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PoINT Storage Manager Version 5.0 now available

Novelties of the new version are inter alia manually triggered data archiving, usage of additional storage systems, optimized integration of Blu-ray Disc libraries as well as support of Windows Server 2012 R2.

Siegen. PoINT Software & Systems GmbH has released version 5.0 of PoINT Storage Manager. This new release includes various novelties by which companies can face the challenges of data growth, administration of inactive data and long-term storage efficiently. From now on also authorized users are able to archive data independently. Furthermore PoINT Software & Systems had extended the list of supported storage systems considerably. Version 5.0 supports now also the operating system Windows Server 2012 R2 and contains an optimized integration of Blu-ray Disc libraries by PoINT Jukebox Manager.

For facing the growth of unstructured data storage concepts are necessary to keep investments for storage extensions and for additional back-up licenses respectively capacities at a minimum. Normally up to 80% of data is unstructured, whereof nearly 70% do not need to be accessible directly. Inactive data stresses increasingly the primary storage capacity and the back-up of primary storage cannot be carried out without problems due to the huge data volumes.

A file-tiering- and archiving software is a solution for companies to purge inactive data from expensive primary storage to cost-efficient secondary storage for archival, but retain transparent data access. PoINT Storage Manager applies the file tiering approach consequently and thus creates more free capacity on the primary storage as well as savings in additional back-up costs.

PoINT Software & Systems GmbH has integrated additional functions addressing the main market requirements of the storage sector. The policy-based file archiving function had been extended by a user driven archiving functionality by which authorized users can purge and archive files independently. For this purpose PoINT Storage Manager 5.0 offers a web client which is available network-wide and can be used without a decided software installation.

Furthermore PoINT Software & Systems has extended the list of supported storage systems considerably. For the integration of object store systems, which are becoming more and more important in the market, now also connectors for Caringo CASTor and HDS HCP (Hitachi Content Platform) are available. Additionally Blu-ray Disc libraries can be integrated for long-term storage and archiving by the established PoINT Jukebox Manager resulting in an advanced functionality. Also the operating system Windows Server 2012 R2 is supported by the new version. For ensuring the server failover the Microsoft Cluster Manager is implied.

About PoINT

PoINT Software & Systems GmbH is specialized in the development of software products and systems solutions for storage and management of data using all available mass storage technologies like hard disks, magnetic tapes and optical media. Close collaboration with leading hardware manufacturers enables an early support of innovative storage technologies. Besides these complete solutions PoINT also offers its know-how as Toolkits, which can be easily integrated in other applications by the programming interface. Furthermore PoINT projects entire storage solutions and provides consultancy with his long-term and versatile experience.

PoINT products are distributed by 50 partners in more than 25 countries world-wide and have been installed successfully in more than 2 million installations. PoINT customers range from end users expecting a compact and secure solution to large corporations, which comply with our solutions their complex demands by providing the necessary reliability and perfection.

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