M-Files release history and new version rollout plan

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M-Files invests heavily in product development. During the last five years, the product development budget has been approximately 16% of the revenue and the revenue has grown about 560% during that time. Additionally, M-Files invests heavily in product support and product management services.

As can be seen from below, M-Files' product development strategy has been and continues to be to provide frequent updates to the product to ensure that the system is compatible with the latest 3rd Party Software editions and to make the new features quickly available to customers. Many new features are currently release as minor updates allowing customers to adopt the features quickly. On the other hand, highly regulated customers, for example, prefer less frequent 18-24 month release cycles and can deploy only the new major updates but will still get the latest security and compatibility updates and bug fixes as service releases.

As Microsoft Gold Application Partner and Autodesk Authorized Developer, we get access to the beta versions of the new Windows, Microsoft Office and Autodesk AutoCAD updates and hence can provide compatibility updates to M-Files before or shortly after the launch of the new versions of these products.

Our main investment focus areas in product development currently are: end-user usability, mobile, cloud, scalability, and security.

M-Files' innovativeness has been recognized also by independent and reputable third party analyst firms, such as Gartner and Forrester. Both analyst firms praise M-Files innovativeness especially around our unique metadata-driven architecture and of being one of the few vendors able to provide parallel users experience for on-premises and cloud customers.

1. M-Files Release History

The first version of M-Files was released in January 2005. Since then, our customer base has grown to hundreds of thousands users in 100+ countries. Below is a short summary of the main M-Files releases. In addition to these releases, typically one to three service releases have been launched per year to improve compatibility with third party systems and to fix known issues in the product.

Year	Version	Main features	
2005	1.0	Initial release:	
		Windows Explorer Integration	
		Metadata-driven architecture	
		Dynamic Views	
		Search	
		Document metadata	
		Version control	
		Permission control	
		Sharing of documents	
2005	1.5	Archiving	

		Offline capabilities
		Web Access
		External users
		• API
2006	2.0	Indexing and full text search
		Notification messages
		Scanner integration
2006	3.0	Workflows
		Object types
		Document collections
		Document templates
		Connections to the external database
2007	4.0	New UI
		Offline mode improvements
		Email imports
2008	5.0	Plugins for MS Office and AutoCAD
		Dynamic text fields in Office and AutoCAD templates
		Replication
		Automatic naming of documents and automatic property values
		Version-independent API
2009	6.0	Support for Microsoft SQL Server database engine
		Metadata translations
		• OCR
		Event handers and scripts
		Workflow improvements
		File preview
		Built-in PDF converter
2010	7.0	Microsoft Office Outlook integration
		• Favorites
		Improvements to workflow, views and search
2011	8.0	M-Files Cloud Vault
		M-Files for Dynamics CRM Plugin
		M-Files for Salesforce CRM Plugin
		Reporting Module
		Automatic (metadata-driven) permissions
		FDA 21 CFR Part 11 compliance module
		Mobile Access
2012	9.0	Full replication capabilities
		New archiving module
		Co-authoring of files
		Microsoft OneDrive integration
		Barcode detection in M-Files OCR
		UI Extensibility Framework
2013	10.0	New User Interface
2013	10.0	New and improved metadata card
		Replication improvements (metadata structure replication)

		Native mobile apps for iOS, Android and Windows Phone	
2014	10.1	Annotation and redlining capabilities	
		Improved Citrix XenApp support	
		Major updates to mobile apps, including document scanning	
2014	10.2	Server-side vault applications with .NET	
		Encryption at rest for file data in the cloud	
		Encrypted RPC Connections	
		Search within this view feature	
		Larger limit counts configurable for file export command	
		Support for pre-shared key authentication (Windows, Web, Mobile)	
		Web Access:	
		New metadata card	
		Viewer tab for previewing documents	

2. Planned future releases

2.1. Windows Client and Server updates

Planned release	Version	Planned Main features
time		
Q1 / 2015	2015	 Encryption at rest for file data (on-premises) High availability and automatic failover for on-premises installations Scalability improvements Federated identity improvements
Q3/ 2015*	2015 Update 1	Usability, search and workflow improvements
Q1 / 2016*	2015 Update 2	Usability improvements
Q3 / 2016*	2015 Update 3	Usability improvements
Q1 / 2017*	2017	Search, usability, scalability, security and integration improvements. Details are disclosed later.
Q1-Q2 / 2018*	2019	Search, usability, scalability, security and integration improvements. Details are disclosed later.

^{*)} the release schedules and contents are confirmed later.

2.2. Mobile app updates

Mobile app updates are released approximately once a quarter for each platform (Android, iOS and Windows Phone).

Planned release	Planned Main features
time	
Mar 2015	Offline use improvements
	Editing of documents on iOS app
	Usability and security updates
Jun 2015	Usability and security updates. Details are disclosed later.

2.3. Service Releases

To ensure compatibility with the latest third party applications and to ensure high quality in M-Files software, service releases are made available approximately once a quarter.

Planned release	Details
time	
Mar 2015	Service Release 5 for 10.0