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C-Cast IPConnect

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What's New ?

In the C-Cast User Manual, the icon  has been added on the left margin to highlight information on new and updated features.

The changes linked to new features in version 3.5 are listed below.

Restoring a Production

- See section "Opening the Production Setup Wizard" on page 6

Connecting a C-Cast IPConnect to a single C-Cast Central

- See section "Overview of the C-Cast IPConnect Menu" on page 4

1. Introduction

1.1. Product Description

C-Cast IPConnect Application

The C-Cast IPConnect is a service acting as a bridge for the data communication between IPDirector and C-Cast Central.

In a C-Cast workflow, IPDirector is used to select media to be made available to the Publisher operator for preview purpose.

To achieve its goal, C-Cast IPConnect creates bins dedicated to the C-Cast workflow in IPDirector.

When C-Cast IPConnect is running, it checks the clips added to these bins, and tells C-Cast Central which media has to be processed in the C-Cast workflow.

You can use a single IPConnect in a given C-Cast production.

C-Cast IPConnect User Interface

The C-Cast IPConnect user interface serves two purposes:

- It makes it possible to easily set up the C-Cast IPConnect software on the studio, so that it can fulfill its communication role.
- It makes it possible to monitor that the services built in the C-Cast IPConnect application are running and operating properly.

The actual communication is fulfilled in the background by the C-Cast IPConnect services.

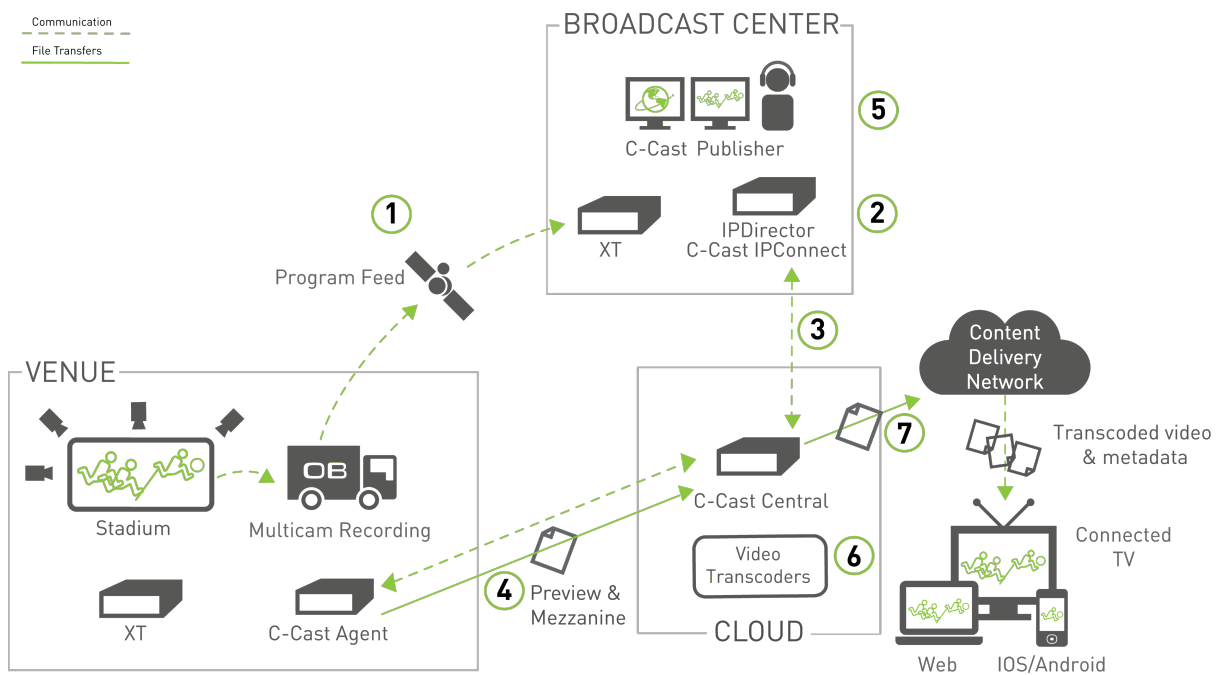
C-Cast IPConnect Workflow

The C-Cast IPConnect is installed in the broadcast center when an IPDirector is used, and plays a communication role, as explained in step 3 of the following workflow.

1. From the OB production van at the venue, a reference program feed is sent back to an EVS server in the broadcast center.
2. In the broadcast center, the operator accesses, with IPDirector, the reference feed on which (s)he defines IN and OUT points to identify the media to be made available in C-Cast Publisher.
3. The media selection information (IN and OUT points, and metadata) is transmitted to the C-Cast Central via C-Cast IPConnect.
4. The C-Cast Central requests the C-Cast Agent to extract the media corresponding to the selection. The C-Cast Agent, and the underlying Xsquare service, extracts and

transfers the preview files and mezzanine files to the C-Cast Central. Based on the configuration, all camera angles associated to the selected media are also generated as preview and mezzanine files.

5. In the broadcast center, the operator browses the preview files of all requested camera angles (video asset) in C-Cast Publisher. The operator validates the publication items and video assets (s)he wants to publish to viewers.
6. The C-Cast Central requests the integrated cloud video transcoders to generate the requested output files.
7. The C-Cast Central exposes the output files to the viewers' applications.



1.2. Opening C-Cast IPConnect

How to Launch C-Cast IPConnect


When C-Cast IPConnect has been installed, launch the application in one of the following ways:

- Click the application icon on the desktop




- Click the **Start** button and select the application name in the **EVS Broadcast Equipment > C-Cast IPConnect > C-Cast IPConnect**

How to Access a Launched C-Cast IPConnect

When the C-Cast IPConnect application is started, you can access the C-Cast IPConnect menu by clicking the icon  in the notification area at the far right of the taskbar.

The C-Cast IPConnect menu gives access to all configuration and monitoring commands.


How to Exit C-Cast IPConnect

1. Click the C-Cast IPConnect icon  in the notification area
2. Select **Exit** from the C-Cast IPConnect menu.

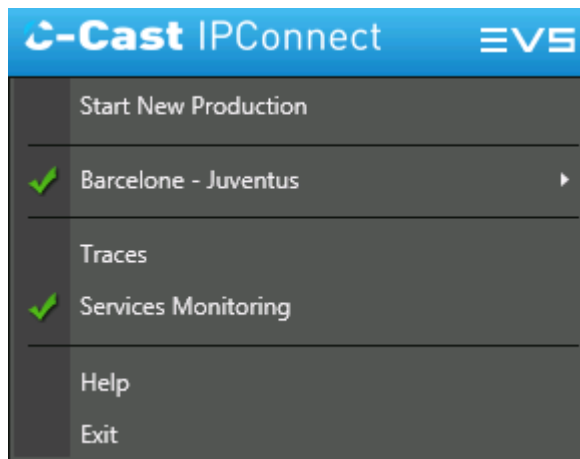
1.3. Overview of the C-Cast IPConnect Menu

Introduction

The C-Cast IPConnect application consists of a menu that gives access to the commands or windows.

To open the C-Cast IPConnect menu, click the C-Cast IPConnect icon on the notification area of the taskbar: .

To close the C-Cast IPConnect menu, click outside the C-Cast IPConnect icon and menu.



Menu Item Description

Start New Production

It launches the C-Cast IPConnect wizard to set up a new production.

NEW !

You can concurrently start more than one production only if they are pointing to the same C-Cast Central. A single C-Cast IPConnect is limited to work with one C-Cast Central at a time. As long as at least one production is still active, the C-Cast IPConnect will be limited to work with the C-Cast Central associated to that production.

<Name of Production>

When a production is set up, a menu item corresponding to the production name is available.

It gives access to secondary menu items:

- **Launch Wizard**

It allows you to start the C-Cast IPConnect wizard again, and change the production settings.

- **Terminate Production**

It allows you to remove the production from the C-Cast IPConnect menu and purge the working folder content when you no longer want to use C-Cast IPConnect for this production on the studio.

Traces

It displays the logs with references to all service operations.

See section "Traces Window" on page 31 for more information on logs.

Services Monitoring

It displays the services built-in the C-Cast IPConnect, as well as their running status.

See section "Services Monitoring Window" on page 26 for more information on the service monitoring.

Help

It gives access to the help file, and to information about C-Cast IPConnect.



Exit

It exists the C-Cast IPConnect application, closes all associated services, as well as the AppGuard application.




Status Icons

Production Statuses

One of the following status icons is displayed in front of the production name in the C-Cast IPConnect menu:

Status Icon	Meaning
	The production is correctly configured and is functional.
	The production is not functional. You need to go through the wizard again or check the C-Cast services.

Service Monitoring Statuses

Status Icon	Meaning
	The C-Cast solution is compatible with the C-Cast Central.
	The C-Cast solution is deprecated compared to the C-Cast Central. In this case, it is recommended to upgrade as soon as possible the C-Cast solution to a more recent compatible version.
	The C-Cast solution is not compatible with the C-Cast Central. In this case, you cannot use the C-Cast solution. You need to install a compatible C-Cast solution.


2. Setting up the Production

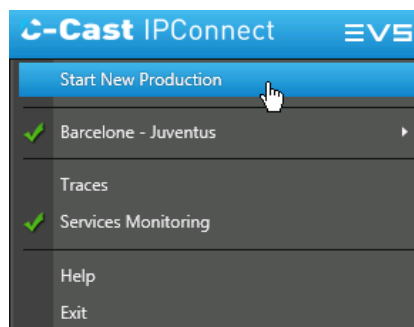
2.1. Overview and Startup

2.1.1. Opening the Production Setup Wizard

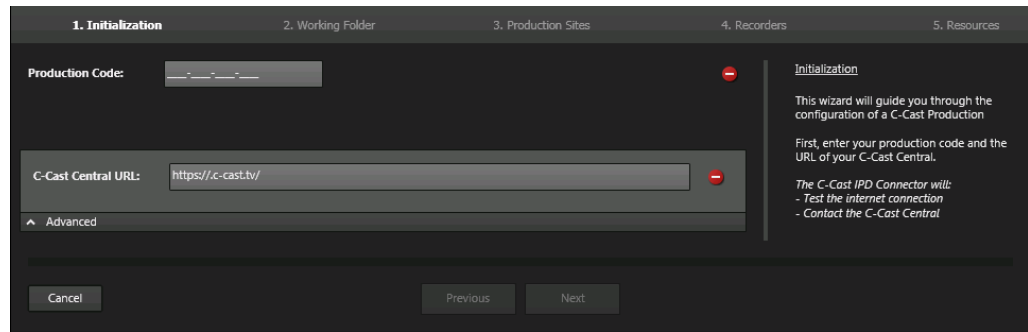
How to Open the Wizard for Initial Setup

To launch the wizard to set up a production for the first time, proceed as follows:

1. Click the C-Cast IPConnect icon  in the notification area
2. Select the **Start New Production** item from the C-Cast IPConnect menu:




The C-Cast IPConnect production wizard opens with the focus on first window: 1. Initialization.

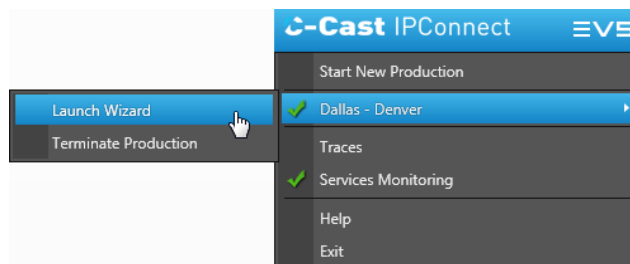


See section "Step 1 - Initialization" on page 9.

How to Open the Wizard for Modifying the Setup

To launch the wizard to modify a production you have set up earlier, proceed as follows:

1. Click the C-Cast IPConnect icon  in the notification area
2. Select the production name item in the C-Cast IPConnect menu, and the **Launch Wizard** menu item:



The C-Cast IPConnect production wizard opens with the focus on first window: 1. Initialization.

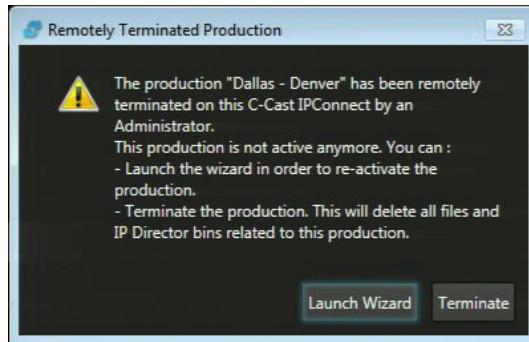
3. Click **Next** until you reach the requested window.

See the section corresponding to the configuration step you want to modify.

NEW !

How to Reactivate a Remotely Terminated Production

If an administrator has remotely terminated a production in the C-Cast Administration module, and you had not previously terminated the given production in C-Cast IPConnect, you will get a warning message similar to the following one when you try to launch C-Cast IPConnect:



In this message, you can click **Launch Wizard** to reactivate the production, or click **Terminate** to properly close the production in C-Cast Agent.

2.1.2. Overview on the Production Setup

For C-Cast IPConnect to be functional in the studio , you need to set up the production relevant for the studio using the production setup wizard.

The production setup wizard consists of several windows, each corresponding to one of the configuration steps detailed in this chapter.

The procedure to set up a production has therefore been divided into the following steps, after the initial step "Opening the Production Setup Wizard":

For detailed information on a step, click one of the steps mentioned below to reach the relevant section:

[Step 1 - Initialization](#)

[Step 2 - Working Folder](#)

[Step 3 - Production Sites](#)

[Step 4 - Recorders](#)

[Step 5 - Resources](#)

2.2. Step 1 - Initialization

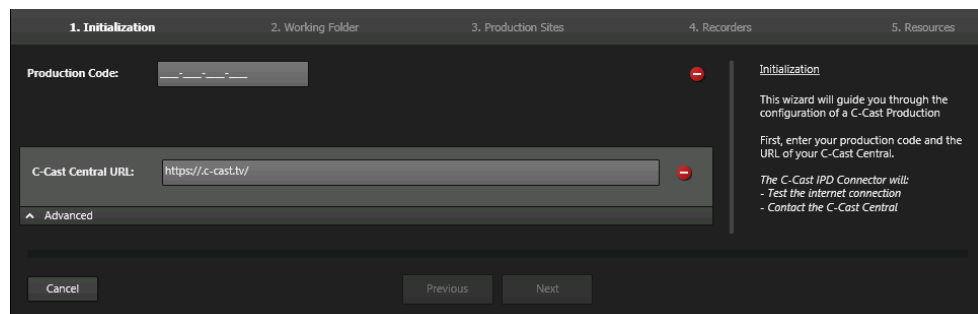
Introduction

In the **Step 1: Initialization**, you initialize the production. This step allows the C-Cast IPConnect to establish the communication with and start receiving information from the C-Cast Central.

Procedure

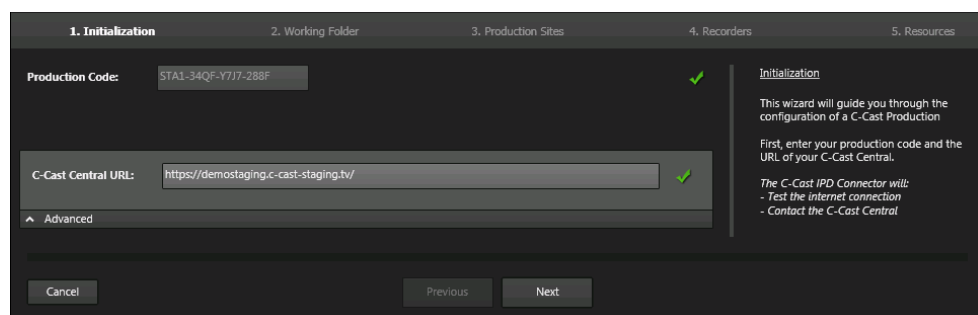
1. Open the production setup wizard as described in the section "Opening the Production Setup Wizard" on page 6.

The wizard opens on page 1. Initialization:



2. In the **Production Code** field, type the production code that you have received and uniquely identifies the production you want to set up.
3. Do one of the following:
 - If you work in a C-Cast production environment, jump directly to step 5.
 - If you work in a C-Cast staging or test environment, click **Advanced** at the bottom of the window to open the Advanced pane.
4. In the Advanced pane, in the **C-Cast Central URL** field, type the URL of the C-Cast Central the C-Cast IPConnect has to communicate with.


The URL must start with `https://`.



5. Click **Next** to validate the information you have entered.

This opens the next configuration window: See section "Step 2 - Working Folder" on page 10.

Results

When you enter the Production code (and the C-Cast Central URL), the application only checks that the format is valid. If the format is not valid, the  icon is displayed. In this case, check you have entered the correct information, and contact your system administrator if necessary.

When you click **Next**, you validate the data entered and proceed to the next step, the C-Cast IPConnect does the following:

- Establishing the internet connection with C-Cast Central
- Checking that the production code exists in C-Cast Central

2.3. Step 2 - Working Folder

Introduction

In the step **2: Working Folder**, you define a working folder where you will store the external resources required in the C-Cast workflow.

The external resources can be keyword grids, or metadata profiles from IPDirector. No media files or metadata files will be stored in this folder.

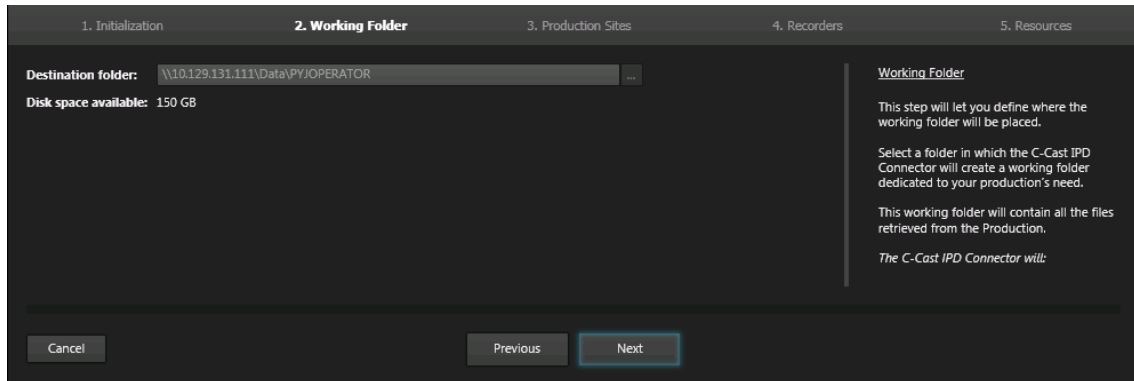
Prerequisite

You have opened the production setup wizard, and have already configured the first step (1. Initialization) of the setup wizard. See section "Step 1 - Initialization" on page 9.


Procedure

To define the working folder, proceed as follows:

1. In the production setup wizard, open the 2. Working folder window using the **Next** (or **Previous**) buttons:



2. In the **Destination folder** field, select a shared folder on the network where you will store the resource files in one of the following ways:

- Click  and point to the folder.
- Type the UNC path of the targeted folder.

If you type a destination folder that does not exist, the **Next** button will not be available.

3. Click **Next** to validate the information you have entered.

This opens the next configuration window: See section "Step 3 - Production Sites" on page 11

Results

When a destination folder is specified, the disk space available is automatically displayed as a read-only field.

When you click **Next** to proceed to the next step, a subfolder is created in the path with the name of the production followed by a unique ID, for example `Football 2013-882dc065-24c8-41cc-a017-688a5a124ff9`. The IPDirector resources will be downloaded to this folder in step **5: Resources** of the setup wizard.

2.4. Step 3 - Production Sites

Introduction

In C-Cast Administrator, the administrator has configured production sites involved in the production.

In C-Cast IPConnect, in the step **3: Production Sites**, you need to associate the C-Cast IPConnect to a production site. This will make it possible to identify its position and role in the C-Cast workflow.

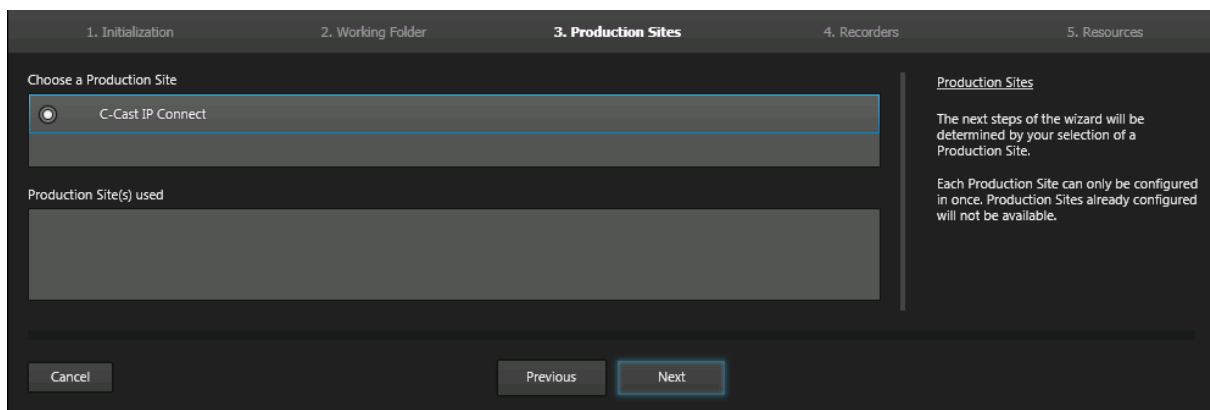
Prerequisite

You have opened the production setup wizard, and have already configured the steps up to 3. Production Sites. See section "Overview on the Production Setup" on page 8 for links to the previous configuration steps.

Procedure

To select the production site, proceed as follows:

1. In the production setup wizard, open the 3. Production Sites window using the **Next** (or **Previous**) buttons:



2. In the **Choose a Production Site** area, click the production site corresponding to the place where the C-Cast IPConnect you are configuring is installed.
The production sites in the **Production Site(s) used** area are already used by another C-Cast IPConnect in the C-Cast setup, and are therefore unavailable.
3. Click **Next** to validate the selected production site.
This opens the next configuration window: See section "Step 4 - Recorders" on page 13 to go directly to the next step.

Results

The C-Cast IPConnect is associated to the appropriate production site, which is necessary for C-Cast IPConnect services and C-Cast Central to manage the C-Cast setup.

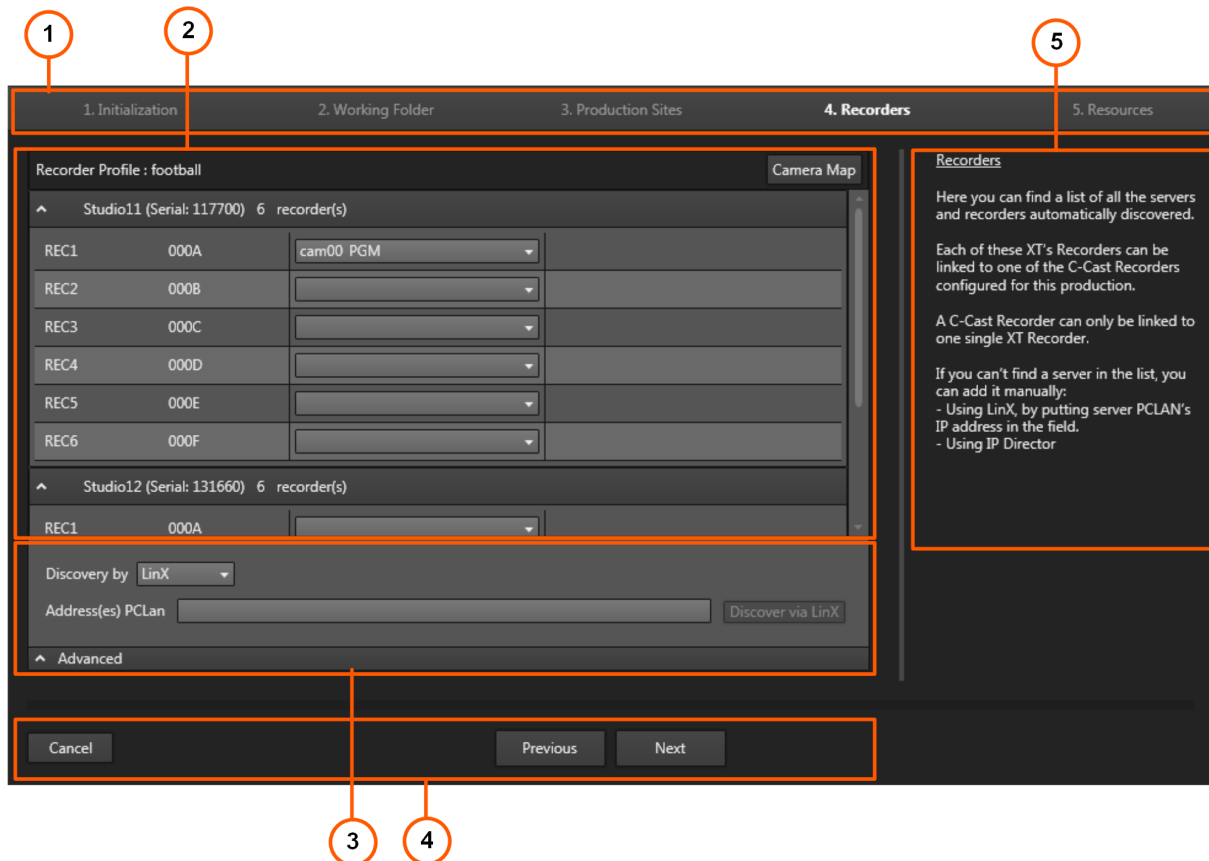
2.5. Step 4 - Recorders

2.5.1. Recorders Window

Introduction

In the production setup wizard, the **Recorders** window (step 4) aims at specifying the EVS servers and the record channels the AV content will be extracted from on the production site.

The Recorders window contains the areas highlighted on the screenshot below:



The table below describes the various parts of Recorders window:

Part	Area Name
1.	Item bar
2.	EVS Server area
3.	Advanced area
4.	Action buttons
5.	Help pane

Area Description

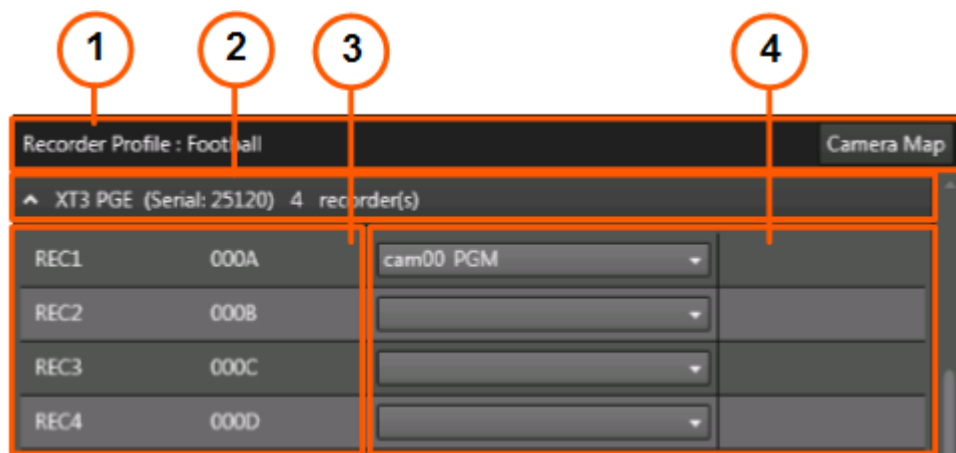
Item Bar (1)

The item bar is common to all steps in the production setup wizard.

As you move from one page to the other in the wizard, the item bar shows in bold the configuration step corresponding to the open window.

EVS Server Area (2)

In the EVS Server area, you can map the camera names defined as part of your production in C-Cast Administrator with the actual record channels of the EVS servers installed on the production site:



In the EVS Server area, the following fields are available:

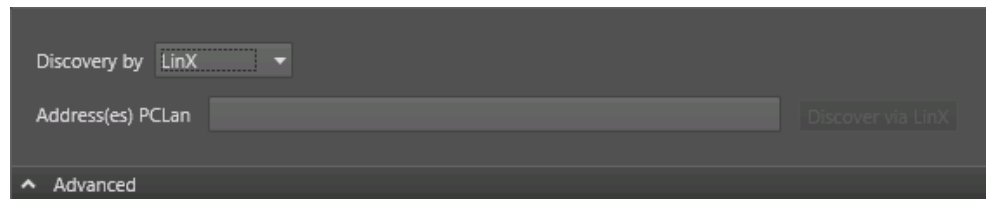
Part	Name	Description
1.	Information bar	It displays the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On the left, name of the recorder profile associated to the C-Cast IPConnect in production configuration; On the right, Camera Map button to open an illustration with the camera mapping.
2.	EVS Server	Expandable header displaying, from left to right, the following information on each detected EVS server: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> server name; server serial number; number of record channels in the running configuration. When the header is expanded, the record channels area is displayed below the header.

Part	Name	Description
3.	Record Channels	Read-only field displaying the following information from left to right: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> name of the record channels in the following pattern <Server Net Name> + <Camera ID>; camera angle.
4.	Camera Name	Drop-down field where you can select a camera name defined in the production configuration, and map it to a given record channel. In the drop-down field, the cameras are divided into two groups: unmapped cameras and mapped cameras. You can select a camera that has already been assigned. In this case, you are prompted to confirm the action. The AV content from the associated record channel will then be made available in C-Cast.

Advanced Area (3)

By default, the EVS servers and their record channels are automatically discovered with the LinX protocol. In addition, you can discover EVS servers using two methods available in the Advanced area:

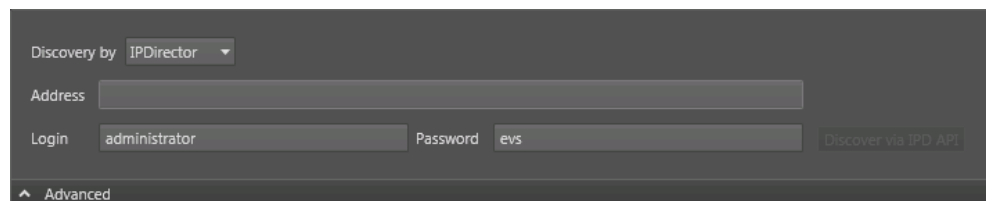
Individual Server Discovery via LinX using LAN IP Address



In the Advanced area, the following fields are available when the LinX protocol is selected in the **Discovery by** field:

Name	Description
Address(es) PCLan	Field to enter the PC LAN IP address of the EVS server
Discover via LinX	Button to launch the discovery process

Automatic Server Discovery via IPDirector API



In the Advanced area, the following fields are available when the IPDirector protocol is selected in the **Discovery by** field:

Name	Description
Address	IP address of the computer where the IPDirector API is installed. The IPDirector API you are pointing to must be started when you launch the discovery process
Login	Login to be used by C-Cast IPConnect to access the API
Password	Password to be used by C-Cast IPConnect to access the API
Discover via IPD API	Button to launch the discovery process

Action Buttons (4)

The action buttons are similar in all steps of the production setup wizard:

Name	Description
Cancel	Exits the wizard without applying the changes on the last window you have opened.
Previous	Goes back to the previous window, saves the changes on the current window in memory, but does not apply them.
Next	Goes to the next window, saves the changes on the current window in memory, but does not apply them.
Finish	(On the last window) Applies the changes brought to the setup wizard, and exists the wizard.

Help Pane (5)

The help pane is displayed in all windows of the wizard. It provides information on the window, and the actions you have to perform in the window.

2.5.2. Mapping the Recorders

Introduction

In the step **4: Recorders**, you need to specify the record channels the AV content will be extracted from on the production site.

You achieve this by mapping the camera names defined in your production in C-Cast Administrator with the actual record channels of the EVS servers installed on the production site.

The AV content from the record channels will only be available in C-Cast if you perform this recorder mapping.



Prerequisites

Previous Steps Configured

You have opened the production setup wizard, and have already configured the steps up to 4. Recorders. See section "Overview on the Production Setup" on page 8 for links to the previous configuration steps.

EVS Servers Correctly Displaying

When the Recorders window opens, C-Cast automatically discovers the EVS servers using the LinX protocol.

Should you not find the requested EVS servers, click once **Previous** and **Next** to come back to the Recorders window and refresh the server display.

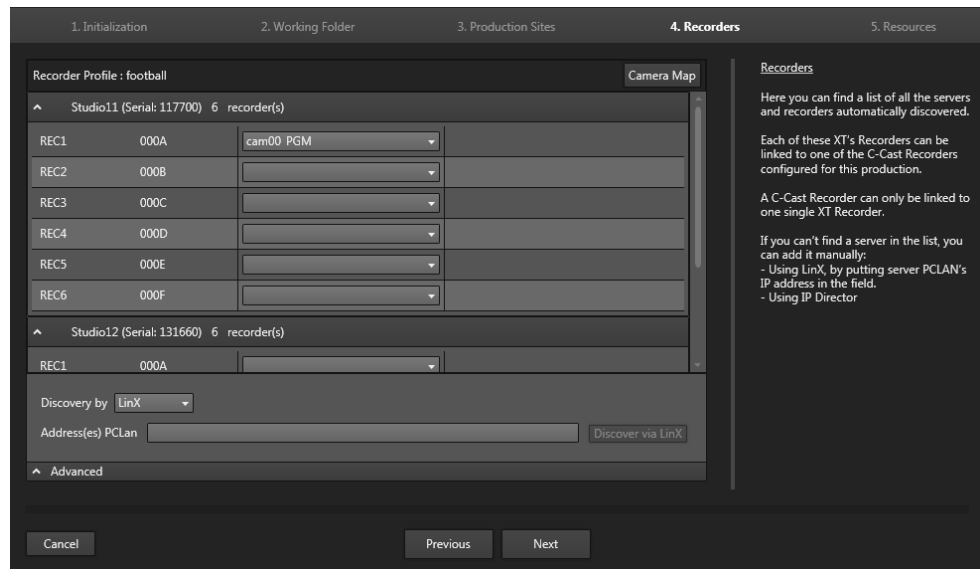
Other discovery processes can also be triggered in the Advanced area. See section "Modifying the Recorder Discovery Process" on page 19 for more information how the other discovery processes.

Procedure

In C-Cast IPConnect, you can map all cameras of the Recorders Profile defined in the production configuration in C-Cast Administrator.

To map the recorders, proceed as follows:

1. In the production setup wizard, open the **4. Recorders** window using the **Next** (or **Previous**) buttons:



See section "Recorders Window" on page 13 for a detailed description of the Recorders window.

2. For the requested server, select the appropriate C-Cast camera name in front of each record channel whose content you want to make available in C-Cast.

Click the Show Image button if you want to have a look at the camera map to help you assign the right EVS record channel to the C-Cast camera name.

3. Repeat step 3 for all record channels of all EVS servers you want to retrieve AV content from.
4. Click **Next** to validate the recorder mapping.

This opens the next configuration window: See section "Step 5 - Resources" on page 21 to go directly to the next step.

Result

All record channels whose AV content you want to make available from this C-Cast IPConnect have been mapped to a camera name of your production.

2.5.3. Modifying the Recorder Discovery Process

Introduction

Depending on the C-Cast setup on your production site, you may want or have to modify the way the EVS servers and associated record channels are discovered by C-Cast IPConnect. By default, the EVS servers are automatically discovered using the LinX protocol.

Two additional discovery processes are available in the Advanced Area of the Recorders window (step 4) in the production setup wizard:

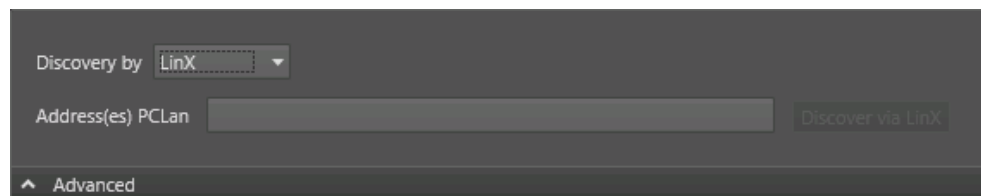
- Automatic discovery via the IPDirector API;
- Manual discovery with LinX using the EVS server PC LAN IP address.

How to Discover the EVS Servers via IPDirector API

To discover the EVS servers via the IPDirector API, proceed as follows:

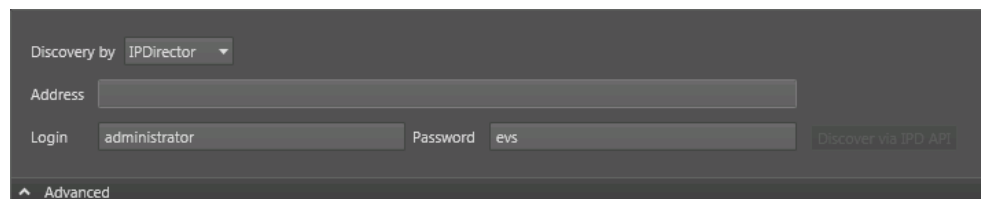
1. Make sure that the IPDirector API you are going to use for the discovery process is correctly started.
2. In the Recorders window of the production setup wizard (step 4), click **Advanced** at the bottom of the window.

The Advanced area opens:



3. Select IPDirector in the **Discovery by** field.

The Advanced area changes to:



4. In the **Address** field, type the IP address of the computer where the IPDirector API is installed and started.
5. In the **Login** and **Password** fields, type the login and password that C-Cast IPConnect has to use to connect to the IPDirector API. This must be an administrator login to the IPDirector API.

The **Discover via IPD API** button becomes available.

6. Click the **Discover via IPD API** button.

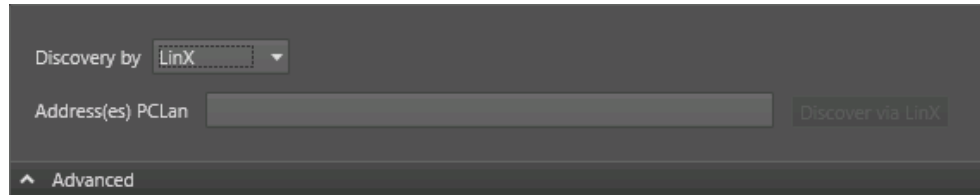
The list of EVS servers is regenerated.

How to Discover an EVS Server with its IP Address

To discover manually a given EVS server, proceed as follows:

1. In the Recorders window of the production setup wizard (step 4), click **Advanced** at the bottom of the window.

The Advanced area opens:



2. In the **Address(es) PCLan** field, type the PC LAN IP address of the requested EVS server.
3. Click the **Discover via LinX** button to trigger the connection process.

The EVS server is added to the list.

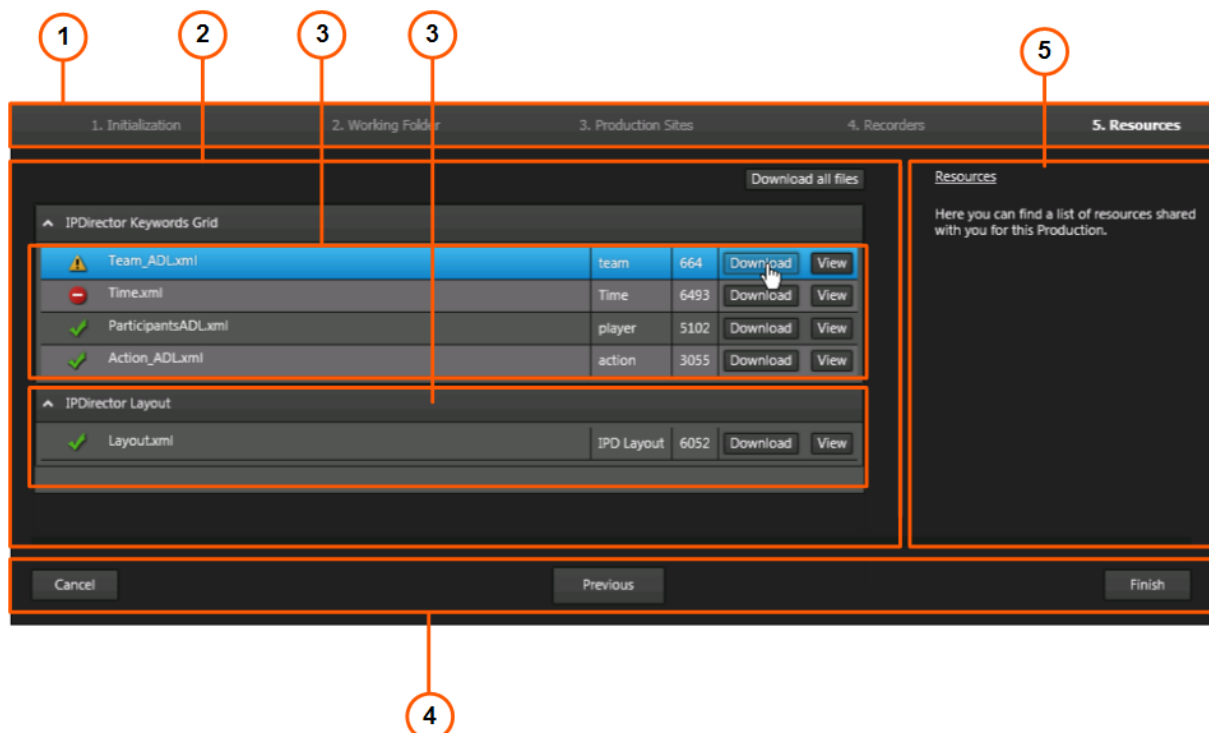
2.6. Step 5 - Resources

2.6.1. Resources Window

Introduction

In the production setup wizard, the **Resources** window (step 5) aims at downloading the IPD director resources necessary in the C-Cast workflow with IPDirector.

The Resources window contains the areas highlighted on the screenshot below:



The table below describes the various parts of Recorders window:

Part	Area Name
1.	Item bar
2.	Resources area
3.	Resource Type area
4.	Action buttons
5.	Help pane

About Resources

The resources are any IPDirector or any external file necessary for the IPConnect operator working in a the C-Cast setup.

The resources are classified into types. The following resource types can be available in IPConnect:

- IPDirector layout
- Document
- Other

Area Description

Item Bar (1)

The item bar is common to all steps in the production setup wizard.

As you move from one page to the other in the wizard, the item bar shows in bold the configuration step corresponding to the open window.

Resources Area (2)

The Resources area displays all resources selected in the configuration of the relevant production in C-Cast Administrator.




The Resources area consists of the following elements:

- One or more expandable areas corresponding each to one resource type and displaying the various resources belonging to this resource type.
- The **Download all files** button which allows downloading all displayed resources into the working folder.

Resource Type Area (3)

The shared resources are classified based on the resource type associated to the resource in C-Cast Administrator. The resource types displayed can vary depending on the configuration.

In each Resource Type area, each row corresponds to one resource. For each resource, the following information or command is available, from left to right:

Name	Description
Status icon	Icon giving the download status of the resource. It can be one of the following statuses: <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Resource not downloaded  Resource downloaded  Resource being downloaded
File name	Name of the resource file
Resource name	Name of the resource
File size	Size of the file in Kb
Download button	Button to download the corresponding resource to the production folder in the working folder
View button	Button to display the downloaded resource file in a Windows Explorer view.

Action Buttons (4)

The action buttons are similar in all steps of the production setup wizard:

Name	Description
Cancel	Exits the wizard without applying the changes on the last window you have opened.
Previous	Goes back to the previous window, saves the changes on the current window in memory, but does not apply them.
Next	Goes to the next window, saves the changes on the current window in memory, but does not apply them.
Finish	(On the last window) Applies the changes brought to the setup wizard, and exists the wizard.

Help Pane (5)

The help pane is displayed in all windows of the wizard. It provides information on the window, and the actions you have to perform in the window.

2.6.2. Downloading IPDirector Resources

Introduction

In the step **5:Resources**, you can download locally the resources the C-Cast IPConnect operator will need in the C-Cast workflow.

The resources available in C-Cast IPConnect have been selected when the production has been configured in C-Cast Administrator.

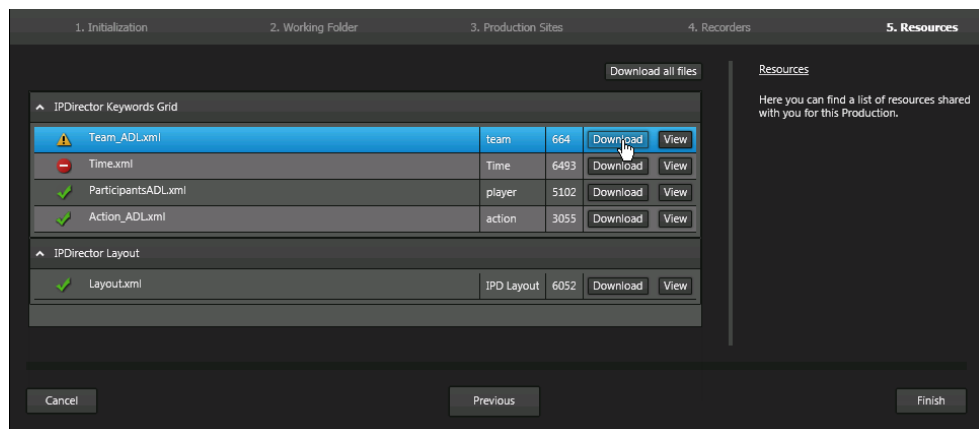
Prerequisite

You have opened the production setup wizard, and have already configured the steps up to 4. Recorders. See section "Overview on the Production Setup" on page 8 for links to the previous configuration steps.

Procedure

To download IPDirector resources, proceed as follows:

1. In the production setup wizard, open the **5. Resources** window using the **Next** (or **Previous**) buttons:



See section "Resources Window" on page 21 for a detailed description of the Resources window.

2. To download the resources, do one of the following actions:
 - To download all resources displayed at a time, click the **Download all files** button on the top right of the window.
 - To download the resources individually, click the **Download** button corresponding to the resources you want to download.



Result

The downloaded resources are stored in the working folder created in step 2 of the setup wizard.

When a resource is downloaded, the **View** button for this resource becomes available. Clicking this button opens a Windows Explorer window with the focus on the folder where the downloaded resource file is stored. You can then open the file.

3. Monitoring the Production

3.1. Overview of the Monitoring Windows

The following monitoring windows are available in C-Cast IPConnect from the C-Cast IPConnect menu:

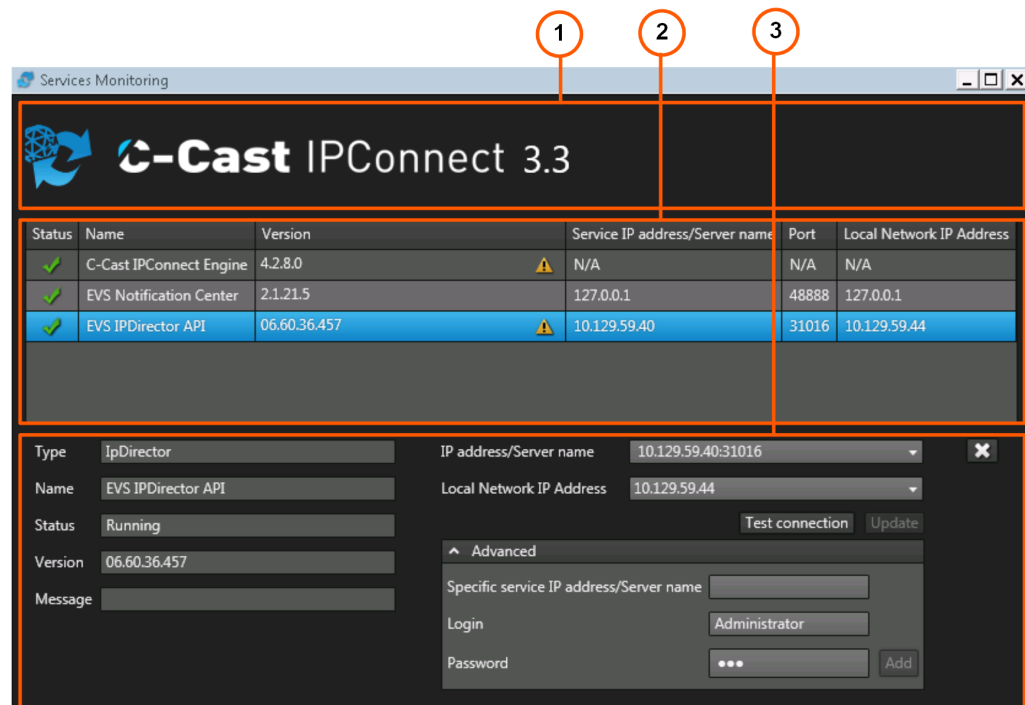
- The [Traces window](#) is available from the **Traces** menu item
- The [Services Monitoring window](#) is available from the **Services Monitoring** menu item.

3.2. Services Monitoring Window

Introduction

In C-Cast IPConnect, the Services Monitoring window allows you to check that the C-Cast IPConnect services are correctly started. From this window, you can also edit service connection parameters, and test the connection.

The Services Monitoring window contains the areas highlighted on the screenshot below:



The table below describes the various parts of Services Monitoring window:

Part	Area Name
1.	Header area
2.	Services List area
3.	Services Details area










Area Description

Header Area (1)

This area features the C-Cast IPConnect solution name and version number.

Services List Area (2)

The Services Lists area displays all Windows services linked to C-Cast IPConnect, and provides the following information on the services. The fields are described from left to right:

Name	Description								
Status	Connection status of the C-Cast IPConnect service. See section "Monitoring the C-Cast IPConnect Services" on page 29 for more information.								
Name	Name of the service or the EVS product acting as a service in C-Cast IPConnect.								
Version	<p>Version number of the service used. Next to the version number, one of the following icons may be displayed if there is an issue related to the compatibility between the given service and the C-Cast solution:</p> <table> <tr> <th>Icon</th><th>Meaning</th></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>The service version is unknown</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>The service version has not been validated with the C-Cast solution.</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>The service version is not compatible with the C-Cast solution. In this case, roll over the icon, which displays a tooltip providing a link to the compatible service version.</td></tr> </table>	Icon	Meaning		The service version is unknown		The service version has not been validated with the C-Cast solution.		The service version is not compatible with the C-Cast solution. In this case, roll over the icon, which displays a tooltip providing a link to the compatible service version.
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	The service version is unknown								
	The service version has not been validated with the C-Cast solution.								
	The service version is not compatible with the C-Cast solution. In this case, roll over the icon, which displays a tooltip providing a link to the compatible service version.								
Service IP Address/ Server Name	IP address C-Cast IPConnect used to contact and send requests to the C-Cast IPConnect service.								

Name	Description
Port	Port number C-Cast IPConnect used to contact and send requests to the C-Cast IPConnect service.
Local Network IP Address	IP address the C-Cast IPConnect service shall use to answer to C-Cast IPConnect.

Service Details Area (3)

When you open the Services Monitoring window, you first have to double click a service for the Service Details area to be displayed.

The Services Details area displays the detailed information on the service selected in the Services List area.

- In the main zone, all fields from the Services List area are available, as well as a **Message** field where messages are displayed in case of error.

See section "Services List Area (2)" on page 27.

- In the main zone, the buttons have the following role:

Name	Description
Test Connection	Button to test the C-Cast IPConnect connection to the C-Cast service.
Update	Button to establish the connection with the modified connection settings.
Cross	Button to hide the Service Details area.

- In the Advanced zone, additional fields are displayed to allow users to define new settings for C-Cast IPConnect to connect to the C-Cast IPConnect service:

Name	Description
Specific Service IP Address / Server Name	New IP address C-Cast IPConnect needs to use to communicate with the C-Cast IPConnect service.
Login	Login C-Cast IPConnect needs to use to communicate with the C-Cast IPConnect service
Password	Password C-Cast IPConnect needs to use to communicate with the C-Cast IPConnect service
Add	Button to apply the connections settings defined in the Advanced zone. These new settings will overwrite the settings in the main zone of the Service Details area.

3.3. Monitoring the C-Cast IPConnect Services

Overview of the C-Cast IPConnect Services

The C-Cast IPConnect application relies on two services to perform its tasks.

These services, which are custom Windows services, are automatically installed when you install the C-Cast IPConnect suite:

Service Name	Purpose
C-Cast IPConnect Engine	Service managing the C-Cast IPConnect Solution
EVS Notification Center	Service responsible for the communication of C-Cast IPConnect with C-Cast Central.
EVS IPDirector API	Service responsible to listen to the activity in the IPDirector bins dedicated to the C-Cast workflow, and to send requests for extraction to C-Cast Central.

Checking the Overall Service Status

The C-Cast IPConnect services should be configured to:

- be automatically started when you start the C-Cast application
- be automatically restarted after one minute should they accidentally stop running.

When all services are correctly started, the C-Cast IPConnect icon in the taskbar is blue:




When one of the services is stopped, the C-Cast IPConnect icon in the taskbar is red:










Checking the Individual Service Status

In C-Cast IPConnect, you can check for each service that the service is correctly started, and can communicate with C-Cast IPConnect:

- Click the C-Cast IPConnect icon  in the notification area, and select **Services Monitoring** from the contextual menu.

The Services Monitoring window opens.

The services status is displayed in the **Service State** column and symbolized by one of the following icons:


Icon	Service Status
	Service starting
	Service correctly started
	Service paused
	Service stopping
	Service stopped
	Service shut down
	Error

When a service is stopped, it is automatically restarted within one minute.

When a service is in error state, modify the connection settings to redirect to another service on the network.

Restarting the EVS IPDirector API Service


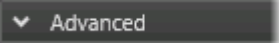
To restart the EVS IPDirector API service, proceed as follows on the IPDirector workstation where this service is installed:


- In the notification area, right-click the EVS IPDirector API service icon  and select **Start service** from the contextual menu.

Modifying the Connection Settings of a C-Cast IPConnect Service

If you want your C-Cast IPConnect to work with a service that is not installed on the C-Cast IPConnect hardware, for example the EVS IPDirector API service, you will have to specify and apply the connection settings for this service.

To modify the connection settings for a service in C-Cast IPConnect, proceed as follows:

- Click the C-Cast IPConnect icon  in the notification area, and select **Services Monitoring** from the contextual menu.
The Services Monitoring window opens.
- Double click the row corresponding to the service whose connection settings you want to modify.
The Services Details area opens at the bottom of the window with detailed information on the service.
- In the Services Details area, click  to expand the Advanced area.

4. In the Advanced area, specify the IP address, login and password C-Cast IPConnect has to use to communicate with the service.
5. Click **Add** next to the password field to move the IP address to the upper part of the Details pane.
6. Click **Test connection** in the Services Details area to check whether the C-Cast IPConnect can contact the service using the given IP Address and the credentials.
If the test is successful, the service state will be .
7. Depending on the outcome of the test, do one of the following actions:
 - a. If the test is unsuccessful, check the settings and repeat steps 4 to 6
 - b. If the test is successful, click **Update** to validate and apply the new connections settings.

The service connection settings have been modified, and successfully applied.

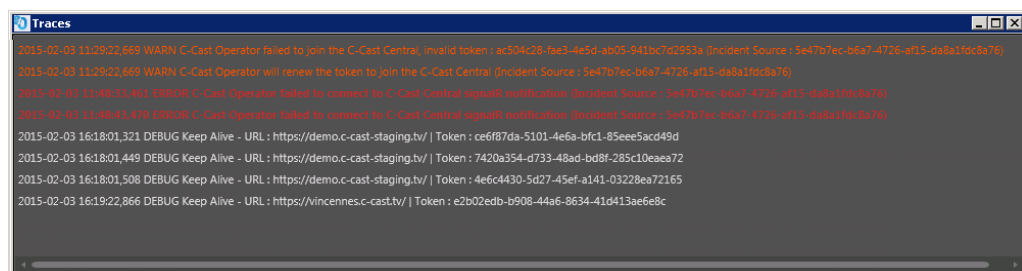
3.4. Traces Window

Introduction

When you need to deliver the log files to the Support team for further investigation on an issue, you can zip and send the **CCast** folder stored in `C : \EVSLogs\CCast`.

In C-Cast IPConnect, the Traces window also allows you to monitor the messages generated by C-Cast IPConnect and its services.

The following screenshot shows an example of the Traces window:



Severity Level

The records are categorized according to their severity level:

Information type	
Debug	Messages, in white font, the developers can use for debug purpose in case of failure.
Information	Messages, in green font, providing useful information to C-Cast IPConnect users.
Error	Messages, in red font, referring to errors in one of the C-Cast IPConnect services.
Critical	Messages, in red font, referring to errors that can prevent C-Cast IPConnect and C-Cast IPConnect services to work correctly.
Fatal	Messages, in red font, referring to errors that prevent C-Cast IPConnect and C-Cast IPConnect services from being used.

Record Components

Each record is made up of the following sequence:

<Date> <Time> <Severity Level> <Message>

Information type	
Date	Date (yyyy-mm-dd) when the error or information has been generated.
Time	Time (hh:mm:ss;ms) when the error or information has been generated.
Severity Level	Degree of importance of the error
Message	Message describing the event.

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