

Kaspersky Anti-Virus Secures WinGate Proxy Server

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03rd December 2003, Kaspersky Labs (www.kaspersky.com), a leading information security software developer and Qbik New Zealand Limited (www.qbik.com), a developer of Internet connectivity and security software, announce the release of an integrated anti-virus system for WinGate, one of the most popular products for managing and sharing internet connections. The system is based on renowned Kaspersky Anti-Virus technology, which became Qbik's first choice for integration with its products.

Launched in 1995, WinGate was the world's first Internet connection sharing proxy solution for Windows. It has since evolved into a powerful Internet connection management and policy control solution, and includes an integrated firewall. WinGate's features have made it deservedly popular, and more than 10 million people throughout the world use it on a daily basis. The Kaspersky Labs anti-virus scanner complements and seamlessly extends the functional capabilities of the WinGate package.

Kaspersky Anti-Virus is available to WinGate users as an additional option which supports a full range of functions to combat malicious programs. Kaspersky AntiVirus for WinGate provides real-time scanning of inbound and outbound data traffic including e-mail (POP3 and SMTP), web pages (HTTP) and data transmitted by FTP.

The built-in quarantine function of WinGate allows administrators to isolate infected objects, thereby preventing the spread of malicious code. Data placed in 'quarantine' can be examined to determine the type of virus, and the source of the infection (this includes information about the user who initiated the spread of the virus).

"Our main goal is not only to ensure that WinGate provides our users with the controls and functionality they require for peace-of-mind secure internet connectivity - we wish to ensure that the user's networks and data are also kept secure. The introduction of an anti-virus module powered by Kaspersky Anti-Virus, which we believe is one of the most effective and reliable methods of anti-virus protection available, means that our users can now also forget about virus threats as well" said Adrien de Croy, CEO of Qbik New Zealand Limited.

"At Kaspersky Labs, working in partnership with leading software developers is a core business strategy. We are certain that, being a result of such a partnership, Kaspersky Anti-Virus for WinGate will enable both parties to reinforce their market position, as well as significantly improve the quality of virus-protection offered to WinGate users," stated Vitaly Bezrodnykh, Commercial Director at Kaspersky Labs.

About Kaspersky Labs

Kaspersky Labs is an international software-development company offering advanced products against viruses, hackers and spam for a wide spectrum of customers, from home users to corporate networks. In 14 years of combating virus threats, the company has gained unique knowledge and skills that have led to Kaspersky Labs becoming an acknowledged expert in the creation of systems protecting against external threats.

About Qbik

Founded in 1995, Qbik is a privately owned software development company specialising in Internet connectivity and security. Qbik has a range of software products which allow users to manage their Internet connectivity (WinGate), connect remote offices together (WinGate VPN), and combat network security threats (NetPatrol).

WinGate was the first Internet sharing proxy solution running under Microsoft Windows that allows multiple users access to the Internet across a single channel.

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