

CHANGEBASE ACL LAUNCHED: LAB PROVIDES REAL TIME INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF APPLICATION COMPATIBILITY ACROSS OPERATING SYSTEMS AND VIRTUALISED ENVIRONMENTS

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ChangeBASE Application Compatibility Lab Initial Tests Give Thumbs Up To Microsoft Windows XPSP3

ChangeBASE AOK, the world leader in automated application compatibility software, today announced the launch of its Application Compatibility Lab (ACL). The lab allows companies to benefit from ChangeBASE' state of the art technology and large application repository to provide authoritative answers based on empirical data, to key application compatibility questions for those looking to migrate or employ new platform technologies including Vista and virtualized environments.

Recent work by ChangeBASE ACL includes a focused impact test of 1000 applications across Windows XPSP3 which essentially proved positive in terms of application compatibility issues. While there are a few changes that could cause an application to fail, ChangeBASE's ACL found these affected a small percentage of the portfolio.

"These results show that this latest service pack will have a limited impact on application stability and compatibility and given the many security updates and application updates included, it appears that XPSP3 should be strongly considered for rapid deployment for most organisations." Said Greg Lambert, Chief Technical Architect at ChangeBASE.

"Whilst these results are good news, we still recommend that a simple due diligence acceptability check is executed; primarily to ensure adherence to best practice and consistency of configuration settings, before deploying the new upgrade. This is a service that our partners including Dimension Data and Symantec, provide in minutes using ChangeBASE ACL/AOK" says Lambert.

"The picture of Application Compatibility is a complex one. Microsoft has clearly put a great deal of effort into ensuring XPSP3 enhances the robust XP operating platform, and does not create any significant issues for its customers.

However, software application vendors do seem to remain slow to address compatibility issues with their products for Vista and emerging Virtualisation environments. ChangeBASE ACL tests show that 87% of applications could experience issues, but by using the automated testing in AOK, it is possible to identify these application issues, and in the majority of cases make the changes necessary to be able to take advantage of the new environment within minutes." Lambert concluded.

To view the detailed Lab report on XP SP3 visit : <http://www.changebase.com/docs/AOK-XPSP3-study.pdf>

ABOUT ChangeBASE Limited

Founded in 2006 and headquartered in London, England, ChangeBASE is the provider and developer of AOK, a product that automates the management and upgrade of applications in a Microsoft environment.

ChangeBASE counts Dimension Data, SCC, Satyam, Getronics, Symantec, and Microsoft amongst its partners

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