GBX Financial - Standalone Installation

Abstract

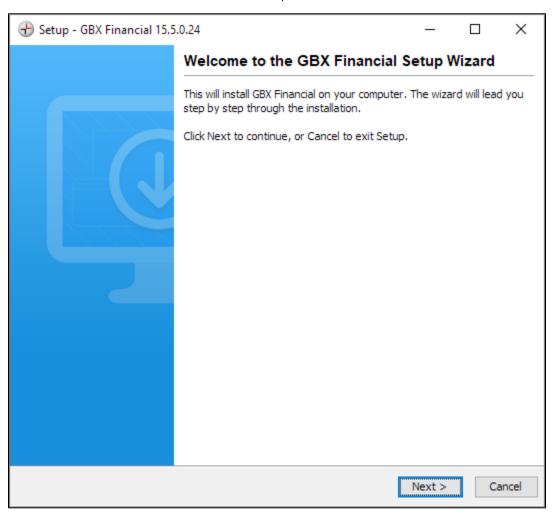
For those clients who prefer not to launch GBX Financial through Java WebStart, BGC Group provides standalone Windows installation. Installation is done by running executable file **gbx-financial-setup-.exe**.

Installation procedure

Installation procedure provides series of screens where user selects desired options. Each screen may contain buttons "Next >" and "< Back" which allows to move to next or previous screen. At any time user may exit installation by pressing "Cancel" button. Screen title contains version of the current Installer.

"Welcome" screen

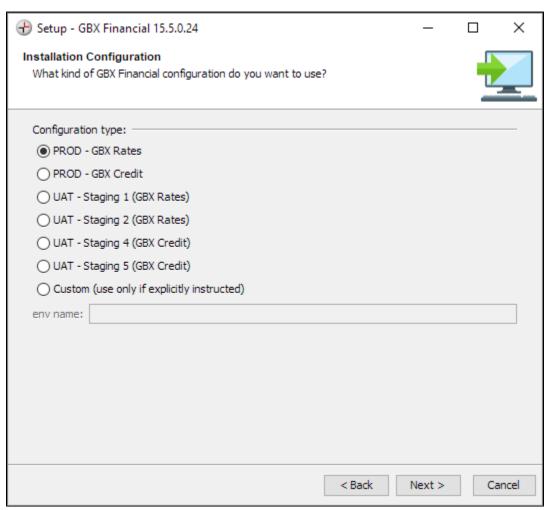
This is information screen which indicates that installation process started.



"Installation Type" screen

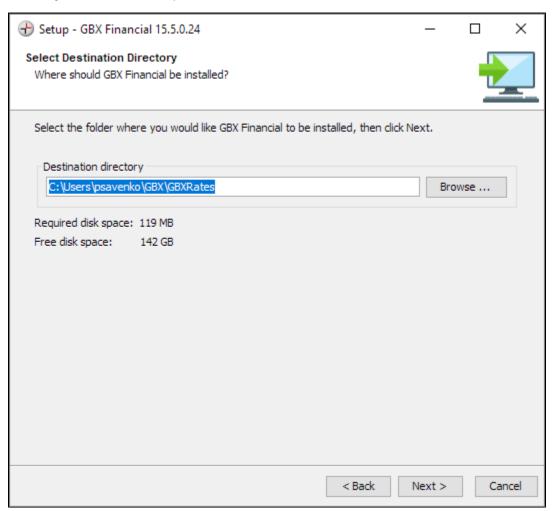
This provides a list of pre-configured environments to use GBX Financial with. Typically, clients connect to production server for normal business process. Depending on the market flavor select either "PROD - GBX Rates" or "PROD - GBX Credit" option to configure application for such use.

Clients who want to participate in UAT testing of future version should select one of the "UAT - Staging" options. In this case application will be configured to connect to UAT, or "Staging", server.



"Destination Directory" screen

This dialog allows to select directory where GBX Financial launcher will be installed.

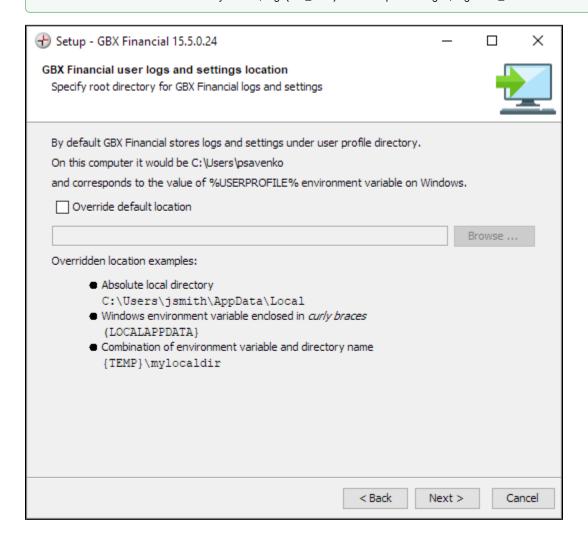


"User logs and setting" screen

When running GBX Financial writes logs into predefined location. This dialog allows to override it.

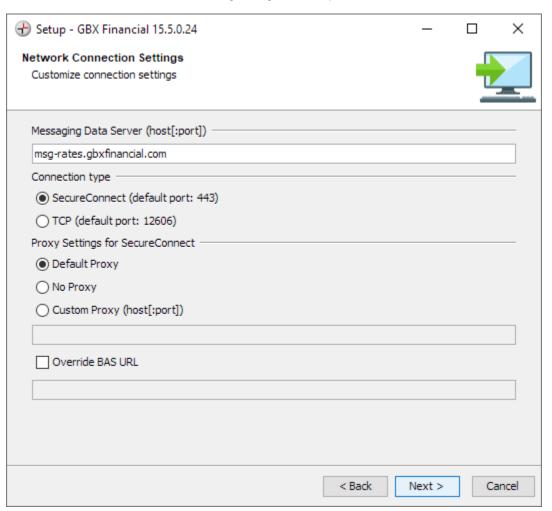
Environment variables

You can specify Window environment variables in directory name. Variable must be enclosed in curly braces, e.g. {MY_VAR} - not with percent signs, e.g %MY_VAR%.

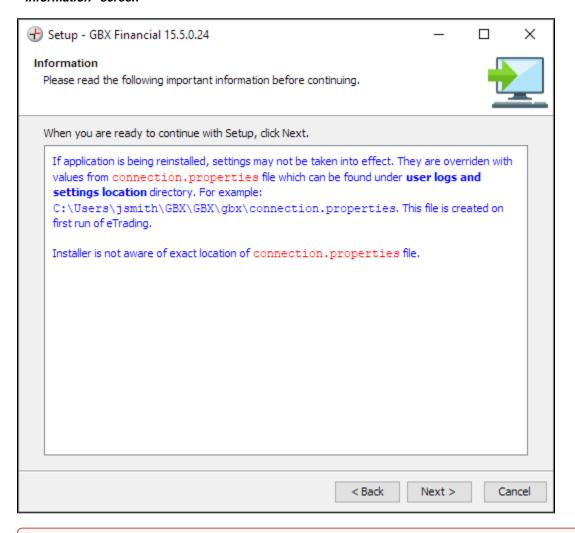


"Connection Settings" screen

This allows to override default connection settings during installation process.



"Information" screen

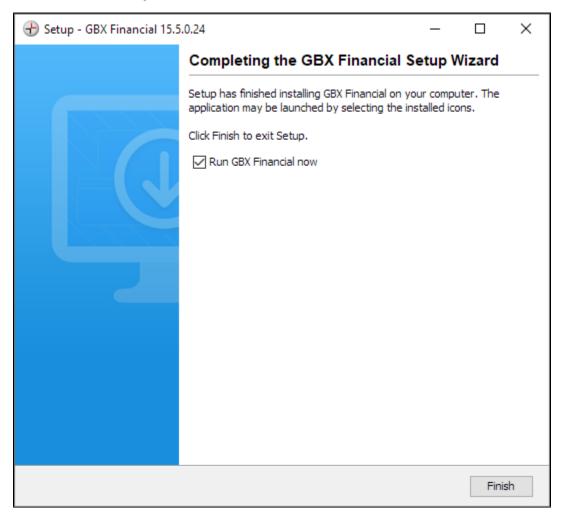


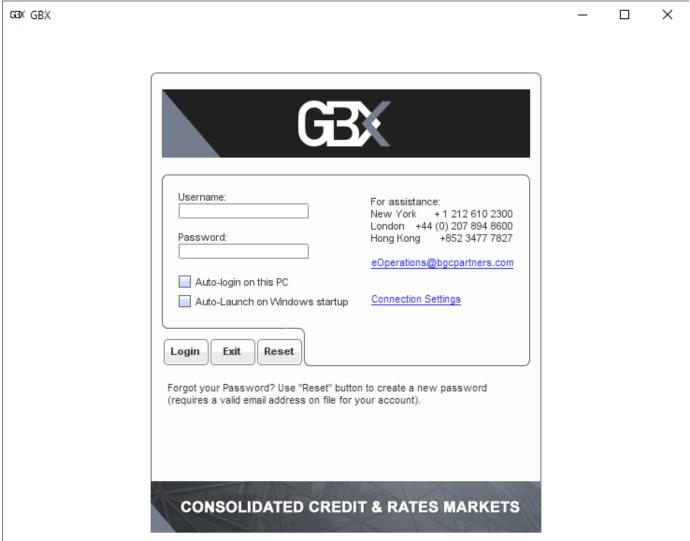
GBX Financial launcher allows to override connection settings

At the end of setup Installer saves connection settings in a presumably read-only *.vmoptions file. GBX Financial launcher allows to override those settings but keeps them in writable *connection.properties file. Since the Installer is unaware of this file, *connection.properties remains unchanged between re-installations. This can be confusing for the user, since she expects to see installation settings. If so, please delete *connection.properties.

"Installation Completed" screen

This is final screen informing that installation was done.

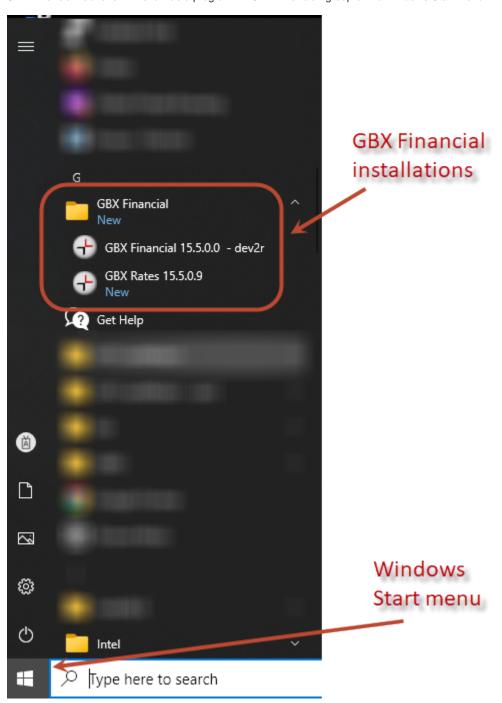




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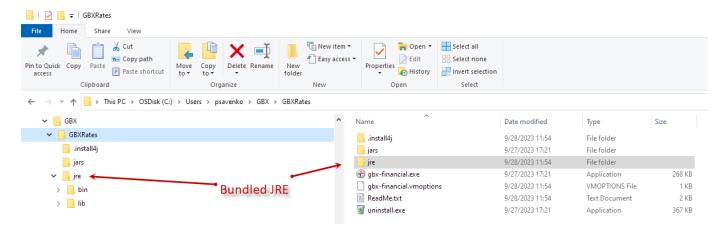
Launching GBX Financial

GBX Financial Launcher will show as a program in "GBX Financial" group of the Windows Start menu



Updating bundled JRE

GBX Financial is a java application and requires **Java Runtime Environment (JRE)** present to run. The GBX Financial installer automatically deploys bundled JRE. The JRE can be found under **<installation directory>\jre** directory. Note, that other applications will not be able to use such a JRE.



It is possible to manually update bundled JRE after installation. This can be done using any of the following ways.

Replace bundled JRE directory contents

It requires to replace the contents of <installation directory>\jre directory with another JRE.

PROS: This JRE version is available only to the GBX Financial launcher. Other existing JRE's on the system are fully masked.

Delete bundled JRE directory

It requires to delete the <installation directory>\jre directory completely. This assumes presence of another JRE on the system. Upon GBX Financial launcher startup JRE's will be searched in the following order:

- 1. Windows registry and standard locations.
- 2. Environment variable **JAVA_HOME**.
- 3. Environment variable JDK_HOME.

If no JRE was found, the GBX Financial launcher fails to start.

PROS: This allows to update JRE in a central way for all java applications.