IDOL Connectors

Micro Focus IDOL Connectors are a core component of the IDOL platform, providing a flexible, precise approach to your data management needs. They uniquely aggregate diverse forms of structured, semi-structured, or unstructured data using repeatable and standardized workflows, while managing diverse data in place to minimize duplication requirements, storage costs, and handoff risks. Connecting to a wide range of disparate content repositories and supporting over 1000 file formats, IDOL Connectors offer a simple, fast, proven way to break down data silos for holistic enterprise search and data analytics.

**Product Highlights**

Making the connection to your data shouldn't be complicated. With our advanced suite of IDOL Connectors, we help you solve critical information connectivity challenges so you can focus on what's most important—running your business and not worrying about the backend.

**Connect to Your Information**

Today’s organizations are faced with an explosion of unstructured data coming from emails, images, audio, video, online sources, and more. This fragmented and siloed information is driving the need to easily connect to data across disparate content repositories, such as SharePoint, Documentum, Exchange, and even cloud-based platforms. With out of the box data connectors, you’re able to perform data aggregation and manage across hundreds of content repositories and govern your data using a standardized API and platform.

While you could build your own in-house data connectors to integrate with your systems, the resources and time required to maintain and keep them going can be costly—and also impact productivity. Additionally, content repositories are often live systems and interaction with them may compromise day-to-day operations. Your connectors need to interact with repositories in a non-disruptive manner using schedules and incremental processing without being obtrusive.

Increased market requirements are driving the need for connector functionality that goes beyond data synchronization. Diverse unstructured data sets require new methods for governing data via advanced, data-driven workflows such as content synchronization, content disposition, content syndication, content legal/regulatory compliance via collection and legal hold workflows.

**Help Increase Your Analytical Potential**

With a comprehensive set of data connectors, including those for social media and Big Data (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Hadoop, and others), it...
doesn’t matter where your data resides or what format it’s in—Micro Focus can help you govern it. IDOL Connectors extract the entire content of a given file. Whether for a local or remote content repository, IDOL Connectors import the data into an IDX or an XML file, and then index the data into the IDOL (Intelligent Data Operating Layer) Server and/or Micro Focus Vertica database for information processing. This allows you to perform a much richer data analysis of data and gain competitive advantage. You can use IDOL to search and categorize millions of tweets, videos, documents, call recordings, and images, while seamlessly leveraging Vertica to deliver real-time, advanced statistical analysis of the topics, demographics, buying behavior, sentiment, geotags, and hyperlink references extracted from that human data.

Not using a Micro Focus-powered application? Not a problem. IDOL Connectors also give you the flexibility to index data into other places to take advantage of our extensive list of robust connectivity features in any use case.

Do More with IDOL Connectors
Go beyond the basics with IDOL Connectors. Our advanced connectors can enrich repositories with new data or metadata, or move information in and out of systems to meet business needs or adhere to specific market requirements. We help you to effectively govern your information and initiate advanced data synchronization, access, and viewing functionality. Standard features include:

- **Sync**—Preserve the CRUD operations done at the data source and have those operations reflected in the generated index.
- **View**—Enable the process of viewing data within the source.
- **Collect**—Enable the connector to “collect” data from source to make it unalterable.
- **Security**—All security protocols are respected and ACLs are transferred as part of the data load.

Advanced features include:

- **Hold**—Mark a data asset as immutable
- **Release**—Mark a HOLD document as no longer HOLD
- **Delete**—Delete a document at source
- **Insert**—Insert a document into the source

With our SharePoint Connector, for example, you’re able to index and enhance metadata associated with SharePoint documents, sites, and users, including information stored in list columns, user profiles, and more. Plug in any number of IDOL modules (e.g., categorization, education, etc.) in the connector layer to further structure the ingested data during the importing process.

IDOL Connectors can help you respond in critical situations. You can initiate legal holds on electronically stored information (ESI) in SharePoint, Documentum, Exchange, or even on the cloud. The mature connector framework enables governance, access, and visibility across the entire enterprise corpus, allowing for unprecedented control and leverage of your information assets, and to support search that is fully compliant with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (FRCP).

Another way IDOL Connectors can help is when you need to archive large amounts of information. IDOL Connectors enable you to perform data extraction on different systems and insert them into an archive to store and keep your data safe and secure.

We can also help you manage vast amounts of rich media. IDOL Connectors support human information processing, including audio, video, images, and more. You can optionally and seamlessly perform actions on the speech server or image server to understand rich...
media in a scalable and sophisticated way via implementation of functions such as speech-to-text, OCR, and face recognition.

Extract and apply native security schemes to document indices. IDOL Connectors maintain and honor native security in real time to facilitate accurate updates or changes to security permissions across individual users and groups.

Key Benefits
- **Intelligent data discovery:** AI dynamically guides discovery of relevant data sources to increase efficiency and effectiveness.
- **Proven consistency:** Automate the processing of vast amounts of data in a reproducible, consistent, and deterministic manner.
- **Unparalleled coverage:** With access to hundreds of repositories, you’re provided extensive coverage of connector repositories and their various versions.
- **Straightforward OEM integration:** With easy configuration, flexible API choices (.Net, C, COM, Java, Perl, PHP, etc.), and a cross-platform architecture, implementing IDOL Connectors on your own systems couldn’t be easier.
- **Rich features for countless applications:** IDOL Connectors offer exceptionally rich features that can be used to create highly capable integrated applications.
- **Minimal impact:** IDOL Connectors, where possible, use native API’s to interact with repositories to help you minimize impact and disruption.
- **Save time, resources, and money:** Writing your own connectors requires the time, human resources, and high costs associated with supporting and maintaining a large library of connectors.
- **Information governance:** Manipulate content inside the repository by inserting data or disposing of it—all performed via the native API or SDK for easy maintenance.
- **Bi-directional connectors:** Don’t just extract data, enrich repositories by inserting new data or metadata derived from data analytics.
- **ETL functionality:** Extract, transform, or load content from various content repositories; embed LUA script to build your own custom logic and integrate with application logic.
- **Advanced actions:** Access a wide array of advanced actions, including synchronize, collect, move, delete, hold, release, and view. Availability of actions may vary by connector.
- **Rich media:** Understand video, audio, and images, and leverage sophisticated functions, including speech-to-text, OCR, and face recognition.
- **Education:** Intelligently classify information by finding patterns in your data to enrich your repositories. For example, you can use education to validate social security numbers or detect personally identifiable information.
- **Published and uniform API:** Interact with connectors using a simple, common set of action calls. Performing a legal hold in SharePoint, for example, is the same as performing a legal hold in Documentum; simply point to a different connector.
- **Native security:** Extract and apply native security schemes to document indices.
- **Scalability:** Scale up using configuration or architectural capabilities or components.
IDOL Connectors provide access to a wide-range of disparate repositories:

- Adobe Experience Manager
- Alfresco
- Amazon
- Amazon Commerce Web Service
- Amazon S3
- Atom
- AzureBlob
- Box
- Box.net
- Chatter
- CMIS
- Confluence
- Content Manager
- DataSift
- Digital Safe
- Documentum
- Dropbox
- Drupal
- Dynamics
- Enovia
- Enterprise Vault
- eRoom
- Evernote
- Exchange
- Exchange Odata
- Exchange Odata PLUS
- Exchange WS
- Facebook
- File System (all platforms)
- FileNet P8
- FileNet P8 PLUS
- Filesystem
- FTP
- Gnip
- Google Drive
- Hadoop
- HTTP
- Hubspot
- IBM Content Manager
- IBM Seedlist
- IMAP
- Instagram
- Jama
- JIRA
- Jive
- LinkedIn
- Lithium
- Lotus Notes
- Lync
- MS Planner
- MS Teams
- Notes PLUS
- Object Store
- ObjectiveQuest Archive Media
- ODBC
- OneDrive
- OpenText/Hummingbird
- Oracle
- Oracle UCM
- POP3
- RSS
- RSS/Atom
- Salesforce
- SAP NetWeaver
- Service Now
- SharePoint 2007
- SharePoint 2010
- SharePoint 2013
- SharePoint Odata
- SharePoint Odata PLUS
- SharePoint Remote
- SharePoint Remote PLUS
- Skype for Business
- Slack
- SourceOne
- StoreAll
- Twitter
- Twitter streaming
- Vertica
- WC3 Atom
- Web
- Web / HTTP
- Weibo
- Yahoo! Search
- Yammer
- YouTube