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LANCOM Software 8.5 General



The LANCOM operating system LCOS and the management system LCMS regularly provide **free** new functions to all current LANCOM routers, access points and gateways.

LCOS 8.5 brings more speed to network management: LANCOM QuickFinder is lightning-fast at finding devices in LANconfig, LANmonitor WLANmonitor and – especially for complex configurations – the intuitive search filter is the fastest way to find parameters, values and units.

Many automatic functions such as conditional load commands, the programmable Rollout Wizard, OCSP and LANCOM Software Update provide greater efficiency in network operations.

Read on for more on the most important new functions and improvements.



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LANCOM Software 8.5 Highlights



LANCOM QuickFinder – Finds parameters, descriptions and values in LANconfig within seconds. And with the new configuration history you can easily navigate through all of the pages you viewed previously.

Layer-3 Tunneling – Set up homogeneous IP networks for WLAN services that are independent of the network infrastructure and provide virtualization without the complexity of VLAN structures. WLAN Controllers can tunnel data from managed access points through IP infrastructures and allow users to roam anywhere in the wireless LAN while keeping the same IP number.

LANCOM Content Filter now available for HTTPS – Now you can filter and block unwanted HTTPS requests with the LANCOM Content Filter. Also new: Twice as many supported users, a simplified override function, and enhanced performance.*

* Option subject to charge; not available for all LANCOM routers. Link to obtain a free time-limited demo license in LANconfig under "Activate software option ...".



LANCOM Software 8.5 Further improvements

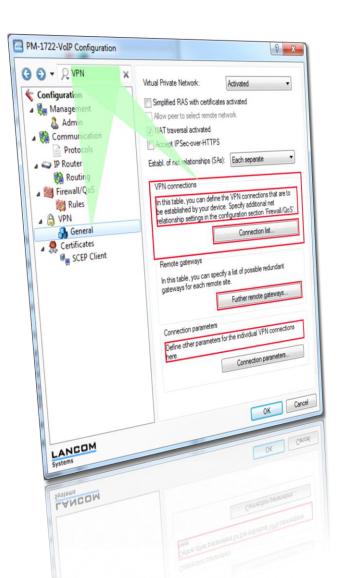


- Automatic software updates LCMS updates software from myLANCOM; conditional load commands in LCOS
- OCSP Support of the Online Certificate Status Protocol for ad hoc checks of certificate validity
- Public Spot option for routers The LANCOM 1711+ VPN, 1721+ VPN, 7100 VPN and 9100 VPN can operate as Public Spot gateways (hotspot) for LANCOM access points
- Programmable Rollout Wizard Scripting language generates custom Rollout Wizards for easy commissioning
- Traces in the device menu Traces to analyze LANCOM devices can be triggered directly from the context menu of the device list in LANconfig





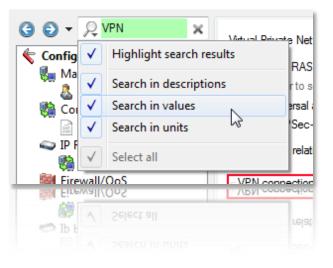
LANCOM QuickFinder (1) Finding descriptions, values and devices

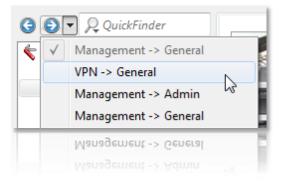


- Search filter now also in device configurations
- Reduces the menu tree to those pages with hits
- Marks the findings in a red frame on the configuration pages, even if the search term is located on a child page
- Searches through descriptions (e.g. parameter descriptors), but also entered values ("Where is 'INTRANET' entered?") and devices



LANCOM QuickFinder (2) Easy, efficient searching





Narrowing down the search in the configurations of LANCOM devices to descriptions, values and units

History of the viewed configuration pages with back/forwards movement and a selection list to quickly jump between settings



LANCOM QuickFinder (3) Easy, efficient searching

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Intuitive and fast operation by immediate adjustment of the view as characters are input

Color and sound signals as soon as a no match is found

Reset the LANCOM QuickFinder with a single click to see the full selection



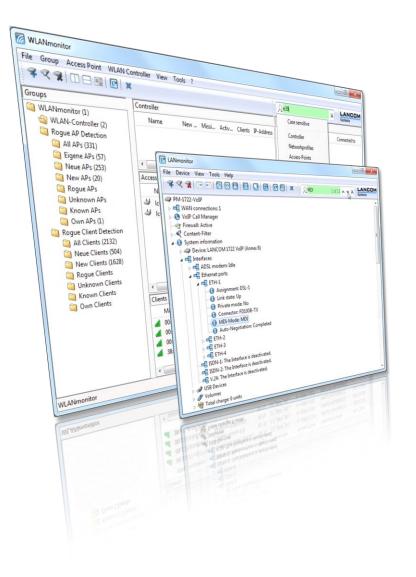
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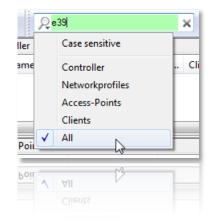
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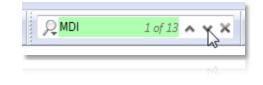
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LANCOM QuickFinder (4) Searching in WLANmonitor and LANmonitor





WLANmonitor: Fast location of controllers, network profiles, access points and clients – ideal for managed WLANs



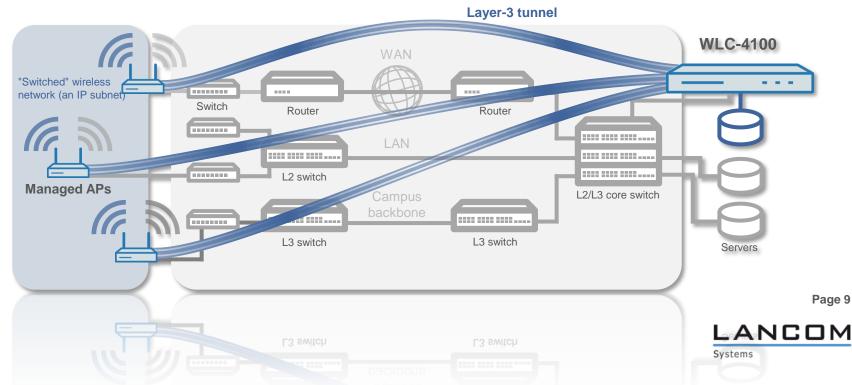
LANmonitor: Jump from hit to hit



Layer-3 tunneling Overcoming network boundaries for managed APs

- Instead of using VLANs, layer-3 tunnels form an IP subnet
- The **layer-3 tunnels transport layer-2 packets**, just as if the access points were "switched"
- A layer-3 tunnel can only be set up between LANCOM access points and LANCOM Wireless LAN controllers

- Layer-3 tunnels are suitable for the logical grouping of WLAN SSIDs, where an upgrade to VLAN is impossible
- Certain applications in the wireless LAN (e.g. Voice over WLAN) require roaming without a change of IP number

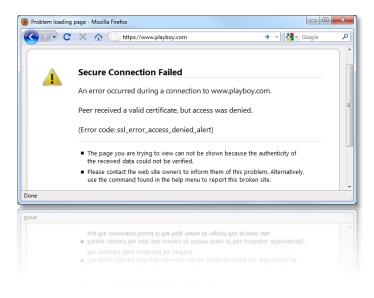


Content Filter option Now for HTTPS, higher performance, doubled limits

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- NEW: Content Filter can also check HTTPS targets and block them depending on the settings
- The performance was improved by optimizing the stacks and CPU-load utilization
- The maximum number of users on a device has been doubled



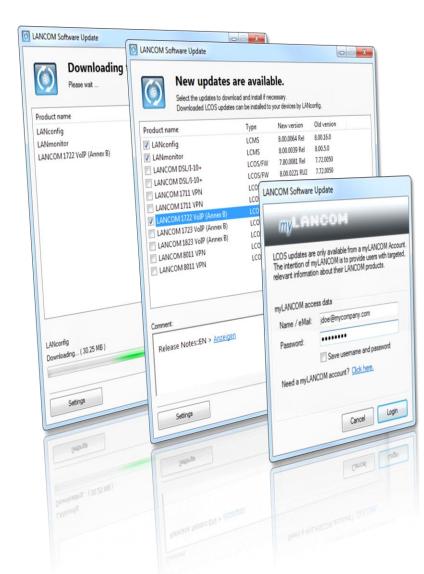


- **NEW:** Using **overrides** has been **further simplified** to a single click
- For further information and to request a demo license visit the LANCOM web site at

www.lancom.eu/contentfilter



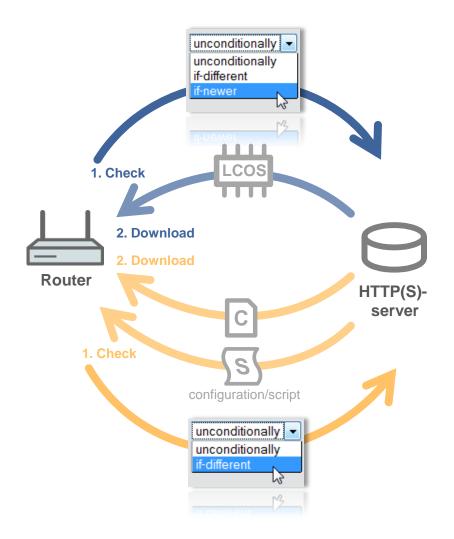
Automated software updates (1) Software update directly from myLANCOM to LANconfig



- Automatic search for new updates at myLANCOM
- Updating of LANconfig, LANmonitor and WLANmonitor even without a myLANCOM account
- Download of new LCOS versions for managed devices to a local firmware directory
- Individual selection of available updates and information
- Enable/disable LANCOM Software Update, set the test interval, optional download of Release Candidates



Automated software updates (2) Conditional load commands



- Enhancement of the commands for loading firmware, configurations and scripts to include conditions
- Easy use in cron jobs for automatic updates when there are changes to firmware or a device configuration stored on a server
- Settings for LoadFirmware, LoadConfig and LoadScript are grouped under "Automatic loading"
- Consolidation of the settings for loading via TFTP, HTTP, HTTPS, and USB
- Storage of default values for minimum version (firmware only), condition, and the server URL – for easy use of commands



OCSP Online checking of certificate validity

OCSP OCSP server server **1751 UMTS** Advanced **1751 UMTS VPN** setup **VPN Client VPN** tunnel **VPN setup VPN Client VPN tunnel 1751 UMTS** Revocations of certificates now faster, because

there is no need to wait for the CRL update cycle

Support of the Online Certificate Status Protocol for checking the validity of X.509 certificates

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VPN Client

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- Alternative to CRLs (Certificate Revocation Lists) for verification of certificates – accurate to the second
- More economical, especially for installations with large numbers of certificates, as no bulky CRL files have to be distributed

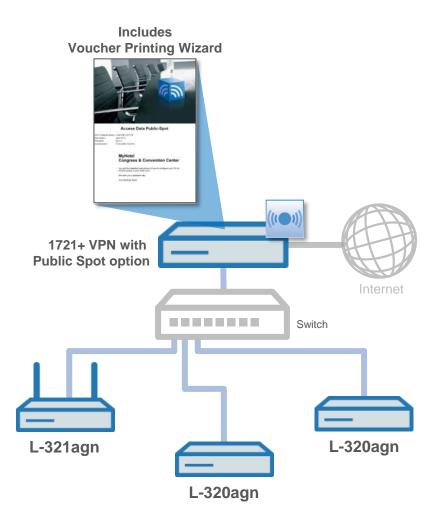
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Public Spot option for routers VPN routers as Public Spot gateways for hotspots



- **NEW**: Routers as gateways for hotspots with management of WLAN access accounts and Voucher Printing Wizard
- Public Spot option (max. 64 users) as of LCOS 8.5 also for:
 - LANCOM 1711+ VPN
 - LANCOM 1721+ VPN
- WLC Public Spot option (unlimited numer of users) as of LCOS 8.5 also for:
 - LANCOM 7100 VPN
 - LANCOM 9100 VPN
- Suitable for installations with just a few access points that do not require management by wireless LAN controller
- Can also be combined with a Content Filter option on the router to the Internet to prevent access to illegal content



Programmable Rollout Wizard* Scripting language for customized Wizards

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- Scripting language for creating custom Rollout Wizards
- Simplified commissioning with project-specific requirements (only the required parameters are affected)
- Display of the Rollout Wizard in the web browser in a custom design (branding)
- The Rollout Wizard can be saved to an alternative boot configuration, so it is always available after reset
- Ideal in combination with load commands for the rollout of centrally stored firmwares and configurations:
 - Rollout Wizard configures the Internet access and the site identifier
 - Load commands obtain configurations from provisioning servers
- * For LANCOM 1681V, 1711+ VPN, 1721+ VPN, 1751 UMTS, 1811n Wireless, 1821n Wireless only
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Traces in the device menu Easy start of traces from the device list

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- Powerful trace application with a graphical user interface and Wizard as a component of LCMS
- Structured display of the output with a detailed view
- Search and search filters for finding events in extensive trace output
- **Comparison of trace output** in the split-view
- Storage of trace output and support files (configuration without passwords, Sysinfo and bootlog in one file)
- Easy triggering of traces from the context menu in the device list in LANconfig



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