

# Microsoft OCS and Lync Server Group Chat – Vantage™ Module Security, Management, and Compliance for MS OCS/Lync Group Chat

PRODUCT DATA SHEET



Microsoft Office Communications Server (OCS) and Lync Server Group Chat facilitates the real-time collaboration and exchange of information, vital

to individuals or organizations engaged in common projects. Unlike IM, Group Chat persistently maintains every conversation so users can access discussions held in their absence, making it easy to hold ongoing discussions. Group Chat lets users simultaneously access multiple chat rooms and search for information in chat archives. Federated Group Chat rooms are available as well, extending chat exchanges to customers and partners.

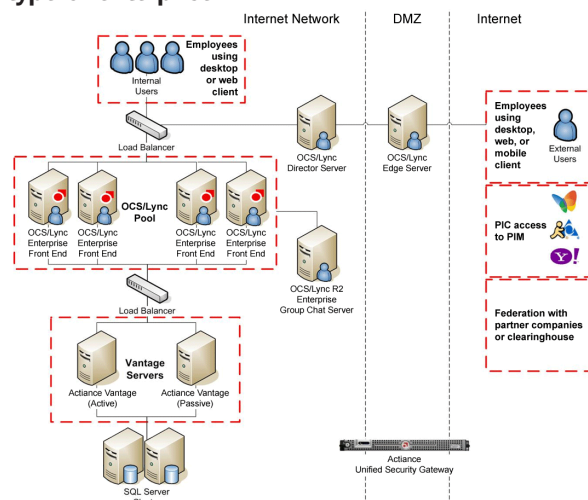
## Challenges to Deploying Group Chat

Uncontrolled Group Chat usage presents security, management, and compliance challenges. Given the slew of data protection and compliance regulations (including eDiscovery), it is critical that Group Chat is protected against misuse and that real-time controls are in place to ensure the following:

- Enforce policies at the global, group, and user levels
- Add disclaimer messages for each chat user
- Create secure tamper-proof logging and archiving
- Enforce ethical walls and ‘Poison room’ rules
- Apply data loss prevention and content-filtering rules to chats and posts
- Capture file posts, check them for malware, and retain with messages
- Be able to search and immediately review chat room data
- Have compliance workflow review and 360° auditing

## Group Chat optimized for every type of enterprise

Actiance’s Vantage and Unified Security Gateway (USG) ensure that real-time controls are in place to cover all aspects of Group Chat usage, especially in highly regulated enterprises. Combining anti-malware protection, comprehensive chat management, and data leakage and content controls with complete auditing, archiving, and reporting capabilities, Actiance’s solutions enable the secure and productive use of Group Chat.



## AT A GLANCE

Actiance security, management, and compliance solutions – Vantage is specifically designed to complement Microsoft Office Communications Server (OCS) and Lync Server and ensure real-time control over Group Chat.

## KEY FEATURES

- Real-time security, management, and logging of OCS and Lync Group Chat
- Chat captured as sent and immediately available for review
- File uploads captured, scanned for viruses, and stored with messages posted
- Data loss prevention and content-filtering rules for messages and files posted to Group Chat rooms
- Disclaimer message displayed for each user entering a chat room
- Ethical walls enforced, which may be disabled for Group Chat
- “Poison room” ethical walls enforcement
- Anti-tampering mechanism to validate conversation integrity
- Review of chat room content and export to external archiving systems
- eDiscovery reports on usage, security violations, compliance violations, and transcript reviews
- Eliminates the need for a Group Chat compliance server
- Comprehensive report generation, scheduling, and delivery
- Protection against malicious URLs and day-zero worm blocking

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