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Summary:

From **June 6, 2006** onwards, the Windows Server 2003 operating system will be supported on the MISS.

To allow a step-wise migration from Windows 2000 Server to Windows Server 2003 on the MISS, both operating systems will be supported in parallel until the end of the first quarter 2007. During the transition period the following Windows MISS and workstation combinations will be supported:

Combination 1: Windows 2000 Server on the MISS and/or Windows 2000 / Windows XP on the workstation

Combination 2: Windows Server 2003 on the MISS and Windows XP on the workstation

After the end of the first quarter 2007, **Windows Server 2003 on the MISS and Windows XP on workstation will be the only supported windows configuration.** The operation of Windows 2000 Server on the MISS and Windows 2000 Professional on the workstation after this time will no longer be possible. The support of the Sun Solaris 10 operating system will not be affected.

The hardware sizing for Windows Server 2003 corresponds to the current requirements for Windows 2000 Server.

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Windows Server 2003: Information Regarding Support

1. Information Regarding Support for Windows 2003

- From June 6, 2006 onwards the Windows Server 2003 operating system will be supported on the MISS.
- To allow a step-wise migration from Windows 2000 Server to Windows Server 2003 on the MISS, both operating systems will be supported in parallel until the end of the first quarter 2007. During the transition period the following Windows MISS and workstation combinations will be supported:

  Combination 1: Windows 2000 Server on the MISS and/or Windows 2000 / Windows XP on the workstation

  Combination 2: Windows Server 2003 on the MISS and Windows XP on the workstation

- After the end of the first quarter 2007, Windows Server 2003 on the MISS and Windows XP on workstation will be the only supported Windows configuration. The operation of Windows 2000 Server on the MISS or Windows 2000 Professional on the workstation after this time will no longer be possible.
- An installation of GATE 3.4 is a mandatory requirement in order to be able to use the Windows Server 2003 operating system.
- Please note that although there are no changes to the existing GATE 3.4 software itself, an additional software module (OpsArchApi_win2003.pm) is required for GATE 3.4 in order to be fully compatible with Windows Server 2003. The additional software module for GATE 3.4 can be downloaded from the Members Section of the Eurex website.
- A Windows 2003 migration document will also be published together with the additional software module for GATE 3.4. The Windows 2003 migration document describes the steps which have to be taken to perform a scratch installation of Windows Server 2003 or upgrade Windows 2000 to Windows Server 2003 and subsequently install the GATE, Eurex and CCP software. The necessary steps for upgrading an earlier version of the GATE software to GATE 3.4 will also be described.

  The migration document will be published on the Eurex website **www.eurexchange.com** under **Member Section > Documentation/Manuals Eurex > Eurex 8.0 > Technical Manuals**
- The existing Eurex and CCP kits are all compatible with Windows 2003 and no further updates are required.
- Please note that Windows Server 2003 + SP1[1] (English version) will be the only supported version of Windows Server 2003 on the MISS.

[1] The support of Windows Server 2003 + SP1 also includes support for Windows Server 2003 R2.

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2. Supported Windows and Solaris Operating System Configurations

From June 6, 2006 onwards the following operating system combinations will be supported until the end of the first quarter 2007:

MISS	SP or HW. Revision	Workstation	SP or HW. Revision
Windows 2000 Standard Server	4	Windows 2000 Professional	4
Windows 2000 Standard Server	4	Windows XP Professional	1*,1a*,2
Windows Server 2003	1	Windows XP Professional	1*,1a*,2
Solaris 8 *	02/02 ->	Windows 2000 Professional	4
Solaris 8 *	02/02 ->	Windows XP Professional	1*,1a*,2
Solaris 8 *	02/02 ->	Solaris 8 *	02/02 ->
Solaris 10	03/05 ->	Windows 2000 Professional	4
Solaris 10	03/05 ->	Windows XP Professional	1*,1a*,2
Solaris 10	03/05 ->	Solaris 10	03/05 ->

*** Please Note:** As previously announced in Eurex circular 189/05 the support for Solaris 8, Windows XP Service Pack 1 and 1a ends on July 31, 2006

After the first quarter 2007, only the following combinations of MISS/workstation operating systems will be supported.

MISS	SP or HW. Revision	Workstation	SP or HW. Revision
Windows Server 2003	1	Windows XP Professional	2
Solaris 10	03/05 ->	Windows XP Professional	2
Solaris 10	03/05 ->	Solaris 10	03/05 ->

3. GATE 3.4 Additional Software Module

In order to make the existing GATE 3.4 software fully compatible with the Windows Server 2003 operating system, an additional software module is required for the simulation, production and Advanced Simulation environments. The additional software will be made available for download from the Eurex website under the following paths:

www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Software Kits > Eurex 8.0 Production

www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Software Kits > Eurex 8.0 Simulation

www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Software Kits > Eurex 8.0 Advanced Simulation

The names of the files containing the additional software module are as follows:

GATE34_win2003_20060310.zip (Production)

GATE34s_win2003_20060310.zip (Simulation)

GATE34a_win2003_20060310.zip (Advanced Simulation)

The additional module should be installed according to the instructions contained in the “read me” file, which will be published together with the software.

If you experience difficulties logging in to the **Member Section**, please contact Customer Support on tel. +49-69-211-1 17 00.

4. Hardware Sizing

The hardware sizing requirements for Windows Server 2003 are identical to those for Windows 2000.

The requirements can be found in the current version of the “Common Front End Sizing Guidelines” document, which is published on the Eurex website **www.eurexchange.com** under **Member Section > Documentation/ Manuals Eurex > Eurex 8.0 > Technical Manuals.**

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