
O&O DiskImage 5: Security for company data, independent of the hardware

Berlin, February 01, 2010 – Losing data is an expensive risk run by many companies these days. By continually making images of such crucial information, this risk is avoided. Should a loss occur or an operating system crash, an image means the information can be quickly retrieved and made available again. Server and workstation downtime is also kept to a very minimum.

O&O DiskImage doesn't however just secure data, but whole computers too. Restoring an image means the old computer setup is quickly brought back to life, regardless of whether it is onto the computer where the image was created or onto another machine. O&O DiskImage 5 can restore a system image or duplicate onto both identical hardware and onto different hardware, for instance where the Motherboard or the Processor has been changed. When moving to another computer, the old system configuration with all settings is transferred to the new system. Thanks to the O&O DiskImage 5 Boot CD based on Windows PE – a self-contained operating system – users can also swap defective drivers or modify dead systems so that they boot up once more. This function is even possible without having to recover an image created using O&O DiskImage 5. As with previous versions, central network control of the software is made easy by the O&O Enterprise Management Console 3.

New and enhanced functions

Restoration onto different hardware (M.I.R.): With the integrated function "Restoration to different hardware" (M.I.R.: machine independent restoration) it is now possible to restore an image of an operating system onto different hardware, and to make a dead system bootable again. After the image has been restored, the new hardware can be adapted and the system is once again start-capable.

Change the computer name and computer SID: With O&O DiskImage, users can change a computer's identity, i.e. the computer name and Computer SID, in order to protect the safety within a work group environment and that of removable media in networks. This can be very useful for example when rolling out a system image onto several network machines.

Imaging without downtime: O&O DiskImage 5 Server Edition includes a mechanism, which ensures that the imaged data corresponds exactly to the moment the imaging process began: changes to the data set by the user or applications will not influence a running imaging process. The existing file system and the application environment have therefore no influence on the process. Only by harnessing this technology can consistent system images be created, while at the same time ensuring that the system runs without interruption, and remains continuously available.

Protection against data manipulation: O&O DiskImage 5 forensic, incremental or differential images are armed with checksums, which recognize and report hardware defects or a virus that may compromise data.

E-mail notification: Users can keep themselves informed on how the image processes are going by e-mail with regular status updates.

Clear user guidance: The new Information Bar leads the user clearly through each stage of the procedure and provides helpful tips. Various options are displayed before imaging begins, and advanced options are available during the procedure, such as closing down the computer upon completion of the image.

Automation, scripting and reporting: A comprehensively configured time control enables users to comfortably create automated images with O&O DiskImage 5 Server Edition. In addition, O&O DiskImage 5 Server Edition can be controlled completely over script commands. Detailed reports are then compiled, informing users as to the results of every procedure or activity.

Virtual Hard Disc (VHD): O&O DiskImage 5 can convert images of virtual hard disks from Microsoft (VHD) into O&O DiskImage image files and vice versa. A virtual hard disk can therefore be directly restored.

Prices and availability

O&O DiskImage 5 Server Edition as a single computer license costs 299.00 Euros net and the Upgrade (from previous versions or competing commercial products) costs 179.40 Euros net. O&O DiskImage 5 Workstation Edition is only available as a volume license and costs at the first level of 5+ licenses 35.00 Euros net per license. The O&O EasyLicensing program is designed to accommodate a whole range of requirements from small and medium businesses right up to the largest enterprise IT environments.

Interested users can obtain a free trial version of O&O DiskImage 5 Workstation and Server Editions by contacting the O&O Partner Team. Resellers and distributors can get more information from our Partner Team at www.oo-software.com/partner/en.

Further detailed information can also be found on the O&O website at www.oo-software.com

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