C-Series is instrumental in providing increased visibility and control, streamlined business processes, reduced risks and costs, and optimization of working capital.

Key Benefits

- Consolidate and automate all domestic and international payment types including checks, ACH, Wires, Bacs, and SEPA from a single, comprehensive payment hub
- Increase visibility into cash positions with more than 30 dashboards and reports
- Reduce financial risks and fees with sophisticated entitlement and fraud detection capabilities
- Streamline financial processes with proven integration to your back-office systems and banking partners

The Challenge

Today’s dynamic financial environments are the result of corporate mergers, acquisitions and complex global trade relationships. These complexities make it difficult to automate and scale the critical financial activities required to meet the needs of growing organizations. As a result, financial professionals face a myriad of challenges, not the least of which is the ability to automate the domestic and international payment and cash reporting processes needed to ensure working capital optimization.

Businesses need a technology solution that can help them automate and transform their financial operations quickly without significant redesign of their existing processes. To that end, they need a solution that offers a wide range of international payment capabilities including both international ACH and Wires, facilitates the move from check to ACH payments, and provides a complete range of check production and lifecycle management for the checks that remain. In addition, the solution must help drive down the “people costs” and inefficiencies associated with the manual consolidation of the cash reporting data critical to liquidity management.
The Solution

C-Series Payments from Bottomline Technologies is a powerful, scalable and secure global payments and cash management platform that provides organizations with a consolidated view of real-time cash positions and helps streamline global payment processes.

Platform Features

Utilizing a single platform, next-generation technology, and a browser-based user interface, C-Series takes automation to the next level by consolidating domestic payments, international financial transactions and cash reporting data. Key features include:

- Sophisticated cash reporting on balances, transactions and AR/AP data for forecasting
- Domestic and international, individual and bulk wires
- Bacs and SEPA payments
- SEPA Direct Debit
- Support for key corporate ACH entry class codes including CCD(+), PPD(+), CTX, IAT
- Connectivity to Bottomline's SWIFT Service Bureau and Paymode-X® settlement network
- Check printing, imaging, archiving, fraud prevention, reconciliation and escheatment
- Healthcare EFT/ERA payment support
- Native electronic remittance capabilities

Pay Locally or Pay Globally with C-Series Payments and Cash Reporting Solution

Architecture

When evaluating payments platforms for their business stakeholders, IT executives understand the need for solutions that are quick to implement, cost effective, include plug and play functionality and are easily supported by their team. Users, however, demand feature-rich solutions that are available around the clock from anywhere in the world. The challenge is how to carefully balance user demands while ensuring easy system implementation and maintenance.

C-Series makes the decision easy with operation, management and control all handled through a secure, flexible and easy to maintain user interface. Security, reporting and audit control can be managed centrally or by business unit based on the needs of the individual organization. Gone are the days of having to manage and manually collate information from a number of different systems. C-Series provides support for distributed architectures, virtualization, load balancing and real-time replication to maximize efficiency, availability and resilience.

Bottomline can also provide a wide range of managed services to eliminate the requirement for on-premise software and support.

Security & Compliance

The regulatory environment can be difficult to navigate. There is tremendous pressure on auditors, IT professionals and financial management teams to ensure their organization meets internal and external rules regarding data and payment security. The ability to have consistent approval workflow across all payment types can bring tremendous benefits by establishing and maintaining entitlement control of all payment processes and providing a platform for standardized user training.

Our innovative multi-level approval and user segregation rules ensure that only the correct people see and take action on payment instructions according to centrally set rules. Password controls ensure the integrity of C-Series and assist in SOX compliance.
Wires
Using C-Series Wires, organizations can accelerate approval and payment processes, lower risk and access a consolidated view of daily and historical funds transfer activities. Our Wires module automates domestic and international funds transfers and includes integrated confirmation and reporting capabilities through a single, easy-to-use Web interface. What’s more, real-time FX rates are available through an on-screen utility to make straight-through processing of wires a reality.

SWIFT
C-Series lets you use system generated or manually entered data to create validated SWIFT messages for submission to the SWIFT network and onward transmission to your bank. Bank-agnostic, C-Series lets you apply consistent controls around your domestic and cross-border Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) payments. C-Series also interfaces with Bottomline's SWIFT Access Service, one of the SWIFT service bureaus in Bottomline's Financial Messaging division. SWIFT Access Service offers a complete range of SWIFT products and provides a wide range of additional services such as translation and regulatory compliance tools, including OFAC and AML Solutions.

Check Production
C-Series Check Production allows users to originate check batches by leveraging sophisticated data loading and validation capabilities or through an integrated manual check entry feature. Customers can define business-specific workflows for check entry, approval and printing to ensure all financial and audit regulations are fulfilled. In addition, to protect organizations from the liability of check fraud, C-Series Check Production bundles the check fraud avoidance functionality required to send check issuance files to a bank’s positive pay system. Further control and efficiency is gained through features such as automatic translation of legal line data for international payments and advanced print capabilities such as dynamic sorting and routing. C-Series also supports the printing of other key documents such as 1099s and W2s.

As a global payments and cash management platform, C-Series provides organizations with a complete view of real-time cash positions and helps streamline global payment processes. C-Series utilizes the latest technology to provide one-stop shopping for financial payment transactions and management.

Support for Single Sign-On, with direct integration with Active Directory, allows IT to manage system security in a single location and control user access to the system via group assignments. In addition, by automating your manual payment processes, C-Series creates a continuous and enforceable audit trail, ensuring your business is compliant with the latest legislation and regulations at both a central and local level. Finally, C-Series identifies when payment data has been released from the host system(s) and removes it from the network immediately, significantly reducing the risk of unauthorized viewing or editing of the data.

Scalability
C-Series is designed to support organizations of all sizes and structures. Its scalability and modular approach enables organizations to implement the solution within one business unit and then deploy it throughout the entire organization over time. Our implementation experts can advise on optimization and expansion of the solution when the time is right for your organization, making today’s solution investment tomorrow’s platform for growth.

Modules at-a-Glance

Bacs
C-Series supports indirect Bacs submissions. All transactions are secured, audited and validated to ensure streamlined processing of payments. Approval processes can be customized for manual and automatic loaded batches of data, providing the framework to meet each organization’s approval requirements.

ACH
C-Series customers can tailor their solution to meet their own specific payment needs by leveraging our out-of-the-box support for standard NACHA file formats, entry class codes and transaction types. C-Series closes the ACH payment loop with secure electronic remittance delivery as standard functionality. With multi-bank capabilities and tight integration between accounting systems and the banking system, you can be confident that the information you need is available when you need it.
Check Management

C-Series Check Management works in conjunction with Check Production, thereby extending the functionality to handle the entire check lifecycle from issuance to reconciliation. Check records are collected in a central repository allowing authorized users in distributed environments to process voids, request stops, report on reconciled checks and identify outstanding checks for escheatment tracking. The integrated reporting platform permits users to refine data based on any characteristics to meet regulatory requirements.

C-Series Delivers

Bottomline Technologies is confident that C-Series will deliver value to today’s fast-paced, global businesses by streamlining payment and cash reporting processes through a single platform and driving down the total cost of ownership. Providing payments and cash management solutions for more than 20 years, our deep intellectual capital ensures that we can support our customers’ growth initiatives and provide a solution that will continue to keep pace with market, regulatory and internal best practices.

For more information about how C-Series can help your organization, visit www.bottomline.com or call 800.472.1321.

Integrating C-Series with Paymode-X, the largest and fastest growing settlement network, accelerates the transition away from the AP inefficiencies and costs associated with manually processing paper and checks.

Count on Paymode-X to:

- Make electronic payments to your Vendors, leveraging our network of over 250,000 Vendors
- Deliver rich remittance information electronically to your Vendors
- Eliminate the work of gathering and maintaining Vendor bank and account information

For more information about integrating Paymode-X with C-Series, please call 800.472.1321, or email c-series@bottomline.com to be connected with a solution specialist in your region.