

ThinPrint Helps Customers to Continue Using 32-bit Printer Drivers with 64-bit Systems

With virtual printer drivers from ThinPrint, printers without 64-bit printer drivers can still be used with Windows Server 2008 R2

(Berlin, December 8, 2009) ThinPrint, the leading provider of print solutions for Citrix XenApp, Citrix XenDesktop, MS Remote Desktop Services (Microsoft Terminal Services), VMware View, additional VDI environments, and other distributed networks, offers virtual printer drivers that make it possible to continue using printers with 32-bit printer drivers in 64-bit environments. Expanding the solutions are ThinPrint Output Gateway and V-Layer, which are integrated into the .print product family as core technologies.

Since the release of Windows Server 2008 R2, progress can no longer be held back: 64-bit has found its way into companies and corporations. However, this presents a dilemma. Many printers do not have a 64-bit driver available and the printer manufacturers are not planning to develop one. Customers who want to save money on new hardware investment can use two virtual printer drivers from ThinPrint: the ThinPrint Output Gateway (DRIVER FREE PRINTING) and the ThinPrint V-Layer. Both solutions are core technologies of the ThinPrint .print product family.

One possibility is to install the virtual printer driver [ThinPrint Output Gateway](#) on the server and the original 32-bit printer driver on a 32-bit desktop. This desktop then takes over the procession of the print job and its transmittal to the printer. As an alternative, it is also possible to use a thin client with embedded XP on which the 32-bit printer driver is installed.

If all printer drivers are to be managed on a central print server – a highly efficient way to simplify system administration – the [ThinPrint V-Layer](#) ensures that even printers with 32-bit drivers can continue to be used. The V-Layer and the manufacturer's 32-bit printer driver are installed on a 32-bit print server. Print jobs are then automatically processed with the correct printer driver. Printers with 32-bit drivers do not have to be replaced.

"In large environments, costs can quickly add up to five figures when dozens of printers have to be replaced. Apart from that, it would be an irresponsible use of resources if printers were discarded just because of missing drivers," said Charlotte Künzell, Senior



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Vice President of ThinPrint. "This clearly demonstrates once again that print optimization solutions decisively contribute to lowering costs."

Free demo versions for Citrix printing, SBC printing, RDP printing, Terminal Services printing and VDI printing are available at the manufacturer's website: www.thinprint.com/demo

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ThinPrint specializes in mobile enterprise solutions and printing in distributed network architectures. The company's success is based on its print management solution, ThinPrint .print, which is successfully employed in companies of all sizes in all sectors around the globe. More than 500 major distributors and resellers in over 80 countries sell products made by ThinPrint AG. Thanks to numerous partnerships, client components using patent-pending .print technology have been integrated into the terminals, print boxes, PDAs and mobile phones of several leading hardware producers. Strategic partnerships with ThinPrint play a special role in this endeavor, including BlackBerry (RIM), Bluetooth SIG, Citrix Systems, Inc., Fujitsu Siemens Computers, Lexmark International, Inc., Microsoft, Nokia, Orange, Palm, Inc., Sun Microsystems Inc., Symbian Ltd. And VMware, Inc.

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