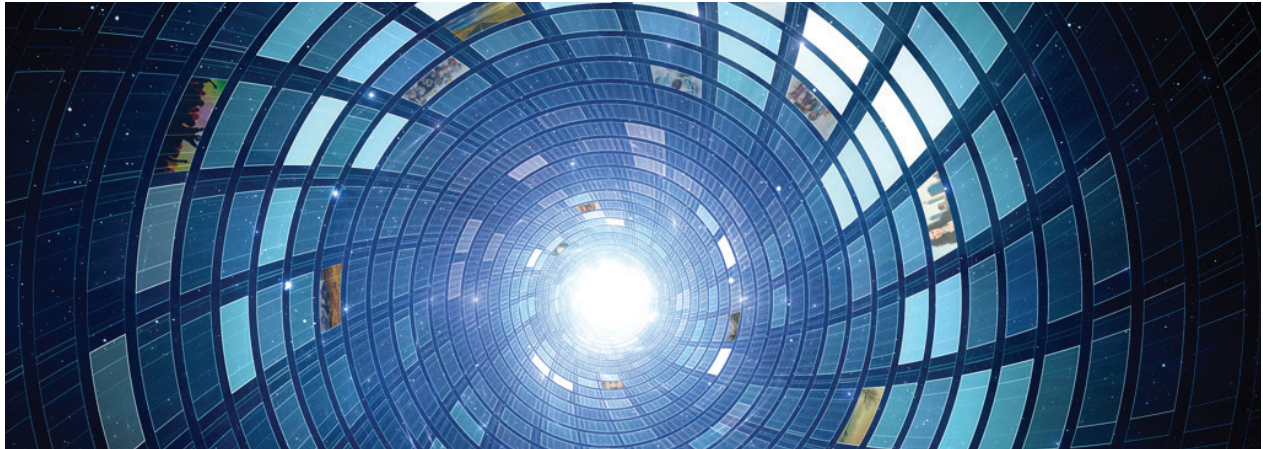


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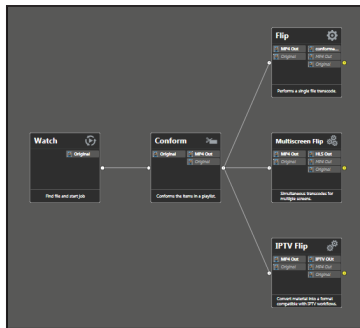
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Automate production tasks

Increase content value with faster turnaround and lower costs

Post Producer™ is the only system that fully automates production processes by assembling multi-layered video deliverables from content sources and masters.



Post Producer and Vantage transcode products integrate directly

With Post Producer you can construct finished, branded assets to automatically repurpose media for today's multi-language, multi-platform distribution.

Ideal For:

- Frame accurate clipping and montage assembly of video sources
- Dynamic assembly of composition visuals from video and graphics sources and creation of titles
- Selecting, mapping and combining audio channels to match output requirements
- Inserting ancillary metadata for closed captions, subtitles, Vchip and dynamic advertising

Reduce Production Costs

By eliminating the need for "tag-and-bag" editing, Post Producer removes the need for costly editors to perform repetitive tasks. Content producers can spend more time creating high-quality creative material while Post Producer automates the repetitive production work required for final distribution.

Service More Distribution Channels

The automation of routine tasks provides cost-effective scaling of your production environment. Post Producer runs on one or more servers, working 24/7 to generate as many versions of each asset as necessary to meet your distribution needs. Post Producer is a workhorse that will allow you to scale up your distribution capacity without requiring additional manpower or edit bays.

Speed Up Production, Increase Content Value

For time-sensitive material, Post Producer maximizes content value by automatically creating final assets for worldwide distribution, without manual editing. Content from files, or from a live Pipeline ingest, can be processed during the original recording. Integrated transcoding and delivery can ensure that the asset is repurposed, transformed and delivered to distribution partners with lightning speed.

How It Works

Post Producer is an automated editing system. It renders multi-layered video, audio, graphics and effects compositions from source media files into one or more outputs. As part of the Vantage product family, it allows integration with any Vantage transcoding product, to render your timelines and simultaneously transcode to virtually any video file format.

Automated Editing and Composition

At the heart of Post Producer is the Vantage Conform Action which produces multi-layer video compositions with transition and image effects, graphic overlays, and conformed audio that are ready for distribution. This Conform action accepts a specialized XML format called the Content Markup Language (CML). A .CML file describes source media, video timelines, effects and layers. These files are fully conformed by Vantage Post Producer to produce output media files in high-quality output formats that can be distributed or transcoded to any available Vantage format.

Import Other Playlist Formats

The Vantage Compose action transforms other playlist formats into Vantage CML format for easy migration of existing automation integrations. Anystream .an2 and Telestream TSEDL are converted and conformed by Post Producer.

Mix All Vantage Source Formats on the Timeline

Post Producer decodes and normalizes source content to match output requirements. Sources with different resolutions, aspect ratios, frame rates, and GOP structures, with incompatible audio track layouts, can be combined on-the-fly to create the desired output.

Post Producer decodes 15 different audio and video essence types and 11 different container types. For additional source format support, Vantage will conform hundreds of essence and container formats for use in Post Producer editing.

Predictable Results

The creative editors define the look and feel of the output. Customers and distribution partners define the technical requirements of the assets. CML files capture both and are applied to source media to produce consistent results for promos, broadcast to VOD conversions, interstitial promos and other commonly used content deliverables. In all cases, the decisions of the creative professionals are preserved in the templates and are reusable.

Convert to Any Vantage Output Format

Post Producer generates high resolution editorial and mezzanine essences that can be used as distribution formats or can be transcoded to any other Vantage distribution format supported by Vantage.

Workflow Automation Examples

Cable, IPTV, airline and taxi VOD production – Fully automate the editing process to remove or replace advertisements, add promos and rebrand on-air or cable broadcast content and transcode for all distribution partners.

Automated news – Edit on-air broadcasts into segments, create lower third titles with dynamically updated reporter name and story title by-line and format for television, broadband and mobile distribution.

Automated Weather updates – Assemble on-screen reporter audio, video, image sequences and overlays to create weather updates for hundreds of cities and regions with no manual intervention required.

International localization – Produce all of the versions for international distribution as a single job submission. Templates define the various permutations of deliverables – for segment ordering, language dubs, frame rate conversion, localized captioning and subtitling, and audio track mapping – and then submit them with the mastered promo. Vantage Post Producer will conform each regional deliverable to specifications.

Promo assembly and insertion – Automate credit squeeze back and speed up, and superimpose promo video and audio to build promo segments on-the-fly.

Advertisement and promo insertion – Reorder video segments, remove ad black, insert interstitial video and audio, or add SMPTE 35 or Black Arrow ad markets to monetize VOD assets.

Input & Output Formats

Input Formats

VIDEO INPUT

Container Type	DV ¹	IMX	MPEG2 ²	ProRes & ProRes 4:4:4:4	DNxHD	J2K	H.264	AVCI	QT Animation
TIFO	■	■	■	■	■				
AVI	■								
MOV ⁴	■	■	■	■	■				■
MP4							■		
GXF	■	■	■			■	■		
LXF			■						
MPEG PS			■						
MPEG2 TS			■				■		
MXF OP1a	■	■	■		■	■	■	■	
MXF AS02 ³	■	■	■			■		■	
MXF AS11								■	

Graphic File Input:
BMP, EMF, EXIF, GIF, GUID, ICON, JPEG, Memory BMP, PNG, TIFF, TGA, & WMF
Alpha Channel supported

AUDIO INPUT

Container Type	PCM	MPEG	302M	331M	AAC	AC3 ⁵	Dolby E
TIFO	■					■	■
AC3						■	
AVI	■						
LXF	■						
MOV	■				■		■
MP4	■				■		■
GXF	■						■
MPEG2 PS		■					
MPEG2 TS	■	■	■		■	■	■
MXF OP-1a	■			■			
MXF AS02 ²	■						■
MXF XDCAM HD	■						
MXF AS11	■					■	■
WAVE	■						■

¹ DV includes DV25, DVCPRO25, DV50/DVCPRO50, and DVCPROHD.

² MPEG2 includes long GOP, I-Frame, XDCAM, XDCAM HD

³ Files produced by Omneon Media Subsystem (6.1) and Amberfin ICR (7.8) were tested

⁴ QuickTime formats include alpha channel support

⁵ AC3 includes Dolby Digital and Dolby Digital Plus (E-AC3)

Note: Vantage Transcoders can make additional input formats compatible with Vantage Post Producer.

Output Formats

VIDEO OUTPUT

Container Type	ProRes	DNxHD	JP2K	MP2	X.264	Uncompressed
TIFO	■ ¹	■	■	■	■	■
MP4	■ ¹	■	■	■	■	■
MOV	■ ¹	■	■	■	■	■

¹ output can be used with any Vantage encoder to produce any Vantage output

AUDIO OUTPUT

Container Type	PCM	AC3	AAC
TIFO	■	■	■
MP4	■	■	■
MOV	■	■	■

Features & Functions

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Post Producer Features

EDITING

Source Trimming	Time, DF, NDF Time code
Montage assembly	Frame accurate edit assembly
Mixed source format decoding, normalize, assemble	Combine SD, HD, any frame rate into normalized output
Image sequence assembly	Video from image sequences at specified frame rates
Slate creation from image file	Set duration and frame rate of image file
Back timed edits	Set start and end timing from the end of clips
Dynamic content fill to edit point	Automatically aligns length of all layers to match the longest element
Direct convert (rewrap) source frames	Pass unchanged frames through the output container where possible
Separate audio and video sources	Combine audio and video from different sources
Frame rate conversion	Convert for regional requirements or to change display rates

COMPOSITING

Video layers	Unlimited layers, resizing, location, opacity
Graphic overlays & control	Unlimited layers, BMP, EMF, EXIF, GIF, GUID, ICO, JPEG, Memory BMP, PNG, TIF, WMF
Content advisory graphic	US TV
Dynamic text rendering	Font, size, color, bold, italic, underline, opacity from XML source text

VIDEO EFFECTS

Dissolve	Timed duration
Fade to color	Timed duration
Video scaling/resize	Timed duration
SD to HD resize with curtains	Stretch, crop, curtains, letterbox
HD to SD resize with letterbox	Stretch, crop, curtains, letterbox
Video cropping	Top, bottom, left, right
Mask insertion	Top, bottom, left, right, color
Resize and retime	Credit roll for promo creation
Color space conversion	RGB/601/709

AUDIO

Track and Channel Remapping	Select specific audio tracks from multi-track mezzanine sources
Source mixing	Mix and combine multichannel audio tracks to form required output
Mono, stereo, 5.1, 7, 1 ²	Dolby Digital, AAC and uncompressed standards for multichannel audio tracks
Dolby E decoding and remapping ¹	Decode Dolby E sources and map compressed tracks. Supports 5.1, 5.1+2, 2+2+2+2, 7.1
Dolby E pass through	Pass through of Dolby E sources as 20-bit PCM
Track silencing	Create silent tracks
Phase shifting	Shift phases by 90, 180 and 270 degrees

METADATA

Closed Caption Pass Through	Pass through of embedded caption data
Closed Caption synthesis ¹	EIA-608 and EIA 708
Vchip encoding	US TV, MPAA, CELR, CFLR
SCTE 35 ad markers	Transport stream advertisement insertion distribution format
BlackArrow GOP structure and metadata	Conform output to Comcast ad insertion distribution format
CGMS-A copy protection	Content protection Copy freely, copy once, copy no more, copy never
DVB bitmap subtitles (transport streams) ¹	Synthesize DVB subtitles from STL, RAC and PAC sources
Aspect Ratio Flag Setting	16x9 and 4x3 for SD, HD and SD anamorphic content
AFD flag setting	Active format display
Nielsen C3 Watermarking ¹	Viewership measurement

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.an2	Anystream Agility
TSEDL	Telestream FlipFactory and Vantage

TRANSCODING¹

Input formats and wrappers	See list
Output to Mezzanine formats and wrappers	DNxHD, ProRes, JPEG2000, MP2, MP2, H.264, Uncompressed
Output to all Vantage formats ¹	Mezzanine to any Vantage transcoder
Transcode of growing conformed media files ¹	Realtime transcoding of the growing conformed video file
VPL per segment definition	Define video preprocessing parameters for individual segments

¹ Requires additional Vantage transcoding options to process output
² Only supported in output formats that support 5.1 and 7.1 audio

