Atlantis for Windows

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1. General Information

1.1 A Short Description

Atlantis is a replacement of Programm-Manager. It supports all features of Programm-Manager (e.g. DDE, Drag & Drop, Keyboard Shortcuts, ...) in order to make it easier for users to migrate from Program-Manager to Atlantis. As Atlantis supports DDE most setup programs work exactly as they would with Program-Manager. Unfortunately, some (bad) setup programs do not, because e.g. they try to import a new group writing directly to the file "progman.ini".

Atlantis runs both under Windows 3.1x and Windows 95.

1.2 Getting in Touch With the Authors

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1.3 Where to Find the Latest Version

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WWW:	http://www.informatik.tu-muenchen.de/~schoepf/shareware/index_e.html

1.4 How to Register

If you are interested in the registered version or an update, please use the form in the file order.txt.

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Only the authors and JDS Software are allowed to sell the registered version.

1.5 Differences to the Registered Version

The shareware version differs from the registered version in these points:

- 1. "Shareware" text is shown in the title bar of Atlantis
- 2. Shareware reminder when starting and exiting Atlantis

1.6 Copyright

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If you use the shareware version:

Please feel free to share it with your friends and all other interested users, but we do not allow to change the included files or to remove one or more included files.

1.7 "Green Ribbon Campaign" for free distribution of Shareware

Atlantis matches the requirements of the "Green Ribbon Campaign":

- Free distribution of the Shareware-Version
- No trial period limitations
- No functional limitations

That means that distribution on all possible media (including CD-ROMs) is not provibited, rather it is appreciated.

See also the Internet HomePage of the "Green Ribbon Campaign" with the following URL: http://www.vgasoft.com/greenribbon.html

2. Installation

Please start the program "setup.exe" that comes with Atlantis in order to install the program on your machine.

2.1 Files

Atlantis contains the following files:

- atlantis.de 1.
- 2. atlantis.en_
- atlantis.ex_ 3.
- 4. atlhook.dl_
- 5. atltm.ex_
- 6. atlv20.de
- atlv20.en_ 7.
- 8. bestell.txt
- 9. drive.ex
- 10. driveext.dl
- file_id.001 11.
- file_id.049 12.
- file id.diz 13.
- 14. hints.txt
- 15. instprop.dl
- 16. liesmich.wri
- logfile.dl 17.
- 18. menuman.dl
- 19. order.txt 20. qtask.dl
- 21.
- readme.wri 22. setup.exe
- 23. setup.ini
- setupdeu.dll 24.
- 25. setupeng.dll
- 26. smatl.dl
- 27. sysmon.ex
- 28. taskext.dl_
- 29. tips.txt
- 30. tss4d.dll
- uninst.de_ 31.
- 32. uninst.en

2.2 System Requirements

Atlantis 2.3 requires Microsoft Windows 3.1 or above, the System Monitor requires the Enhanced Mode of Microsoft Windows 3.1 or above.

2.3 Network Installation

If you want to use Atlantis in a network and install it only to the server, please follow these steps:

- Install Atlantis to a directory on a hard disk of the server.

- In this directory, you will find a file titled ATLANTIS.INI. You have to copy this file to the Windows directories of the workstations.

- Setup copies the file TSS4D.DLL to the Windows System directory of the computer where you run SETUP.EXE. You also have to copy this file to the Windows System directories of the workstations.

Atlantis 2.3, once started, will create the following files in the Windows Directory of the workstation.

ATLANTIS.INI ATLANTIS.CFG ATLFLDR.xxx Configuration file and main desktop Folder file number xxx

3. New Features

3.1 New in Version 2.6

- Atlantis supports the "Green Ribbon Campaign" for free distribution of Shareware.
- Bug: Protection fault after changing the printer within Microsoft Excel.
- English version: The menu command Options->Toolbar shows a wrong dialog box.
- English version: You cannot save any color schemes.

3.1 New in Version 2.5

- Freely configurable toolbar
- Passwords for start and exit of Atlantis can be separately asked
- Master key allows you to temporarily switch of all passwords
- The setting for register background can be applied to all registers
- Color schemes and more elements available
- Sound files can be played while opening an object
- Objects can be sorted alphabetically decreasing and increasing
- Register can be moved using the keyboard
- New commands available in the system menu: Exit Windows, Restart Windows and Reboot
- Quick-Task optionally shows only main windows.

3.2 New in Version 2.3

- The register tabs can be sorted alphabetically
- Some functions were changed to work with Windows 95

3.3 New in Version 2.2

Despite several improvements and changes, the Drive-Manager has been added.

3.4 New in Version 2.1

See Atlantis online help for detailed information.

3.5 New in Version 2.0

- Folders

It is now possible to create a folder in a register that itself can contain further registers and folders.

- Desktop Registers

All registers in the main window of "Atlantis" have the option "Hide Objects on Deactivation". This enables you to use any register just like a separate desktop, because the register hides its objects when it is deactivated and shows them when it is activated.

- Cross Connections

Cross connected objects always have the same properties.

- System Information

"Atlantis" shows you some information about your system in the "Info" dialog box.

- Colors

It is possible to choose the colors of the registers freely.

- Password Protection for Import/Run

It is now possible to password protect the dialog boxes "Import" and "Run".

- Password Options

You can tell "Atlantis" when it should ask or should not ask passwords.

-Enhanced Status Bar

The new status bar shows you the current time and your free system resources.

- Enhanced Task List

A new Task List was necessary because of the Desktop Registers.

- Enhanced Quick-Task

The new Quick-Task offers more possibilities and options to change.

- Menu Manager

Menu Manager enables you to configure the right and middle mouse button for your applications. You can access any menu or menu command at any time.

- System Monitor

System Monitor checks your memory and resources and warns you if a certain threshold is exceeded. You can change its settings by clicking into System Monitor with the right mouse button.

- Alphabetic Object Sort The objects of a register can be arranged in alphabetic order.

- Start Applications with Parameters

"Atlantis" will ask you for parameters if you open an object while you keep the Ctrl key pressed.