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**EFI Fiery
Central**
Production Workflow

Produce complex documents
easier, faster and more efficiently

EFI FIERY CENTRAL

In medium to high-volume environments, printers can struggle to increase job volume, decrease turnaround times and maximize their equipment investment. Fiery® Central, a powerful modular, PDF-based production workflow solution, eliminates these issues with three modular components: Fiery Central Focus, Fiery Central Flow and Fiery Central Balance. These components deliver ease of use, increased production, and customizable workflow automation for complex document production environments.



Benefits for **Print Providers**

Manage jobs faster and more efficiently – EFI Fiery Central Focus helps users avoid bottlenecks and device contention by centrally managing the workload and swiftly guiding operators through the job process with its easy-to-use interface. EFI Driver makes setting up, submitting and monitoring print jobs simple from submission to completion. Hot Folders reduce costly mistakes by automating the job set-up process and significantly enhancing throughput. EFI Scan improves the job process by providing production scanning of black and white and color documents to the workflow.

Automates pre-press functions – the optional Flow module offers advanced digital prepress capabilities in a simple, cost-effective solution. Within a simple and intuitive icon-driven 'drag and drop' interface, Flow incorporates file conversion, preflight, spot colour management, approval, routing and proofing processes into customizable workflows. These can be edited and managed by operators of any skill level. By automating workflow, operators optimise resource utilisation and increase productivity. Flow can also reduce labour-intensive manual tasks and provide greater consistency and reliability.

Maximises productivity – the optional Balance module increases productivity by combining multiple devices into a 'virtual printer group' to optimise utilization and flexibility. For complex documents, it routes jobs to one or more devices within the printer group for load balancing, enabling operators to do colour, copy and long job splits. In addition, optional EFI Compose makes job set-up easier by enabling users to visually assign page-level attributes and tabs to any printer. Optional EFI Impose also reduces production time and errors by allowing WYSIWYG display for most imposition schemes and by creating templates using Hot Folders for simple, scalable workflows.

The software supports open, industry standard PDF and JDF workflows. For further peace of mind, EFI Fiery Central service and support packages provide investment protection including all upgrades and updates in standard maintenance agreements.

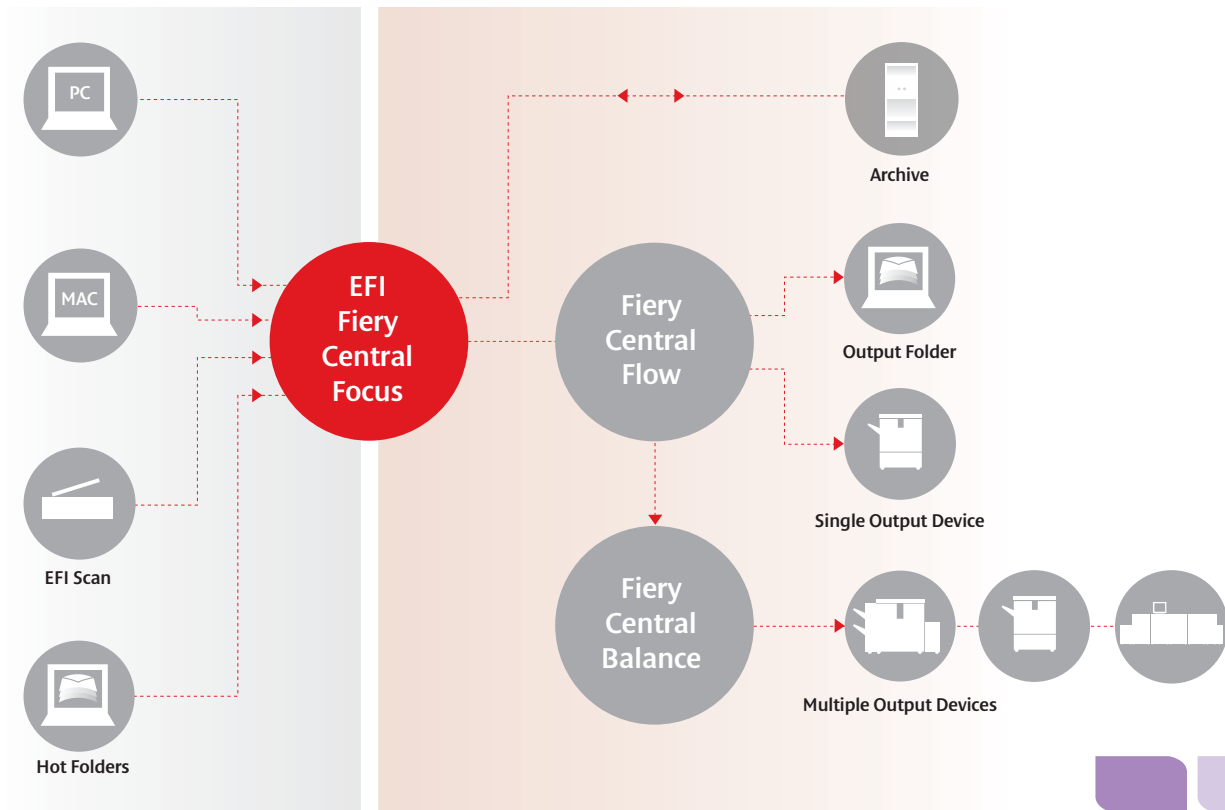
Key Customer Benefits:

- Workflow automation
- Optimal capacity utilisation
- Increased productivity and up-time
- Reduced errors, operating costs and waste



Workflow
PROGRAM

EFI FIERY CENTRAL – PROCESS OVERVIEW



Key features:

Focus

- Fast and simple job submission
- Scan facility for input of analogue content
- Management of multiple print devices centrally
- Options to compose and impose documents
- Document storage and instant retrieval

Flow

- Customisable workflow creation and editing
- Fully automated or with manual intervention
- File conversion to PDF and Postscript
- Inspection, correction and editing of PDFs
- Colour management with spot colour conversion
- Remote content and layout proofing by email

Balance

- Load balancing
- User enabled routing
- Job splitting



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