

The Top Reasons to Upgrade to Open Enterprise Server 2015

In these days of Big Data and complex, mixed IT environments, you need your network running at peak performance to keep your end users productive and your organization competitive. To meet these goals, your network needs more storage, improved performance, and a variety of tools to enable user productivity.

Look no further than Micro Focus® Open Enterprise Server 2015. This new version provides you with ultimate performance and flexibility, meeting your file and print needs for today—and tomorrow. Open up your network's possibilities with the most significant enhancement to Open Enterprise Server since we first ported traditional NetWare® services to Linux.

Presenting the top ten reasons you should upgrade to Open Enterprise Server 2015:

- 1. A huge amount of storage.** Ready for even larger storage capacity? Instead of being restricted to 8 Terabytes, you'll have a massive 8 exabytes of storage (which equals eight million Terabytes). With this amount of storage, you won't be worrying about storage for a while.
- 2. Expanded access to Novell Storage Services (NSS).** In the past, our storage service, NSS, was only reserved for Micro Focus eDirectory™ users—but not anymore. With Open Enterprise Server 2015, Active Directory and eDirectory users and environments can have simultaneous access to NSS. In addition to expanded NSS access, we've also made it easier to customize software with a unified view of all NSS configuration settings accross pools and volumes.
- 3. Dynamic protocols.** We made strong protocol security and functionality a high priority with Open Enterprise Server 2015. We've added NSS support for SMBv2 and expanded storage support in NetWare Core Protocol (NCP) and OES Windows Client (formerly Novell Client for Windows). Also, CIFS NTLMSSP and Kerberos support will be available for enhanced end-user authentication for eDirectory and Active Directory respectively. Additional changes include real-time status updates for CIFS NT Notify Support as well as shared authorization data between CIFS and NSS. These capabilities eliminate the need to use in-memory trustee copy, resulting in improved performance and reliability.
- 4. Printing enhancements.** Enjoy even more print flexibility with Micro Focus iPrint®. You can now install printers using any browser with the new browser-independent feature. We've also added accounting support to the popular, productivity-boosting direct printing feature.

Here are just a few benefits of upgrading to Open Enterprise Server 2015:

- Increased Storage—up to 8 exabytes to be exact
- Native support in Novell Storage Services (NSS) for Active Directory, in addition to existing eDirectory support
- SMBv2 protocol support and improved file access performance
- Enhancements to Micro Focus iPrint that make it more flexible than ever

The most significant update since Open Enterprise Server 1.0

- 5. New licensing models.** Open Enterprise Server 2015 features a more customer-focused approach to user licenses. For example, our new inactive user license will consider end users who do not log in for at least 120 days to be inactive. These inactive users will not be tallied in active user counts, which helps you cut costs. A limited use Open Enterprise Server user license is also available for users that just use eDirectory on Open Enterprise Server for authentication needs. This means you don't have to worry about scaling user accounts that exceed granted entitlements for those who don't use Micro Focus Filr, Print, and Domain services on Windows.
- 6. Install, migrate, and manage without the headache.** DNS names on installation and upgrade paths will eliminate confusion during software installation, migration, and daily maintenance. Transfer ID migration will also support Common Proxy user migration. And DFS junction management eliminates the need to track junctions by spreadsheet, allowing you to search and view all the junctions in a volume and export the list.
- 7. Introducing Novell Identity Translator.** This automated Linux User Management (LUM) solution makes administering Unix profile management for Active Directory and eDirectory users a snap.
- 8. Four Extra Cluster Nodes.** You read it right. When you upgrade or deploy a new Open Enterprise Server 2015 Cluster Services setup, you will receive four additional cluster nodes at no extra cost if you purchase maintenance on those nodes at list price. This promotion is only applicable if all the nodes in your cluster are running Open Enterprise Server 2015.
- 9. Client OS support.** Open Enterprise Server 2014 includes support for the latest versions of client operating systems such as Windows and Macintosh.
- 10. Stay current on maintenance support.** Open Enterprise Server 2 is out of support and NetWare is in the last months of extended support. Upgrade or migrate seamlessly to Open Enterprise Server 2015 to stay current and get maintenance benefits, including the latest patches and security updates, in addition to the cool new capabilities and improvements outlined above. Many customers have already upgraded to Open Enterprise Server 2015. Have you?



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