

# Software management org Software Management Suite 2007

Software Management Suite 2007 serve security and business efficiency purposes, providing knowledge about the installed and acquired software basis, gaps and pools. It enables effective and intelligent planning and optimized purchase decisions regarding software licenses. Besides that it is an efficient tool for SAM consultants too.



## Corporate Governance

Global initiatives like the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (USA), KonTraG (GER), Basel II (EU), Turnbull Report (UK), CCDG (SGP) and many others have raised the issue of financial transparency and asset management. Software Management Suite 2007 support organizations of any size to handle software asset management (SAM) in a proper and efficient way. It integrates software and license management into the organizational workflow to manage business and legal risks.

The scope of this award winning SAM Tool includes all required steps to create excellent and ongoing SAM workflows in any organization.

## SAM Requirements

Software Management Suite 2007 meets the following requirements:

- Scans Windows 32/64 bit systems,
- Scans Mac 9 and X systems
- Scans Linux Suse systems
- WTS/Citrix Sessions/Systems
- Manages licenses of all vendors,
- Manages licenses of all platforms,
- Manages all license types,
- Generates a full license history,
- SQL Server CPUlicensing,
- Device licensing,
- Secondary Use rights,
- User/Machine/Time bound licensing,
- Reliable reconciliation reports,
- License auditor reports
- Ad hoc reports

## ITIL compatible SAM Tools

Software Management Suite 2007 fulfills the requirements of the IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL) for a successful license compliance process and an ongoing SAM.

The "Best Practice for SAM ITIL" of the Office of Government Commerce is an independent and excellent source for every SAM manager.

## Admin oriented handling

The integrated SMOscan simply needs to be incorporated into the central login scripts. No client installation is necessary. The scan is designed for small bandwidth environments and can be customized to use a minimum of device resources.

## Unicode

Different languages and character sets like Japanese, Russian, and Arabic can be analyzed the same way due to Unicode being used throughout Software Management Suite 2007.

## SQL Server CPU Licensing

A set of Windows Management Instrumentarium (WMI) queries get the necessary device information like device name, serial number, model name, and last user name.

Today WMI can not tell the correct number of CPUs. Currently many IT administrators do not have necessary CPU information when they prepare budget or purchase information. Wrong decisions sometimes are preassigned.

Software Management Suite 2007 reports the correct CPU, Core and Hyper Threading information SAM managers need to budget and purchase intelligently.

## Terminal Services

If terminal users access terminal servers in user mode for every session a "virtual" device is generated to manage the licenses on this device. This device contains all the applications that can be executed due to the NTFS-rights of the current user. As an option every session from the same device will be cumulated to the accessing device due to device licensing rights.

If load balancing is activated for WTS/Citrix, Terminal Farms can be pooled to limit the used bandwidth for resulting scans.

## Reporting

The report generator is customizable. Every important figure can be queried and reported. All reports are ready for an export to Word or Excel.

Many standard reports and some additional reports for auditors are implemented and ready to use.

## Reconciliation Reporting

The most relevant report is the License Balance Report. It displays the status of every installed software to its matching licenses.

The License balance Report uses the license history to identify valid update licenses, analyzes valid downgrades, valid user, machine, and time bound licenses. Therefore each installed and/or purchased software product is sincerely examined.

## Update protection handling

Update protection licenses like Upgrade Advantage or Software Assurance are not easy to handle for SAM managers. For that reason Software Management Suite 2007 has an Update protection feature which will automatically use the update license for reconciliation reporting if valid.

## Excellent Results

Common scan tools rely on the registry as the source of installed software assets. This information is often incomplete and parallel installed operating systems are ignored. SMOscan combines a full file scan with detailed registry and WMI analysis. This offers the most complete results for your software assets.

## Manage SAM Professionally

Sometimes a software product is not in the database because it is new or exotic. Softwaremanagement.org offers a maintenance service to complete the database on a regular basis. That is a supplementary offer. Organizations who want to qualify new software themselves get all the tools to assign new software efficiently for free.

Software Management Suite 2007 assists the SAM manager and auditor with reliable and significant information.

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