

xAssets
IT Asset Management Software
xAssets for SCCM

KEY BENEFITS

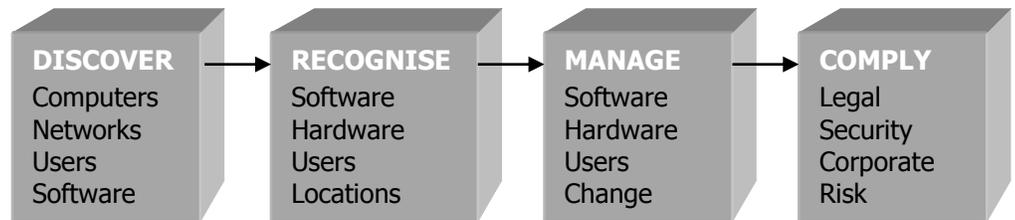
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xAssets for SCCM

xAssets for SCCM leverages the data already collected by SCCM to begin a holistic view of the organization’s IT asset base. The full asset lifecycle is covered from procurement, through deployment, operational service, RMA, compliance, IMACS reporting, and obsolescence and disposal.

The solution begins with an SCCM integration, adds data from Active Directory, Spreadsheets, WSUS, and also discovers non-windows devices such as Network Equipment, Linux, Unix, Mac and IP Phones. This allows all IP based hardware and software to be discovered into a single centralized database solution.

The solution supports multiple forests and domains, and the xAssets Discovery engine can also be used to discover non-domain windows devices.



A Holistic View of the IT Infrastructure

xAssets for SCCM pulls data from System Center, Active Directory, xAssets Network Discovery, Other Discovery Tools, HP Web JetAdmin, and can integrate into virtually any other IT application including Patchlink, Commvault, EMC and accounting systems.

This flexibility allows the solution to fit organisations exact requirements and provide a truly holistic view of the organisations IT Infrastructure.

As well as importing data from these applications, xAssets can also connect in to the applications in real time to provide federated queries from a single source. This cuts database volume and means there is no latency.

Manage all aspects of Software and Hardware Assets

The core technology behind all our asset management software applications is available to xAssets for SCCM. This enables users to manage all aspects of an asset's lifecycle, and store non-discovered assets in the same database.

For ease of use, the system is structured into configurable dashboards for discovery, portfolio, software, history, life cycle, procurement and service management. Each user can decide which dashboard is their home page. Each dashboard is completely configurable and contains menu links, charts and tables.

Powerful management reporting is enabled through charts and tables, which allow progressive drilldown either "in place" or into a mainscreen report. Each chart and table also has a predefined report format for easy printing. All dashboard functions are also available from the dropdown and right click menus. The integration engine is used to keep data feeds from other systems such as SMS and Active Directory in sync.

Establish Software License Compliance position and meet ISO standards

The xAssets for SCCM discovery engine discovers software titles using a variety of advanced techniques including executable file header reading, WMI software repository, and recognition through a number of registry entries. The server software includes a software recognition engine which will clean and recognise discovered data, and store the remapped data in asset register reference tables, so reports show accurate, normalised information across the entire network.

- Store software license purchase information and report purchases against usage
- Recognise Software, Patches, Operating Systems and Status
- Report on software compliance position with charts and reports
- Identify infrastructure faults such as stopped services on security products
- Helps to meet the requirements of the ISO 19770-1 software standard
- Advanced software recognition technology
- Includes reporting for specialised titles like Sql Server which use per processor or per instance licensing

CUSTOMERS

PANASONIC
 DELPHI
 EXPERIAN
 BMW
 SARA LEE
 ABBOTT
 QINETIQ
 DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY
 POLICE
 SIEMENS
 K12
 CHORDIANT
 SMORGON STEEL
 LIBERTY FINANCIAL
 TENIX
 NETSTORE
 SCHLUMBERGER
 UNITED HEALTHCARE
 STORAGETEK
 GLOUCESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
 UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC
 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
 MERCED
 THAMES VALLEY UNIVERSITY
 ALAN BOSWELL
 CEMEX
 UNITED STATES PHARMACOPEIA

BENEFITS FOR SMES

SMEs choose this software because it gets the job done quickly, is reliable and affordable.

Discover small networks in minutes, 1000 PCs could be discovered in less than 30 minutes

Browser based interface enables access from any PC

Install on your network or we can host the software for you

Get up and running in hours, not weeks

Meet your complete requirements in days, not months

Accessible pricing model

Integrate with Active Directory

Easily extend into ITAM, Help Desk, Service Management, and Asset Management with a single repository and no upgrade time

Historical reporting and build comparison

xAssets for SCCM doesn't just store the current state of a network. The software stores differences at every point in the past, and reports show changes in hardware and software either from a baseline date or in comparison to a standard build asset.

- Maintain standard build template assets
- Report on differences from baseline date to profile date
- Report on differences between standard build and profile date

Get notified when changes occur

Notifications can be by email and / or via Inbox entries into the systems inbuilt help desk

- Receive notifications when software is installed or removed
- Receive notifications when hardware appears, is changed, or removed
- Customise to receive notifications on any data change or condition

Recognise incoming data including software, hardware, patches and users

Any data can be recognised with our powerful and programmable recognition engine. Unrecognised data is reported and can be recognised later. Recognise software, hardware, manufacturer, model, device, computer, patches and MAC address, as well as recognise Location from discovered IP address.

Integrate with Anything

Integration can be achieved without substantial expense on consulting fees. Integrate into almost any application including:

- Active Directory
- SMS, Belarc, BMC and Centennial Discovery™
- Accounting Systems
- Purchasing Systems
- EMC, Commvault
- Most other applications in common use today

Customise and Extend to meet requirements

All menus, discovery schedules, discovery methods, views, integrations, classifications, queries, forms, reports and dashboards can be configured to exact requirements, mostly without programming. Customers can introduce new recognition scenarios and code them into the discovery data loader.

Create new business functions and shape the system to requirements without programming. For example, cross charging for IT server usage, or scheduled maintenance plans for servers, can be easily built in using the configuration engine.

Existing installations can be extended with other xAssets products without costly migration or integration fees, since each xAssets product uses the same database and software.

Secure networks by tracking security software, patches and banned software

xAssets for SCCM recognises security software such as Antivirus tools and firewalls, and also recognises titles such as file sharing software, games and software designed for home use, as "banned" software.

Options to discover SNMP Devices, Unix and Linux Machines

SNMP v1 and v2 devices are automatically discovered as part of a discovery run. Configuration options allow users to install new MIBs and capture different ObjectIDs.

Unix and Linux machines can have SNMP turned on, or we have close integration with a third party product which discovers Unix and Linux machines in depth.

Hosted or Installed on your Network

Customers can choose whether to install on your own servers or have xAssets host the software.

Hosted allows customers to use the software as a service, so all server management, server licensing, backups and maintenance tasks are done by xAssets and the software is accessed through a web browser. Onsite installations are often used where corporate policy requires all data within the company firewall, or where spare server capacity already exists.

BENEFITS FOR ENTERPRISES

Enterprises choose xAssets IT Asset Management because it can meet their requirements for security, scalability, low impact discovery, no client installation, and the ability to be customised to meet virtually any requirement including unusual and complex requirements specific to their business.

Browser based interface with Windows Authentication enables worldwide access without deployment onto desktops

Does not write data to discovered clients – the hard disk and registry are accessed but not changed

Collection servers located behind each firewall can speed discovery without increasing licensing cost

Scalability options enable you to support up to 1,000,000 discovered nodes

Multi company, multi currency with full unicode support for Asian and other languages

Configurable to your exact requirements

Integrate with SMS, Active Directory, Belarc, EMC, Commvault, Help Desks and other systems with minimal development effort

Lowest possible TCO of any complete discovery tool

Service Management and Help Desk

xAssets for SCCM can also include a Service Management and Help desk component.

This enables organisations to optimise Service Delivery by ensuring that all incidents are connected into the organisations IT Asset Infrastructure and having direct access to the Asset database in a single integrated application ensures rapid call resolution through data quality, accessibility, accuracy and consistency.

- Reduce Incident Volume
- Fast resolution of Incidents and Problems
- Configurable Workflows for each type of Service Task
- Easy to use for Callers and the Service Desk
- Rapid deployment and minimal training needed

The service management solution is described in more detail in a separate document.

Advanced Technology based on Microsoft .NET 4.6

xAssets for SCCM facilitates the selection of discovery technologies most appropriate to each customers requirements and network topology.

Browser based products can be used from a web browser without any client installation. xAssets version 6 products are browser based and run on Microsoft Windows Server 2008R2 with Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS) and Microsoft Sql Server (2000, 2005 or 2008/R2). Our products are deeply configurable and allow the construction of new functionality with or without programming.

Utilisation of this latest technology brings benefits for those wishing to extend their software:

- All data is communicated using XML
- Write your own software or web pages using the API
- Access the API via secure web services
- The software can consume other web services, for example to load Exchange Rates from banking sites
- Copy and paste assets onto each other to create relationships
- Update data within the existing screen without refreshing the whole screen

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