



Valuation Centre is a comprehensive broker and research valuation system that automates the time consuming – but required – process of assessing and valuing the research services your firm received from research brokers and independent research providers (IRPs). *Valuation Centre* is designed around the review needs of both CSA/Soft Dollars and the European MiFID II requirements for Research Payment Accounts (RPAs).

As the world’s first N-dimensional broker review system, *Valuation Center* can benefit multiple teams within your organization by empowering them to review and assess the value received from their research providers in ways that work best for them.

Playbook	Status	View
Review By Sector, Industry & Region	Open Vote	View pe
Review by Sector	Open Vote	View pe
Review by Region	Open Vote	View pe
Review by Sector by Region (Dollars)	Open Vote	View pe
RP Summary Review	Open Vote	View pe
Review by Contact	Closed	
Review by Deed/Event	Open Vote	

Valuation Centre has the power and flexibility to get the research valuation results needed while simultaneously saving time for fund managers, analysts, traders, and administrators designated to manage the broker valuation.

Features

Each team can review their brokers and IRPs at the summary and detailed level, including all-in reviews, reviews by sector, by region, by event, by individual. Customize valuation dimensions, weightings to be used, and how to display the roll-up valuation results.

Each user has the flexibility to customize their valuation even during the voting session. For example, a valuation session that initially starts by displaying results by broker and then by research service can be reversed instantly to reviewing results by research service and then by broker. This improves clarity and allows users work in the most optimal way possible.

A complete **calendar and event management** tool can be leveraged by both the buy and sell side to track all events that individuals or teams are invited to. Feedback on a post-event basis may even be conducted via smartphone for ease-of-use and timely feedback.

All results are summarized for internal use and can be sent to brokers electronically or by broker-permissioned web-portal.



Special Benefits

Valuation Centre provides administrators, broker liaison teams, and management with a unique set of benefits:

- Management gets a clearer picture of research value through standardized reporting.
- Users are only asked to work on reviews that are meaningful to them.
- Brokers can redirect the allocation of their resources through improved reporting options.
- Valuation timeliness is ensured through “access anywhere” capabilities.
- Understanding broker value is supported with lists of events and services provided.
- CSA/RPA reporting requirements are built on actionable review data rather than subjective responses.

About RPA Centre

RPA Centre is a highly efficient commission management ecosystem designed to assist the buy side manage with all aspects of their research valuation, broker and IRP reviews, trade reporting, research budgeting, and research payments all within their existing commission management infrastructure.

RPA Centre is a cloud-based solution designed by the foremost industry expert in broker reviews with full consideration for the requirements of MiFID II.

About Castine

Originally formed in 1982, Castine (formerly known as Cogent Consulting) has operated as the market leader in every industry in which it has specialized.

Most recently, our firm was the world leader in commission management software for investment managers, research providers, and broker-dealers. That product line was sold to BNY Convergex and is now operated by Eze Software.

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