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PureConnect Social Media

Technical Reference

Abstract

This document is a reference to configure social media features in PureConnect.

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Social Media in PureConnect

The PureConnect social media features introduced in Interaction Connect in 2018 R4 allow your call center agents to receive and reply to inbound Facebook and Twitter messages, Facebook private messages, and Twitter direct messages.

PureConnect also contains features for social media recordings and analytics.

How Social Media Processing Works

As an administrator, you create one or more channels for Facebook and Twitter.

- A Facebook channel associates a CIC workgroup with a Facebook page.
- A Twitter channel associates a CIC workgroup with a set of keywords and Twitter handles.

PureConnect pulls messages from Twitter and Facebook and passes them to the CIC server for processing as interactions. Each interaction is routed to the workgroup that is associated with the channel that pulled in the message.

Facebook example

An organization wants to manage messages that customers post on its corporate Facebook page. They create a channel that associates that Facebook page with a CIC ACD workgroup. Any messages posted to the page become interactions that are routed to the workgroup.

The company might also have regional or location-based Facebook pages, for example, and can associate those pages with workgroups.

PureConnect processes Facebook social conversations as follows:

- 1. A Facebook page visitor posts a message on the company's Facebook page.
- 2. The message becomes a social conversation interaction and ACD routes it to an agent.
- 3. The agent receives and picks up the interaction in Interaction Connect, just as they receive and pick up other types of interactions. The agent can also place the interaction on hold and can disconnect it when the conversation ends.
- 4. The agent replies to the interaction.
- 5. The social media processor updates the interaction with any replies and the replies appear as comments on the company's Facebook page.
- 6. The Facebook page visitor replies to the comment or adds another comment, and then the social media processor adds the reply to the conversation and notifies the agent.

Twitter example

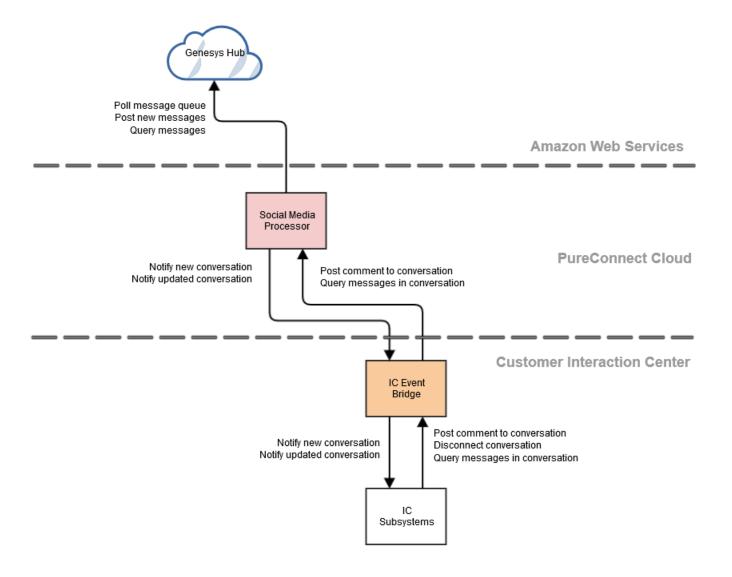
A company wants to manage Twitter messages that mention its name. They create a channel that associates their Twitter handle (@companyname) with a workgroup. Any tweet that mentions their handle becomes a social conversation interaction that is routed to the workgroup. They also associate keywords with a channel so that all tweets that include those keywords also become interactions.

The company also wants to track messages that mention a competitor and their competitor's product. They associate the competitor's handle with a channel and add the competitor's product name as a keyword.

Social Media Components

The social media feature includes these components:

- The Social Media Processor processes and caches data for Customer Interaction Center.
- The Genesys Hub provides a platform-agnostic API for the social platforms that Genesys products support.
- The CIC server includes subsystems that work with the social media processor to process social media interactions for CIC. It
 also includes the IC Event Bridge, which connects to the social media processor and creates social interactions for social
 media data.



Social Media Related Applications

Application	Description	For more information
	Allows agents to receive and respond to social media interactions. Agents can pick up, hold, and disconnect social media interactions. Interaction Connect also provides agents with access to their quality management scorecards and interaction recordings for social media interactions.	Interaction Connect help
	Allows administrators and supervisors to search for social media interactions and view the details in the Interaction Details view.	Interaction Desktop help
	Allows supervisors to search for and play back recordings for social media interactions. For example, when creating a search in Interaction Recorder Client in IC Business Manager, a supervisor can add a search attribute to find recordings for Twitter by searching for Media Specific > Social > Platform and selecting Twitter.	Interaction Recorder help
Interaction Recorder Policy Editor	Allows supervisors to create initiation, retention, and security policies for Interaction recording social media conversations. Recorder Policy Editor help	
	Includes a new social conversation exit path for the Query Media Type toolstep for determining interaction types. There is a new initiator for transferring social media interactions	Interaction Designer help
	Includes statistics for the longest social conversation and active social conversations and includes the social conversation media type in the search criteria in the Interaction Details view. The Interaction Details dialog includes a media type indicator for social conversations.	Interaction Supervisor help

Note: Social media interactions are not routed through Interaction Director.

ACD Routing of Social Media Interactions

Automatic Communication Distribution (ACD) of social media interactions, as with other types of interactions, routes incoming messages to agents. For general information about ACD, see the *ACD Processing Technical Reference* at https://help.genesys.com/cic/mergedProjects/wh_tr/desktop/pdfs/acd_processing_TR.pdf.

The social media interaction types are Social Conversation for public Facebook and Twitter messages, and Social Direct Message for Facebook private messages and Twitter direct messages.

Agents must have the ACD Social Media option enabled in their user or station licensing configuration to allow ACD routing of the social conversation interaction type. The agents must also belong to a workgroup that has an ACD queue and is associated with a social media channel.

For more information, see **Social Media Configuration**.

An administrator can configure the ACD utilization rate to specify the number of social media interactions the agent can receive via ACD. For more information about ACD utilization, see the Interaction Administrator help and the ACD Processing Technical Reference at https://help.genesys.com/cic/mergedProjects/wh_tr/desktop/pdfs/acd_processing_TR.pdf.

Social Media Interactions in Interaction Connect

Agents receive and respond to social media interactions in Interaction Connect. Current functionality includes picking up, holding, recording, transferring, and disconnecting interactions.

Agents manage social interactions in the My Interactions and Current Interaction views.

Agents can respond to direct messages in Interaction Connect, but cannot initiate a direct message exchange.

For a description of the social media features in Interaction Connect, see the Interaction Connect help.

Social Media Configuration

The following are configurable options that are required or available for processing of social conversation interactions.

- Licensing
- In Interaction Administrator:
 - Configure users and workgroups for social media interactions (<u>User and Workgroup Configuration in Interaction</u>
 <u>Administrator</u>)
 - o Configure stations for social media interactions (Station Configuration)
- In Interaction Connect:
 - Enable social media
 - o Create a social media account
 - o Create Facebook and Twitter (Channel Configuration)
- In DSEdit, you have the option to change the polling limit (how often polling occurs) and the number of posts requested (<u>Poll Interval and Post Limit</u>).

Licensing

The social media feature requires these licenses:

License	Description
I3_FEATURE_SOCIAL_MEDIA	This CIC server feature license enables the social media feature on the server.
	This license, assigned to users and/or stations, enables agents to receive ACD-routed social conversation interactions.

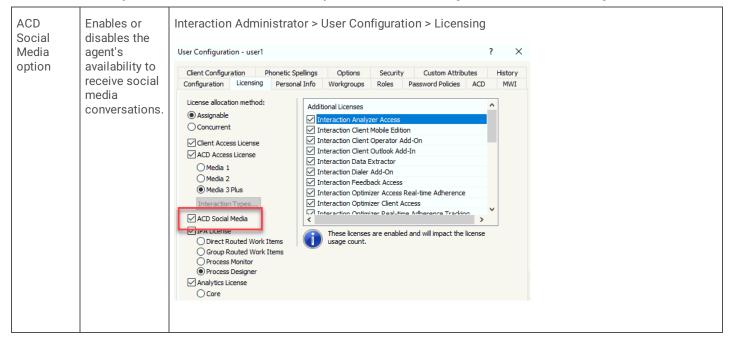
For more information about licenses in general, see the *PureConnect Licensing Technical Reference* at https://help.genesys.com/cic/mergedProjects/wh_tr/desktop/pdfs/licensing_tr.pdf.

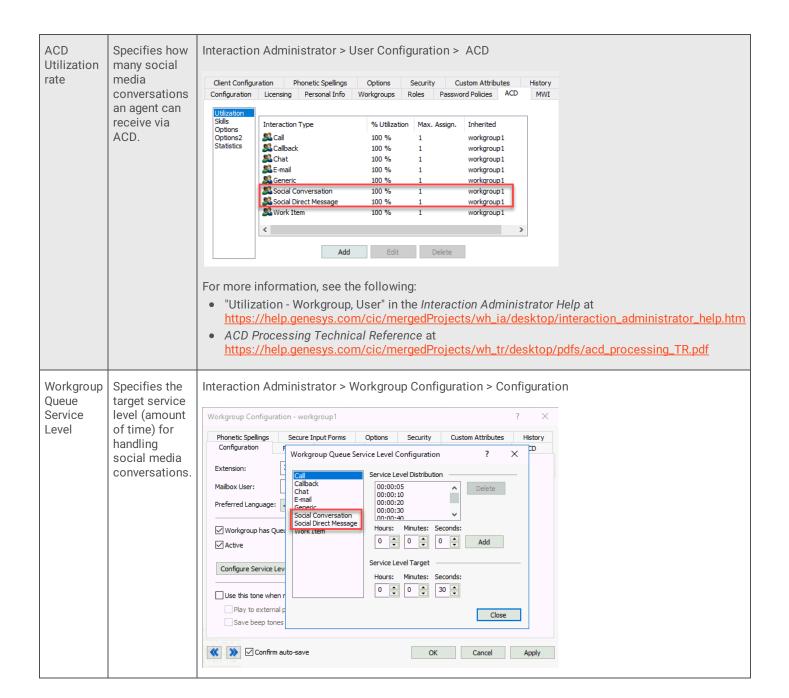
For more information about required configuration settings, see "User and Workgroup Configuration" in the *Interaction Administrator Help* at https://help.genesys.com/cic/mergedProjects/wh_ia/desktop/interaction_administrator_help.htm.

Note: Loading a new license does not require a restart of the server. Updates are made dynamically.

User and Workgroup Configuration in Interaction Administrator

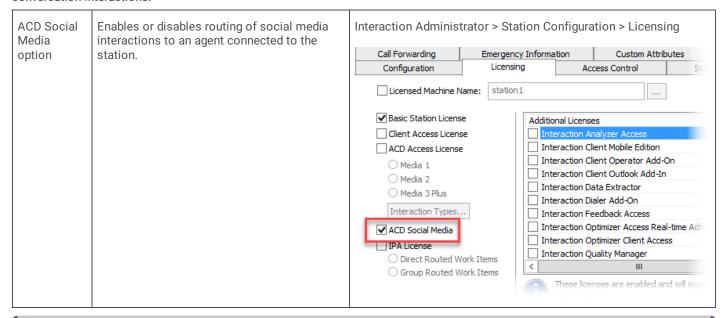
User and workgroup configuration settings in Interaction Administrator indicate whether an agent can receive social media interaction, how many social conversation interactions they can receive, and the target service level for handling them.





Station Configuration

Station configuration settings in Interaction Administrator indicate whether an agent connected to a station can receive social conversation interactions.



Note: ACD routing of social media interactions works when either the station or the user has the ACD Social Media access license.

Channel Configuration

As an administrator, you can create and configure channels in Interaction Connect. Each channel associates a Facebook page or Twitter with an ACD workgroup.

Facebook channels associate Facebook pages with ACD workgroups. Facebook conversations on the specified page become social conversation interactions and are routed to the specified workgroup.

Twitter channels associate Twitter handles and keywords with ACD workgroups. Tweets that include the specified Twitter handles or the specified keywords become social conversation interactions and are routed to the specified workgroup.

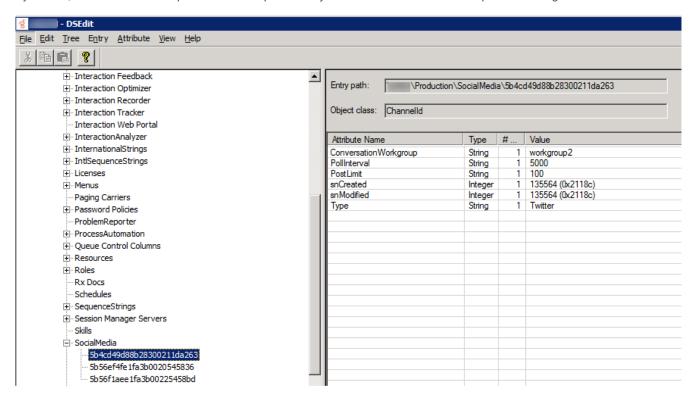
You can add and configure channels in Interaction Connect, as long as you have the Social Media Admin right.

To enable social media, add a social media account, and configure Facebook and Twitter channels, refer to the Interaction Connect help.

Poll Interval and Post Limit

Attributes in DSEdit allow you to specify how often PureConnect polls Facebook and Twitter for new posts (PollInterval attribute), as well as the number of requested posts (PostLimit attribute).

By default, PureConnect attempts to fetch 100 posts every five seconds. You have the option to change those values.



CIC Server

The CIC server processes social conversation interactions routed to a workgroup, just as it processes other types of interactions.

Toolsteps and Initiators

The Query Media Type toolstep, which determines an interaction's media type, has two new exit paths:

- Social conversation
- Social direct message

There are two new initiators:

- Transfer Conversation
- Transfer Direct Message

For more information about the toolstep and initiators, see the Interaction Designer help.

Interaction Recovery for Social Media Interactions

Two server parameters enable recovery of social media interactions after a switchover.

- Socialconversation Interaction Recovery Enabled enables switchover support for social conversation interactions. Add this parameter and assign it a non-zero integer.
- **Directmessage Interaction Recovery Enabled** enables switchover support for social media direct message interactions. Add this parameter and assign it a non-zero integer.

After you enable the parameter and restart the backup server, the Interaction Recovery Service subsystem performs a full synchronization of Social Conversation interactions and Social Direct Message interactions with the active server.

Other ways to recover social media interactions:

- If the end customer adds a reply to a social media conversation, the conversation comes back into the system as an interaction with the content of the conversation to that point.
- If the agent or someone with access to the social media accounts on Facebook and Twitter goes into the platform directly and replies in the conversation, the conversation comes back into the system as an interaction.

Change log

The following table lists the changes to the Social Media Technical Reference since its initial release.

Date	Changes
6-August-2018	Created
12-December-2018	Added support for Twitter direct messages and Facebook private messages.
14-June-2019	Reorganized the content only, which included combining some topics and deleting others that just had an introductory sentence such as, "In this section".