2 - Downloading the admin console software

Our pre-built virtual machine images come already configured with the minimum required specifications to run OpenAthens LA. An enterprise class virtualisation platform is recommended.

You may install the components yourself on Windows or Red Hat derived systems if you prefer. Some instructions will differ.

What is the admin console?

The admin console is the part of OpenAthens LA where you define how the runtime should work.

How to download

Virtual machine images:

Images are available from our service desk on request.

Virtual image considerations

The settings on the virtual image represent the *minimum* requirements. Depending on your virtual infrastructure, initial deployment may the best time to alter assigned CPUs, RAM and especially hard drive space if you expect to use more however the admin console rarely requires additional system resources.

Installing via repository:

This is configured by Yum. If you are installing on your own machine, you have probably set up users and networking already and can jump ahead to the yum configuration step.

Windows installation:

If you are using the Windows version, you should jump ahead to Installing the admin console on Windows

Logging on to the virtual machine for the first time

Once added to your virtual infrastructure and started up you will be able to access the server via the command line. Your virtual infrastructure will give you a view, but you can also SSH from any compatible client once networking is configured.

The first thing you should do is change the default password for the 'maint' user.

Log-in using the following credentials:

Username: **maint**
Password: **password**

To change your password to a secure value**:**

1. At the prompt type:

    ```
    passwd
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2. Enter a new password and re-enter to confirm:

3. Once the password has been updated you should be told that all authentication tokens have been updated successfully

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