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Document Conventions

| Convention | Description |
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| Bold | Identifies elements on a screen. |
| Monospace font | Identifies service names and locations in the format folder.subfolder.service, APIs, Java classes, methods, properties. |
| Italic | Identifies: |
| | Variables for which you must supply values specific to your own situation or environment. |
| | New terms the first time they occur in the text. |
| | References to other documentation sources. |
| Monospace font | Identifies: |
| | Text you must type in. |
| | Messages displayed by the system. |
| | Program code. |
| {} | Indicates a set of choices from which you must choose one. Type only the information inside the curly braces. Do not type the { } symbols. |
| I | Separates two mutually exclusive choices in a syntax line. Type one of these choices. Do not type the symbol. |
| [] | Indicates one or more options. Type only the information inside the square brackets. Do not type the [] symbols. |
| | Indicates that you can type multiple options of the same type. Type only the information. Do not type the ellipsis (). |

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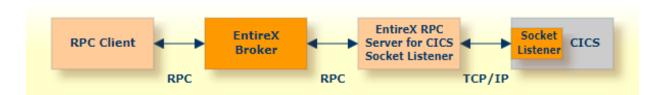
2 Introduction to the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener

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The EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener allows standard RPC clients to communicate with CICS programs running on IBM CICS®. All CICS interface types are supported: (DFHCOMMAREA, Channel Container and Large Buffer).

Overview

The RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener acts on one side as an RPC server and on the other side as a client for CICS. The RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener is a Java-based component that can run on a different host to the one where CICS is running. This allows it to operate with a minimal footprint of EntireX on the CICS host. For details see *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener*. No configuration in CICS is required.



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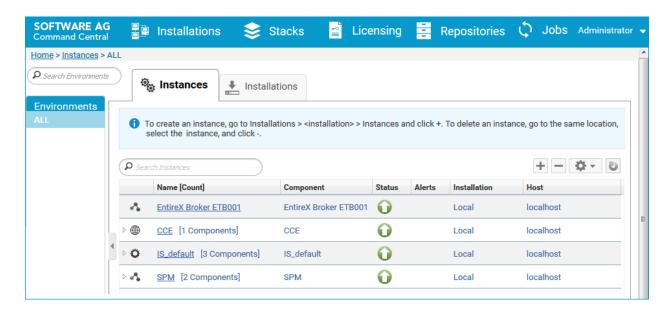
- For existing CICS COBOL programs, use the IDL Extractor for COBOL to extract the Software AG IDL File in the IDL Editor documentation for the RPC clients.
- For existing CICS PL/I programs, use the *IDL Extractor for PL/I* to extract the *Software AG IDL File* in the IDL Editor documentation for the RPC clients.

Remote extraction requires an RPC server running under z/OS with Extractor Service (Batch | IMS).

- For COBOL, see *Step 2: Select a COBOL Extractor Environment or Create a New One* in the IDL Extractor for COBOL documentation.
- For PL/I, see *Extract Software AG IDL File from a Remote PL/I RPC Environment* in the IDL Extractor for PL/I documentation.

Administration using Command Central

Software AG Command Central is a tool that enables you to manage your Software AG products remotely from one location. Command Central offers a browser-based user interface, but you can also automate tasks by using commands to remotely execute actions from a terminal or custom script (for example CI servers such as Jenkins, or generic configuration management tools such as Puppet or Chef).



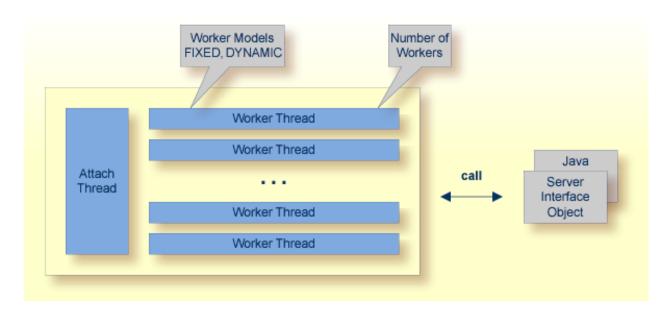
Command Central can assist with the following configuration, management, and monitoring tasks:

- Infrastructure engineers can see at a glance which products and fixes are installed, where they are installed, and compare installations to find discrepancies.
- System administrators can configure environments by using a single web user interface or command-line tool. Maintenance involves minimum effort and risk.
- Release managers can prepare and deploy changes to multiple servers using command-line scripting for simpler, safer lifecycle management.
- Operators can monitor server status and health, as well as start and stop servers from a single location. They can also configure alerts to be sent to them in case of unplanned outages.

The Command Central graphical user interface is described under *Administering the RPC Server* for CICS Socket Listener using the Command Central GUI. For the command-line interface, see *Administering the RPC Server* for CICS Socket Listener using the Command Central Command Line.

The core Command Central documentation is provided separately and is also available under **Guides for Tools Shared by Software AG Products** on the Software AG documentation website.

Worker Models



RPC requests are worked off inside the RPC server in worker threads. If you are using RPC conversations, each RPC conversation requires its own thread during the lifetime of the conversation. The RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener can adjust the number of worker threads to the number of parallel requests. The RPC server provides two worker models:

- The fixed model creates a fixed number of worker threads. The number of worker threads does not increase or decrease during the lifetime of an RPC server instance.
- DYNAMIC

 The *dynamic* model creates worker threads depending on the incoming load of RPC requests.

For configuration with the Command Central GUI, see *Worker Scalability* under *Configuration > Server*.

For technical details, see property entirex.server.fixedservers under Administering the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener.

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This chapter describes how to administer the EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, using the Command Central graphical user interface.

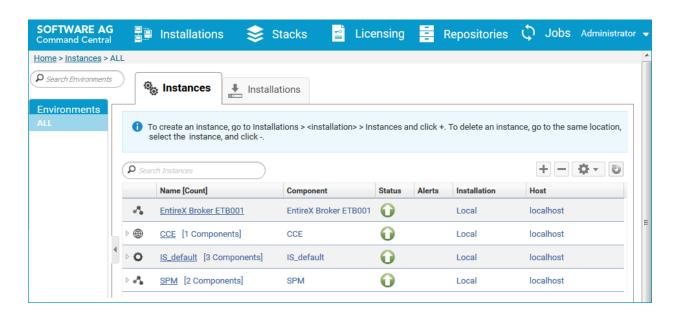
See also *Administering the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener using the Command Central Command Line*. The core Command Central documentation is provided separately and is also available under **Guides for Tools Shared by Software AG Products** on the Software AG documentation website.

Logging in to Command Central

Open an Internet browser and specify the URL of the Command Central Server as follows: *ht-tp://<Command_Central_host>:<Command_Central_port>*. This takes you to the Command Central **Login** page.

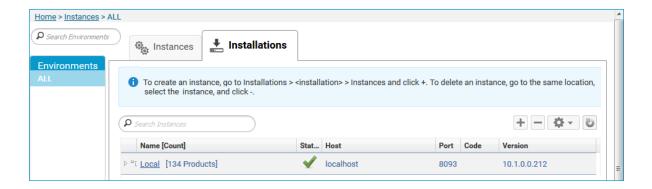
On Windows you can also get to the **Login** page from the Command Central Start Menu entry.

Provide your user credentials in the **Login** page and click **Log In**. This takes you to the page **Home** > **Instances**:

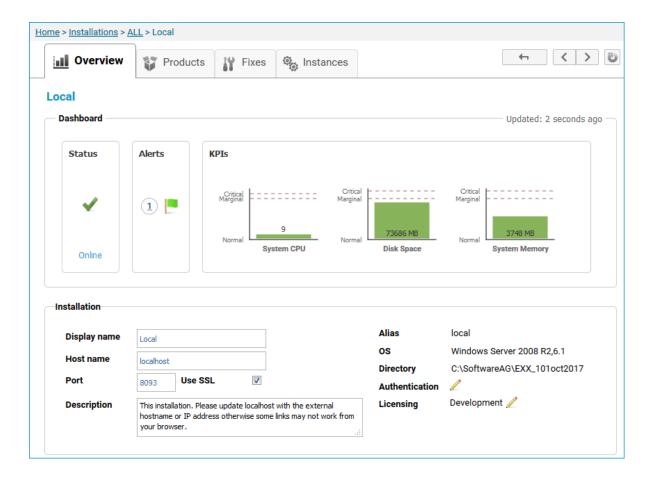


Creating an RPC Server Instance

- To create an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Installations** tab.



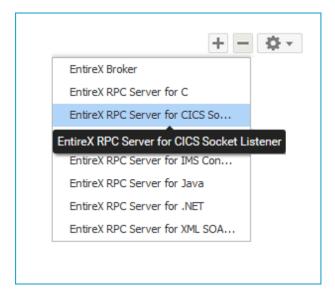
2 Click on the desired installation, for example Local, where you want to add an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance.



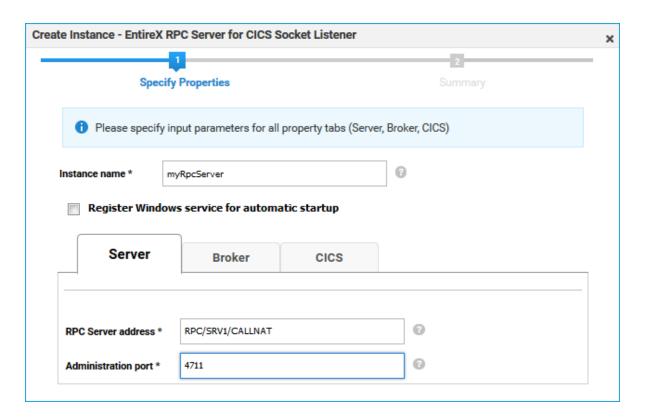
3 Click the **Instances** tab.



Click the button in the upper right corner above the list and choose **EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener**.



In the **Create Instance** wizard, fill in the fields in the main screen and in the **Server**, **Broker** and **CICS** tabs.



Main Screen

| Parameter | Description |
|-----------|--|
| | Required. Name of the runtime component, for example "MyRpcServer". |
| - C | Optional. Register Windows Service for automatic startup. Default is not checked. If this parameter is checked, the RPC server can be controlled by the Windows Service Control Manager. |

Server Tab

| Parameter | Description |
|---------------------|---|
| | Required. The case-sensitive RPC server address has the format: CLASS/SERVER/SERVICE. |
| Administration port | Required. The administration port in range from 1025 to 65535. |

Broker Tab

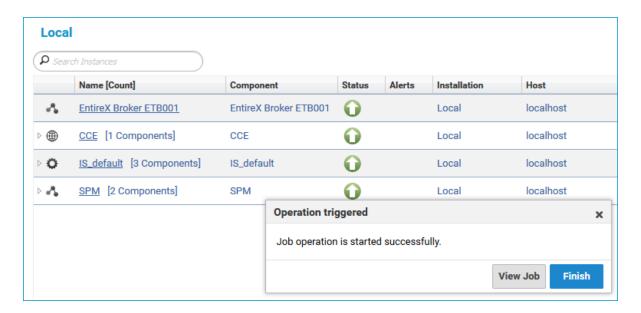
| Parameter | Description | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Connection | | |
| Transport | Transport over TCP or SSL. Default is TCP. | |
| Broker host | Required. EntireX Broker host name or IP address. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. | |
| Broker port | Required. Port number in range from 1025 to 65535. | |
| SSL trust store | SSL trust store Optional. Specifies the location of SSL trust store. | |
| Credentials | | |
| User | Optional. The user ID for secured access to the broker. | |
| Password | Optional. The password for secured access to the broker. | |

CICS Tab

Here you can modify the CICS Socket Listener specific parameters.

| Parameter | Description |
|---------------------|--|
| Connection | |
| Transport | Required. Use TCP or SSL to communicate with CICS Socket Listener. |
| CICS host | Required. Host name or IP address where the CICS Socket Listener is running. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| CICS port | Required. TCP or SSL port number (1-65535) of the CICS Socket Listener. |
| CICS transaction ID | Required. Transaction ID (1-4 characters) defined for the RPC CICS RFE. Default is ${\tt XRFE}.$ |
| CICS encoding | Required. Specify the appropriate EBCDIC encoding used by your CICS installation. Default is codepage cp037 with full Latin-1 character set. |
| Credentials | |
| CICS user | Optional. The user ID (max. 8 characters) for access to CICS as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| CICS password | Optional. Password (max. 8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| Use pass ticket | Optional. Use pass ticket instead of password. See note. |
| Application name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Application name (1-8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). See note. |
| Secured signon key | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Secured signon key as defined in your underlying mainframe security system. Must be exactly 16 characters long. See note. |

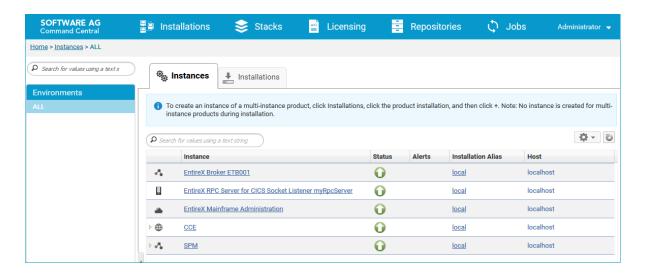
- **Note**: PassTicket is supported only when the CICS Socket Listener (remote connector) on z/OS is used. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener* and *Installing CICS Socket Listener* in the z/OS Installation documentation.
- 6 Press **Next** to get to the **Summary** page to verify your input.
- 7 Press Finish.



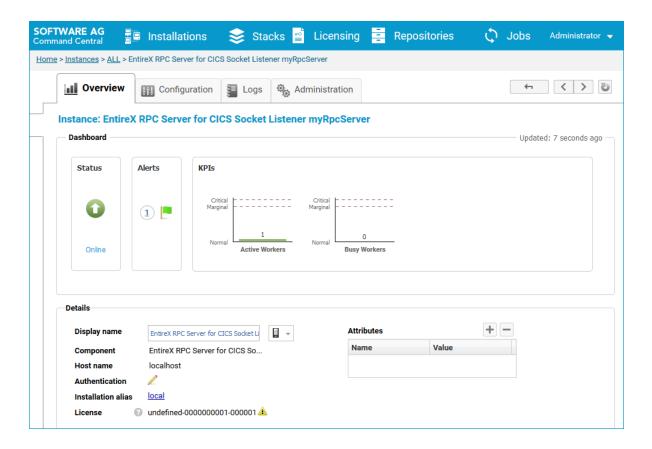
The new instance *myRpcServer* appears in the list.

Configuring an RPC Server Instance

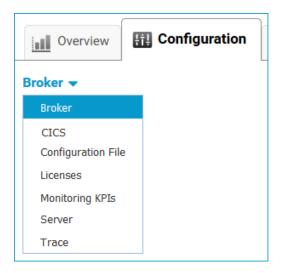
- To configure an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab.



2 Click on the link associated with this instance to select the RPC server instance you want to configure.



3 Click the **Configuration** tab. EntireX supports the following configuration types, which are presented in a drop-down box when you click the down arrow below the **Configuration** tab label:



Note: All configuration changes require a restart of the instance to take effect.

Broker

- CICS
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- **■** Monitoring KPIs
- Server
- **■** Trace Level

Broker

| Parameter | Description | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Connection | Connection | |
| Transport | Transport over TCP or SSL. Default is TCP. | |
| Broker host | Required. EntireX Broker host name or IP address. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. | |
| Broker port | Required. Port number in range from 1025 to 65535. | |
| SSL trust store | Optional. Specifies the location of SSL trust store. | |
| SSL verify server | Optional. The RPC server as SSL client checks the identity of the broker as SSL server. | |
| FIPS-140 mode | Optional. Enable FIPS-140 compliant SSL communication. Default is no. | |
| Credentials | | |
| User | Optional. The user ID for secured access to the broker. | |
| Password | Optional. The password for secured access to the broker. | |

CICS

Here you can modify the CICS Socket Listener specific parameters. As a prerequisite, the CICS Socket Listener must be installed. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener*.

| Parameter | Description |
|----------------------|---|
| Connection | |
| Transport | Required. Use TCP or SSL to communicate with CICS Socket Listener. |
| CICS host | Required. Host name or IP address where the CICS Socket Listener is running. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| CICS port | Required. TCP or SSL port number (1-65535) of the CICS Socket Listener. |
| CICS transaction ID | Required. Transaction ID (1-4 characters) defined for the RPC CICS RFE. Default is XRFE. |
| CICS encoding | Required. Specify the appropriate EBCDIC encoding used by your CICS installation. Default is codepage cp037 with full Latin-1 character set. |
| CICS SSL trust store | Optional. Specifies the location of the SSL trust store. |

| Parameter | Description | |
|------------------------|--|--|
| CICS SSL verify server | Optional. The RPC server as SSL client checks the identity of CICS Socket Listener as SSL server. | |
| CICS socket timeout | Optional. Timeout (in seconds) for the CICS Socket Listener as SSL server. Default is 20 seconds. | |
| Credentials | | |
| CICS user | Optional. The user ID (max. 8 characters) for access to CICS as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). | |
| CICS password | Optional. Password (max. 8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). | |
| Use pass ticket | Optional. Use pass ticket instead of password. See note. | |
| Application name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Application name (1-8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). See note. | |
| Secured signon key | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Secured signon key as defined in your underlying mainframe security system. Must be exactly 16 characters long. See note. | |



Note: PassTicket is supported only when the CICS Socket Listener (remote connector) on z/OS is used. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener* and *Installing CICS Socket Listener* in the z/OS Installation documentation.

Configuration File

Here you can view/edit the configuration file of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener.

Licenses

Here you can view/set the license file in the EntireX installation. For details see *Point to the License Key for an Instance or Component* under *Working with Standalone Product Installation* in the Command Central documentation.



Note: The license file is used for all EntireX instances in this installation.

Monitoring KPIs

Here you can modify margins of monitored key performance indicators (KPIs) available for the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener: Active Workers and Busy Workers.

Key performance indicators (KPIs) enable you to monitor the health of your RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. The following KPIs help you administer, troubleshoot, and resolve performance issues:

| KPI | Setting |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Absolute number of Active Workers | entirex.generic.kpi.1.max=20 |
| Critical alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.1.critical=0.95 |
| Marginal alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.1.marginal=0.80 |
| Absolute number of Busy Workers | entirex.generic.kpi.2.max=20 |
| Critical alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.2.critical=0.95 |
| Marginal alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.2.marginal=0.80 |

Do not change the other properties!

Server

Here you can specify the RPC Server settings.

| Parameter | Description | | |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| RPC Server | | | |
| RPC Server address | Required. The case-sensitive RPC server address has the format: CLASS/SERVER/SERVICE. | | |
| Administration port | Required. The administration port in range from 1025 to 65535. | | |
| Reconnection attempts | Required. Number of reconnection attempts to the broker. When the number of attempts is reached and a connection to the broker is not possible, the RPC Server stops. | | |
| Worker Scalability | | | |
| Worker model | You can either have a fixed or dynamic number of workers. Default is dynamic (true). For more information see <i>Worker Models</i> . | | |
| Fixed number | Required. Fixed number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. | | |
| Minimum number | Required. Minimum number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. | | |
| Maximum number | Required. Maximum number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. | | |

Trace Level

Here you can set the trace level of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. $\,$

| Parameter | Value | Description |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| Trace level | <u>0</u> - 3 | One of the following levels: |
| | | 0 - None - No trace output (default). |
| | | 1 - Standard - Minimal trace output. |
| | | 2 - Advanced - Detailed trace output. |
| | | 3 - Support - Support diagnostic. Use only when requested by Software AG Support. |

- 4 Click **Edit** to modify the parameters on your selected configuration type.
- 5 Click **Test** to check the correctness of your input or **Apply** to save your changes.

Viewing the Runtime Status

- > To view the runtime status of the RPC server instance
- In the Command Central **Home** page, click the **Instances** tab and select the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance for which you want to see the runtime status (same as Step 1 under *Configuring a Broker Instance*).

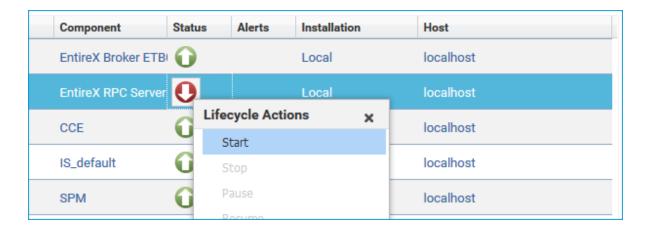


The visual key performance indicators (KPIs) and alerts enable you to monitor the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener's health.

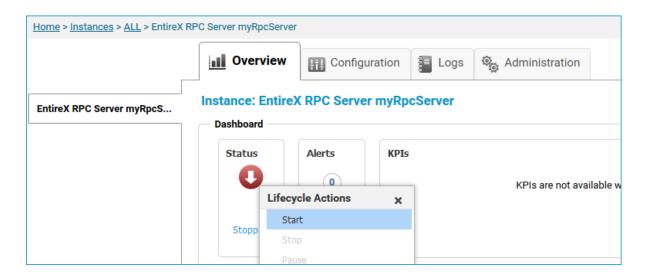
| KPI | Description |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| Active Workers | Number of active workers. |
| Busy Workers | Number of busy workers. |

Starting an RPC Server Instance

- To start an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance from the Instances tab
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab.



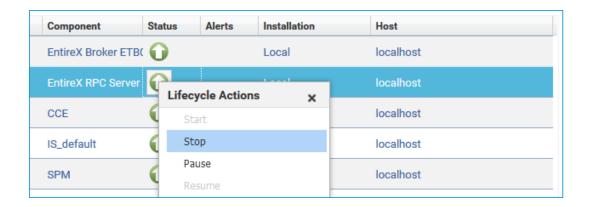
- 2 Select the status, and from the context menu choose **Start**.
- > To start an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance from its Overview tab
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab and select the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance you want to start (same as Step 1 under *Configuring a Broker Instance*).



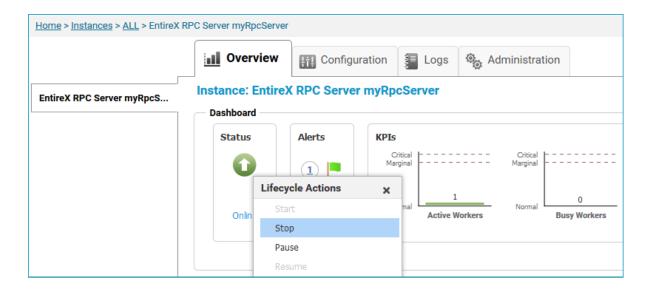
2 Select the status, and from the context menu choose **Start**.

Stopping an RPC Server Instance

- To stop an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance from the Instances tab
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab.



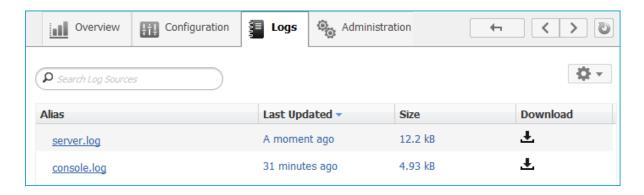
- 2 Select the status, and from the context menu choose **Stop**.
- To stop an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance from its Overview tab
- In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab and select the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance you want to stop (same as Step 1 under *Configuring a Broker Instance*).



2 Select the status, and from the context menu choose **Stop**.

Inspecting the Log Files

- > To inspect the log files of an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab, then click the link associated with the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance for which you want to inspect the log files (same as Step 1 under *Configuring a Broker Instance*).
- 2 Click the **Logs** tab:

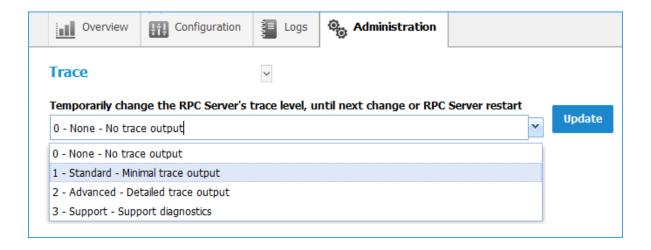


In the **Alias** column, click the link of the log file you want to inspect, for example *server.log*:



Changing the Trace Level Temporarily

- To temporarily change the trace level of an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance
- 1 In the Command Central home page, click the **Instances** tab then click the link associated with the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance for which you want change the trace level temporarily (same as Step 1 under *Configuring a Broker Instance*).
- 2 In the **Administration** tab, select the trace level and press **Update**.

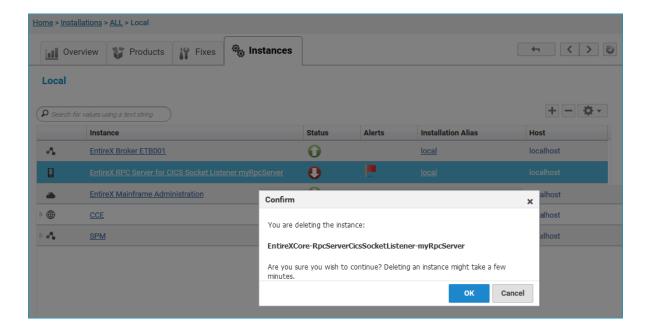


Note: If you want to set the trace level permanently, see *Trace Level* under *Configuring an RPC Server Instance*.

Deleting an RPC Server Instance

To delete an RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance

In the list of EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instances for your selected installation (for example Local), select the instance you want to delete and click the upper right corner above the list.



- 2 Click **OK** to confirm the uninstall of this RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener instance.
- 3 In the next window, click **Finish**. The selected instance is removed from the list.

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This chapter describes how to administer the EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, using the Command Central command-line interface.

Administering the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener using the Command Central GUI is described under *Administering the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener using the Command Central GUI*. The core Command Central documentation is provided separately and is also available under **Guides for Tools Shared by Software AG Products** on the Software AG documentation website.

Creating an RPC Server Instance

The following table lists the parameters to include when creating an EntireX RPC instance, using the Command Central create instances commands.

| Command | Parameter | Value | Description |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| sagcc create instances | node_alias | name | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | type | RpcServerCicsSocketListener | Required. EntireXCore instance type of RPC server. Must be "RpcServerCicsSocketListener". |
| | product | EntireXCore | Required. Must be set to "EntireXCore". |
| | instance.name | name | Required. Name of the runtime component, for example "MyRpcServer". |
| | install.service | true <u>false</u> | Optional. Register Windows Service for automatic startup. Default is false. If this parameter is true, the RPC server can be controlled by the Windows Service Control Manager. |
| | server.address | class/server/service | Required. The case-sensitive RPC server address has the format: CLASS/SERVER/SERVICE. |
| | server.adminport | 1025-65535 | Required. The administration port in range from 1025 to 65535. |
| | broker.transport | ssl <u>tcp</u> | Transport over TCP or SSL. Default is TCP. |
| | broker.host | name | Required. EntireX Broker host name or IP address. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |

| Command | Parameter | Value | Description |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | broker.port | 1025-65535 | Required. Port number in range from 1025 to 65535. |
| | broker.user | user | Optional. The user ID for secured access to the broker. |
| | broker.password | password | Optional. The password for secured access to the broker. |
| | cics.sl.transport | ssl <u>tcp</u> | Required. Use TCP or SSL to communicate with CICS Socket Listener. |
| | cics.sl.host | name | Required. Host name or IP address where the CICS Socket Listener is running. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| | cics.sl.port | 1-65535 | Required. TCP or SSL port number (1-65535) of the CICS Socket Listener. |
| | cics.sl.transaction | XRFE transaction | Required. Transaction ID (1-4 characters) defined for the RPC CICS RFE. Default is XRFE. |
| | cics.sl.encoding | cp037 codepage | Required. Specify the appropriate EBCDIC encoding used by your CICS installation. Default is codepage cp037 with full Latin-1 character set. |
| | cics.sl.user | user | Optional. The user ID (max. 8 characters) for access to CICS as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| | cics.sl.password | password | Optional. Password (max. 8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| | pass.ticket | true <u>false</u> | Optional. Use pass ticket instead of password. See note. |
| | cics.sl.application. | application_name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Application name (1-8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). See note. |
| | cics.sl.secured. signonkey | key_name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Secured signon key as defined in your underlying mainframe security system. Must be exactly 16 characters long. See note. |



Note: PassTicket is supported only when the CICS Socket Listener (remote connector) on z/OS is used. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener* and *Installing CICS Socket Listener* in the z/OS Installation documentation.

Example

■ To create a new instance for an installed EntireX of the type "RpcServerCicsSocketListener", with name "MyRpcServer", with server address "RPC/SRV1/CALLNAT", using administration port 5757, with broker host name "localhost", listening on broker port 1971, transmitting CICS request with the transport over "tcp", to host "cicsHost", via port "5822", with transaction ID "XRFE", encoding "cp037" in the installation with alias name "local":

sagcc create instances local EntireXCore type=RpcServerCicsSocketListener
instance.name=MyRpcServer server.address=RPC/SRV1/CALLNAT server.adminport=5757
broker.host=localhost broker.port=1971 cics.sl.transport=TCP cics.sl.host=cicsHost
cics.sl.port=5822 cics.sl.transaction=XRFE cics.sl.encoding=cp037

Information about the creation job - including the job ID - is displayed.

Configuring an RPC Server Instance

Here you can administer the parameters of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. Any changes to parameters will be used the next time you start the RPC server.

- Broker
- CICS
- Configuration File
- Monitoring KPIs
- Server
- Trace

Broker

Here you can administer the parameters used for communication between the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener and EntireX Broker.

- Parameters
- Displaying the Broker Settings of the RPC Server
- Updating the Broker Settings of the RPC Server

Parameters

| Parameter | Value | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--|
| BrokerTransport | TCP SSL | Transport over TCP or SSL. Default is TCP. |
| BrokerHost | name | Required. EntireX Broker host name or IP address. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| BrokerPort | 1025-65535 | Required. Port number in range from 1025 to 65535. |
| BrokerUser | user | Optional. The user ID for secured access to the broker. |
| BrokerPassword | password | Optional. The password for secured access to the broker. |
| BrokerEncoding | codepage | Required. Encoding used for the communication between the RPC server and EntireX Broker. |
| BrokerSslTrustStore | filename | Optional. Specifies the location of SSL trust store. |
| BrokerSslVerifyServer | true false | Optional. The RPC server as SSL client checks the identity of the broker as SSL server. |
| BrokerFipsMode | yes I <u>no</u> | Optional. Enable FIPS-140 compliant SSL communication. Default is no. |

Displaying the Broker Settings of the RPC Server

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|-------------|---|
| sagcc get configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "BROKER". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the Broker parameters of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer BROKER
```

Example 2

■ To store the Broker parameters in the file *broker.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer BROKER -o broker.json
```

Resulting output file in JSON format:

```
"BrokerHost":"localhost",
"BrokerPort":"1971",
"BrokerTransport":"TCP",
"BrokerUser":"testuser",
"BrokerPassword":"",
"BrokerEncoding":"Cp1252",
"BrokerSslTrustStore":"",
"BrokerSslVerifyServer":"true"
"BrokerFipsMode":"no"
}
```

Updating the Broker Settings of the RPC Server

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc update configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "BROKER". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To load the Broker parameters of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" from the file *broker.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc update configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer BROKER -i broker.json
```

See **Example 2** above for sample input file.

CICS

Here you can modify the CICS-specific configuration parameters. As a prerequisite, the CICS Socket Listener must be installed. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener*.

- Parameters
- Displaying the CICS Socket Listener Specific Parameters
- Updating the CICS Socket Listener Specific Parameters

Parameters

| Parameter | Value | Description |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| CicsSocketListenerTransport | ssl <u>tcp</u> | Required. Use TCP or SSL to communicate with CICS Socket Listener. |
| CicsSocketListenerHost | name | Required. Host name or IP address where the CICS Socket Listener is running. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| CicsSocketListenerPort | 1-65535 | Required. TCP or SSL port number (1-65535) of the CICS Socket Listener. |
| CicsSocketListenerTransaction | XRFE transaction | Required. Transaction ID (1-4 characters) defined for the RPC CICS RFE. Default is XRFE. |
| CicsSocketListenerEncoding | cp037 codepage | Required. Specify the appropriate EBCDIC encoding used by your CICS installation. Default is codepage cp037 with full Latin-1 character set. |
| CicsSocketListenerSslTrustStore | file_path | Optional. Specifies the location of the SSL trust store. |
| CicsSocketListenerVerifyServer | <u>true</u> false | Optional. The RPC server as SSL client checks the identity of CICS Socket Listener as SSL server. |
| CicsSocketListenerTimeout | <u>20</u> <i>n</i> | Optional. Timeout (in seconds) for the CICS Socket Listener as SSL server. Default is 20 seconds. |
| CicsSocketListenerUser | user | Optional. The user ID (max. 8 characters) for access to CICS as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| CicsSocketListenerPassword | password | Optional. Password (max. 8 characters) as defined in your |

| Parameter | Value | Description |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | | underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| CicsSocketListenerPassTicket | true <u>false</u> | Optional. Use pass ticket instead of password. See note. |
| CicsSocketListenerApplicationName | application_name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Application name (1-8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). See note. |
| CicsSocketListenerSecuredSignonKey | key_name | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Secured signon key as defined in your underlying mainframe security system. Must be exactly 16 characters long. See note. |



Note: PassTicket is supported only when the CICS Socket Listener (remote connector) on z/OS is used. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener* and *Installing CICS Socket Listener* in the z/OS Installation documentation.

Displaying the CICS Socket Listener Specific Parameters

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc get configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "CICS_SOCKET_LISTENER". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the CICS Socket Listener specific parameters of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer CICS_SOCKET_LISTENER
```

Example 2

■ To store the CICS Socket Listener specific parameters in the file *cics.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer CICS_SOCKET_LISTENER -o
cics.json
```

Resulting output file in JSON format:

```
"CicsSocketListenerTransport": "TCP",
   "CicsSocketListenerHost": "ibm2",
   "CicsSocketListenerPort": "1234",
   "CicsSocketListenerEncoding": "cp037",
   "CicsSocketListenerSslTrustStore": "",
   "CicsSocketListenerSslVerifyServer": "true",
   "CicsSocketListenerTimeout": "20",
   "CicsSocketListenerUser": "",
   "CicsSocketListenerPassTicket": "",
   "CicsSocketListenerApplicationName": "",
   "CicsSocketListenerSecuredSignonKey": "",
   "CicsSocketListenerUserTransactionId": "myId",
   "CicsSocketListenerTransaction": "XRFE"
}
```

Updating the CICS Socket Listener Specific Parameters

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|-------------|---|
| sagcc update configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "CICS_SOCKET_LISTENER". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To modify the CICS Socket Listener parameters, get the file *cics.json* with the get command. Edit the parameters in this file, and update the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpc-Server" in the installation with alias name "local" with the following command:

sagcc get configuration data local EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServerCICS_SOCKET_LISTENER -i cics.json

See Example 2 above for sample input file.

Configuration File

Here you can administer the configuration file of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. Any changes will take effect after the next restart.

- Displaying the Content of the RPC Server Configuration File
- Updating the Content of the RPC Server Configuration File

Displaying the Content of the RPC Server Configuration File

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|---------------|-------------|---|
| configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "CONFIGURATION". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the configuration file of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer CONFIGURATION
```

Example 2

■ To store the contents of the configuration file in the text file *configuration.txt* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer CONFIGURATION -o
configuration.txt
```

Updating the Content of the RPC Server Configuration File

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc update configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "CONFIGURATION". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To load the contents of configuration file *configuration.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc update configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer CONFIGURATION -i
configuration.json
```

Monitoring KPIs

Here you can administer margins of monitored key performance indicators (KPIs) available for the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener: Active Workers and Busy Workers.

- Parameters
- Displaying the Monitoring KPIs
- Updating the Monitoring KPIs

Parameters

Key performance indicators (KPIs) enable you to monitor the health of your RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. The following KPIs help you administer, troubleshoot, and resolve performance issues:

| KPI | Setting |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Absolute number of Active Workers | entirex.generic.kpi.1.max=20 |
| Critical alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.1.critical=0.95 |
| Marginal alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.1.marginal=0.80 |
| Absolute number of Busy Workers | entirex.generic.kpi.2.max=20 |
| Critical alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.2.critical=0.95 |
| Marginal alert relative to maximum | entirex.generic.kpi.2.marginal=0.80 |

Do not change the other properties!

Displaying the Monitoring KPIs

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|-------------|---|
| sagcc get configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "EXX-MONITORING-KPIS". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the monitoring KPI properties of RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" on stdout:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer MONITORING-KPI
```

Example 2

■ To store the monitoring KPI properties in the file *my.properties* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer MONITORING-KPI -o my.properties
```

Resulting output file in text format:

```
entirex.entirex.spm.version=10.7.0.0.473
entirex.generic.kpi.1.critical=0.95
entirex.generic.kpi.1.id=\#1
entirex.generic.kpi.1.marginal=0.80
entirex.generic.kpi.1.name=Active Workers
entirex.generic.kpi.1.unit=
entirex.generic.kpi.1.value=0
entirex.generic.kpi.2.critical=0.95
entirex.generic.kpi.2.id=\#2
entirex.generic.kpi.2.marginal=0.80
entirex.generic.kpi.2.max=20
entirex.generic.kpi.2.name=Busy Workers
entirex.generic.kpi.2.name=Busy Workers
entirex.generic.kpi.2.unit=
entirex.generic.kpi.2.value=0
```

Updating the Monitoring KPIs

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc update configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "EXX-MONITORING-KPIS". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To load the contents of file *my.properties* in the current working directory:

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sagcc update configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer MONITORING-KPI -i my.properties

Server

Here you can administer the parameters defining the registration name, the administration port and the behavior of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener.

- Parameters
- Displaying the Server Settings
- Updating the Server Settings

Parameters

| Parameter | Value | Description |
|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| ServerAddress | class/server/service | Required. The case-sensitive RPC server address has the format: CLASS/SERVER/SERVICE. |
| ServerAdminport | 1025-65535 | Required. The administration port in range from 1025 to 65535. |
| ReconnectionAttempts | n | Required. Number of reconnection attempts to the broker. When the number of attempts is reached and a connection to the broker is not possible, the RPC Server stops. |
| WorkerScalability | <u>true</u> false | You can either have a fixed or dynamic number of workers. Default is dynamic (true). For more information see <i>Worker Models</i> . |
| FixNumber | 1-255 | Required. Fixed number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. |
| MinWorkers | 1-255 | Required. Minimum number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. |
| MaxWorkers | 1-255 | Required. Maximum number of workers. Must be a number in range from 1 to 255. |

Displaying the Server Settings

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|------------------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc get configuration data | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "SERVER". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the server parameters of RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" on stdout:

```
sagcc get configuration data local 
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer SERVER
```

Example 2

■ To store the server parameters in the file *server.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer SERVER -o server.json
```

Resulting output file in JSON format:

```
{
"ServerAddress":"RPC/SRV1/CALLNAT",
"ServerAdminport":"4711",
"ReconnectionAttempts":"15",
"WorkerScalability":"true",
"FixNumber":"5",
"MinWorkers":"1",
"MaxWorkers":"10"
}
```

Updating the Server Settings

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc update configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "SERVER". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To load the server parameters from the file *server.json* in the current working directory:

sagcc update configuration data local EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer SERVER -i server.json

See Example 2 above for sample input file.

Trace

Here you can set the trace level of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener.

- Parameters
- Displaying the Trace Level
- Updating the Trace Level

Parameters

| Parameter | Value | Description | |
|------------|---------------|---|--|
| TraceLevel | 0 1 2 3 | One of the following levels: | |
| | | 0 - None - No trace output (default). | |
| | | 1 - Standard - Minimal trace output. | |
| | | 2 - Advanced - Detailed trace output. | |
| | | 3 - Support - Support diagnostic. Use only when requested by Software | |
| | | AG Support. | |

Displaying the Trace Level

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|---------------|-------------|---|
| configuration | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| data | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "TRACE". |
| | -o file | Optional. Specifies the file where you want the output written. |

Example 1

■ To display the trace level of RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" on stdout:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer TRACE
```

Example 2

■ To store the trace level in the file *trace.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer TRACE -o trace.json
```

Resulting output file in JSON format:

```
{
"TraceLevel":"0"
}
```

Updating the Trace Level

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|-----------------------|------------|---|
| configuration data | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | instanceid | Required. Must be "TRACE". |
| | -i file | Optional. Specifies the file from where you want the input read. |

Example

■ To load the trace level parameters from the file *trace.json* in the current working directory:

```
sagcc update configuration data local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer TRACE -i trace.json
```

See **Example 2** above for sample input file.

Displaying the EntireX Inventory

Listing all Inventory Components

The following table lists the parameters to include, when listing all EntireX instances, using the Command Central list inventory commands.

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|-------------------------|------------|---|
| sagcc list inventory | node_alias | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| components | ' | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

■ To list inventory components of instance EntireX in the installation with alias name "local":

```
sagcc list inventory components local EntireXCore*
```

A list of all EntireX RPC Server runtime components will be displayed.

Viewing the Runtime Status

The following table lists the parameters to include when displaying the state of an EntireX component, using the Command Central get monitoring commands.

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---|
| sagcc get monitoring state | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

■ To display state information about the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener:

```
sagcc get monitoring state local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer
```

Runtime status and runtime state will be displayed.

- Runtime status indicates whether a runtime component is running or not. Examples of a runtime status are ONLINE or STOPPED.
- Runtime state indicates the health of a runtime component by providing key performance indicators (KPIs) for the component. Each KPI provides information about the current use, marginal use, critical use and maximum use.

Starting an RPC Server Instance

The following table lists the parameters to include when starting an EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, using the Command Central exec lifecycle commands.

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---|
| sagcc exec lifecycle start | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | l ' | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

To start the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

```
sagcc exec lifecycle start local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer
```

Information about the job - including the job ID - will be displayed.

Stopping an RPC Server Instance

The following table lists the parameters to include when stopping an EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, using the Command Central exec lifecycle commands.

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|------------------------------|-----------|---|
| sagcc exec lifecycle stop | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

■ To stop the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

 $sagcc\ exec\ lifecycle\ stop\ local\ EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer$

Information about the job - including the job ID - will be displayed.

Inspecting the Log Files

Here you can administer the log files of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. The following table lists the parameters to include when displaying or modifying parameters of the RPC server, using the Command Central list commands.

- List all RPC Server Log Files
- Getting Content from or Downloading RPC Server Log Files

List all RPC Server Log Files

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---|
| sagcc list diagnostics logs | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

■ To list the log files of RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" on stdout:

```
sagcc list diagnostics logs local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer
```

Getting Content from or Downloading RPC Server Log Files

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|-------------|--------------------|---|
| diagnostics | node_alias | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| logs | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | full tail head | Optional. Shows full log file content, or only tail or head. |
| | export -o file | Optional. Creates a zip file of the logs. |

Example 1

■ To list the tail of the log file content in the current working directory:

```
sagcc get diagnostics logs local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer server.log tail
```

Example 2

■ To create a zip file *myfile.zip* of the logs:

```
sagcc get diagnostics logs local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer export -o myfile.zip
```

Changing the Trace Level Temporarily

Here you can temporarily change the trace level of a running RPC server. The following table lists the parameters to include when displaying or modifying parameters of an EntireX component, using the Command Central exec administration command. The change is effective immediately; there is no need to restart the RPC server.



Note: If you want to set the trace level permanently, see *Trace* under *Configuring an RPC Server Instance*.

Displaying the Trace Level of a Running RPC Server

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|----------------|-------------------|---|
| sagcc exec | component | Required. Specifies that a component will be administered. |
| administration | node_alias | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | Trace | Required. Specifies what is to be administered. |
| | load tracelevel=? | Required. Get the trace level. |
| | -f xml json | Required. Specifies XML or JSON as output format. |

Example 1

■ To display the current trace level of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" in JSON format on stdout:

```
sagcc exec administration component local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer Trace load tracelevel=? -f
json
```

Example 2

■ To display the current trace level of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local" in XML format on stdout:

```
sagcc exec administration component local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer Trace load tracelevel=? -f
xml
```

Updating the Trace Level of a Running RPC Server

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| sagcc exec administration | component | Required. Specifies that a component will be administered. |
| | node_alias | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | componentid | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |
| | Trace | Required. Specifies what is to be administered. |
| | update tracelevel | Required. Update temporarily the trace level of a running RPC server. |
| | -f xml json | Required. Specifies XML or JSON as output format. |

Example

■ To change the current trace level of the running RPC Server with the name "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

sagcc exec administration component local
EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer Trace update tracelevel=2 -f
json

Deleting an RPC Server Instance

The following table lists the parameters to include when deleting an EntireX RPC Server instance, using the Command Central delete instances commands.

| Command | Parameter | Description |
|---------------------------|-----------|---|
| sagcc delete instances | | Required. Specifies the alias name of the installation in which the runtime component is installed. |
| | | Required. The component identifier. The prefix is "EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-". |

Example

■ To delete an instance of an EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener with the name "MyRpcServer" in the installation with alias name "local":

sagcc delete instances local EntireXCore-RpcServerCicsSocketListener-MyRpcServer

Information about the deletion job - including the job ID - is displayed.

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The EntireX RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener allows standard RPC clients to communicate with CICS programs running on IBM CICS®. All CICS interface types are supported: (DFHCOMMAREA, Channel Container and Large Buffer).

Customizing the RPC Server

The following are used to set up the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener:

- Configuration File
- Start Script

Configuration File

The default name of the configuration file is *cicssocketlistener.properties*. The RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener searches for this file in the current working directory.

You can set the name of the configuration file with -Dentirex.server.properties=<your file name> with "/" as file separator.

The configuration file contains the configuration for both parts of the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener.



Configuring more than one RPC Server

If you configure more than one RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener that connect to the same broker, the following items must be distinct:

- the trace output file (property entirex.server.logfile)
- the log for the Windows Service (property entirex.server.serverlog)

Start Script

The start script for the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener is called *cicssocketlistenerserver.bsh* (UNIX) or *cicssocketlistenerserver.bat* (Windows) and is provided in the *bin* folder of the installation directory. You may customize this file.

Configuring the RPC Server Side

The RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener uses the properties that start with "entirex.server" for configuring the RPC server side.

Alternatively to the properties, you can use the command-line options. These have a higher priority than the properties set as Java system properties, and these have higher priority than the properties in the configuration file.

| Property Name | Command-line Option | Default | Explanation |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---|
| entirex.server. brokerid | -broker | localhost | Broker ID. |
| entirex.server. serveraddress | -server | RPC/SRV1/CALLNAT | Server address. |
| entirex.server. userid | -user | CICSSLRPCServer | The user ID for access to the broker. |
| entirex.server. fixedservers | | no | NO The number of worker threads balances between what is specified in entirex.server.minservers and what is specified in entirex.server.maxservers. This is done by a so-called attach thread. At startup, the number of worker threads is the number specified in entirex.server.minservers. A new worker thread starts if the broker has more requests than there are worker threads waiting. If more than the number specified in entirex.server.minservers are waiting for requests, a worker thread stops if its receive call times out. The timeout period is configured with entirex.server.waitserver.See worker model DYNAMIC. YES The number of worker threads specified in entirex.server.minservers is started and the server can process this number of parallel requests.See worker model FIXED. |
| entirex.server. minservers | | 1 | Minimum number of server threads. |

| Property Name | Command-line Option | Default | Explanation |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|
| entirex.server. maxservers | | 32 | Maximum number of server threads. |
| entirex.server. restartcycles | -restartcycles | 15 | Number of restart attempts if the Broker is not available. This can be used to keep the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener running while the Broker is down for a short time. |
| entirex.server. password | -password | yes | The password for secured access to the broker. The password is encrypted and written to the property entirex.server.password.e. |
| | | | To change the password, set the new password in the properties file. |
| | | | ■ To disable password encryption, set entirex.server.passwordencrypt=no. Default=yes. |
| entirex.server. security | -security | no | Valid values: no yes auto name of BrokerSecurity object. |
| entirex.server. compresslevel | -compresslevel | 0 (no compression) | Enter the text or the numeric value: |
| | | | BEST_COMPRESSION 9 |
| | | | BEST_SPEED 1 |
| | | | DEFAULT_COMPRESSION -1 (mapped to 6) |
| | | | DEFLATED 8 |
| | | | NO_COMPRESSION 0 |
| | | | N O |
| | | | Υ 8 |
| entirex.server. waitattach | | 600\$ | Wait timeout for the attach server thread. |
| entirex.server. waitserver | | 300\$ | Wait timeout for the worker threads. |
| entirex.timeout | | 20 | TCP/IP transport timeout. |
| | -help | | Display usage of the command-line parameters. |
| entirex.server. logfile | -logfile | standard output | Name of the log file. |

| Property Name | Command-line Option | Default | Explanation |
|---------------|------------------------|---------|---|
| entirex.trace | -trace | 0 | Trace level. |
| | | | 0 No tracing, default. 1 Trace all broker calls and other major |
| | | | actions. 2 Dump the send and receive buffer. |
| | | | 3 Dump the buffers sent to the broker and received from the broker. |

Configuring the CICS Socket Listener Side

These properties are used to configure the connection to CICS. As a prerequisite, the CICS Socket Listener must be installed. See *Preparing for CICS Socket Listener*.

Alternatively, you can use the command-line options. These have a higher priority than the properties set as Java system properties, and these have higher priority than the properties in the configuration file.

| | Default | |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|
| Name | Value | Explanation |
| cics.sl.host | | Required. Host name or IP address where the CICS Socket Listener is running. See <i>Using the Broker ID in Applications</i> in the RPC Programming documentation. |
| cics.sl.port | | Required. TCP or SSL port number (1-65535) of the CICS Socket Listener. |
| cics.sl.transaction | XRFE | Required. Transaction ID (1-4 characters) defined for the RPC CICS RFE. Default is XRFE. |
| entirex.bridge.targetencoding | ср037 | Required. Specify the appropriate EBCDIC encoding used by your CICS installation. Default is codepage cp037 with full Latin-1 character set. |
| cics.sl.sockettimeout | 20 | Optional. Timeout (in seconds) for the CICS Socket Listener as SSL server. Default is 20 seconds. |
| cics.sl.userid | | Optional. The user ID (max. 8 characters) for access to CICS as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| cics.sl.password | | Optional. Password (max. 8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). |
| | | The password is encrypted and written to the property cics.sl.password.e. |
| | | ■ To change the password, set the new password in the properties file. |
| | | ■ To disable password and/or secured signon key encryption, set entirex.server.passwordencrypt=no. Default=yes. |
| cics.sl.sslparams | | SSL parameters (optional). Same syntax as Broker ID. |
| cics.sl.application.name (1) | | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Application name (1-8 characters) as defined in your underlying mainframe security system (e.g. RACF). See note. |

| Name | Default Value | Explanation |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| | | This property is ignored if cics.sl.password is set. |
| cics.sl.secured.signonkey (1) | | Optional. Required if pass ticket is to be used instead of a password. Secured signon key as defined in your underlying mainframe security system. Must be exactly 16 characters long. See note. |
| | | The secured signon key is encrypted and written to the property cics.sl.secured.signonkey.e. |
| | | ■ To change the secured signon key, set the new secured signon key in the properties file. |
| | | ■ To disable password and/or secured signon key encryption, set entirex.server.passwordencrypt=no. Default=yes. |
| | | This property is ignored if cics.sl.password is set. |
| cics.sl.synconreturn ⁽²⁾ | no | Optional. If yes, the CICS program is called with the CICS LINK option SYNCONRETURN. Refer to the IBM CICS Transaction Server for z/OS documentation for more information on the SYNCONRETURN option. This option is only useful if the CICS program is defined as DPL. See note. |
| cics.sl.userexit | | Optional. Class name of user exit implementation. See <i>User Exit</i> . |
| cics.sl.userexit.classpath | | Optional. URL of the classpath for user exit implementation, for example file://myexit.jar or http://host/path/to/my/exit. |

Notes:

- PassTicket is supported only when the CICS Socket Listener (remote connector) on z/OS is used. See <u>Preparing for CICS Socket Listener</u> and <u>Installing CICS Socket Listener</u> in the z/OS Installation documentation.
- 2. Setting this option to yes with DPL impacts the syncpoint handling of the EntireX CICS Socket Listener. Usually the syncpoint is performed after a reply has been sent to the request. Using this option, the syncpoint is now performed after program execution. This means that if the reply fails, the syncpoint has already been performed. Using conversational requests (multiple requests with one syncpoint after the last request) the SyncOnReturn option is just ignored without further notice.

Using SSL/TLS with the RPC Server

To use SSL with the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, you need to configure two sides:

CICS Side

See parameter cics.sl.sslparams.

■ RPC Server Side

RPC servers can use Secure Sockets Layer/Transport Layer Security (SSL/TLS) as the transport medium. The term "SSL" in this section refers to both SSL and TLS. RPC-based servers are always SSL clients. The SSL server can be either the EntireX Broker or Broker SSL Agent. For an introduction see *SSL/TLS*, *HTTP(S)*, and *Certificates with EntireX* in the platform-independent Administration documentation.

> To use SSL

- To operate with SSL, certificates need to be provided and maintained. Depending on the platform, Software AG provides default certificates, but we strongly recommend that you create your own. See *SSL/TLS Sample Certificates Delivered with EntireX* in the EntireX Security documentation.
- 2 Set up the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener for an SSL connection.

Use the *URL-style Broker ID* with protocol ssl:// for the Broker ID. If no port number is specified, port 1958 is used as default. Example:

ssl://localhost:22101?trust_store=C:\SoftwareAG\EntireX\etc\ExxCACert.jks&verify_server=no

If the SSL client checks the validity of the SSL server only, this is known as *one-way SSL*. The mandatory trust_store parameter specifies the file name of a keystore that must contain the list of trusted certificate authorities for the certificate of the SSL server. By default a check is made that the certificate of the SSL server is issued for the hostname specified in the Broker ID. The common name of the subject entry in the server's certificate is checked against the hostname. If they do not match, the connection will be refused. You can disable this check with SSL parameter verify_server=no.

If the SSL server additionally checks the identity of the SSL client, this is known as *two-way SSL*. In this case the SSL server requests a client certificate (the parameter <code>verify_client=yes</code> is defined in the configuration of the SSL server). Two additional SSL parameters must be specified on the SSL client side: <code>key_store</code> and <code>key_passwd</code>. This keystore must contain the private key of the SSL client. The password that protects the private key is specified with <code>key_passwd</code>.

The ampersand (&) character cannot appear in the password.

SSL parameters are separated by ampersand (&). See also SSL/TLS Parameters for SSL Clients.

- Make sure the SSL server to which the RPC side connects is prepared for SSL connections as well. The SSL server can be EntireX Broker or Broker SSL Agent. See:
 - Running Broker with SSL/TLS Transport in the platform-specific Administration documentation
 - Broker SSL Agent in the UNIX | Windows Administration documentation

Starting the RPC Server

- To start the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener
- Use the *Start Script*.

Stopping the RPC Server

> To stop the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener

■ Use the command stopService. See *Stop Running Services* in Command Central's Command-line Interface.

Or:

Stop the service using Command Central's Graphical User Interface. See Stopping a Service.

Or:

Use the command-line utility etbcmd. See ETBCMD under *Broker Command-line Utilities* in the platform-specific Administration documentation.

Or:

Use CTRL-C in the session where you started the RPC server instance.

Or:

Under UNIX, enter command kill -process-id.

Pinging the RPC Server

- > To ping the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener
- Enter the following command:

```
java -classpath "$EXXDIR/classes/entirex.jar" ↔
com.softwareag.entirex.rpcping.RPCServerPing -p <admin_port>
```

where admin_port is the number of the administration port.

The ping command returns "0" if the server is reachable, and "1" if the server cannot be accessed.

Running an EntireX RPC Server as a Windows Service

For general information see *Running an EntireX RPC Server as a Windows Service* in the Windows Administration documentation.

- To run the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener as a Windows Service
- 1 Customize the *Start Script* according to your system installation.
 - See also *Starting the RPC Server*.
- 2 Test your RPC server to see whether it will start if you run your script file.
- 3 Use the *EntireX RPC Service Tool* and install the RPCService with some meaningful extension, for example MyServer. If your *Start Script* is *cicssocketlistenerserver.bat*, the command will be

```
RPCService -install -ext MyServer ↔
-script install_path\EntireX\bin\cicssocketlistenerserver.bat
```

The log file will be called *RPCservice_MyServer.log*.

In Windows Services menu (Control Panel > Administrative Tools > Services) select the service: Software AG EntireX RPC Service [MyServer] and change the property Startup Type from "Manual" to "Automatic".

Application Identification

The application identification is sent from the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener to the Broker. It is visible with Broker Command and Information Services.

The identification consists of four parts: name, node, type, and version. These four parts are sent with each Broker call and are visible in the trace information.

For the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener, these values are:

| Identification Part | Value |
|---------------------|---|
| Application name | ANAME=RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener |
| Node name | ANODE= <host name=""></host> |
| Application type | ATYPE=Java |
| Version | AVERS=10.7.0.0 |

User Exit

To enable a user exit, use the property cics.sl.userexit to specify the class name of the user exit implementation. The class will be loaded using the standard classpath. You can specify a separate classpath with the property cics.sl.userexit.classpath. Note that for the classpath, a file or HTTP URL must be specified, for example file://myexit.jarorhttp://host/path/to/my/exit.

Your user exit class must implement the Java interface

 $\verb|com.softwareag.entirex.cics.socket|| is tener. I User Exit. \textbf{This Java interface has the following method:} \\$

```
/**

* Read and modify the CICS Socket Listener request payload before sending the 
request.

* Get access to the ConfigurationParameters.

*

* @param requestPayload CICS Socket Listener Payload to be send to CICS, 
containing a java.nio.ByteBuffer

* @param properties CICS Socket Listener Configuration Parameters with access 
to the user transaction id and several

* Bridge framework parameters, like IDL program name, IDL library name, target 
program name etc.

*/

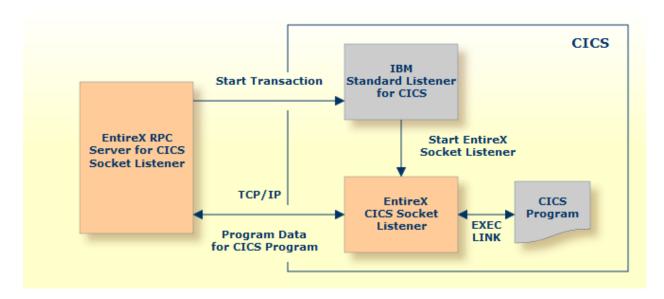
void beforeSend(Payload requestPayload, ConfigurationParameters properties);
```

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Overview

The CICS Socket Listener is used by the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. Apart from installation there is no configuration necessary in CICS. Configuration is done with the RPC Server for CICS Socket Listener. See *Configuring an RPC Server Instance* > CICS using the Command Central GUI | Command Line.



The implementation for CICS is based on the CICS standard listener provided by IBM. With this listener you can launch CICS transaction via TCP/IP. The launched transaction takes the TCP connection and continues the communication with the launching process.

Depending on your platform, more information on configuring the IBM standard listener for CICS can be found under the following IBM documentation:

- z/OS Communications Server: IP CICS Socket Guide
- z/VSE TCP/IP Support

Installing the CICS Socket Listener

The CICS Socket Listener is installed

- together with the RPC Server for CICS, see *Installing the RPC Server for CICS*, or
- separately, see EntireX CICS Socket Listener (z/OS | z/VSE)

Configuring the IBM Standard Listener

Depending on your platform, more information on configuring the IBM standard listener for CICS can be found under the following IBM documentation:

- *z/OS* Communications Server: IP CICS Socket Guide
- *z/VSE TCP/IP Support*

> To start/stop the IBM standard listener

■ Use the CICS supplied transaction EZAO. The listener is automatically started/stopped when CICS is started or stopped.

To configure the IBM standard listener

- Use the CICS-supplied transaction EZAC, ALT, LISTENER.
 - For SECEXIT, define EXXRFECS.
 - Make sure the PORT number of the IBM standard listener corresponds to the configuration parameter CICS port. See *Configuring an RPC Server Instance > CICS* using the Command Central GUI | Command Line.

Automatic Syncpoint Handling

After each non-conversational RPC request (or the end of a series of conversational RPC requests), an implicit CICS COMMIT (or CICS ROLLBACK if an error occurs) is executed by the CICS Socket Listener. If you are running with user transaction support, syncpoint handling is executed by CICS itself when the user transaction terminates.

User Exit

To enable a user exit, use the property cics.sl.userexit to specify the class name of the user exit implementation. The class will be loaded using the standard classpath. You can specify a separate classpath with the property cics.sl.userexit.classpath. Note that for the classpath, a file or HTTP URL must be specified, for example file://myexit.jarorhttp://host/path/to/my/exit.

Your user exit class must implement the Java interface

com.softwareag.entirex.cics.socketlistener.IUserExit. This Java interface has the following method:

```
/**

* Read and modify the CICS Socket Listener request payload before sending the ↔ request.

* Get access to the ConfigurationParameters.

*

* @param requestPayload CICS Socket Listener Payload to be send to CICS, ↔ containing a java.nio.ByteBuffer

* @param properties CICS Socket Listener Configuration Parameters with access ↔ to the user transaction id and several

* Bridge framework parameters, like IDL program name, IDL library name, target ↔ program name etc.

*/

void beforeSend(Payload requestPayload, ConfigurationParameters properties);
```