

EfficientIP assists UK's fifth largest university in tackling a connected devices surge

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Metropolitan Manchester University achieves efficiency and productivity with SOLIDserver™

LONDON, 1st June 2017 - EfficientIP (<http://www.efficientip.com/>), a leading provider of network services, today announced Manchester Metropolitan University (<http://www2.mmu.ac.uk/>) (MMU), the second most applied-to tertiary institution in the UK, has selected its SOLIDserver™. The contract was awarded after a three-way tender process to deliver DNS, DHCP and IPAM (DDI) services to 37,000 students and 4,000 staff members.

Like most universities, MMU has been challenged by the increasing number of connected devices students bring to the campus each day, relying heavily on its IT and networking systems to keep pace with the changes. To ensure students and staff members have access to the network when they need it, and deal with 600 switches handling more than 10,000 IP addresses, MMU had been using a DDI solution from Infoblox. As it approached end-of-support, the university decided to explore additional DDI solutions available on the market, including Infoblox and EfficientIP.

Following the first meeting with EfficientIP and a successful demo of the product, the buying team was very pleased by the capabilities the solution had to offer including visibility, efficiency and search, and decided to make the move.

Commenting on choosing EfficientIP, Justin Michell, Network Engineer of Metropolitan Manchester University, said: "Technically, the easy option would have been to carry on with Infoblox as it would have been a straight upgrade, but financially, it made sense to go with EfficientIP. Their DDI solution was three times cheaper and more feature-rich." However, EfficientIP engineers' efficiency and expertise was the biggest win, according to Justin. "The EfficientIP support team is absolutely brilliant. Every time I've logged a call, we've gotten to the root of the problem. Their team will stay on the phone, even for hours, until they are happy with the outcome – whether it either needs further testing or the problem has been fixed."

The whole implementation process has taken three months. Although, as Justin pointed out, "the functionality we have at the moment covers everything we need for DNS, DHCP and IPAM and is working nicely," MMU has also been looking at bolt-on products, notably a dedicated unit for running EfficientIP's NetChange due to a potential scale in devices. NetChange queries network switches and pulls information on what devices are connected to which interfaces, giving MMU a comprehensive visibility and automated configuration capacity of its network.

To read the full case study please visit: <http://www.efficientip.com/resources/>
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As one of the world's fastest growing DDI vendors, EfficientIP helps organizations drive business

efficiency through agile, secure and reliable network infrastructures. Its unified management framework for DNS-DHCP-IPAM (DDI) and network configurations ensures end-to-end visibility, consistency control and advanced automation. Additionally, its unique 360° DNS security solution protects data confidentiality and application access from anywhere at any time. Companies rely on EfficientIP to help control the risks and reduce the complexity of challenges they face with modern key IT initiatives such as cloud applications, virtualization, and mobility.

Institutions across a variety of industries and government sectors worldwide depend on its offerings to assure business continuity, reduce operating costs and increase the management efficiency of their network and security teams. For further information, please visit: www.efficientip.com

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