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Cumulus Single User - Upgrades Eshop Opens

Users of Cumulus Single User v6 and earlier and Mediadex users can now purchase an upgrade to the spiffy new Canto Cumulus Single User v8 online through DataBasics online eshop.

As we need to confirm the old registrations first, please email us with previous registration details and we will send a link to go directly to the eshop. Demo downloads, documentation & datasheets are all available at <http://www.databasics.com.au/csu8.html>

Cumulus 8.0.2 Update Delivery DVDs shipped

DataBasics has almost completed the mailout of the Cumulus 8.0.2 DVDs and updated License letters for customers with Cumulus Software Maintenance agreements.

Those who purchased via a Reseller/Integrator will have their update delivery package shipped to their reseller who will organise the upgrade as appropriate. Please contact us if you have not yet received your delivery. Customers with 3rd Party / Partner add-ons may have a delay as we needed to check all licenses prior to delivery.

The Licence sheet has the v8 serials that you need to paste into your Cumulus Licence after the new software is installed. Click the Register with Canto via WWW in your license to get a new Activation key to update your License from demo mode.

It is recommended that those with customised web applications contact us for assistance prior to doing an upgrade . See also the How to Migrate document for more details: <http://www.databasics.com.au/docs/HowtoMigrateC7toC8.pdf> (PDF)

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DataBasics Sales Growth Up for Q3 2009 - Press release

The first two quarters of 2009 were conservative for DataBasics: no recession in sales, just a regular flow of sales matching previous quarters. Now the figures are in for Q3 2009 and DataBasics is back in full growth mode.

"To match these increases in sales, we'll be taking on new staff to service our customers." says Ricky Patten, Director. "We enjoy a huge commitment from our customer base and we respect that and wish to repay them in kind. To this end I'm focusing on increasing our Customer Care services and adding value for our customer base."

More details in the Press release:

http://www.databasics.com.au/docs/dbs_salesgrowth_pr.pdf (PDF)

Heymann Consulting releases User Management Pro 8

User Management Pro 8: new version of the multi-language User Management and Web Access Extension for Canto Cumulus 8 WPP/ICP 8.

The new User Management Pro Version 8 for Web Publisher Pro 8 and Internet Client Pro 8 has been optimised to work with Cumulus 8.

This product helps you to restrict the user's access to the categories and records in the Cumulus catalog in a multi-language web application. More than 40 additional user permissions can be assigned to the users to allow features in the modified WPP/ICP web application that are usually only available in Cumulus Enterprise.

The new version of the Admin web application helps to configure the additional permissions. This new release also supports the Cumulus User permissions (Standard Mode) as well as the Users & Roles permissions (Advanced Mode).

Online Demo: <http://www.hey mann-consulting.com/UMPOnlineDemo.html>

Download Tryout Version:

<http://hey mann-consulting.dyndns.org/Downloads/index.jsp?Product=UMP8>

Documentation: [http://www.hey mann-](http://www.hey mann-consulting.de/Dokumentation/UserManagementPro8/documentation.html)

[consulting.de/Dokumentation/UserManagementPro8/documentation.html](http://www.hey mann-consulting.de/Dokumentation/UserManagementPro8/documentation.html)

General information: <http://www.hey mann-consulting.com/UserManagementPro.html>

Pricing: Canto pricelist: http://www.databasics.com.au/docs/canto_auprice.pdf (PDF)

UGSoft and ES-Backup 4.1

Backup to tape is still the only possibility to store digital data for a long time.

ES-Backup 4.1 offers new powerful features to make working with tape backups faster, easier and safer.

Exchanging backup catalogs between ES-Backup Servers and Clients means

- No more time-consuming catalog restoration from tape.
- More safety due to additional catalog copies.
- Intelligent file filter to exclude certain folders and files

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- Backups can be customised individually.

Modern 1-window administration application

- Only one window for each ES-Backup server connection for better overview.
- Optimised display for smaller screens, e.g. laptops.

Administration application available for iPhone

- Get backup status anywhere, anytime and react immediately in case of emergency.

Easy installation optimised for new operating system versions

- No more product re-installation required after operating system update.

Automatic version control

- Informs on new ES-Backup update as soon as available.
- Additional safety with always up-to-date installation.

Support for additional operating systems and versions

- Mac OS X 10.6, RedHat Enterprise, OpenSuSE, Ubuntu, etc.

Overall code optimisation for better safety and stability

- Code optimisation by using latest compilers.

ES-Backup 4.1 Preview 1 can be downloaded at <http://www.ugsoft.de/intl/esbackup>

The preview can be used with demo activation keys until end of November and with current ES-Backup 4.0 full product activation keys.

More info at <http://www.databasics.com.au/helios/ugsoft.html>

HELIOS News and Updates

HELIOS NEWS September 2009: Expanded market for EtherShare as Time Machine backup server and WebShare proofing - new server-based color matching feature

1. Recent updates to EtherShare and HELIOS Admin enable the use of HELIOS volumes as Mac Time Machine (<http://www.apple.com/macosx/what-is-macosx/time-machine.html>) backup disks. The Time Machine backup server support is a major new feature and positions HELIOS servers as ideal solutions in the growing backup market.

Time Machine can now backup Macs to EtherShare volumes. Time Machine automatically backs up the entire Mac. But Time Machine also automatically makes incremental backups. So users can browse and recover files from specific dates. All without numerous external drives, or restoring tapes, or IT assistance.

See HELIOS News http://www.helios.de/news/news09/N_07_09.phtml

2. WebShare proofing now with new server-based color matching feature

The need for easy-to-use proofing solutions continues to grow as more and more people get involved in color reproduction decisions. Of course press operators need proofs to verify the final print output. But well before the job gets to press, color decisions must be made by designers, brand managers, ad agencies, prepress specialists, and many others in the creative process.

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Multi-media campaigns increase the number of output media & devices. So demand exists for a wide range of proofing options: local, remote, on monitor, or printed. The HELIOS proofing solutions, PrintPreview and WebShare, address these needs.

HELIOS PrintPreview is targeted toward print job preflighting and proofing, and supports both local and remote proofing, on monitor or proof printer.

HELIOS WebShare facilitates local and remote proofing of images and of PDF documents, once again supporting both monitor and hard-copy proofs. Both products utilise the same underlying RIP and ICC colour management technologies.

For more info see <http://www.databasics.com.au/helios/>

Technical Hints and Tips - Cumulus File Filters

Filters - The Metadata Masters of Cumulus

When digital asset management (DAM) systems claim to support "all file types", this means a primary level of support is provided that's based on information (metadata) provided by the operating system. This limits support for these files to the basics - file format, size, modification date, etc. This is the same metadata you see when you view a file's properties in the Mac OS Finder or Windows Explorer.

When we speak of enhanced support, we mean that Cumulus can extract far more metadata about each file format than the operating system knows about. In order to provide enhanced metadata support, Cumulus relies on filters. Through a massive library of included filters, Cumulus learns about durations, page counts, fonts, color spaces, bit depths and countless other factors particular to each supported format.

You can see the filters installed on your Cumulus Server by opening the Asset Handling Sets section of the Preferences window in any edition of Cumulus. Cumulus filters extract metadata directly from files, enabling them to capture far more information than the OS knows about.

What's more, some filters have options that can be configured to perform certain functions - like extracting the Subject, Title and other document properties. For example the PDF Filter offers the option to automatically create Cumulus categories from the keywords inside your PDF files, use Adobe Acrobat for previews (instead of Cumulus), extract text and more.

For screenshots and more info see Canto's blog:
<http://blog.canto.com/?p=4151&language=en>

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