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Qualys Releases Major Extensions to Its QualysGuard Cloud Platform

New Release Includes Automated Workflows for Vulnerability Exception Handling, Enhanced Scan Management Capabilities to Increase Vulnerability and Compliance Scanning Efficiency

LAS VEGAS, NV -- (Marketwire) -- 10/24/12 -- Qualys Inc. (NASDAQ: QLYS), a pioneer and leading provider of cloud security and compliance solutions, today announced at the Qualys Security Conference in Las Vegas, twitter #qsc2012, that it has released new updates to the QualysGuard Cloud Platform that enable organizations to better manage scanning activity across global networks and improve vulnerability exception management during reporting and remediation cycles. The update will help customers increase the efficiency of their vulnerability management and policy compliance programs in relation with their risk acceptance procedures and reduce the cost of securing IT assets.

The new capabilities of the QualysGuard Cloud Platform include:

- Improved remediation workflow with automatic vulnerability exception handling capabilities. This release introduces
 multiple important new capabilities to the QualysGuard remediation workflow functions to help customers to better
 manage exceptions for vulnerabilities that cannot be fixed or that need to be ignored during remediation. This improves
 exception management for risk acceptance processes and prioritization of remediation efforts.
- Support for continuous scanning. This new type of scan allows users to configure a scheduled scan task to automatically launch a new scan once the previous instance finishes. This gives users the ability to easily perform continuous type of scanning across their global network.
- New scanner appliance calendar. The new scanner calendar now provides users with immediate insight into scans and
 maps activity for a single scanner appliance. The calendar provides a visual layout of scans for the selected scanner
 and helps users review and analyze past and scheduled scans to identify any potential scheduled scan conflicts and
 prevent overlapping scheduled scans.
- New scanner appliance capacity chart. The scanner appliance information page will display a chart to report on the
 capacity of the appliance for the past seven days. This data will help users increase the utilization of scanners and
 enable them to repurpose idle scanners.
- Compliance scanning with non-administrative privileges on Windows. On Windows hosts, QualysGuard Policy
 Compliance will now process data points retrieved during a scan using non-administrator type of accounts. This helps
 users capture compliance data from Windows hosts more easily and report on compliance gaps for internal policies and
 external regulations.
- New policy compliance reports for troubleshooting authentication issues during scans. This release includes a new section, called "Scan Authentication," in compliance reports that will help users troubleshoot scan authentication issues by presenting the list of hosts for which the authentication have failed during the scan and the reason why it failed.

"The QualysGuard Cloud Platform is now in use by more than 6,000 organizations of all sizes worldwide," said Philippe Courtot, chairman and CEO for Qualys. "With this release, we continue to enable customers to further automate their vulnerability management programs and streamline their compliance initiatives."

Pricing and Availability

These updates are available immediately to all QualysGuard customers in the US and Europe. Pricing is by annual subscriptions based on the number of QualysGuard solutions and systems, and subscriptions include all updates and 24x7 support. For detailed information on this latest release, please visit https://community.qualys.com/community/notifications-us.

About QualysGuard Cloud Platform

The QualysGuard Cloud Platform and its integrated suite of security and compliance solutions helps provide organizations of all sizes with a global view of their security and compliance posture, while reducing their total cost of ownership. The QualysGuard Cloud Suite, which includes Vulnerability Management, Web Application Scanning, Malware Detection Service, Policy Compliance, PCI Compliance and Qualys SECURE Seal, enable customers to identify their IT assets, collect and analyze large amounts of IT security data, discover and prioritize vulnerabilities and malware, recommend remediation actions and verify the implementation of such actions.

About Qualys

Qualys Inc. (NASDAQ: QLYS), is a pioneer and leading provider of cloud security and compliance solutions with over 6,000 customers in more than 100 countries, including a majority of each of the Forbes Global 100 and Fortune 100. The QualysGuard Cloud Platform and integrated suite of solutions helps organizations simplify security operations and lower the cost of compliance by delivering critical security intelligence on demand and automating the full spectrum of auditing, compliance and protection for IT systems and web applications. Founded in 1999, Qualys has established strategic partnerships with leading managed service providers and consulting organizations including BT, Dell SecureWorks, Fujitsu, IBM, NTT, Symantec, Verizon, and Wipro. The company is also a founding member of the Cloud Security Alliance (CSA).

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