



Customer: Aarhus Kommune, a large municipality in Denmark Web Site: www.aarhus.dk Number of Users: 15,000 Industry: State Government

Solutions: Change Auditing

Product:

Active Directory Change Reporter

Vendor:

NetWrix Corporation Phone: 888-638-9749 Web Site: <u>www.netwrix.com</u>

Customer Profile:

Aarhus Commune is the municipality of Jutland's capital Aarhus – the city of more than 300,000 inhabitants. It is the centre of "Greater Aarhus", which has a population of approximately 1,2 million people. Aarhus is also Denmark's fastest-growing city and leading growth center.



Meeting Active Directory Auditing Needs of a Municipal Government with 15,000 Users

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Aarhus Kommune is a municipality on the east coast of the Jutland peninsula in central Denmark. The municipality covers an area of 469 km² (181 sq mi), and has a total population of 307,000. The city of Aarhus is the second largest city in Denmark, the principal port on the east coast of Jutland, and the seat of Denmark's second-largest bishopric.

Challenge: Change Audit of a Diverse IT infrastructure with Decentralized User Administration

The large municipality has a vast and complex IT infrastructure featuring numerous OUs and over 15,000 users. One day the whole organization was at the point when tracking AD changes made by system administrators became an uneasy task to accomplish without a proper 3rd party solution.

As Lauritsen explains, "The municipality is characterized by multiple supplier setup. This however gives a complex structure on the access management of the AD in specific OUs and makes it difficult to see who has made which changes. Furthermore the municipality is characterized by its decentralized user administration, which requires monitoring".

Solution: Comprehensive Change Auditing Tool at an Affordable Price

IT consultants at Aarhus reviewed several solutions prior to making a final decision to go with NetWrix. They considered a

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Microsoft Partner Gold Independent Software Vendor (ISV) few different vendors, but Active Directory Change Reporter became #1 choice of the municipality's AD operations engineer and scored the highest in terms of "usability, references on web and price", as further described by Lauritsen.

"We have considered a number of technologies (there's a lot on the market). But found the solution by NetWrix the best in relation to the price", adds Lauritsen.

The client showed overall satisfaction with both sales and implementation procedures:

"The sale was flexible and able to relate to customer's needs", commented Lauritsen.

"It only took 4-5 working days from ordering to AD operations engineer had it installed", says Lauritsen, "and with some help from product documentation, it was in place."

Proven Results: Controlled IT Infrastructure

Diverse IT infrastructure is hard to control and audit. Tracking exactly who made what change, where and when is a cumbersome task indeed without an efficient change auditing solution. Active Directory Change Reporter by NetWrix proved to be the right solution to satisfy the requirements of the municipality's IT department which include Active Directory change auditing in multiple OUs and decentralized user administration monitoring.

One of the main indicators of a customer's satisfaction with an auditing solution is efficient reporting of all changes in the given environment. That is exactly what NetWrix Active Directory Change Reporter is able to show: all information on Active Directory changes at fingertips.

In other words, the IT department is now capable of monitoring all critical changes in Active Directory with custom reports which provide, according to Lauritsen, "Nice and brief overview on key information."

About NetWrix Corporation

Established in 2006, NetWrix Corporation provides innovative and cost-effective solutions that simplify and automate the management of Windows networks. With in-depth knowledge and experience managing Windows environments of all sizes, the company delivers solutions to meet complicated business requirements while fulfilling the best expectations of IT professionals.



