



KONICA MINOLTA

DISPATCHER PARAGON PRINT MANAGEMENT

Category



User & Cost
Management

Characteristics

- Detailed output and cost reporting
- Cost assignment and chargeback
- Central user and role management
- Budget and quota management





EFFECTIVE COST CONTROL WITH OPTIMISED PRINTING

These days, any organisation – whether smaller company, corporate environment, public organisation, or educational facility – will strive to maximise their transparency and keep costs in check. One precondition for this is a precise overview of all printing operations to enable, wherever possible, the charging back of related costs to teams, departments, and individual users. With Dispatcher Paragon, Konica Minolta offers the perfect application for this purpose.

At the core of the Dispatcher Paragon functionality is the central accounting of all print, copy and scan operations. Providing comprehensive information with details like job name, first page preview, date, number of pages and toner coverage, the application much facilitates and streamlines administrator tasks. What's more, print administrators can activate pull printing, and create effective print governance policies. Enterprises thus take advantage of a range of tools that allow them to improve print, copy and scan workflows, and increase employee productivity – all of which ultimately helps lower print-related costs while at the same time maximising document security.

Companies that mainly deal with project-based work will be interested in the possibility to assign billing codes to individual projects, including support for multi-level project structures. Thus, all print operations can easily be allocated to related projects, allowing the fast and straightforward chargeback of print costs to projects or customers. Most educational organisations are obliged to charge all print and copy costs to the originators – for this purpose, it is possible to define various pricing tables and budgets for different users. Last but not least, individual users or user groups can be given access rights on various levels.

Further to this, Dispatcher Paragon is an excellent choice for environments that look for detailed reporting: The application not only allows generating different analysis and graphical statistics as well as management reports to create comprehensive overviews fast – administrators and users also have the option of creating customised reports according to their preferences.

With Dispatcher Paragon, Konica Minolta presents an attractive solution for the effective management of users and costs. Securing the print environment, the application facilitates detailed output & cost reporting, and provides cost assignment and chargeback, central user and role management, as well as budget and quota management capabilities.

KEY FEATURES

▀ Detailed output and cost reporting

- **Web reports:** Easy creation of detailed overviews and flexible reports that can cover all activities of single users or user groups; this facilitates the monitoring of costs on a daily, weekly and monthly basis or over longer periods.
- **Management reports:** Automatic as well as on-demand compilation of such reports to provide the company's management with comprehensive overviews detailing the entire print environment in a clearly structured and easy-to-grasp layout.
- **Export of report results:** Export of reports into various formats to facilitate and speed up the sharing of results.
- **Automated reporting:** Scheduling function that generates reports automatically at regular intervals (monthly, quarterly or annually) for an even more comprehensive overview.

▀ Cost assignment and chargeback

- **Print accounting and monitoring:** For the easy compilation of comprehensive print histories, all print activities in the network can be tracked in real time. The Dispatcher Paragon embedded terminal provides detailed copy, scan and fax accounting (also possible via external terminals).
- **Flexible cost allocation:** The administrator can assign users to specific cost centres; alternatively, each user can individually select the appropriate cost centre or project before printing.
- **Individual price calculation:** Different devices, cost centres and users can be assigned individual price lists. Thus, even in a heterogeneous print infrastructure an accurate calculation of print costs is possible.
- **Tracking of third-party devices:** Print job tracking can cover the entire corporate printing infrastructure; i.e. it is also possible for non-Konica Minolta devices.

▀ Central user and role management

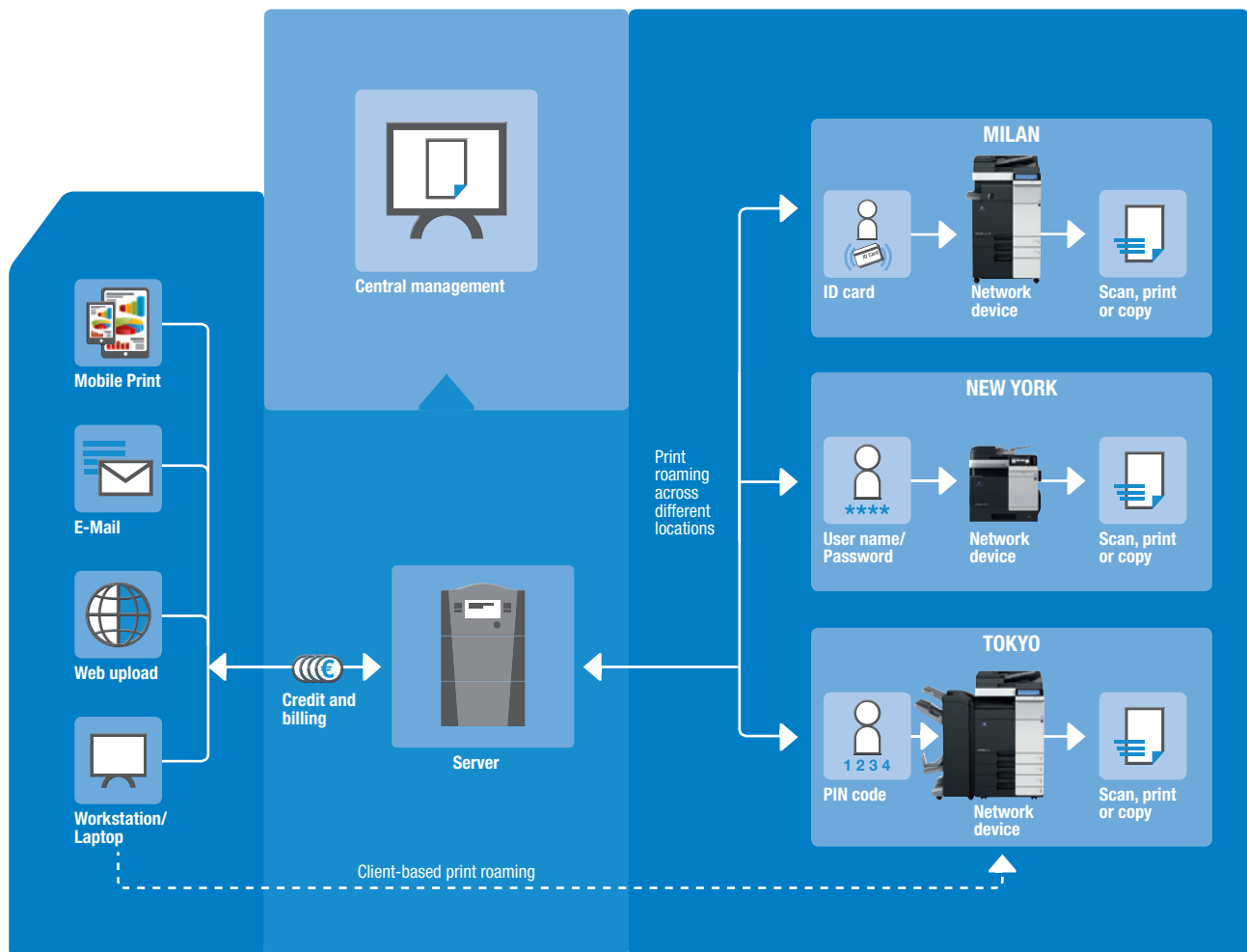
- **Centralised user management:** Individual user access rights to MFPs for copy, print, scan and fax functionalities can be easily and conveniently managed centrally.
- **User access roles:** The administrator can grant users different levels of device access and device functionalities; the levels are easily managed by creating corresponding user roles.
- **Centralised authentication management:** User log-in types to the device include card authentication, user credentials and PIN authentication, with the administrator determining which type of user authentication should be active.

▀ Budget and quota management

- **Easy budget assignment:** The administrator can assign individual budgets to different users – which facilitates limiting the printing activities of specific users in order to keep print, copy, scan and fax costs under control.
- **Periodic budget reset:** The budgets assigned to individual users and user groups are best managed via automatic reset or top-up at specified intervals; this relieves the administrator of such a mundane task. It is still possible to resetting and change budgets or quotas manually, which allows for exceptional print jobs in-between.
- **Payment system:** Dispatcher Paragon offers various convenient options to reload their user accounts:
 - **Cash desk reload:** A cash desk operator collects money from the user, which he then credits to the user account via the Dispatcher Paragon Cash Desk Management application.
 - **Self-service reload:** Via a payment machine users are able to pay money (coins and bills) into their account directly.
 - **Credit card reload:** Via PayPal or DIBS

Companies wanting to extend their secured printing infrastructure with document workflow automation and transform manual work into digital processes should consider the Konica Minolta Dispatcher Suite.

WORKFLOW



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

RECOMMENDED HARDWARE

Memory	8 GB free RAM
Hard disk space	100 GB free disk space (after installation) Appropriate connection to storage, for example with a throughput of at least 150MB/s and 300 IOPS for 50 devices; please contact your service representative for your individual requirements
CPU	Dual Core 2 GHz processor or higher
Network	1 Gbit/s
Additional information	Alternatively, installation in a VM with at least 2 cores and memory reservation set to the full amount of RAM allocation

OPERATING SYSTEMS

Operating systems	Windows Server 2008 (32/64) Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1 (32/64) Windows Server 2012 (64) Windows Server 2016 (64)
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SUPPORTED LANGUAGES

User interface	Client: English, French, German, Spanish, Chinese (simplified/traditional), Czech, Hungarian, Japanese, Polish, Russian, Slovak, Catalan, Croatian, Danish, Dutch, Estonian, Finnish, Greek, Indonesian, Italian, Kazakh, Korean, Latvian, Lithuanian, Malaysian, Norwegian, Portuguese (Brazil/Portuguese), Romanian, Serbian (Latin/Cyrillic), Slovenian, Swedish, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian
Admin interface	External and Embedded Terminals: English, French, Italian, German, Spanish, Bulgarian, Chinese (simplified/traditional), Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Estonian, Finnish, Greek, Hungarian, Japanese, Kazakh, Korean, Latvian, Lithuanian, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil/Portuguese), Romanian, Russian, Serbian (Cyrillic/Latin), Slovak, Slovenian, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian, Arabic, Hebrew, Indonesian, Malaysian, Catalan, Swedish

The support and availability of the listed specifications and functionalities varies depending on operating systems, applications and network protocols as well as network and system configurations.