Steganos Security Suite 2007 improves privacy protection

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The latest release of the leading encryption suite enables Outlook email, calendars and contacts to be protected; increases the maximum size of each encrypted safe to 256GB and enables Apple iPods to be used as portable safes and keys.

KESTON, UK, 12th December 2006 - Steganos, European leader in providing security and privacy software for consumers and SMEs, has launched the latest generation of its market-leading encryption suite, Steganos Security Suite 2007. Steganos Security Suite provides a full range of privacy protection tools accessible through a single intuitive interface. This version of the software introduces a number of usability and security enhancements and is compatible with the Windows Vista operating system, as well as with older versions of Windows.

Like all Steganos products, Steganos Security Suite 2007 uses the 256 bit AES encryption algorithm, which has never been cracked.

The most important new features in Steganos Security Suite 2007 are:
•Safe size: The maximum size of each encrypted safe has been quadrupled to 256GB
•Outlook Safe: emails, contacts, calendar entries and tasks in Microsoft Outlook can now be encrypted
•PicPass: use a sequence of pictures instead of letters and numbers as a password
•iPod compatibility: an iPod can be used to store encrypted data in a portable safe or to store a key for unlocking safes stored on the computer
•Hotkeys: open and close encrypted safes with hotkey combinations
•Mobile password manager: store passwords on a Pocket PC with the password list synchronised with the PC
•Picture favourites: Links to image files can be stored in password-protected browser favourites
•Firefox compatibility: automatic password entry is now available in Firefox
•Email encryption of complete folders: complete folders can be sent in self-decrypting emails
•Windows Vista compatibility: ready for Microsoft's latest operating system

Steganos Security Suite 2007 includes Steganos Safe 2007, which is also available separately, and which enables any number of encrypted safes to be created, each storing up to 256GB. Large volumes of data can be quickly encrypted, including entire film archives, photo albums, multimedia data, diaries, business documents, and tax returns. Safes created using previous versions of the software can be opened using this latest release.

The interface has been enhanced with the ability to colour-code safes and sort them by colour, size, creation date or name. Safes can be opened quickly using a hotkey combination from within any application. Each safe has its own key combination.

This latest version of Steganos Safe introduces support for Microsoft Outlook, ensuring the privacy of emails, calendar entries, notes and contacts. Numerous PST files (which contain all a user's Outlook data, including the archive) can be locked in a safe.

Support for iPods in Portable Safe and for key storage
Steganos Safe 2007 enables self-decrypting Portable Safes to be created and stored on CDs, DVDs, storage cards, USB keys and DVD-DL media. These safes can be opened on computers that do not have Steganos software installed, provided that the correct password is entered. New files can also be added to safes on rewriteable media (such as USB sticks) from these machines. When the storage media is removed, the data is automatically encrypted. In this generation of the software, an Apple iPod can be used for the first time to store a Portable Safe.

The encryption key can also be stored on an iPod (although users are advised that storage keys and encrypted data should not be stored together). The key can also be stored on digital cameras, USB keys, and ActiveSync-compatible mobile phones. When the devices are connected to the computer, the data is automatically unlocked. When the key device is removed, the data is once again encrypted.

Steganos Shredder for secure data destruction
Steganos Security Suite 2007 includes Steganos Shredder, which destroys data irrevocably. It enables three methods to be used for destroying data: a simple overwriting, the US Department of Defense DoD5220.22-M/NISPOM 8-306 method, or the Gutmann Method using 35 rounds of overwriting. Steganos Shredder can even remove remains of files that were previously deleted using traditional methods. Users can be confident that even free disk space does not include any remains of data that could be reconstituted.

Steganos Internet Trace Destructor
The integrated Steganos Internet Trace Destructor 2007 destroys traces and surfing and work activity. With a mouseclick, users can delete browsing history (including in Firefox), AIM and other messenger traces, Google toolbar and desktop search traces, media lists from Windows Media Player, search queries on peer to peer networks and much more. The deletion can be automatic at the end of a surfing session and can even take place unobtrusively in the background. Users can store their preferences for which traces they would like to be deleted and which they would like to remain.

Steganos Password Manager and mobile password manager for Pocket PC
Steganos Password Manager can automatically enter access credentials at password-protected websites, including for users of the Firefox browser. This release introduces the mobile password manager for Pocket PC, which enables PINs and passwords to be available at all times and protected using strong encryption. The password list can be synchronised with the PC at any time. Additionally, the Password Manager File can be stored on a USB stick and used on several PCs on which the Security Suite is installed (for users who own for example a PC and a laptop and want to use the Password manager on both).

PicPass: use pictures, not passwords
Steganos Security Suite 2007 introduces Steganos PicPass, which enables a sequence of images to be used in place of a text and number password, a feature that is particularly useful for people with a strong visual memory. It can be combined with a traditional password. Users are reminded that without the correct password or PicPass sequence there is no way to access the encrypted data.

Steganography, file and email encryption
Using Steganos Security Suite 2007, sensitive data can be encrypted and undetectably hidden in picture or

sound files. The file manager enables individual files or whole folders to be encrypted with a single mouseclick. Emails can also be easily encrypted and entire folders can now be emailed securely. The recipient does not need any additional software to decrypt the data: the email decrypts itself and any attachments when the correct password is entered.

Steganos AntiTheft
Steganos AntiTheft can help users to recover stolen computers. When the program is first activated, the computer is assigned an ID and it begins to regularly send a signal to the Steganos server. If a laptop is stolen or lost, the owner can notify Steganos of the ID of the computer and can receive the details of the last 30 days of IP addresses used on that computer to access the internet. This information can help the authorities to trace the computer's location and current user.

Free upgrades
Steganos Security Suite 2007 includes free automatic updates within a generation of the software.

Availability
Steganos Safe 2007 is available now from www.steganos.com.

Pricing
Steganos Security Suite 2007 – Boxed or download version
39.95 GBP (free of shipping costs)

Steganos Security Suite 2007 – Upgrade from version 6, 7 or 2006 of Steganos Security Suite and Steganos Security Suite SE™ 2006, or from version 6, 7, 8 or 2007 of Steganos Safe.
23.95 GBP (free of shipping costs)

Requirements for Steganos Safe 2007:
•Windows 2000 (from SP3), Windows XP Home Edition, Windows XP Professional (from SP1), Windows Vista
•100MB free hard disk space for installation
•At least 80MB RAM
•Screen resolution of at least 800x600 and at least High Colour (16 bit) support
•Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.5 or higher
•Pentium of comparable CPU or better
•Mouse or alternative pointing device
•Additional hard disk space is required for secure storage. The NFTS file system is required for the full use of 256GB secure drives. With the FAT32 file system, drives have a maximum possible size of 4GB.
•For the portable safe, a CD or DVD burner with corresponding software is required. Up to 8.5GB is required as temporary storage space for optimal use.
•The use of Steganos Portable Safes on computers without Steganos Safe installed requires administrator rights.
•Supported devices: ActiveSync-compatible devices (eg phones, PDAs); all devices that Windows recognises as a writeable storage device (eg USB keys, storage cards, digital cameras).
•Storage devices and key devices are not supplied by Steganos.

Review software

If you would like to request review copies of Steganos software, please call Annie Kasmai on 0208 996 1647 or email her at akasmai@prompt-communications.com.

About Steganos
Founded in 1996 in Germany, Steganos offers a complete portfolio of user-friendly security and privacy products, including encryption / steganography, antivirus protection, personal firewall and internet anonymity software. Steganos has more than two million users throughout Europe, North America and Latin America. The company markets and sells its products through its website and through its growing network of global resellers, retailers and electronic software distributors. Steganos is a privately held company.

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