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Driver-free printing

Many companies have discovered that virtualised environments give them independence from hardware, operating system and application constraints. However printing puts an end to this freedom as applications are directly connected to printer hardware by the relevant printer drivers, and the operating system is predefined – 32-bit printer drivers cannot be used in 64-bit environments or vice versa. ThinPrint's .print Virtual Desktop Engine offers a print solution for VMware Virtual Infrastructures. Its driver-free printing

technology virtualises printer drivers and so permits total independence from hardware, operating system, application and physical location for printing. It eliminates the need for installation of native printer drivers on the VMware computer, compresses print data down to 1 per cent of its original size, and makes it possible to use mixed 64- and 32-bit environments. As for hardware, more than 30 OEM partners have integrated the .print client in more than 200 devices.

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