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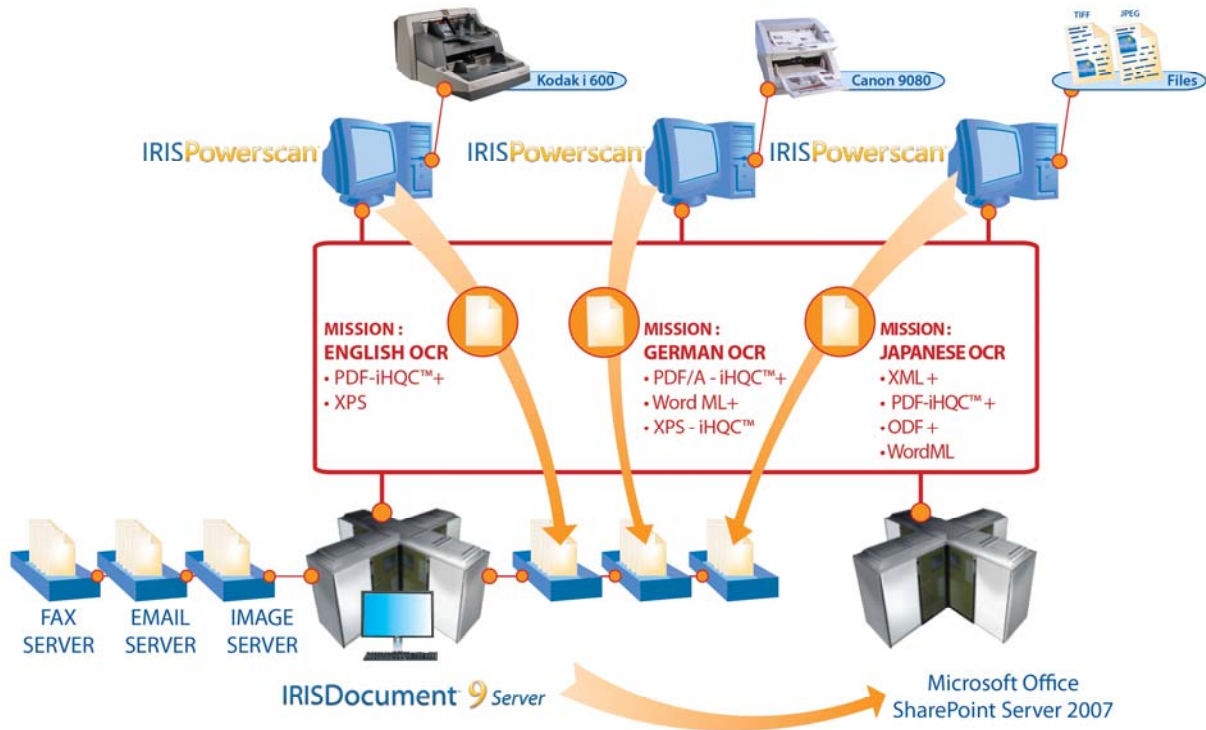
Microsoft and I.R.I.S. Reveal the Next Generation of a Complete Document Capture Solution Fully Integrated with Microsoft® Office SharePoint Server 2007

Louvain-la-Neuve, February 3rd, 2009 – During the breakout sessions of I.R.I.S.’ annual convention *IRISLink 2009*, Microsoft and I.R.I.S. jointly revealed and demonstrated the next generation of a unique document capture solution. This I.R.I.S. – Microsoft alliance enables the user to scan and index documents while automatically identifying document types. Those images are then converted into hyper-compressed, fully searchable PDF, PDF-A and XPS files. Finally, those files are exported with their indexes into Microsoft SharePoint libraries, created automatically according to the various document types.

“The Microsoft Office SharePoint Server 2007 installed base has increased very rapidly over the past years” said Phillip Vandervoort, General Manager of Microsoft Belux *“Today, more and more enterprises are considering the implementation of higher-end document management applications based on the current release of SharePoint. Being able to efficiently convert and index high volume of paper documents directly into SharePoint is an important feature that will be needed by our large customers.”*

Pierre De Muelenaere, President & CEO of I.R.I.S. develops: *“This complete Document Capture solution is based on standard components. This means an easy deployment and a rapid return on investment for both the Microsoft VARs and the end customer. Scanning (color or bitonal) and indexing is done by IRIS Powerscan™ 9.0 our brand-new scanning and indexing platform. IRIS Powerscan™ 9.0 supports the most popular high-speed scanners and implements advanced document separation and indexing features. Full-page OCR and image compression with iHQC™ are then performed by our brand-new IRIS Document™ Server 9.0 for SharePoint. This OCR server generates multiple document formats such as PDF, PDF-A, XPS, Word, Excel, OTF, which are exported instantly to the Microsoft Office SharePoint Server, in libraries that are created automatically according to the various document types.”*

The following graphics illustrates the architecture of the demonstrated solution:



Process flow

1. Batches of documents are scanned with the high-speed scanner
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2. The documents are separated based on white page, barcode, OCR, ICR information or document layout. Document types are now defined.
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3. Indexes are generated automatically based on barcode, 2D-barcode, OCR, ICR zones
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4. The user can perform a complete quality control of the scanning and indexing
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5. After performing the tasks 1 to 4 in IRIS Powerscan™ 9.0, the batch of documents is exported to IRISDocument™ Server 9.0 for SharePoint
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6. Full-page OCR and image compression with iHQC™ is performed by IRISDocument™ Server 9.0
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7. Multiple document formats such as PDF, PDF-A, XPS, Word, Excel, OTF, are generated simultaneously by IRISDocument™ Server 9.0
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8. The documents in the various formats and the complete indexing are exported instantly to the Microsoft Office SharePoint Server, in libraries that are created automatically according to the various document types.

IRIS Powerscan™ 9

IRIS Powerscan™ 9.0 runs on the scanning station which is connected to the high speed scanner (e.g. Canon, HP, Fujitsu, etc.) or imports batches of images that have been scanned previously. Here is a preview of the new features of the upcoming release on May 31st 2009:

- NEW** New background processing - use IRIS Powerscan™ 9.0 as a Windows Service!
- NEW** LDAP user authentication through active directory
- NEW** Multi-user centralized configuration management: export configurations, projects, images...
- NEW** Booklet management and sorting
- NEW** New barcode engine
- NEW** New BOF with the new, included IRIS Document™ for recognition, conversion and compression
- NEW** Extended integration with IRIS Document™ Server 9.0
- NEW** ISIS support (add-on)
- NEW** Extended integration into SharePoint connector – automatically create libraries based on document types! (add-on)
- NEW** New IRIS Fingerprint document type recognition engine (add-on)
- NEW** Tutorial for quick start
- NEW** New templates – start scanning in one click!

IRIS Document™ 9 Server for SharePoint

IRIS Document™ Server 9.0 for SharePoint is installed on a dedicated machine with up to 4 processors (when using the multiple-CPU add-on). Here is a look at the new features for the upcoming release of IRIS Document™ 9 Server for SharePoint, available on May 31st, 2009:

- NEW** ***Extended integration into Microsoft SharePoint (add-on)***
Connects directly to any Microsoft Office SharePoint Server.
Define indexes with IRIS Powerscan™ and they will be exported to SharePoint with your files!
Automatically create libraries based on document types! (add-on)
- NEW** ***Extended Range of Output Formats***
Including Microsoft's new output format XPS, XPS with iHQC™ high compression, PDF/a, PDF/a with iHQC™ high compression.

~~NEW~~ Full Integration with IRIS Powerscan™ 9, I.R.I.S.' brand-new powerful production scanning application

Scan, Index, OCR and Export your documents to create a complete scanning platform. Simply select IRIS Document™ Server for SharePoint as output format.

~~NEW~~ Export API on Watched Folder version

Connect your own application to IRIS Document Server for 24/7 operation!

~~NEW~~ Improved Arabic Engine (add-on)

The OCR accuracy for Arabic has been strongly improved, with a new recognition method based on the font description.

~~NEW~~ Improved Recognition of Low Resolution Images

The OCR accuracy for low resolution color or grayscale images has been dramatically improved. This is also valid for PDF with iHQC™ compression.

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I.R.I.S. Products & Technologies develops technologies and products for Intelligent Document Recognition and markets its portfolio on a worldwide basis through strong partnerships.

I.R.I.S. Professional Solutions enables companies and administrations to find in one company the innovative expertise and hi-tech solutions to efficiently manage documents, information flows and IT infrastructure.

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