Windows Server 2003 End of Support is Here, Businesses Urged to Migrate Now

eMazzanti Technologies' new countdown clock and tips help Businesses upgrade their servers to avoid security and compliance problems

Hoboken, New Jersey -- (Vocus) July 1, 2015 – eMazzanti Technologies, a New York City area IT consultant and managed services provider, has posted information to help businesses migrate from Windows Server 2003 as the product's July 14, 2015 end-of-support deadline approaches. The new website page includes simple steps IT managers can follow, a deadline countdown clock, and an informative Microsoft video that presents the advantages of upgrading to a newer operating system.

Windows Server 2012

Click here to view the Windows Server 2003 EOS Help web
page for assistance in planning to migrate current functionality to the cloud, Windows Server 2012 R2, or newer operating system.

After the July, 2015 deadline, Microsoft will no longer support Windows Server 2003 or provide patches and security updates. That creates potential security problems and immediate compliance issues for businesses.

"Upgrading from Windows Server 2003 requires the right planning and expertise to minimize the business disruption," stated Carl Mazzanti, CEO, eMazzanti Technologies. "With the right approach, a company can also reduce ongoing IT maintenance costs, potentially saving more than the cost of the migration."

The website includes helpful advice from Microsoft on how to proceed with a Windows Server 2003 migration, including this four-step process:

1. Discover the workloads running on Windows Server 2003
2. Assess which workloads need to be migrated
3. Select the migration targets (new homes for each application and workload)
4. Carry out the migration

Many organizations are uncertain about which applications they will migrate to new servers and which will be moved to the cloud when upgrading their operating system. Other considerations can make for a complicated migration. For example:

- Older hardware, particularly machines based on 32 bit technology, may not be compatible with Windows Server 2012 R2.

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- Organizations may be able to consolidate existing applications on fewer servers by incorporating cloud services and virtualization.

- Microsoft applications, third-party applications and custom programs may require different approaches, so they need to be considered individually.

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Users are encouraged to consider the relationships between their current applications and services, which servers and services can be retired, and to prioritize the remaining applications for migration.

Microsoft recommends that businesses start the process today by assessing their current Windows Server 2003 deployments. In today's world of increasing IT security threats and compliance requirements, the risks from delaying the migration may be substantial.

Visit the [Windows Server 2003 Migration Help](#) web page.

Related resources:

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