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Press Announcements

[From <http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/press/NewsArchive.msp>]

November

Monday, November 30, 2009

[Lockheed Martin-Microsoft Agreement to Bring Better Training to Warfighters](#)

Intellectual property license enables Lockheed Martin to build simulations based on Microsoft ESP technology.

[Designer Wanted to Give Windows 7 Users Something Beautiful](#)

Rolf Ebeling was new to Microsoft when he was tapped to design the Windows 7 startup animation. Ebeling sought inspiration for the animation from the light, color, and energy in everyday things.

Wednesday, November 25, 2009

[Microsoft and NComputing Align for Multiuser Computing](#)

NComputing supports Microsoft Windows Server technology platform.

[eBay Teams Up With Microsoft to Offer Daily Deals](#)

Windows Internet Explorer 8 offers features to enhance the online holiday shopping experience.

Tuesday, November 24, 2009

[Microsoft Announces Chief Financial Officer Transition](#)

Chris Liddell to leave Microsoft Dec. 31; Peter Klein assuming CFO role.

[Sabi Launches "ItzaZoo," the Latest Breakthrough Learning Game](#)

Creator of award-winning "ItzaBitza" celebrates first year of success with a new interactive drawing and reading game designed to engage early readers.

Monday, November 23, 2009

[California Coding: Microsoft Campus in Silicon Valley Turns 10](#)

Ten years ago, Microsoft opened the Silicon Valley Campus, giving the company a foothold next door to the company's biggest competitors. Today, the site is Microsoft's second largest in the United States.

[Saks, Microsoft Team Up on Holiday "Windows"](#)

Video displays powered by Windows 7 light up iconic store's display windows, while Windows 7 lounges give shoppers a look at the new operating system.

Thursday, November 19, 2009

[Microsoft Announces New Dynamics ERP Online Services](#)

Customers can now combine online services with on-premise ERP or on-demand ERP to quickly increase business capabilities.

[Microsoft Outlines Growth Agenda at Annual Shareholder Meeting](#)

Strength in Windows sales; shareholders support compensation in triennial "say on pay" vote.

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

[Microsoft Showcases Developer Opportunities for Windows and the Web](#)

Company outlines developer scenarios with Windows 7 and Internet Explorer, delivers beta versions of Silverlight 4, Microsoft Office 2010 and SharePoint Server 2010.

[Moving From Challenge to Opportunity: Microsoft Empowers the Future of Application Development](#)

As developers face a rapidly evolving computing environment, Microsoft helps them create applications that can be deployed across a number of platforms.

[Microsoft Office 2010 Reaches Beta, Bringing Productivity Gains to the PC, Phone and Browser](#)

Q&A: Kurt DelBene, senior vice president of the Office Business Productivity Group at Microsoft, discusses what is new in the public beta and what developers can expect from the upcoming release of Office 2010 and related products.

[Duet Enterprise for Microsoft SharePoint and SAP Extends Collaboration and Productivity](#)

Next step in partnership helps increase flexibility, interoperability between products.

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

[Microsoft Cloud Services Vision Becomes Reality With Launch of Windows Azure Platform](#)

Company details strategy and road map for developers to move, enhance and transform applications for the cloud.

[On-Premises or in the Cloud, One Consistent Composite Application Experience for Developers](#)

Microsoft's new Windows Server AppFabric provides developers with new tools to develop, manage and deploy composite applications.

[Microsoft's BizSpark Fires Up Startups, Ignites a Community](#)

Marking its one-year anniversary at PDC 2009, BizSpark continues to gain momentum, expand its reach with new offers, and put partners at the center of the equation to turn startups into successful businesses.

[From the Cloud to the Crowd: NASA and Microsoft Ask Citizen Scientists to "Be a Martian"](#)

Built on Microsoft cloud services technologies, NASA's interactive "citizen-science" Web service lets anyone explore the Red Planet up close, while also contributing to Mars missions.

Monday, November 16, 2009

[Media Alert: Come Join the Largest Social Network on Your TV! Facebook and More Are Coming Soon to Your Xbox 360!](#)

Xbox 360 continues to deliver the leading games and entertainment experiences.

[Microsoft Announces Upcoming Events for the Financial Community](#)

Events with Microsoft leadership slated for December.

[Microsoft Broadens Supercomputing Reach Through New Offerings](#)

Betas of Windows HPC Server 2008 R2 and distributed Microsoft Office Excel 2010 for the cluster available for download, delivering increased performance and productivity.

[Developers Meet at "Geek Heaven" in Los Angeles](#)

Attendees from around the world gather at the Professional Developers Conference to learn about the future of Microsoft's developer platforms and network with fellow professionals.

Friday, November 13, 2009

[Expressing Brand Passion with Windows 7](#)

Windows Theme Experience and Windows Personalization Gallery create new opportunities for brands to interact with consumers.

Thursday, November 12, 2009

[Massive and comScore Announce Breakthrough In-Game Advertising Research Methodology](#)

AdEffx Action Lift for Gaming approach measures effectiveness of in-game advertising on online consumer behavior.

[Courtois Joins Call for Europe to Lead in Innovation](#)

Microsoft International President Jean-Philippe Courtois today joined with other European thought leaders to call for a new era of innovation and creativity in Europe. Courtois is a European Commission Innovation Ambassador this year, part of the EC's Year of Creativity and Innovation 2009.

Wednesday, November 11, 2009

[Iraq Veteran's Long Journey Back to Microsoft](#)

John West, a Microsoft employee and Army National Guard soldier who was nearly paralyzed by a roadside bomb in 2004, has overcome substantial mental and physical hurdles to walk again and to return to the job he loves.

Tuesday, November 10, 2009

[Microsoft Launches Digital Video Series "Microsoft Health Tech Today"](#)

Desmond Tutu among those included in this new monthly series at the intersection of health and information technology.

[Microsoft Joins Energistics to Drive Oil and Gas Industry Standardization](#)

Microsoft and industry partners continue momentum toward a common platform for information sharing and business process integration in the oil and gas industry worldwide.

Monday, November 09, 2009

[CHT and Microsoft Sign MOU to Join Forces in Delivering Cloud Services](#)

CHT and Microsoft strategically align to develop SaaS, PaaS and IaaS cloud applications, integrating customized value-added services for the PC, mobile phone and TV, bringing enterprise and end users a convenient digital lifestyle.

[Microsoft Acquires Teamprise Assets, Provides Cross-Platform Support for Visual Studio](#)

Expanded access to tools will foster increased development flexibility, productivity and collaboration.

[Microsoft Announces Exchange Server 2010 Availability and Wave of Innovations at Tech•Ed Europe 2009](#)

Exchange 2010, Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 R2 help customers realize better productivity, efficiency and potential cost savings up to 70 percent.

[IT Executives Cite Business Continuity, Risk Management and Interoperability Advantages of Microsoft-Novell Collaboration](#)

Customers have chosen SUSE Linux Enterprise Server from Novell over competitive Linux distributions.

[Windows 7 Developer Hosts Famous Chinese TV Star, Talks Shop](#)

Song Zou, who helped develop Windows 7 features like Aero Shake and the new taskbar, hosted one of China's most famous TV personalities in his Redmond home.

Friday, November 06, 2009

[Microsoft Partners in Learning Announces 2009 Worldwide Innovative Teacher Awards](#)

Global competition honors 14 teachers.

Thursday, November 05, 2009

[Media Alert: Microsoft Talks "New Efficiency" at Tech•Ed Europe 2009](#)

Members of the media are invited to view and participate in keynote and webcast Q&A.

Wednesday, November 04, 2009

[Teachers and Schools Celebrate Success at 2009 Microsoft Worldwide Innovative Education Forum](#)

Microsoft Partners in Learning expands global network for educators.

[Major Oil and Gas Enterprises Improve Business Performance with Advanced Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 R2 Functionality](#)

European firms adopt new Microsoft desktop and server platforms to improve employee productivity and their capacity for innovation.

[Hoops Bring Hope to Children in Philippines](#)

Two years ago, Microsoft employee Bill Hilf founded High Five Hope, an organization that uses basketball to help children in the Philippines build their confidence in hopes of giving them a path out of poverty.

Tuesday, November 03, 2009

[Technology Key to Bridging the Gap Between Millennials' and Baby Boomers' Banking Needs, Reports Microsoft Study](#)

Half of millennials embrace the Web, while only a third of baby boomers prefer to bank online.

[Microsoft Announces New Service Update and Competitive Offer for Microsoft Dynamics CRM Online](#)

New service launches with special offer to help customers switch from Salesforce.com and Oracle CRM On Demand.

[Microsoft Elevates Mission-Critical Commitment With New SQL Server 2008 R2 Premium Editions, Delivery of November CTP](#)

At PASS Summit 2009, Microsoft discusses information platform vision to help all businesses gain strategic value from information.

[New MSN Designed to Be the Best Home Page on the Web](#)

Fresh, new design delivers best of Bing, latest in news and entertainment, instant access to Facebook and Twitter, and customized local information in one place.

[Revamped MSN Wants to Be Your New Home Page](#)

The newly redesigned MSN.com just might be the best home page on the Web — with easy access to Bing search, favorite social networks, more relevant local content, and the latest news and entertainment information from trusted sources.

Monday, November 02, 2009

[OpenX and Microsoft Announce Advertising Technology Partnership](#)

OpenX named a preferred partner for Microsoft ad serving products.

[Media Alert: Microsoft Demos "Three Screens and a Cloud" Scenario for Banking](#)

As today's financial institutions target a new generation of customers, Microsoft provides solutions that create a connected experience across multiple environments and devices.

[Microsoft Report Reveals Resurgence of Worms; Rogue Security Software Still Top Threat](#)

The latest Security Intelligence Report also highlights success with customer disinfection rates and software update diligence.

[Global Organizations Choose Microsoft Cloud Applications](#)

Microsoft to expand Business Productivity Online Suite to more countries and regions, add new features, and offer lower prices.

[Microsoft Women Assemble for Leadership and Development Conference](#)

More than 3,000 employees participate in annual women's networking and skill-building event.

[Microsoft CIO Tony Scott Named to CIO Hall of Fame](#)

CIO magazine has named Microsoft Chief Information Officer Tony Scott to its CIO Hall of Fame for his vision and leadership in the field of information technology.

[Young Reporter Visits Microsoft to Learn About the Future of Education](#)

Brennan LaBrie, 10-year-old student journalist for the TIME for Kids weekly news magazine, visits Microsoft's Redmond campus to explore new learning resources.

Executive Speeches

[From <http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/exec/speeches/speeches2008.aspx>]

November 2009

- [Steven Sinofsky & Scott Guthrie & Kurt DelBene: Professional Developers Conference, Los Angeles, Calif.](#) - Nov. 18, 2009
- [Ray Ozzie & Bob Muglia: Professional Developers Conference, Los Angeles, Calif.](#) - Nov. 17, 2009
- [Stephen Elop: Tech-Ed Europe, Berlin, Germany](#) - Nov. 9, 2009
- [Craig Mundie: University of Washington](#) - Nov. 5, 2009
- [Steve Ballmer: Vision Forum Keynote](#) - Nov. 4, 2009
- [Craig Mundie: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign](#) - Nov. 4, 2009
- [Kevin Turner: Jordan Business Value Launch](#) - Nov. 4, 2009
- [Bob Muglia: PASS Summit Unite 2009](#) - Nov. 3, 2009
- [Craig Mundie: Harvard University](#) - Nov. 3, 2009
- [Craig Mundie: Cornell University](#) - Nov. 2, 2009
- [Steve Ballmer: Executives' Luncheon, Seoul, South Korea](#) - Nov. 2, 2009



Security Updates

[From <http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/current.aspx>]

Date ▼	Bulletin Description	Affected Software Service Packs	Bulletin Rating
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerability in Microsoft Office Word Could Allow Remote Code Execution (976307): MS09-068</p> <p>Affected Software: Office XP, Word 2002, Office 2003, Word 2003, Word Viewer 2003, Office 2004 for Macintosh, Office 2008 for Macintosh, Open XML File Format Converter for Mac, Microsoft Office Word Viewer</p>	Office XP SP3 , Word 2002 SP3, Office 2003 SP3, Word 2003 SP3, Word Viewer 2003 SP3, Office 2004 for Macintosh Gold, Office 2008 for Macintosh Gold, Open XML File Format Converter for Mac Gold, Microsoft Office Word Viewer Gold	Important
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerabilities in Microsoft Office Excel Could Allow Remote Code Execution (972652): MS09-067</p> <p>Affected Software: Office XP, Excel 2002, Office 2003, Excel 2003, Office System 2007, Excel 2007, Excel Viewer 2003, Microsoft Office Compatibility Pack for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint 2007 File Formats, Office 2004 for Macintosh, Office 2008 for Macintosh, Microsoft Office Excel Viewer</p>	Office XP SP3 , Excel 2002 SP3, Office 2003 SP3, Excel 2003 SP3, Office System 2007 SP1, Office System 2007 SP2, Excel 2007 SP1, Excel 2007 SP2, Excel Viewer 2003 SP3, Microsoft Office Compatibility Pack for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint 2007 File Formats SP1, Office 2004 for Macintosh Gold, Office 2008 for Macintosh Gold, Microsoft Office Excel Viewer Gold	Important
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerability in Active Directory Could Allow Denial of Service (973309): MS09-066</p> <p>Affected Software: Windows 2000 Advanced Server, Windows 2000 Datacenter Server, Windows 2000 Server, Windows XP Professional, Windows XP Professional 64-Bit Edition, Windows Server 2003, Web Edition, Windows Server 2003, Standard Edition, Windows Server 2003, Enterprise Edition, Windows Server 2003, Datacenter Edition, Windows Server 2003 Standard x64 Edition, Windows Server 2003 for Small Business Server, Windows Server 2003 Enterprise x64 Edition, Windows Server 2003 Enterprise Edition for Itanium-based Systems, Windows Server 2003 Datacenter x64 Edition, Windows Server 2003 Datacenter Edition for Itanium-based Systems, Windows Server 2008 x64, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems, Windows Server 2008</p>	Windows 2000 Service Pack 4, Windows XP Service Pack 2, Windows XP Professional x64 SP2, Windows XP Service Pack 3, Windows Server 2003 SP2, Windows Server 2003 x64 SP2, Windows Server 2003 for Itanium-based Systems SP2, Windows Server 2008 x64 Gold, Windows Server 2008 x64 SP2, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems Gold, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems SP2, Windows Server 2008 Gold, Windows Server 2008 SP2	Important
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel-Mode Drivers Could Allow Remote Code Execution (969947): MS09-065</p> <p>Affected Software: Windows 2000 Server, Windows 2000 Professional, Windows 2000 Datacenter Server, Windows 2000 Advanced Server, Windows XP Home Edition, Windows XP Professional, Windows XP Professional 64-Bit Edition, Windows Server 2003 Datacenter Edition</p>	Windows 2000 Service Pack 4, Windows XP Service Pack 2, Windows XP Professional x64 SP2, Windows Server 2003 for Itanium-based Systems SP2, Windows Server 2003 SP2, Windows Server 2003 x64 SP2, Windows XP Service Pack 3, Windows	Critical

	for Itanium-based Systems, Windows Server 2003 Enterprise Edition for Itanium-based Systems, Windows Server 2003, Datacenter Edition, Windows Server 2003 for Small Business Server, Windows Server 2003, Enterprise Edition, Windows Server 2003, Standard Edition, Windows Server 2003, Web Edition, Windows Server 2003 Datacenter x64 Edition, Windows Server 2003 Enterprise x64 Edition, Windows Server 2003 Standard x64 Edition, Windows Vista, Windows Vista x64, Windows Server 2008, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems, Windows Server 2008 x64	Vista Gold, Windows Vista SP1, Windows Vista SP2, Windows Vista x64 Gold, Windows Vista x64 SP1, Windows Vista x64 SP2, Windows Server 2008 Gold, Windows Server 2008 SP2, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems Gold, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems SP2, Windows Server 2008 x64 Gold, Windows Server 2008 x64 SP2	
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerability in License Logging Server Could Allow Remote Code Execution (974783): MS09-064</p> <p>Affected Software: Windows 2000 Server, Windows 2000 Advanced Server, Windows 2000 Datacenter Server</p>	Windows 2000 Service Pack 4	Critical
Nov 10, 2009	<p>Vulnerability in Web Service on Devices Could Allow Remote Code Execution (973565): MS09-063</p> <p>Affected Software: Windows Vista, Windows Vista x64, Windows Server 2008, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems, Windows Server 2008 x64</p>	Windows Vista Gold, Windows Vista SP1, Windows Vista x64 Gold, Windows Vista x64 SP1, Windows Server 2008 Gold, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems Gold, Windows Server 2003 x64 Gold, Windows Server 2008 x64 SP2, Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems SP2, Windows Server 2008 SP2, Windows Vista x64 SP2, Windows Vista SP2	Critical

New on MSDN.COM

[From MSDN website <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/cc510391.aspx>]

[Windows 7 Sensor and Location Platform Overview](#)

Yesterday, 1 December 2009, 11:01:00 AM

Join Dan Polivy, Gavin Gear, product team PMs, and Yochay Kiriaty, Technical Evangelist, as they explain the Windows 7 Sensor and Location platform, the underlying architecture, and how developers can take advantage of this new and exciting platform.

[Dive into Office 2010 Beta Workshop](#)

Yesterday, 1 December 2009, 11:01:00 AM

Discover how Office 2010 Beta is a broadly extensible platform for building information worker productivity solutions and see how developing for Office with Visual Studio 2010 makes this easy. See online presentations with demos to introduce you to the core concepts and tools.

[Windows Media Foundation Team Launches New Blog](#)

Saturday, 28 November 2009, 9:52:00 AM

The Media Foundation Team at Microsoft has launched a new blog to provide in-depth information about Media Foundation programming, to help get you started with Media Foundation in your own applications, and to get feedback from the developer community.

[Download Microsoft SharePoint Server 2010 Beta](#)

Saturday, 28 November 2009, 9:52:00 AM

SharePoint Server 2010 Beta provides an extensible platform to rapidly build solutions using familiar tools such as Visual Studio 2010 and SharePoint Designer 2010.

[Anti-XSS Library v3.1: Find, Fix, and Verify Errors](#)

Wednesday, 25 November 2009, 12:31:00 PM

Anil Revuru (RV), Senior Software Developer from Microsoft Information Security, demonstrates the new features of the Anti-XSS Library v3.1. These include HTML Sanitization, which provides new methods to the Anti-XSS class to strip malicious characters or scripts from HTML and returns safe HTML.

[Registration Open: Attend SANS AppSec 2010 Training](#)

Wednesday, 25 November 2009, 12:31:00 PM

Attend SANS AppSec 2010 training with 7 different courses in San Francisco, January 29 through February 3, including "Developer 320: Introduction to the Microsoft Security Development Lifecycle (SDL)." SANS is an SDL Pro Network member.

[Get the SQL Server 2008 R2 November CTP](#)

Friday, 20 November 2009, 1:06:00 PM

SQL Server 2008 R2 delivers several breakthrough capabilities that will enable your organization to scale database operations with confidence, improve IT and developer efficiency, and enable highly scalable and well-managed business intelligence on a self-service basis for your users. MSDN and TechNet subscribers can download the SQL Server 2008 R2 November CTP today.

[Learn: Windows 7 Multi-Touch Overview](#)

Friday, 20 November 2009, 1:06:00 PM

Watch Reed Townsend and Yochay Kiriaty as they explore multi-touch in Windows 7. They will cover basic out-of-the-box support for legacy applications, as well as for applications optimized for multi-touch, and explain the "Good, Better, and Best" programming model.

[Explore: Windows 7 Libraries - the User Experience](#)

Wednesday, 18 November 2009, 4:00:00 AM

David Washington and Paul Gusmorino demonstrate the key enhancements in Windows 7 for finding and organizing your files. David and Paul show off the ways that the team has simplified the Windows Explorer, the new Libraries feature, which is a virtual collection of your music, photos, and video, wherever they may be, including on multiple machines. You'll also see how to use the Library pane to easily find and filter your data.

[Watch PDC09 Keynotes Live This Tuesday and Wednesday](#)

Wednesday, 18 November 2009, 4:00:00 AM

Watch the PDC09 keynotes streaming live in Silverlight! Keynoters Ray Ozzie and Bob Muglia kick things off on November 17, and Scott Guthrie and Kurt DelBene will keynote on November 18. Keynotes start at 8:30 A.M. Pacific Time on both days. Don't miss this opportunity to hear about the future of the Microsoft developer platform directly from these technical leaders. As always, the PDC team has a few secret announcements up their sleeve, so tune in online and be among the first to get the news!

[See How Windows Server 2008 R2 Is "Not Your Average R2!"](#)

Saturday, 14 November 2009, 9:25:00 AM

Explore this significant release via a self-paced training course of videos and hands-on labs with a focus on performance, Web, virtualization, and other server solution scenarios. Learn how to develop applications for many-core scale, enable trigger-started services, automate your services with Windows Powershell, and create new integrated solutions with the File Classification Infrastructure.

[New! Build More-Secure Applications with the Security Development Lifecycle \(SDL\) for Agile](#)

Saturday, 14 November 2009, 9:25:00 AM

Embrace lightweight software security practices with the Security Development Lifecycle for Agile Development, a streamlined approach that melds Agile methods and security.

[Explore: Windows 7 Taskbar Overview](#)

Tuesday, 10 November 2009, 10:55:00 AM

Join Yochay Kiriaty, Windows 7 Technical Evangelist, and Taskbar product team members Chaitanya Sareen, Trish Miner, and Stephan Hoefnagels as they present the new Windows 7 Taskbar functionality and motivations. This video shows what is new in the Windows 7 desktop and taskbar, and the common user tasks and scenarios.

[MSDN Video: Top 10 Security Pet Peeves](#)

Tuesday, 10 November 2009, 10:55:00 AM

Michael Howard and Adam Shostack, experts in security engineering at Microsoft, chat about their top 10 security pet peeves.

[Microsoft Silverlight: Light Up the Web](#)

Saturday, 7 November 2009, 7:10:00 AM

Discover the latest releases of Microsoft Silverlight and Expression 3 during these on-demand videos and audio podcasts. Learn from industry experts as they explain how to use Sketchflow, apply XAML power toys, and create rich Internet applications (RIA).

[Develop Windows 7 Applications](#)

Saturday, 7 November 2009, 7:10:00 AM

Learn how to take advantage of new features to make your applications built with Visual Studio light up on Windows 7.

[Getting Started with Silverlight Development](#)

Tuesday, 3 November 2009, 2:40:00 PM

This video explains the concepts and tools needed to get started with Silverlight development from a developer's perspective.

[Visit the MSDN Windows Client Software Development Forums](#)

Tuesday, 3 November 2009, 2:40:00 PM

For community advice, tips, and best practices, participate in the Software Development for Windows Client forums.

New on Technet.COM

[From the Technet.com <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/bb847904.aspx>]

[White Board Session: Microsoft's Compliance Framework for Online Services](#)

Yesterday, 1 December 2009, 11:43:19 AM

This session that will introduce you to how Microsoft's Online Services Security and Compliance (OSSC) team adapted their compliance practices to address the changing landscape of regulations, statutes, and establish industry best practice standards for online services. The session introduces Microsoft's Compliance Framework for Online Services white paper.

[Exchange Server in Depth: Master Concepts and Optimize Your Server Environment](#)

Yesterday, 1 December 2009, 11:42:57 AM

The latest release of Microsoft Exchange Server can help you achieve better business outcomes while controlling the costs of deployment, administration, and compliance. Microsoft Exchange Server 2010 delivers a wide range of deployment options, integrated information leakage protection, and advanced compliance capabilities that combine to form a powerful messaging and collaboration solution. Check out our free webcasts and podcasts and then try it yourself by taking one of our free virtual labs or labcasts.

[Webcast: Thrive Live! SQL Server Locking and Blocking Made Simple \(Level 200\)](#)

Yesterday, 1 December 2009, 11:42:29 AM

Register for this live webcast to explore the SQL Server locking methodology and share techniques for enhancing query response times.

[Windows 7 Deployment Saves Money](#)

Tuesday, 24 November 2009, 1:43:46 PM

Microsoft's Blain Barton interviews PowerShell MVP and IT Pro, Max Trinidad, about his work in rolling out Windows 7. Using Virtualization with Hyper-V, Max got his Windows 7 virtual machines running in just a few minutes, and his management praised the OS' stability.

[Building Windows7 installation images for multiple audiences](#)

Tuesday, 24 November 2009, 1:43:17 PM

Learn how Microsoft IT optimized its enterprise Windows7 image to maximize end user productivity and provide a seamless client experience.

[Need evidence? Hoster saves \\$971,000 in data center costs with integrated Virtualization solution](#)

Tuesday, 24 November 2009, 1:42:56 PM

Fpweb.net tried a VMware virtualization solution to cut hardware costs but reached the limit of the product's capabilities. To expand its virtualized environment, Fpweb.net switched to Windows Server 2008 with Hyper-V, saving U.S.\$100,800 in licensing costs over the VMware option. It has since virtualized 115 servers, avoiding an increase in data center rental costs of \$180,000 a year and raising IT worker productivity by 30 percent.

[Think you know Windows 7?](#)

Friday, 20 November 2009, 12:26:20 PM

TechNet Magazine wants to hear from the IT Pros who know how to get the most out of Windows 7. Share your best Windows 7 deployment/migration tips, workarounds, patches, bridges, tweaks, added functionality, easy fixes, or simple installs. Click here to submit your tip to TechNet Magazine.

[Event: SANS AppSec 2010 Training Conference in San Francisco this January](#)

Friday, 20 November 2009, 12:26:01 PM

Check out the 7 different courses that address the actual problems application developers and programmers face every day, including Developer 320: Introduction to the Microsoft Security Development Lifecycle (SDL). SANS is a member of the SDL Pro Network and also the largest trusted resource for security training and certifications in the world.

[Register to Chat with Kevin Remde and other IT Pros about "Windows Server 2008 Power Efficiency, Measurement, and Management"](#)

Thursday, 19 November 2009, 6:07:26 AM

Join Kevin Remde, a senior IT professional evangelist at Microsoft, and his guests for this webcast in which they address how Windows Server 2008 R2 help save energy with improved power efficiency, measurement, management capabilities for server and client computers.

[Get the SQL Server 2008 R2 November CTP and Self-Service BI Solution Downloads](#)

Thursday, 19 November 2009, 6:07:00 AM

SQL Server 2008 R2 delivers several breakthrough capabilities that will enable your organization to scale database operations with confidence, improve IT and developer efficiency, and enable highly scalable and well managed Business Intelligence on a self-service basis for your users. Download the SQL Server 2008 R2 November CTP, as well as Microsoft's complete Business Intelligence platform now!

[Download the Whitepaper "Security Considerations for Client and Cloud Applications"](#)

Tuesday, 17 November 2009, 10:47:43 AM

The increasing importance of "client and cloud" computing raises a number of important concerns about security. Understand how Microsoft addresses potential security vulnerabilities during the development of "client and cloud" applications using the Security Development Lifecycle (SDL).

[Register for Wednesday's webcast on "Interview Formats and Approaches" \(Level 100\)](#)

Tuesday, 17 November 2009, 10:47:25 AM

In this webcast, we provide you with the information you need to prepare and perform well at any type of job interview you experience.

[New study: Two global firms save more than \\$500,000 through Virtualization and Volume Licensing](#)

Tuesday, 17 November 2009, 10:47:02 AM

Find out more about how FranklinCovey Co., and global retailer, FranklinCovey Products, took advantage of a Microsoft Enterprise Agreement and Hyper-V virtualization software to reduce software licensing costs while expanding capabilities.

[SharePoint Server: Connect People, Processes, and Information](#)

Friday, 13 November 2009, 12:17:43 PM

Join this new webcast series to learn from experienced partners on how you can create a secure, dynamic Web presence with personalization, rich commerce capabilities, catalogue and content management, business analytics, and search capabilities for anytime, anywhere access by customers and business partners.

[Midmarket Offer: Integrated Physical and Virtual Management](#)

Friday, 13 November 2009, 12:17:23 PM

For a limited time, Microsoft is offering Essentials 2007 and VMM 2008 at a 37% discount through designated partners. The offer includes a one-year Software Assurance agreement that includes a free upgrade to Essentials 2010 upon its release to manufacturing in 2010. That's three products for the retail price of Essentials 2007 alone!

[Plan: Five Steps to Windows 7 Application Readiness](#)

Friday, 13 November 2009, 12:16:57 PM

Read this article to learn more about application readiness and how to deconstruct the challenge into logical, manageable tasks.

[Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit for IBM System x and BladeCenter Products](#)

Tuesday, 10 November 2009, 2:35:26 PM

Now customized for IBM, the MAP Toolkit allows stronger brand presence for IBM server products and offers more specific recommendations of Hyper-V virtualization together with IBM System x and BladeCenter servers.

[BitLocker provides enhanced data encryption](#)

Tuesday, 10 November 2009, 2:35:04 PM

Did you know... Windows 7 also provides the ability to encrypt removable storage devices, such as USB drives, via BitLocker To Go, making sure the data is secure in the case if device is lost or stolen.

[Discover Windows 7: Windows XP Mode Video](#)

Tuesday, 10 November 2009, 2:34:43 PM

Designed for Small and Medium businesses, watch this 7 minute Silverlight video about how Windows XP Mode for Windows 7 makes it easy to install and run older Windows XP productivity applications directly from your Windows 7-based PC.

[Learn about Microsoft's approach to privacy in the cloud](#)

Friday, 6 November 2009, 8:53:36 AM

Based on the past decade of experience examining and addressing privacy challenges in the evolving online services realm, this new "Privacy in the Cloud Computing Era" paper discusses how Microsoft is approaching privacy as it relates to cloud computing; describing how the underlying privacy principles provide a solid foundation for addressing evolving privacy issues.

[Discover: Ten Things IT Professionals Should Know About Windows 7](#)

Friday, 6 November 2009, 8:53:07 AM

As you begin testing Windows 7, we offer this guide to the key features and capabilities in this new desktop operating system.

[New: Cloud Computing Infrastructure Launches Dynamic Data Center Alliance Blog](#)

Friday, 6 November 2009, 8:44:27 AM

The Dynamic Data Center Alliance blog has been designed to provide partners with more in-depth information on the alliance. Stay tuned into this blog for announcements related to the alliance and the Dynamic Data Center Toolkits.

[Register for Windows 7: Application Compatibility Technical Talks](#)

Wednesday, 4 November 2009, 9:44:34 AM

The Windows 7 operating system is very compatible with common applications. Attend this webcast to learn more about the application compatibility changes in Windows 7 and how to get your application portfolio ready for an operating system migration from a Windows XP environment to Windows 7. We address gathering an application inventory, mitigating application compatibility issues, and any questions that you might have. Join Tim Vander Kooi, Microsoft Most Valuable Professionals (MVPs), and other guests for this discussion about the most exciting client operating system to come from Microsoft in a decade.

[New research indicates a significant resurgence in worm attacks](#)

Tuesday, 3 November 2009, 12:27:00 PM

Review the latest Security Intelligence Report (SIRv7) to gain an accurate and comprehensive understanding of recent top trends in online threats. In this volume, you'll find deeper analysis and recommendations based on data input from over 450 million computers worldwide to help you successfully plan and manage protection technologies.

[*Try the Virtualization Cost Comparison Calculator*](#)

Tuesday, 3 November 2009, 12:26:34 PM

Find out for yourself how Microsoft Virtualization solutions simply make more sense than VMware with the latest Virtualization Cost Comparison Calculator.

[*Read the SDL Return On Investment whitepaper*](#)

Tuesday, 3 November 2009, 12:26:07 PM

Understand and communicate the benefits of a software security program, how it can help minimize ongoing security-related maintenance costs while providing customers with a better security experience.

[*Upcoming webcast: Microsoft Virtualization Best Practices for Exchange Server*](#)

Friday, 30 October 2009, 8:59:25 AM

In this webcast, we focus on virtualizing Microsoft Exchange Server using Microsoft solutions, we discuss the benefits of using Microsoft virtualization technologies instead of technologies from key competitors such as VMware, and we provide technical guidance and best practices for virtualizing Exchange Server in various production scenarios. We also discuss results from lab deployment tests.

[*Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit 4.0 Now Available*](#)

Friday, 30 October 2009, 8:59:01 AM

Download the newly released Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit 4.0 and see how you can use this planning tool for Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 R2 migration and virtualization projects.

[*Discover: Browsing, Organizing, and Finding Information with Windows 7*](#)

Friday, 30 October 2009, 8:58:31 AM

This demo will show how Windows 7 can help make people more productive and help them do things faster and easier. We will discuss the enhancements to the user interface, Libraries, and Windows Search.

Local In Person Events

[From Microsoft Australia Events [Website](#)]

[Microsoft Virtualisation Unplugged - Telling it like it is](#)

Hear from one of the founders of x86 virtualisation. Our keynote is Kenon Owens, Technical Product Manager, Microsoft Corp. He has worked in the computer industry for over 15 years as an email and virtualisation specialist. During that time, Kenon [...](#)

4/12/2009 10:00 AM Australia (East)- 4/12/2009 11:30 AM

Registration Fee: No

Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: Architect

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Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: IT Generalist

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[Business Ready Security Partner Sales Readiness](#)

The Microsoft Australia Identity and Security team is pleased to welcome you to this 3hr Business Ready Security Business Partner Readiness session. This session is a unique opportunity to meet with Charles Coats, Identity and Security Business G [...](#)

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Primary Target Audience: Marketing - Partners

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[Microsoft Online Services - Partner Community Breakfast - Brisbane](#)

This is the first in a series of community events for Microsoft Partners in Australia. Connect with Microsoft,

Telstra and partners and discuss topics including: latest feature releases, successful business models, licensing and sales engagement op [...](#)

10/12/2009 9:00 AM Australia (East)- 10/12/2009 10:30 AM

Registration Fee: No

Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: Sales - Partners

Presenter Name: Kathryn Saducas, Lee Hickin

Brisbane Queensland 4001 Australia

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2 [Microsoft Online Services - Partner Community Breakfast - Sydney](#)



This is the first in a series of community events for Microsoft Partners in Australia. Connect with Microsoft, Telstra and partners and discuss topics including: latest feature releases, successful business models, licensing and sales engagement op [...](#)

9/12/2009 9:00 AM Australia (East)- 9/12/2009 10:30 AM

Registration Fee: No

Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: Sales - Partners

Presenter Name: Kathryn Saducas, Lee Hickin

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[Business Ready Security Executive Briefing](#)



The Microsoft Australia Identity and Security team is pleased to welcome you to this 2hr Business Ready Security Business Briefing. In this round table format briefing, we will introduce you to John Chirapurath, Director of Outbound Marketing for [...](#)

3/12/2009 9:00 AM Australia (East)- 3/12/2009 11:00 AM

Registration Fee: No

Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: IT Decision Maker

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[Microsoft Online Services - Partner Community Breakfast - Melbourne](#)



This is the first in a series of community events for Microsoft Partners in Australia. Connect with Microsoft, Telstra and partners and discuss topics including: latest feature releases, successful business models, licensing and sales engagement o [...](#)

11/12/2009 9:00 AM Australia (East)- 11/12/2009 10:30 AM

Registration Fee: No

Primary Language: English

Primary Target Audience: Sales - Partners

Presenter Name: Kathryn Saducas, Lee Hickin

Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia

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Product Roadmap

New General Availability in the last 12 months

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Products Released	General Availability Date	Mainstream Support Retired	Extended Support Retired
Dynamics C5 2010	30/11/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Expression Design 3	19/11/2009	13/01/2015	13/01/2020
Wireless Mobile Mouse 4000	18/11/2009	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Exchange Server 2010 Enterprise	9/11/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Exchange Server 2010 Standard	9/11/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Wireless Comfort Desktop 5000	2/11/2009	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Hyper-V Server 2008 R2	22/10/2009	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Windows 7 Enterprise	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Windows 7 Enterprise N	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Windows 7 Home Basic	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Home Premium	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Home Premium N	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Professional	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Windows 7 Professional N	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Windows 7 Starter	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Starter N	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Ultimate	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows 7 Ultimate N	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows Automated Installation Kit for Windows 7	22/10/2009	13/01/2015	Not Applicable
Windows Server 2008 R2 Datacenter	22/10/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
Windows Server 2008 R2 Enterprise	22/10/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
Windows Server 2008 R2 for Itanium-Based Systems	22/10/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
Windows Server 2008 R2 Standard	22/10/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
Windows Web Server 2008 R2	22/10/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
Expression Blend 3	19/10/2009	13/01/2015	14/01/2020
Expression Encoder 3	19/10/2009	13/01/2015	13/01/2020
Expression Studio 3	19/10/2009	13/01/2015	13/01/2020
Expression Web 3	19/10/2009	13/01/2015	13/01/2020
Dynamics POS 2009 Service Pack 1	15/10/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
PerformancePoint Server 2007 Service Pack 3	15/10/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Communications Server 2007 R2 XMPP Gateway	28/09/2009	8/01/2013	9/01/2018
MapPoint 2010	27/09/2009	11/10/2012	Not Applicable
MapPoint 2010 with GPS Locator	27/09/2009	11/10/2012	Not Applicable
Streets & Trips 2010	27/09/2009	11/10/2012	Not Applicable
Streets & Trips 2010 GPS Locator	27/09/2009	11/10/2012	Not Applicable
Wireless Keyboard 3000	16/09/2009	14/10/2014	Not Applicable
Wireless Mobile Mouse 6000	16/09/2009	14/10/2014	Not Applicable

Wireless Mouse 5000	16/09/2009	14/10/2014	Not Applicable
LifeCam VX-2000	2/09/2009	9/10/2014	Not Applicable
Dynamics NAV 2009 Service Pack 1	28/08/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Wireless Desktop 3000	26/08/2009	14/10/2014	Not Applicable
Windows Server Update Services 3.0 Service Pack 2	25/08/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Exchange Server 2007 Service Pack 2	24/08/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Sidewinder X3 Mouse	22/07/2009	14/10/2014	Not Applicable
Windows Storage Server 2008 Basic	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Basic 32-bit	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Basic Embedded	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Basic Embedded 32-bit	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Enterprise	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Enterprise Embedded	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Standard	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Standard Embedded	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Workgroup	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
Windows Storage Server 2008 Workgroup Embedded	19/07/2009	14/10/2014	8/10/2019
BizTalk Adapters for Host Systems 2.0	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
BizTalk Adapters for Host Systems 2.0 Developer Edition	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
BizTalk Server 2009 Branch	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
BizTalk Server 2009 Developer	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
BizTalk Server 2009 Enterprise	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
BizTalk Server 2009 Standard	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Host Integration Server 2009	21/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Dynamics POS 2009	17/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Windows Internet Explorer 8	17/06/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Windows Internet Explorer 8 on Windows Server	17/06/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Forefront Security for Office Communications Server	9/06/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Wired Desktop 600	27/05/2009	8/07/2014	Not Applicable
Wired Keyboard 600	27/05/2009	8/07/2014	Not Applicable
Windows Server 2008 Foundation	21/05/2009	9/07/2013	10/07/2018
SideWinder X8 Mouse	29/04/2009	8/07/2014	Not Applicable
Windows Server 2008 Service Pack 2	29/04/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Windows Vista Service Pack 2	29/04/2009	Review Note	Review Note
2007 Microsoft Office Servers Service Pack 2	28/04/2009	Review Note	Review Note
2007 Microsoft Office Suite Service Pack 2	28/04/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Commerce Server 2009 Enterprise	23/04/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Commerce Server 2009 Standard	23/04/2009	8/07/2014	9/07/2019
Dynamics Retail Management System 2.0 Service Pack 3	17/04/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Forecaster 7.0 Service Pack 3	31/03/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
SQL Server 2008 Service Pack 1	31/03/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Communications Server 2007 R2	19/03/2009	8/01/2013	9/01/2018

Communications Server 2007 R2 Standard Edition	19/03/2009	8/01/2013	9/01/2018
Communicator 2007 R2	19/03/2009	8/01/2013	9/01/2018
Communicator 2007 R2 Phone Edition	19/03/2009	8/01/2013	9/01/2018
Windows Embedded POSReady 2009	10/03/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
ProClarity Analytic Server 6.3 Service Pack 2	1/03/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Accounting 2009 Service Pack 1	24/02/2009	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Windows Server 2008 for Windows Essential Server Solutions	18/02/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Windows Server 2008 for Windows Essential Server Solutions without Hyper-V	18/02/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Dynamics NAV 2009	12/02/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
System Center Virtual Machine Manager 2008	29/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
.NET Micro Framework Porting Kit 3.0	25/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Concurrency and Coordination Runtime and Decentralized Software Service Toolkit 2008 Academic	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Concurrency and Coordination Runtime and Decentralized Software Service Toolkit 2008 Standard	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Robotics Developer Studio 2008 Academic	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Robotics Developer Studio 2008 Discovery	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Robotics Developer Studio 2008 Express	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
Robotics Developer Studio 2008 Standard	18/01/2009	8/04/2014	9/04/2019
.NET Framework 2.0 Service Pack 2	16/01/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Explorer Mouse	14/01/2009	8/04/2014	Not Applicable
LifeCam Show	9/01/2009	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Dynamics SL 6.5 Service Pack 3	7/01/2009	Review Note	Review Note
Explorer Mini Mouse	7/01/2009	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Surface Applications Suite 1.0	1/01/2009	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Hyper-V Server 2008	30/12/2008	14/01/2014	14/01/2020
MapPoint Europe 2009	30/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Windows HPC Server 2008	30/12/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Windows HPC Server 2008 without Hyper-V	29/12/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
LifeCam VX-5500	22/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
System Center Data Protection Manager 2007 Service Pack 1	19/12/2008	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Sidewinder X6 Keyboard	17/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
SQL Server 2005 Service Pack 3	15/12/2008	Review Note	Review Note
System Center Mobile Device Manager 2008 Service Pack 1	15/12/2008	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Windows Embedded Standard	14/12/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Windows Essential Business Server 2008	12/12/2008	Review Note	Review Note
Windows Essential Business Server 2008 Standard	12/12/2008	Review Note	Review Note
Arc Mouse	11/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Sidewinder X5 Mouse	10/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Wireless Laser Desktop 6000 v3.0	10/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Wireless Mobile Mouse 3000	10/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable

PerformancePoint Server 2007 Service Pack2	9/12/2008	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Wireless Media Desktop 1000	3/12/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
System Center Configuration Manager 2007 R2	29/11/2008	8/01/2013	9/01/2018
Zoo Tycoon 2: Ultimate Collection	27/11/2008	14/01/2014	Not Applicable
Application Virtualization 4.5 for Terminal Services	23/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Application Virtualization 4.5 for Windows Desktops	23/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Express with Advanced Services	22/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Windows Small Business Server 2008 Standard	21/11/2008	Review Note	Review Note
Accounting Express 2009	20/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Accounting Professional 2009	20/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Dynamics SL 7.0 Service Pack 2	15/11/2008	Review Note	Review Note
Windows XP Embedded Service Pack 3	14/11/2008	Review Note	Review Note
Forefront Threat Management Gateway, Medium Business Edition	12/11/2008	12/11/2013	12/11/2018
SQL Server 2008 Express	11/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Enterprise	7/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Windows Small Business Server 2008 Premium	7/11/2008	Review Note	Review Note
SQL Server 2008 Developer	6/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Standard	6/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Standard Edition for Small Business	6/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Web	6/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
SQL Server 2008 Workgroup	6/11/2008	14/01/2014	8/01/2019
Sync Framework	4/11/2008	14/01/2014	14/01/2019

End of Mainstream Support in the next 12 months

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Products Released	General Availability Date	Mainstream Support Retired	Extended Support Retired	Service Pack Retired
AutoRoute 2007	20/12/2006	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
BizTalk Accelerator for HIPAA 3.0 Enterprise Edition	28/12/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
BizTalk Accelerator for HIPAA 3.0 Standard Edition	28/12/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
BizTalk Adapter 2.0 for mySAP Business Suite	20/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
BizTalk Adapter 2.0 for SAP	2/11/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
BizTalk Adapter for MSMQ 2.0	10/12/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
Dynamics NAV 4.0	12/12/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	9/01/2007
Exchange 2000 Conferencing Server	29/11/2000	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
GPOVault 1.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
GPOVault 2.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
GPOVault Enterprise 1.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
GPOVault Enterprise 2.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
Host Integration Server 2004 Developer Edition	28/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	14/10/2008
Host Integration Server 2004 Enterprise Edition	30/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	14/10/2008
Host Integration Server 2004 Standard Edition	30/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	14/07/2008
Media Center Extender for Windows XP Media Center	30/12/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Operations Manager (MOM) 2005	24/11/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	10/10/2006
Operations Manager (MOM) 2005 Workgroup Edition	25/11/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	10/10/2006
Optical Desktop Elite for Bluetooth	31/12/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
PolicyMaker Share Manager 1.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
PolicyMaker Software Update 1.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
PolicyMaker Software Update 2.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
PolicyMaker Standard 1.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
PolicyMaker Standard 2.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
Remote Control and Receiver for Media Center PC with Windows	15/12/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Rise of Nations: Gold Edition	13/10/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
SoftGrid Application Virtualization for Terminal Services 4.1	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Softgrid for Terminal Server	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
Streets & Trips 2007	15/12/2006	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Streets & Trips 2007 with GPS Locator	15/12/2006	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Systems Management Server 2003	20/01/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	10/09/2005
Systems Management Server 2003 R2	25/08/2006	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	8/07/2008

Virtual Server 2005 Enterprise Edition	29/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
Virtual Server 2005 Standard Edition	29/10/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
Visual FoxPro 9.0 Professional Edition	22/12/2004	12/01/2010	13/01/2015	
Winternals Defrag Manager 3.0	1/01/2007	12/01/2010	Review Note	
Wireless IntelliMouse Explorer with Fingerprint Reader	7/12/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Wireless Optical Desktop 4000	22/10/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Works 8	8/10/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
Zoo Tycoon 2	15/11/2004	12/01/2010	Not Applicable	
BizTalk Accelerator for RosettaNet 3.0 Enterprise Edition	22/02/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	
BizTalk Accelerator for RosettaNet 3.0 Standard Edition	22/02/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	
Class Server 4.0 Standard Edition	21/02/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	
Forecaster 6.7	30/01/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	
Internet Security and Acceleration Server 2004 Enterprise Edition	1/03/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	11/03/2006
Live Communications Server 2005 Enterprise Edition	22/01/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	10/07/2007
Live Communications Server 2005 Standard Edition	22/01/2005	13/04/2010	14/04/2015	10/07/2007
Virtual PC for Mac Version 7.01	1/02/2005	13/04/2010	Not Applicable	
Point of Sale 1.0	1/06/2005	13/07/2010	Not Applicable	
Whale Communications Intelligent Application Gateway 3.6	10/10/2007	13/07/2010	Review Note	
Windows Server 2003 R2 Datacenter Edition (32-Bit x86)	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003 R2 Datacenter x64 Edition	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003 R2 Enterprise Edition (32-Bit x86)	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003 R2 Enterprise x64 Edition	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003 R2 Standard Edition (32-bit x86)	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003 R2 Standard x64 Edition	5/03/2006	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003, Datacenter Edition (32-bit x86)	28/05/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Windows Server 2003, Datacenter Edition for Itanium-Based Systems	19/06/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Windows Server 2003, Datacenter x64 Edition	28/05/2005	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003, Enterprise Edition (32-bit x86)	28/05/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Windows Server 2003, Enterprise Edition for Itanium-based Systems	19/06/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Windows Server 2003, Enterprise x64 Edition	28/05/2005	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009

Windows Server 2003, Standard Edition (32-bit x86)	28/05/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Windows Server 2003, Standard x64 Edition	28/05/2005	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	14/04/2009
Windows Server 2003, Web Edition	28/05/2003	13/07/2010	14/07/2015	10/04/2007
Wired Keyboard 500	27/04/2005	13/07/2010	Not Applicable	
Wireless Optical Desktop 1000	2/06/2005	13/07/2010	Not Applicable	
BizTalk Accelerator For SWIFT 2.1 Enterprise Edition	21/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	14/10/2008
BizTalk Accelerator For SWIFT 2.1 Standard Edition	21/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	14/10/2008
Communicator 2005	13/08/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Compact Optical Mouse 500	5/08/2005	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Connected Services Framework Order Handling Standard Business Event 2.5	26/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Connected Services Framework Server 2.5	26/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Connected Services Framework Service Provider	26/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Encarta 2008 Standard	11/09/2007	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Encarta Encyclopedia Standard 2005	9/09/2007	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Encarta Premium 2008	11/09/2007	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Office Small Business Accounting 2006	6/08/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Speech Server 2004 R2 Enterprise Edition	22/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Speech Server 2004 R2 Standard Edition	22/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Streets & Trips 2008	15/08/2007	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Student with Encarta Premium 2008	11/09/2007	12/10/2010	Not Applicable	
Windows Mobile 5.0 for Pocket PC	31/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	
Windows Mobile 5.0 for Smartphones	31/07/2005	12/10/2010	13/10/2015	

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Internet Information Services 5.0	17/05/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Office 2000 Proofing Tools Standard Edition	11/01/2000	11/01/2005	12/01/2010
Project 2000 Standard Edition	28/05/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Smartphone 2002 software	31/12/2002	8/01/2008	12/01/2010
Windows 2000 Advanced Server	31/03/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Windows 2000 Datacenter Server	13/11/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Windows 2000 Professional Edition	31/03/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Windows 2000 Server	31/03/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010
Windows Media Services 4.1	31/03/2000	31/03/2005	13/04/2010
Windows Services for NetWare 5.0	13/06/1999	31/03/2005	13/04/2010
Windows Services for UNIX 2.0 Standard Edition	30/06/2000	30/06/2005	13/07/2010

Current and Upcoming Beta Releases and Release Candidates

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[Also check <http://connect.microsoft.com>]

- Office 2010 beta
- Visual Studio 2010 beta
- Forefront Client, Server, Edge, Stirling CTP
- Forefront Identity Manager (was ILM-2) beta
- Forefront Unified Access Gateway beta
- Forefront Security for SharePoint beta
- Forefront Security for Exchange beta
- SQL Server 2008 R2 beta

Local Case Studies

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Adslot

Based on 0 reviews

Combinatorial Auction Provider Scales Up Quickly, Saves Costs with Cloud Services

4-page Case Study posted: 11/17/2009 Views: 74

Tradeslot specializes in designing and building large scale business-to-business and government-to-business (G2B) auctions platforms; its partner company, Adslot, uses the same auction platform to auction online advertising space. The companies use computation-heavy combinatorial auction algorithms to manage their complex conditional bid processes. However, with a lack of compute power with its existing infrastructure, the companies found it necessary to manually add constraints to auctions. Tradeslot and Adslot implemented Windows Azure™ and, as a result, reduced capital costs for customers—from U.S.\$60,000 to only \$1,000 for each customer, improved their ability to scale up and improve services for customers, saved critical IT resources, and delivered a solution their customers can trust.

- Publication Date:
 - 11/17/2009
- Industries:
 - Advertising Industry
- Country/Region:
 - Australia
- Software and Services:
 - Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 Professional Edition
 - Software + Services
 - Windows Azure
 - Windows Azure Platform
 - Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5
 - Microsoft SQL Server 2005
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2003
 - Microsoft SQL Azure

Melbourne Business School

Based on 4 reviews

Business School Improves Top-Line Growth With xRM-based Custom Applications

4-page Case Study posted: 11/11/2009 Views: 98

Melbourne Business School needed to improve information management regarding its prospective and current students, alumni, donors, guest lecturers, and other constituents with whom the school interacts. Working with Oakton, a Microsoft® Gold Certified Partner, the school turned to Microsoft Dynamics® CRM and its underlying development platform, xRM, to accelerate the creation of integrated solutions that track communications and automate workflow processes. Consolidating data sources and automating processes frees school staff to cultivate closer relationships with constituents, which ultimately contributes to increased revenue, overall business agility, and the school's reputation for progressive, global leadership.

- Publication Date:
 - 11/11/2009
- Partner(s):
 - Oakton
- Industries:
 - Higher Education Institutions
- Business Need:
 - Business Productivity
 - Customer Relationship Management (CRM)
- Country/Region:
 - Australia
- Software and Services:
 - Microsoft Office SharePoint Server 2007
 - Microsoft Dynamics CRM

- Microsoft Exchange Server 2007
- Microsoft Office Outlook 2007
- Microsoft SQL Server 2005
- IT Issue:
- Personal Productivity
- xRM

NSW health



Based on 0 reviews

The NSW Health Department introduces new business intelligence solutions to provide holistic patient-centric data analysis

4-page Partner Case
Study posted: 11/08/2009

Views: 69

NSW Health wanted to obtain holistic patient data across the continuum of care and provide hospital and area health managers with relevant views of data. They also wanted to improve patient care and flow by providing up-to-date information at the point of care. New South Wales Health wanted to transform the way it looks at patient information – from a system-centric view to one that is patient centric. They wanted to analyse information in terms of individual patient journeys across the spectrum of care and in relation to the business needs of health organisations, rather than in terms of the systems the data came from. At the hospital level, they also wanted to provide staff and clinicians with accurate and timely patient information at the point of care.

- Publication Date:
- 11/08/2009
- Industries:
- Healthcare Industry
- Healthcare Providers
- Healthcare Payors
- Business Need:
- Business Intelligence and Reporting
- Country/Region:
- Australia
- Software and Services:
- Windows
- Microsoft SQL Server
- Microsoft Office
- Microsoft Office Excel
- Windows Server Technologies
- Windows Server
- Windows Technologies
- IT Issue:
- Document and Records Management

Lion Nathan



Based on 0 reviews

Australian Brewer Improves Reliability, Availability with Highly Available Messaging

4-page Case Study posted: 11/07/2009 Views: 129

Lion Nathan is a major producer, marketer, and distributor of premium alcoholic beverages in Australia and New Zealand. E-mail is critical to Lion Nathan's operations, including the processing of orders received from many retail stores and pubs.

- Publication Date:
- 11/07/2009
- Partner(s):
- JASCO Consulting
- Industries:
- Food And Beverage Industry
- Business Need:

To help ensure high availability of e-mail messaging, Lion Nathan has deployed a pilot of Microsoft® Exchange Server 2010, as a part of the Microsoft Rapid Deployment Program. Lion Nathan expects that messaging enhancements will reduce storage requirements, resulting in a savings of AU\$90,000 (U.S.\$75,000). With the new messaging environment, Lion Nathan will be able to provide better site resiliency with higher availability, along with capabilities for employees to better manage and prioritize their communications.

- Unified Communications
- Country/Region:
 - Australia
- Software and Services:
 - Microsoft System Center Data Protection Manager 2007
 - Microsoft Exchange Server 2010
 - Microsoft Office Communications Server 2007
 - Microsoft Forefront Protection 2010 For Exchange Server
- IT Issue:
 - Personal Productivity

Other Resources

Architecture Journal

[From the Microsoft Architecture website <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb410935.aspx>]

MSDN Magazine

[From Microsoft MSDN website <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/magazine/default.aspx>]

Technet Magazine

[From Microsoft Technet website <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/magazine/default.aspx>]

Webcasts

[From Microsoft webcasts website <http://www.microsoft.com/events/webcasts/library/200811.mspx>]

Worldwide Events

[From Microsoft events website <http://www.microsoft.com/events/default.mspx>]

Research News

[From Microsoft research website <http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/press/default.aspx>]

CodePlex News

[From codeplex.com website <http://www.codeplex.com/site/search>]