



New E-SSOM gives end-users lightning-fast access to applications

Fast User Switching and Follow Me functionality are new in SSO solution

Seattle, 15 March 2010 – Tools4ever, the market leader in Identity and Access Management solutions, has introduced a new version of Enterprise Single Sign On Manager (E-SSOM). The most important new features in this version are Fast User Switching and Follow Me. With Fast User Switching, end-users have extremely quick access to their applications by circumventing the slow log-in process of Windows. A user is logged in in a few seconds instead of minutes in a standard Windows environment. E-SSOM takes over the log-in, launching and closing applications. This is particularly useful in locations where multiple users make consecutive use of one PC with their own user account, for example in hospital nursing departments. If an organization has access to Citrix and / or Terminal Services (TS), it is possible to apply Follow Me instead of Fast User Switching. In case of Follow Me an open session is automatically linked to a user as soon as they make themselves known on a workstation.

Fast User Switching & Follow Me

In many organizations a PC is used by several people. To avoid losing valuable time with logging into Windows and launching applications, one generic user account is often used. But this is really not secure because users gain access to specific information wrongfully this way. It is also a thorn in the side when it comes to audits and compliance. With Fast User Switching a workstation and its applications are available quickly. A user only has to log into E-SSOM instead of the slow Windows log-in window, after which the applications for which he is authorised are launched and logged into automatically. If the application has already been launched, only logging in has to be done. By using a smartcard (a user pass), this process can be simplified and accelerated even further. Once a user presents the smartcard to the reader, this is recognised by E-SSOM and the user is automatically switched, logged in and the right applications are launched, without the user having to do anything about this.

The Follow Me functionality is an alternative for Fast User Switching and only works in combination with Citrix or Terminal Services. The user begins by logging into the network and launching the required applications (E-SSOM provides automatic login). If this user then switches workstations, he is able to 'take' the logged-in session with him to a different workstation. Just as with Fast User Switching, it's possible to link user-switching to a smartcard. This means the user only needs to be identified with a pass and an optional PIN code.

Single Sign On

Of course E-SSOM's main functionality remains intact. This Single Sign On solution takes over the end-user's log-in process to several applications, so that he doesn't need to enter a new

username/password combination for each application he wants to open. Logging in just once with the Windows log-in is sufficient to open all the required applications immediately. Thanks to the preconfigured applications and its advanced interface, E-SSOM can set Single Sign On for every desired application.