



Tools4ever announces Password Complexity Manager

PCM offers more options than standard Windows complexity rules

New York, October 25, 2010 –Tools4ever, a global leader in Identity and Access Management, is pleased to announce an innovative solution that enables system administrators to enhance the complexity of Active Directory passwords. Password Complexity Manager (PCM) offers significantly improved flexibility when creating a Password Policy and extends the standard complexity rules within the Windows domain. For instance, PCM provides the option to set the password complexity at the OU level in the domain and provides end-users with feedback on what rules have been complied with during a password reset. PCM offers system administrators the ability to expand the standard Windows Active Directory password complexity rules. This guarantees an overall increase in security for their networks.

Because passwords are fraud-sensitive, there may be a requirement for some end-users to provide extremely complex passwords, whilst others with different roles within the organization may not be required to utilize such complex passwords. Audit rules may dictate specific password requirements, which cannot be met within the standard Windows complexity rules.

Most organizations want to be able to set various security levels for different users. However, the standard Password Policies for Domain User Accounts are extremely limited and do not always fulfill such needs.

The key features of PCM are:

- *Complexity at domain level:* With PCM you can implement multiple Password Policies at various levels, either domain or Organizational Unit (OU).
- *Interface for setting complexity rules:* PCM offers a number of predefined rules and allows system administrators to determine which rules will be applied and when.
- *Immediate feedback:* A modified GINA client is supplied within PCM that indicates when a password is changed whether the new password complies with the PCM or the configured AD rules. On entry of the password, the PCM-GINA indicates with a checkmark as each rule is met. This gives the end-user immediate feedback about whether or not the new password complies with complexity rules and allows them to modify the password in real time.
- *Integration of Password Management Solutions:* PCM can be integrated seamlessly with other Password Management solutions from Tools4ever, such as Self Service Reset Password Management (SSRPM). With SSRPM end-users can reset their own passwords based on a number of simple predefined questions. When organizations deploy SSRPM in combination with PCM, end-

users setting a new password are notified of the defined complexity rules on the same screen, with the benefit of visible checkmarks and the checkmarks are also visible.

Please visit www.tools4ever.com/products/password-complexity-manager/ to find out more.

About Tools4ever

Tools4ever distinguishes itself with a no-nonsense approach and a low Total Cost of Ownership. In contrast to comparable Identity & Access Management solutions, Tools4ever provides a complete solution in several days rather than weeks or months. Partly thanks to this approach, Tools4ever is the undisputed Identity & Access Management market leader, with more than one million managed user accounts.

Tools4ever supplies a variety of software products and integrated consultancy services involving Identity Management, such as User Provisioning, RBAC, Password Management, SSO and Access Management. For more information, please visit www.tools4ever.com.