



OVERVIEW

THE ACTIVE DIRECTORY CHALLENGE

Managing the security and uptime of a Windows network requires IT to master Active Directory, the brain and heart of the network, with maximum efficiency. The highest cost of Windows networks is not the price of the software or hardware, but ongoing IT staffing costs to manage the network. Per IDC, 60% of the Total Cost of Ownership is IT staffing.*

ACTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

ScriptLogic has an award-winning legacy of providing IT administrators with innovative tools that make complex tasks simple. Active Administrator includes four critical AD management functions integrated in one console: Auditing and Reporting, Backup/Recovery, Delegation of Roles and Group Policy Object administration.

AUDITING AND REPORTING

Administrators need a quick way to access auditing information from the AD environment. Active Administrator provides an "Active Audit" framework that collects, analyzes and stores changes and event logs into a central database. No more going through each DC's event logs. Auditing details for Active Directory, Group Policy and Active Administrator are in one place. Quickly generate formatted reports and issue custom actions when select events or AD changes occur.

*IDC, 2007

4A Active Administrator[®]

The complete way to manage your Active Directory

Active Administrator[™] is a comprehensive and proactive Active Directory (AD) management solution. Active Administrator provides four powerful integrated AD management features within one console, including centralized event auditing and reporting, back-up and recovery, Group Policy offline editing and rollback, and simplified delegation of AD rights. Active Administrator makes it simpler and faster than native Windows tools to exceed compliance regulations, tighten security, increase productivity and improve business continuity.

KEY BENEFITS



MEET COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Comprehensive audit trail for Active Directory. Review and enforce access controls. Easy generation of formatted reports to demonstrate compliance.



TIGHTEN SECURITY

Simplify and standardize security management. Assess what is set today. Eliminate over-privileged users. Ensure consistent delegation using Active Templates.



MAINTAIN BUSINESS CONTINUITY

Reduce network and user downtime with proactive alerts on changes. Fast recovery from accidental changes and administrative errors.



INCREASE IT EFFICIENCY

Spend less time on routine AD management tasks. Use Self-Healing Templates and "undo" on AD changes and Group Policies and give the administrator more time to spend on more business critical tasks.

BACKUP AND RECOVERY

Industry experts report that network downtime can cost small and medium businesses as much as 3% of annual revenues. ** Active Administrator provides instant recovery of unwanted modifications or deletions that could lead to significant network downtime. Automated backups allow for quick recovery of any combination of Active Directory objects, passwords, security and Group Policies.

GROUP POLICY MANAGEMENT

The Group Policy Modeling provided in Windows represents the combined security and configuration settings the user will experience if a change is made. Active Administrator provides the ability to perform what-if scenarios, such as moving the user or computer to another OU or site, or adding the user or computer to a group. Active Administrator saves time and prevents user downtime from incorrect or accidental Group Policy changes.

DELEGATE PERMISSIONS

One of the most difficult tasks in managing Active Directory security is assigning permissions consistently. Active Administrator uses "Active Templates" – defined sets of permissions required for a particular user role. Version 5.6 provides management role based access within Active Administrator. Delegating and managing access for more than one administrator is becoming a necessity as IT staff responsibilities grow.

WINDOWS SERVER 2008 & R2 FEATURES

Manage the newest AD platforms with familiar ease, including auditing for new AD events and Read Only DCs. Manage and report on Group Policy and Preferences (ADMX). Recover from Recycle Bin with only a few clicks. Create and manage all fine grained password policies from one central security screen.

LICENSING

Active Administrator is licensed based on the number of enabled user accounts in your Active Directory.

For pricing, contact your ScriptLogic reseller or call ScriptLogic at 1.800.424.9411 or 1.561.886.2475.

** Charles Nault, author of Risk Free Technology, 2009 from interview with Information Week

KEY FEATURES



ONE CONSOLE FOR ACTIVE DIRECTORY

Centrally manage AD delegation, auditing, recovery and Group Policies from a familiar, integrated and easy-to-use interface.



CENTRALIZED AUDITING

Fast and efficient collection of all AD changes (including before and after values of attribute changes) into SQL Server, provides alerting on selected conditions, and real-time or scheduled reports based on filter criteria including the acting user, time, event ID, event type, affect objects and more.



INSTANT BACKUP AND RECOVERY

Perform object-level AD backups and instantly recover selected objects, attributes or security, without rebooting any servers.



GROUP POLICY HISTORY AND OFFLINE EDITING

Automatic collection of a history of GPO versions allows instant rollback and comparison of any version. The offline repository allows GPOs to be edited away from the production network, and calculates RSoP on a mix of offline and live GPOs.



SECURITY MANAGEMENT

Delegate Active Directory permissions using predefined role-based templates for consistent permissions. Templates are self-healing so if something accidentally changes the correct permission will be restored and the administrator alerted. Use Active Administrator application permissions to limit access areas and further help increase security.



PROACTIVE PLATFORM

Active Administrator provides a powerful platform that is self-monitoring and self-auditing. Automate and schedule reporting, customize notifications and set delivery to your inbox and file servers. Configure scheduled backups and maintenance tasks. Be proactive. Set tasks once and save time.



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