

Virtualization Total Cost of Ownership

Reducing the Cost of Virtual Device Management Using Altiris

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Presentation Summary

- Solution Overview
- Key Messages
- Altiris/VMware management scenarios
- Demonstration



Altiris Complete Product Offering



Over 40 solutions

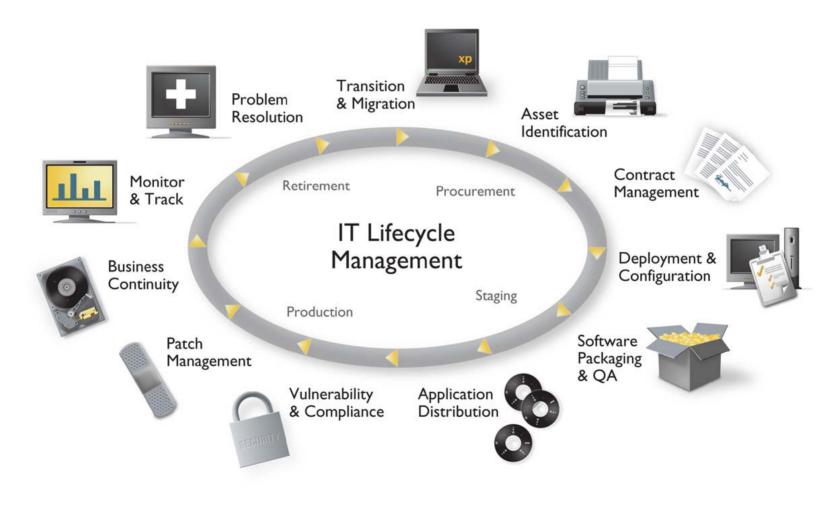
Managing heterogeneous environments

Built on a single, open platform

Capable of leveraging existing tools



Altiris Solutions Overview



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Suite Feature Sets

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- Procurement
- Lease hardware
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- Software licenses
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- Financial systems
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Deployment

OS Deployment and Configuration

- Supports Windows and Linux platforms
 - Hands-free network boot
 - Hardware and network configuration
 - Image-based or scripted OS install
 - Application install and script launch
 - On-going updates/re-provisioning
- Includes virtual blade views
- Support for virtual servers

Benefits

- ✓ Standard processes are defined and automated
- ✓ Server configurations are reliable and consistent
- ✓ Server build times decrease by an average of 70%



Deployment Solution will allow MSN to reduce the number of man hours needed to deploy and rebuild servers by 75 percent.

Senior Systems Engineer MSN Operations Microsoft Corporation



Inventory

Asset Discovery and Inventory

- Rapid assessment of hardware, operating system, application and service pack/patch level
- Scalable, extensible data model
- Customizable inventory capture
- Dozens of out-of-the-box web reports with summary and detailed drill-down options



Full discovery and accountability of our hardware and software inventory is now available to us in real-time in a matter of minutes as opposed to spending weeks to get a partial and often inaccurate report.

Systems Architect

Global Data Center Deloitte Consulting

Benefits

- Quickly determine which systems are out of compliance with corporate standards
- ✓ Ability to aggregate data across the environment in real-time



Software Management

Software Delivery and Patch Management

- Distribute applications, updates, code, files to target servers
- Open packaging standards
- Automatically scans and reports on missing security updates
- Automates patch distribution with oneclick creation of collections and policies *



Altiris solutions played a key role in overall threat response resulting in zero business impact due to SQL Slammer.

IT Manager
Global Networking Company

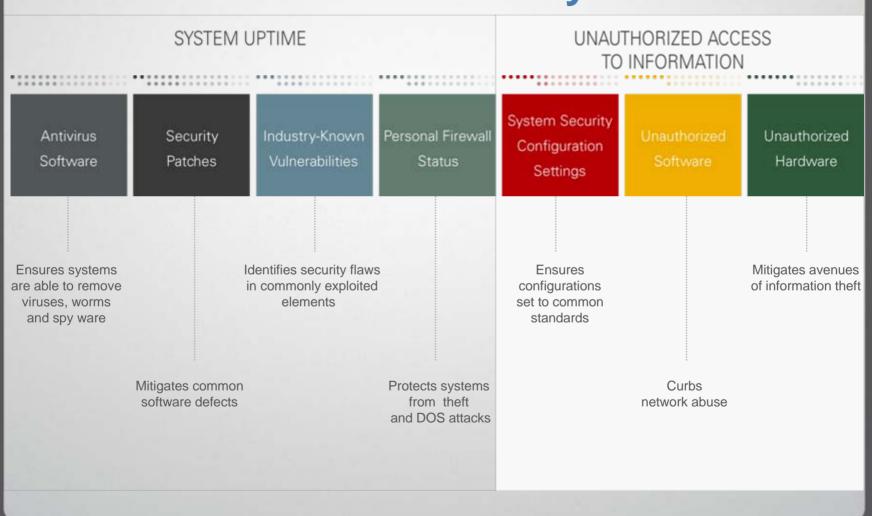
Benefits

- ✓ Implements policy-based software management
- ✓ Proactively manage software updates to minimize security risks

^{*} Supported on Windows only.



Altiris' Seven-Point Security Audit





AuditExpress Overview

- Audits for all seven system security areas, including the most recent and most critical vulnerabilities
- Takes a system based approach when determining the security status
- Provides a non-invasive approach to auditing systems without introducing risk to the network
- Completely software based and no additional appliances required



Key Messages

- Altiris provides comprehensive management of physical and virtual environments
 - Altiris solutions have managed virtual machines for some time
 - Altiris 6.5 product version requires specific virtualization management functions before release
 - Deployment Server 6.5 is the first of these
- VMware Strategic Partnership
 - Comprehensive Support Statement
 - http://www.altiris.com/dap/Portals/0/ Altiris%20VMware%20Statement.pdf
 - New integration with VMware extends the management reach

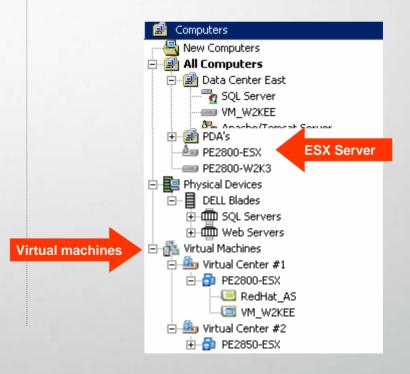


Managed Virtualization

5 VMware management scenarios:

- Altiris server components can exist in a virtual machine
- Altiris agent installed in virtual machines
- Virtual Center integration in Altiris Deployment Server 6.5
- ESX Server deployment and host management
- Virtual machine specific management via VMware interfaces (no Altiris agent)



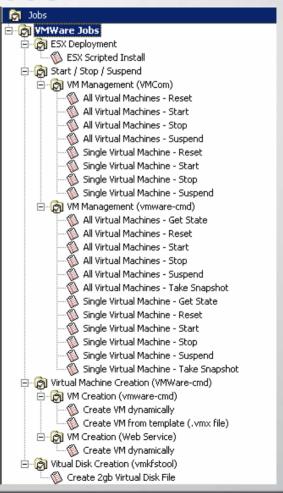




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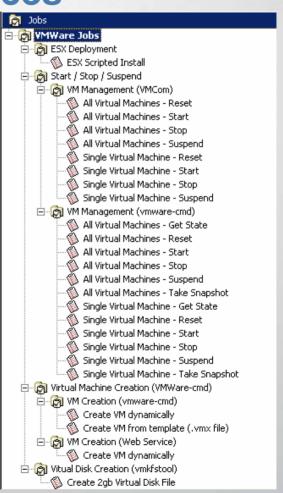


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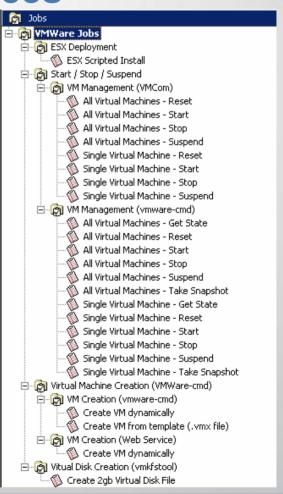




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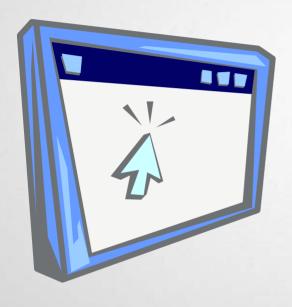
Why?

- Flexibility
 - Different management scenarios need different points of control
 - Some customers are more comfortable with different scripting environments than others (shell scripting vs. COM vs. Perl)
- VM-specific management
 - Workflow continuity need for management before an Altiris agent is available
 - Non-Altiris functionality virtual machine creation, start/stop/resume, etc. -





Solution Demonstration



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- ESX Server deployment (video) and host management
- Sample jobs for VM-specific management via VMware interfaces



Questions?



Thanks

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