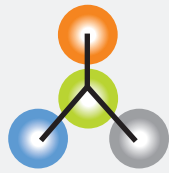# Intelligent Group Management

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Dynamic Group Management

Groups are as dynamic as their members: they need to change as users switch responsibilities, roles and locations. The problem is that distribution lists and security groups are often manually maintained by the Exchange or Active Directory administrator. GroupID Automate puts an end to this chain of manual processes by automating the creation and management of these groups.

Dynamically maintain groups based on rules that are applied to your directory data. When user information changes, GroupID Automate automatically updates the appropriate distribution lists and security groups. Your groups will never be out of date again.

Increasing Productivity & Security

GroupID Automate solves a real problem for today's business. Employees depend on distribution and security groups to do their jobs every day. If distribution groups are not accurate, emails are sent to the wrong employees and are eventually abandoned. If security groups are not accurate, employees either don't have access to the systems and resources they need or, worse yet, do have access to the systems and resources that they are not supposed to.

Groups are generally managed one of three ways: negligently, IT-centric, or user-centric. This means they either don't manage groups, have a highly paid administrator manually manage groups, or have end users manage groups. All of these solutions have a cost that far outweighs creating dynamic groups through GroupID Automate.

"My department was asked to create 34 temporary distribution lists which could have had a huge impact on our workload. What could have taken days took a matter of hours. Now we can focus on more strategic initiatives. The Imanami GroupID Automate product works like a champ!"

Scot Steele
Senior IT Manager
/Solutions Architect
Cingular Wireless

By automating these groups, you can ensure they will always be accurate. Increase productivity by giving employees access to the right systems and information immediately upon hiring or promotion. Increase security by granting access to only the systems you want and denying access immediately upon any change in status. Use Active Directory's group structure to your benefit with GroupID Automate.

How Does GroupID Automate Do It?

GroupID Automate automates the creation and management of Microsoft's Exchange and Active Directory distribution lists and security groups. In addition to increasing efficiency company-wide, using GroupID Automate significantly reduces support calls to system administrators and help desks by automating many of today's manual and redundant administrative tasks.

GroupID Automate allows System Administrators to become proactive in managing distribution lists and security groups. Administrators can assign a dynamic membership to a distribution list. For example, you could create a distribution list that contains everyone on a particular Exchange server or everyone in a particular department or business unit. These queries can be as simple or complex as your business requires. GroupID Automate will then keep this information current, so the right people receive the right information. GroupID Automate can even work with multiple data sources such as LDAP, iPlanet, SQL and Oracle.

GroupID Automate will also automate your managerial and geographic groups with multi-level Dynasties. A Dynasty is a distribution list that creates and manages other distribution lists. You can create a Dynasty based on any field and GroupID Automate will scan the directory for every unique value of that field. It will then create a distribution list for each value and keep it up-to-date, creating new distribution lists and deleting ones that are no longer needed. A very intuitive and powerful query designer puts the power of groups in your hands.

SmartGroups – Dynamically maintain Distribution and Security groups

A powerful, yet easy to use, query designer allows you to manage groups dynamically by setting the query just once. An actual group is created in AD and maintained by GroupID Automate. The query designer allows for extremely complex queries in a simple to understand format.

Flexible Dynasties – Create the most common groups in just a few clicks

Dynasties take the complexity out of the most common distribution and security groups. A Dynasty automatically creates groups based on the most common criteria (manager, department, location, etc.) for example, a location Dynasty will create lists for region, country, state, city and office location. The flexibility of Dynasties allows you to name the individual lists based on any field within Active Directory.

Imported Source queries

When data is stored in sources that are outside of Active Directory, GroupID Automate can query those sources AND Active Directory. A Smartgroup query can contain multiple fields from sources outside of Active Directory, creating a very flexible robust system. The external data sources include CSV files, Text files, Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, LDAP, SunONE iPlanet, and any ODBC compliant Data Source.

Group Usage Service

Need tools to manage your existing groups? Group Usage Service has now been integrated into GroupID Automate. Group Usage Service monitors when mail is sent to a group, and updates the timestamp on the group. Use GroupID Reports to view your unused groups. Take it to the next step and expire or delete the group in GroupID's MMC.

Powershell Extensibility

Everything that GroupID Automate does has an equivalent powershell command. This allows you to programmatically extend GroupID Automate into existing processes.

Transfer Ownership Wizard

Need to change the ownership of all the groups a user owns? No problem, the Transfer Ownership Wizard allows you to transfer ownership of all groups owned by one user to another, in one step. Simply enter and individual's name into the field and the Wizard will locate all the groups they are in as well as all the groups they own. Simply select the specific groups that need to have a new owner assigned, pick the new owner(s) and automatically, the Transfer Ownership Wizard will make the changes for you!

Password Expiration Notification

Notify users via email that their password is about to expire. Using a simple wizard in the query designer, GroupID Automate will create a list of accounts with expiring passwords and send reminders to update.

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System Requirements

Operating System
Microsoft Windows XP Professional
Microsoft Windows Server 2003 family

Directory Services Supported
Microsoft AD with Exchange Server 2000
Microsoft AD with Exchange Server 2003
Microsoft AD with Exchange Server 2007
Microsoft AD with Exchange Server 2010

Import Data Sources
iPlanet / SunONE
LDAP version 3.0
Oracle
Microsoft SQL Server 2000, 2005, 2008
Text File
CSV File
Microsoft Excel File
Any ODBC compliant data source

Hardware Recommended
2GHz Pentium IV or higher
2GB RAM or higher
100MB or more of hard drive space available for execution

About Imanami

Imanami develops software that delivers Point Solutions for Identity Management. We focus on the high value milestones that you can realistically accomplish today and provide the quick wins, meaningful ROI and increased end user satisfaction that helps ensure internal company support for your IdM rollout.

Trial Software

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