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New software makes spreadsheet planning more accurate

Inca Software, a provider of planning, reporting and analysis solutions, has introduced Inca Planning – an affordable software product designed to remove the business risks of using spreadsheets for key performance-related activities such as budgeting, forecasting and reporting.

Chris Kerrison, Chief Executive Officer of Inca, says that there is a lack of affordable planning solutions: "Growing organisations wish to replace spreadsheets and implement the same best-practice planning processes and controls as multinational companies. Inca Planning [gives] universal access to consistent, accurate planning that will drive performance through more agile decision-making and provide for the rigours of corporate governance."

Inca says that using spreadsheets to create planning applications results in a complex process with no audit trail facility; this in turn can lead to questionable accuracy in any consolidated numbers. It adds that Inca Planning provides greater flexibility than spreadsheets by allowing users to make changes to planning models, adding new products, geographies and customer groups at the press of a button.