

The new Astaro Command Center brings it all together

Central management tool offers optimised performance and expanded monitoring for all Astaro security appliances.

***Burlington, MA (September 11, 2008)** – Astaro Corporation (www.astaro.com), a leading vendor of security appliances, today announced its release of Version 1.9 of Astaro Command Center (ACC), its central management solution. Available free of charge, the new version of this software enables Astaro customers, partners and managed service providers to monitor and manage up to 250 Astaro Gateway appliances from a single, central point. The new release offers better performance and greater scalability for larger environments and is based on the same system architecture as the Astaro Security Gateway. Expanded monitoring and simplified administration complete the new Astaro Command Center.*

Astaro Command Center's sophisticated multi-client capability is especially beneficial for Astaro partners and managed security providers. Extensive monitoring functions make it convenient to centrally manage several customers' security installations and their respective permissions. For example, the hardware components, network loads and running services of all connected gateway devices can be monitored from a central dashboard. Trend indicators enable administrators to predict how important system parameters will develop. The integration of Yahoo maps allows precise geographic location of all managed gateways. All monitoring data is available to the ACC administrator with a delay of only a few seconds.

Astaro Command Center has also made a huge leap forward in terms of performance, using 80% less bandwidth for the exchange of gateway data, allowing for management of larger installations. Comprehensive authentication, logging and reporting functions, user authentication against Active Directory and eDirectory, and automatic sending of status reports round out the completely revamped Astaro Command Center.

Those familiar with Astaro Security Gateway or Astaro Web Gateway will quickly find themselves at home in the new Command Center, as it now uses the same browser-based GUI.

ACC is available for download, free of charge, as either a software appliance or a virtual appliance from the Astaro website: <http://www.astaro.com/download/acc>.

Test the new ACC directly online here: <http://accdemo.astaro.com>.

Release Notes: http://up2date.astaro.com/ACC_V1.9_ReleaseNotes.pdf.

About Astaro

Astaro offers the most complete and easy to use Internet security appliances available. Combining best of breed applications, the proven quality of Linux and enterprise level performance, Astaro's award-winning products provide the latest protection with the best total cost of ownership. Software, hardware and virtual appliance offerings provide users the flexibility to meet a wide variety of deployment scenarios. Distributed by a growing worldwide network of more than 2,500 resellers, Astaro products protect over 35,000 businesses in 60 countries. Astaro, headquartered in Burlington, Massachusetts, USA and Karlsruhe, Germany, offers free downloads of its products at www.astaro.com.

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