ANU Workspace Project
Windows 8 Demo with Q&A
Presenter and Agenda

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Agenda:

– Background to the ANU Workspace Project
– Background re: Windows XP → Windows 8
– Demonstration of Windows 8
– Q&A
ANU Workspace

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Goals/Benefits:
- Faster deployment of appropriate, standardised hardware and software to ANU staff and students
- More efficient fleet management – deployment, relocation, addition, change, recovery, enhanced image management
- Improved IT security through up to date application patching
- Reduced administrative and IT support costs through standardisation and simplified process for procurement and provision of end-user computing support
- Improved planning and certainty of asset information.
- Reduced software licensing costs
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What you can expect to see:

• Procurement portal with hardware options for desktops, laptops, Windows tablets, monitors
• Standard operating image for Windows, Macintosh and Linux
• App store for ANU approved applications
• Move to Windows 8.1 and Office 2013 for Windows machines
• Move to OS X 10.9 and Office 2011 for Macs
• Improved IT asset management
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What is happening at the moment:
Formal advice to College Deans and Service Division Directors

Project governance:
• Project Steering Committee
• Project Working Group
• Project Advisory Group

Project risk management workshop

Working on SOWs

Down the track:
Training – online modules, tip sheets

Project web site:
A Recent History of Windows

2001 – Windows XP Released (12 years ago)
2006 – Windows Vista Released (7 years ago)
2009 – Windows 7 Released (4 years ago)
2012 – Windows 8 Released (1 year ago)
2013 – Windows 8.1 Released
Windows 8

Benefits:

- A faster more refined desktop operating system
- Same as staff might use at home on any consumer device released in past 12 months
- Same platform as an increasing number of students will have
- Information Commons – Revitalise the image of ANU
- Increased compatibility for new software and hardware
- Long term support – alleviates the need for another OS migration in the near future
Windows 8

Challenges:

– **Software compatibility**
  • Focused attention on mitigating issues by: Updating software; Workarounds; Virtual XP environment

– **New user interface – Start screen and “modern” applications**
  • Careful design; User training options; Documentation and signage

– **Hardware compatibility**
  • Upgrades through other aspects of ANU Workspace Project; Exceptions
Demonstration
Next session

This session has been recorded and will be made available online

Further demo sessions may be available on request if there is sufficient demand

See ITS website for details on future project roadshows

Experience Windows 8 in the Microsoft Tech Lounge on the ANU campus:

Further information

Information on ITS strategic projects is available at:


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