The world after Windows XP

Barco's easy, secure and enhanced upgrade for all XP-based controllers

Microsoft officially withdrew its support for the Windows XP operating system on 8 April 2014, after 13 years of service. In other words: Windows XP users no longer receive technical support services or updates. With your Barco PWS video wall controllers running under Windows XP, you may have wondered: "what should I do now?". Our upgrade bundle might just be the ticket.

Future-proof investment
First of all: the end-of-support is, of course, no reason to panic. Your video wall controllers are still up and running. Furthermore, to help organizations complete their migrations, Microsoft has promised to keep providing updates to anti-malware signatures and engines for Windows XP users through to 14 July 2015. This means that your video wall controllers are still protected for now. Yet in 2015, Microsoft will categorically stop all support. Carrying on without support implies an increased security risk and compatibility issues: the software versions running on the XP-based systems will soon no longer be compatible.

The Barco upgrade bundle
To help you get the most out of your Barco controller units in the after-Windows-XP era, Barco has come up with an upgrade bundle that will make your existing system fully Windows 7 compliant. The upgrade pack includes eight digital video outputs, eight analog video inputs, two digital video inputs (single link) and new CMS licenses. On top of that, we offer a two-year standard warranty on your new configuration, thus ensuring a truly future-proofed system.

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Includes:
- Keyboard Mouse Extension
- New CMS Licenses:
  - CMS Display
  - SRV LIC 1-16 CON
  - 36x CMS Viewer
  - 6x Sidebars
  - 1 legacy API
- 2-year standard warranty

	Description	QTY
1	TFN 3D NGP-400	1
2	NGP-400 OPTION: 8CH SL-DVI OUTPUT	1
3	NGP-400 OPTION: 8CH ANALOG VIDEO INPUT	1
4	NGP-400 OPTION: 2CH SL-DVI INPUT	1
5	NGP-400 OPTION: 16GB MAIN MEMORY	1
6	NGP-400 OPTION: CMS INCLUDED	1

The best alternative

With this upgrade bundle, Barco can help you migrate, whenever you are ready. Some of our customers are very concerned about the lack of system security and incompatibility and have asked us for solutions already. Others have tried to upgrade the operating system themselves. Unfortunately Barco cannot guarantee technical support in that case, as changes may cause driver conflicts, odd/ inconsistent behavior (e.g. wrong function calls) or system crashes. The Custom Support Agreement (CSA) with Microsoft is not the best alternative either, as it costs a minimum of USD 200,000 per year. We are confident that the certified Barco bundle is the most cost-effective alternative to upgrade your existing system. Customers who purchased an XP-driven PWS controller unit quite recently (between 2011 and 2013) will even receive an additional discount on the upgrade package.

We are here to help make the upgrade easy....

Worried that other software already installed on the existing display wall controller will fail, after the upgrade? Barco has proactively reached out to its partners to ensure everything runs smoothly. Below you will find a list of Barco partners who supply Windows 7 compatible versions. In addition, we have certified that our new platform is 100% compliant with Windows 7. Last but not least, if you should still have compatibility concerns, we are, of course, more than willing to help.

Alliance partner	Alliance product	Win 7 64bit	Effective version
Emerson Process	DeltaV	Yes	12.3
DVTEL	Latitude	Yes	6.2.0.27
OSIsoft	PI CoreSight	Yes	1.0
OnSSI	Ocularis Base	Yes	1.0 SP2
FLIR	Cameleon	Yes	2013.2.1
Genetec	Security Center	Yes	5.2 SR-2
Proximex	Surveillint	Yes	6.1
VidSys	VidShield/RiskShield	Yes	6.4
CNL	IPSecurityCenter	Yes	4.7
Milestone	XProtect Corporate/Expert	Yes	2013
Bosch	BVMS	Yes	4.0
ISS	SecurOS	Yes	8.0

Get in touch

So don't waste too much time and make sure your Barco controller units are futureproofed this year, thus avoiding downtime or security problems. Get in touch with your local Barco contact and ask for more details on how to bring your video walls into this new era.

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