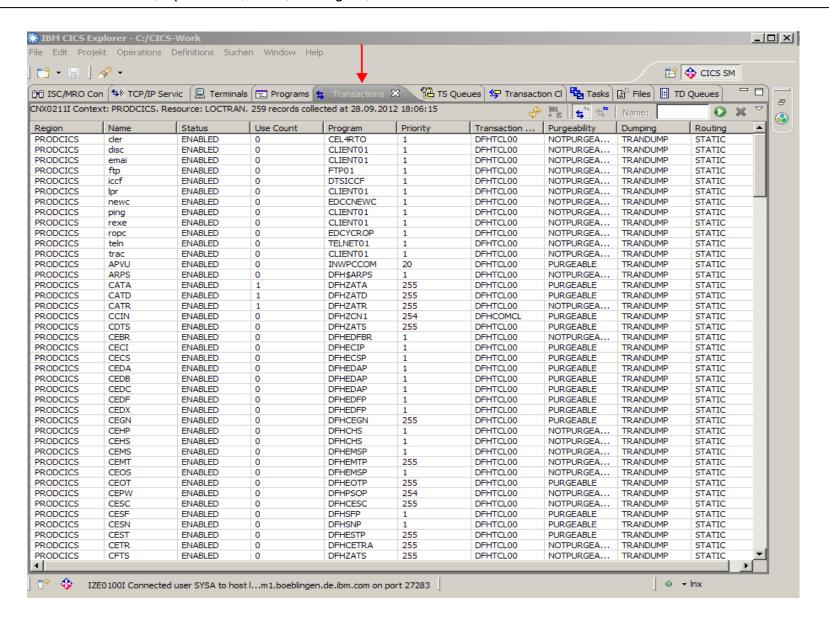




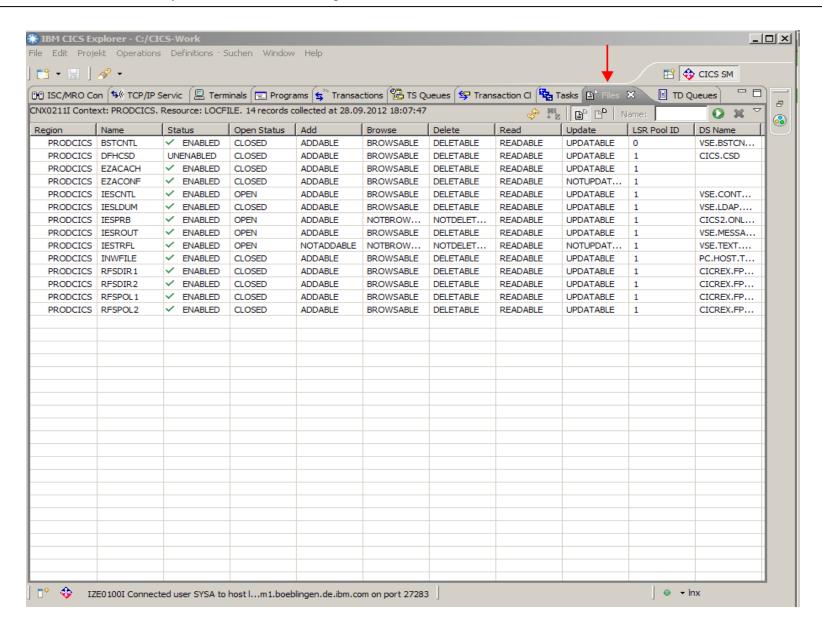














z/VSE Statement of Direction (SOD) in z/VSE 5.2 Announcement

IBM intends to provide

new capability in a future release of IBM CICS Transaction Server for z/VSE, to provide:

- → (i) Updates to CICS resources for CICS Explorer, and
 - (ii) Channels and Containers to enable the transfer of large amounts of data between CICS applications.
- IBM intends to rename

the product z/VSE Central Functions to z/VSE in a new z/VSE version.

- z/VSE V5.2 will be the last release that supports IBM System z9. Future releases of z/VSE will support IBM System z10 and higher.
- Stabilization of support and discontinued functions:
 - CICS DDM: Support for CICS Distributed Data Management (DDM) is stabilized in CICS TS for VSE/ESA V1.1.1.

In a future release of CICS TS for z/VSE, IBM intends to discontinue support for CICS DDM.

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z/VSE Statement of direction (SOD) ...

- IBM CICS Explorer to provide updates to CICS resources
 - Update resources as you would do with transactions on your CICS terminal
 - Enable / disable CICS resources
 - Change selected CICS definitions
 - **–** ...

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- ... on VSE home page: http://ibm.com/vse
- Ingolf's z/VSE blog: https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/mydeveloperworks/blogs/vse
- Hints and Tips for z/VSE 5.1:
 - http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/documentation/#hints
- 64 bit virtual information:
 - IBM z/VSE Extended Addressability, Version 5 Release 1
 - IBM z/VSE System Macro Reference, Version 5 Release 1
- CICS Explorer: http://www.ibm.com/software/htp/cics/explorer/
- IBM Redbooks:
 - Introduction to the New Mainframe: z/VSE Basics http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg247436.html?Open
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