

Re: Deleting default OU's and Containers

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>> Hi again!

>> I'm posting here because the active_directory group is

>> closed/unaccessible at the moment.

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>> I've created new OUs for my Users, Computers and Domain

>> Controllers OU/containers, and moved the objects

>> respectively. I cannot however manage to delete the old

>> Containers/OUs, and I expect the redundancy to create a

>> great amount of confusion and counter-intuity.

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>> Is there a way to delete the containers Domain\Users,

>> Domain\Computers and the OU Domain\Domain Controllers (

>> without ofcourse crippling the whole enviroment!)?

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>You should not delete the default containers.

>You are also advised that moving the DCs out of the
default Domain

>Controllers container is considered a "bad idea".

>I can understand creating new OU for the various users
depending on your

>management hierarchy and also for computers and even
redirecting the

>behaviour of the create new computer or user to point to
another OU instead

>of he default containers – but what do you hope to gain
by moving the DCs ?

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>Regards,

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>Mike

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>Mike Brannigan [Microsoft]

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Thank you for the warning, maybe I'll re-think my strategies a bit ;-)

My goal was to create a more localized environment using non-english names.

The reason for moving my DC(s) was to create some kind of tree structure that allowed me to assign a global GPO to my servers (including non DCs), and fine-grained GPOs to groups of different servers.

I guess I can also accomplish this by using groups as an intermediate step, but I'm a fan of simplicity and was hoping to avoid that.

Regards, Stian

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• *References:*

◆ *Deleting default OU's and Containers*

◇ *From:* Stian Ovrevege

◆ *Re: Deleting default OU's and Containers*

◇ *From:* Mike Brannigan [MSFT]

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