



Customer Profile

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Industry

Healthcare

Challenges

- A social project, communication is particularly important
- Network distributed across Germany.
- Employees want to work productively to use donations as efficiently as possible.

Kaspersky Lab Solution

Kaspersky® Total Space Security

Results

- Excellent cost-benefit ratio
- Total security for dynamic company networks of any size and geographical distribution
- Proactive protection of workstations against new, previously unknown malware
- No loss of performance

CASE STUDY | McDonald's Children's Aid Foundation

'Virus-free' aid for seriously ill children'

The McDonald's Children's Aid Foundation campaigns for seriously ill children. The Foundation does this in three ways. The main task is to build and run Ronald McDonald houses in the immediate vicinity of large children's hospitals. Families can live in these houses while their children are undergoing treatment. Studies have shown that treatment time can be reduced by up to one third if parents and siblings are constantly near the young patients. A further important task is support for medical research. Finance is provided to purchase medical equipment in large hospitals. In 2008, the Foundation started a new program: at the end of October, the first German Ronald McDonald oasis opened in Erlangen, providing a retreat in the middle of the children's hospital. The McDonald's Children's Aid Foundation is a subsidiary of the American Ronald McDonald House Charities Foundation. You will find more information on the Internet at: www.mcdonalds-kinderhilfe.org. Donations account: Bank für Sozialwirtschaft AG, Bank code 700 205 00, Account 20 2007

Security Challenge

There are more than 60 employees working throughout Germany for the Foundation. Of course, this requires a professional infrastructure, and as it is a social project too, communication is particularly important. A functioning IT infrastructure is indispensable. Ultimately, employees want to work productively to use donations as efficiently as possible. Nonetheless, anyone using email to communicate frequently is by definition at risk. There is malware lurking everywhere, and criminals have transferred their activities to the Internet. The employees at the McDonald's Children's Aid Foundation are well aware of this problem, and so they picked a professional security solution from Kaspersky Lab. "As the problems associated with viruses and malware are becoming increasingly significant, we were looking for reliable and resource-saving antivirus software for our servers and workstations," explains the Chairman, Manfred Welzel. In the Munich branch of the McDonald's Children's Aid Foundation, around 60 PC workstations are networked on five servers running Windows Server 2000 and 2003.



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Chairman

Solution

Kaspersky Total Space Security is now installed to secure the network. “The offer was convincing and the cost-benefit ratio was right,” summarises Manfred Welzel. Kaspersky Total Space Security offers total security for dynamic company networks of any size and geographical distribution. The solution monitors all incoming and outgoing data, including emails, Internet traffic and network activity. It includes components to protect workstations and servers, it guarantees secure access by users to company data and the Internet, and enables secure communication by email.

Protected systems:

60 workstations on Windows XP

Five servers on Windows Server 2000 and
Windows Server 2003

Results

Kaspersky Total Space Security offers optimum protection against viruses, spyware, hacker attacks and spam at all levels of the company network and proactive protection of workstations against new, previously unknown malware, while protecting mail and file servers. The Security Suite can scan emails and Internet traffic in real time, is scalable, isolates infected workstations, stops virus epidemics and offers a flexible reporting system. “Since we have been using Kaspersky Total Space Security we haven’t had any more problems with viruses,” says the Chairman, “and that has been accomplished with no loss of performance.”