

Product Spotlight:

Hosted Kerio Mail by Inftek

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منتج تحت الضوء:

بريد "كيرايو" المستضاف من شركة "إنفتك"



Kerio (http://www.kerio.com/) is an alternative to Microsoft Exchange. Exchange is arguably the market leader in corporate email and collaboration software but it's by no means the only solution available. You can either buy a license of Kerio and run it on your own server, or you can find a company hosting Kerio for you.

Inftek (http://www.inftekhosting. com) is one such company and it's the company CENTIMETERCUBE, publisher of Shufflegazine, decided to go with when we were looking for a new email solution.

Hosted or Dedicated

With Inftek you can chose between hosting your Kerio email

accounts on a shared server, or have a dedicated server just to you. They recommend a shared server account for up to 50 users and a dedicated server for anything beyond that. For CENTIMETERCUBE we opted to go with an initial account of 25-users, which covers what we need today.

Plans

The cost of the plans at Inftek are very reasonable. Kerio hosting on a shared server cost \$5.99 per month per user, which gives you 2GB space per user. If you need to you can always upgrade space and number of users for additional fees. The dedicated server option, which means you get a computer to run Kerio on just for you, starts at around \$150 depending on options selected.

Email and Collaboration

Although email is the main reason to look at a solution like this you also get shared calendars, contacts and more. The email is IMAP, which means all the mailboxes are stored online for easy access from anywhere. The same emails you see on your Mac you also see online and on your iPhone. You can create calendars, mailboxes, and contact lists and select who should have access to them and what they can do with them. For example, in CENTIMETERCUBE we have one list of all employees, which everyone can see but only a few can edit. We also have calendars

set up for each department as well as one for the company as a whole. Each user can also have their private calendar and contacts.

Backup and Support

Of course the support offered is critical with these sorts of solutions. One reason for selecting a hosted solution rather than do it yourself is to have less headache in terms of looking after the server, the software, etc. If you have your own server then you're responsible for updating it, backing it up and everything else. Inftek has a five day backup retention policy meaning that any data is backed up and kept going back five days. Inftek's support has so far been excellent. I've contacted them with a number of issues, mostly issues where I've not known how to do something, and they've been very fast to respond and patient in dealing with me. It's good to see a tech company taking support so seriously.

Apple Friendly

A major factor that speaks for Kerio for Apple users is that it's very friendly to our Macs and iPhones. On the Mac you use Mail, iCal and Address Book and have instant access to your email, calendars and contacts. Similarly on the iPhone you set it up as an Exchange account and can push any new information to the device. Any update made anywhere is instantly changed everywhere else. For example, make a calendar entry on your iPhone, and seconds later you see it on the web and in iCal on your Mac. Very cool. Sure, keeping 'push' in effect on the iPhone will require a good data plan and the batteries may run out faster, but it's a very nice functionality. If you're on Blackberry you can also access your Kerio accounts by AstraSync, \$49 per year.

Final Words

All in all our experience with Kerio hosted by Inftek has been great so far. Our company email is more responsive than before, we have all email, calendars, etc. online and it's all backed up and taken care of. Their support has been responsive and helpful, something rare today, I find. If you're looking for something similar to what CENTIMETERCUBE was, take a look at Kerio hosting by Inftek.



تعد خدمة بريد كبرايو http://www.kerio. com بديلاً لمايكروسوفت اكستشينج وتقوم شركة " Inftek انفتك" //:http:// שביסבע www.inftekhosting.com خدمات الاستضافة ليريد "كيرابو". ومنذ فترة قررت شركة "سنتيمىتركيوب CENTIMETERCUBE التي تقوم بنشر محلة شفل حازين الاعتماد على شركة "انفتك" عندمًا كَانت تبحث عن الشركات . التى توفر حلول البريد الإلكتروني. تَكَلُّفُ اسْتَضَافَةً "كُنْرَابُو" عَلَى مُخَّدُم "Server" مشترك 9.99 دولاراً شهرياً لكل مستخدم وتوفر ۲ جیجابایت لکل مستخدم، كما توفر خدمات أخرى بالإضافة إلى البريد مثل التقاويم ويبانات الاتصال المشتركة بين المستخدمين والمزيد. وتعد خدمات شركةً "إنفتك" ممتازة حتى الآن، هذا ولمزيد من الأمان تقوم الشركة أيضآ يحفظ احتباطي للبيانات الموجودة. ومن الأسباب الهامة التي تشحع مستخدمی آبل علی اختیار ''کبرابو'' سهولة استخدام حواسب ماك وهواتف أي فون معه. فمن خلال حاسب ماك تستطيعً استخدام برنامج "ميل" وبرنامج "آي كال" ويرنامج "آدرس بوك" مع إمكانية الوصول السريع الن التريد الالكتروني والتقاويم وبيانات الاتصال. ويشكل مشابه على أي فون تستطيع وضعه كحساب إكستشينج ومزامنة أنة معلومة الى الهاتف. ومن الحدير بالذكر أن التحديثات التي يتم تعديلها من أى جهاز يتم تعديلها في الحال في جميع الحسانات المستخدمة.

تعد خدمة بريد "كيرايو" بديلاً لمايكروسوفت إكستشينج، على الرغم من أن "إكستشينج» هو الرائد بين برامج مشاركة البيانات إلا أن "كيرايو» يعد خياراً أفضل وأكثر اقتصادية للكثير من الشركات.



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