

## **XChange announce free update to DATAform XTension/Plug-in**

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Using a DATAform extended technology module, any programmable database can be used to create complete and sophisticated layout documents. With DATAformTags, any QuarkXPress or InDesign page geometry and all relevant properties can be defined in ASCII-text and created in the layout program.

There are more than 70 DATAformTags to deal with virtually every aspect of a QuarkXPress or InDesign document, such as:

- Create new documents
- Create new pages
- Create boxes with over 70 specific properties
- Create boxes on a specific page and position
- Create text boxes with any formatted content
- Create picture boxes, load, scale, offset the picture
- Create chained text boxes over many pages
- Create anchored text and picture boxes or lines

By using just one ASCII-file users can create an entire catalogue, ready to print or ready for manual manipulation by the designer. The database-generated boxes and contents can be modified in the layout programs like any other manually created geometry.

To update a database, the DATAform module translates the layout document or selected parts of it into a DATAformTags text file again. The ASCII-file contains all information about the document and the database is able to reimport and maintain every aspect of the layout's information, including:

- Re-import all document properties
- Re-import the new page position of each box
- Re-import over 70 properties of each box
- Re-import the text of all text boxes optionally with XPressTags or InDesignTags
- Re-import the picture paths of picture boxes
- Re-import all scaling and offset specifications of pictures
- Re-import the complete chaining information of chained text boxes
- Re-import all anchored boxes and lines and their anchor position

The DATAform module can also be used to automatically update layout documents. If the contents of the database are changed—for example, due to a new set of prices—the new data can update the QuarkXPress or InDesign document. Any manual manipulation of page geometry remains unchanged and only the contents of specifically tagged boxes will be replaced.

Upgrades are available for download to previous version users free of charge for:  
DATAformXTension 7.2.2 (11) for QuarkXPress 7.2 to 7.3

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DATAformPlug-in 4.0.1 (17) for InDesign 4 (CS2)

DATAformPlug-in 5.0.0 (5) for InDesign 5 (CS3)

DATAform is available for purchase as well through XChange International. To order, or for more information, users can visit [www.xchangeuk.com](http://www.xchangeuk.com), or call on +44(0)20 7490 4455 during UK business hours.

Website:

<http://www.xchangeuk.com/>

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