





# Simplified session management

Secure, flexible and user-friendly multi-session management for IBM Z

UniGW® Session Manager provides a secure and user-friendly means of single-terminal access to multiple applications (via VTAM and TCP/IP) running on IBM mainframe systems and other platforms. Through its simplified and automated application signon process, UniGW® Session Manager provides more flexible access to applications and offers the following additional benefits:

- Improved system accessibility and control through comprehensive user, profile and application security functions
- Increased flexibility in exploiting the power of z/OS through native, web and Eclipse interfaces, with potential for cost savings by using browser access in place of terminal emulation software
- Instant web enablement of any mainframe application accessed through the browser interface
- Seamless integration with external security products for easier security administration
- Significant reductions in network traffic through compression of inbound and outbound data streams
- Simplified system management and application performance monitoring, also within a Sysplex environment

# **Session management**

UniGW® Session Manager is a leading solution that provides users with secure, flexible, user-friendly and responsive access to mainframe, IBM i and UNIX VT220 applications.

From a single signon, UniGW® Session Manager provides concurrent multi-session application support. User menus and sub-menus are built dynamically from security profiles defined within the session manager, RACF, ACF2 or equivalent. End users can switch easily between application sessions, with no loss of context, leading to greater efficiency and productivity.

UniGW® Session Manager offers a comprehensive suite of features, including system management; application performance monitoring; online and batch administration; helpdesk support; Sysplex workload balancing; and Sysplex-wide messaging and auditing.

An optional browser interface provides convenient, 24/7 user access from PCs and mobile devices and avoids the costs of using 3270 terminal emulation software, as well as delivering instant web enablement of any mainframe application, with no development effort.

Automated and integrated signon and security

Improved system throughput and reduced network traffic

Self-administration capabilities

Application performance monitoring and trend analysis



## **Comprehensive security**

UniGW® Session Manager is SAF compliant and seamlessly integrates with external security products such as RACF, ACF2 or equivalent. Access can be secured by terminal, passwords and password phrases, or userid. The software can also be secured to prevent access from unattended terminals.

UniGW® Session Manager is fully enabled for IBM's multi-factor authentication system for z/OS; this allows additional security to be applied without updating the underlying business applications.

## **Application access and control**

User authority and capability can be secured through internal UniGW® Session Manager security or external security products, allowing you to restrict system and application features, functions and commands to specific users.

Access to individual applications can be secured and user menus and sub-menus can be dynamically built, providing users with a restricted list of available applications. Single signon can be enabled through the use of passtickets or certificate express logon.

## Sysplex support

A single view and administration facilities are available to organizations running multiple UniGW® Session Manager installations across a Sysplex environment. Workload balancing, configuration sharing, Sysplex-wide messaging and auditing, and automatic user reconnection functions are all available.

#### Simplified administration

The UniGW® Session Manager administration functions enable authorized users to add, update and delete users, profiles and applications. Self-administration functions allow authorized end-users to tailor their own working environment. Batch administration functions are also provided, enabling mass updates to be run as batch jobs.

#### **Data stream compression**

UniGW® Session Manager compresses both inbound and outbound data streams by transmitting only changes that have been made to the data. This significantly decreases network traffic, which eliminates bottleneck problems and improves system response times.

#### **Automation**

UniGW® Session Manager possesses a powerful Panel and Script Language that can be used to automate processes such as signon.

Exit points contained within UniGW® Session Manager provide greater flexibility for organizations that require specific event-driven logic and actions to occur.

## **Application optimization**

UniGW® Session Manager allows output from one or more sessions to be collected selectively and displayed on user-defined panels, in effect creating a new application.

## Monitoring and reporting

An integrated performance dashboard, UniGW® Analyzer, supports service level improvement by monitoring key metrics such as response times and user activity. Users can view historical trends, perform data extrapolation, compare multiple time slices, set warning thresholds, and trigger exception notifications.

In addition to integrated monitoring, UniGW® Session Manager enables real-time management reporting of application performance and user activity through Splunk, and also supports TIBCO JasperReports and all other leading business intelligence and reporting tools.

#### Intuitive user interfaces

UniGW<sup>®</sup> Session Manager can be accessed using web, Eclipse and native 3270 interfaces, all of which are intuitive and easy to use.

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