

Bsafe/Enterprise Security Ensures You Treat Your Data With Decorum!

"OK, the audit is finished. We are good for another year. I think this year it went rather well. They found a few issues that require attention, but in general I am waiting for the audit report with confidence".

Then, about a month later you receive the audit report containing an unexpected challenge. The security of your IT environment and related procedures appear not to be as well-secured as you thought (or hoped for!).

Some parts of the report are familiar. Security has been an issue for many years, and re-appears in many organizations when problems are brought to light in security audits.

The Problem

IT administrators have many projects and activities which require their attention, while continuous maintenance of security requires much time and effort on their part.

If you wish to keep your systems updated with the latest OS developments, you may move them to a higher OS release, but soon you will, more than likely, come across issues in the new version requiring attention. Security is frequently a part of such issues.

How relaxing it would be therefore if there was a product that could take the ongoing task of security out of your hands, and address new developments.

The Product

Bsafe/Enterprise Security is a product that provides just such a solution. Required information is always available and your systems are secured. Moreover your internal controller can now obtain the information he requires for the yearly audit himself.

The product is controlled through an intuitive user interface. From a single screen you have a view of all your systems and you can select all required functionality. The product provides this functionality for System i, IBM mainframe (CICS) and Windows servers. The product is based on an easy to understand concept and provides all desired reporting requirements. From this user interface you can control your

systems, adapt them to new requirements, secure them, alert and produce reports.

Monuta

Monuta is a leading provider of funeral insurance in the Netherlands. The nature of Monuta's business means that Monuta has to comply with regulations from external bodies, the Netherlands National Bank amongst others, and it has to show evidence of compliance with them. This resulted in a tremendous work burden on internal controllers and the ICT team during the yearly audit. Much information needs to be furnished for inspection in a relatively short time span.

Therefore, Monuta decided to improve their automation and standardize security. Bsafe Information Systems' partner Bravoure IT was requested to lead a project for selecting and implementing a security software package. By defining clear goals for a software package that could answer their requirements, Monuta was quickly able to decide on the adoption and implementation of Bsafe/Enterprise Security for System i.

Agnes ter Agter, internal controller at Monuta: "Through Bravoure IT's efforts and the selection of Bsafe/Enterprise Security, our organization now has insight into the security status of the organization, without burdening the IT department. Access control can be defined at group or user level and invalid access attempts are easily spotted. In general I can state that Bsafe/Enterprise Security has enhanced our sense of security regarding our data and that is a very comforting thought."

Bravoure-IT and Bsafe Information Systems, Ltd.

Bravoure-It has been active since 1989 in the area of back-office automation. The company especially focuses on support-desk management, operational administration and hardware infrastructure around IBM AS/400, iSeries and System i5 midrange platforms.

For more than a decade, Bsafe has been providing security solutions to organizations worldwide of all sizes with high security demands, including banks, insurance companies, retail establishments, manufacturers and public institutions. Companies that have adopted Bsafe products include: Prudential, AXA, Generali, Societe Generale, CIBC, Western Union, Intesa-San Paolo, Johnson & Johnson, Schering Plough, Toyota, BMW, TRW, Sony, Yamaha, Makita, Mitsubishi, Konica, Delhaize and Adecco.

The Bsafe/Enterprise Security software suite provides compliance and security solutions across the IBM i (AS/400) and z (mainframe) server platforms of IBM as well as related Windows servers. It offers an unparalleled combination of access management, monitoring, auditing, reporting, alerting and general security management.

For years Bsafe products have been synonymous with ease of use, freeing up an organization's scarce IT resources for mission critical tasks. The Bsafe product suite takes the pain out of IBM i and z server security and audit projects. Bsafe allows System i and System z legacy data to become an integrated part of the general security and compliance environment.