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IBM WebSphere Portal 5.02: Setting up the Collaboration Center

The following exercise walks you through setup process for the Collaboration Center on WebSphere Portal 5.02. You will notice that the install and configuration has been simplified especially for the People Finder portlet.

- 1. Load up the VMware image
- 2. Install the Collaboration Center
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- 5. Configuring the People Finder

1. Load up the VMware image

- Load up the Collab Ctr 5.02 image.
- Click the Revert button.

2. Install the Collaboration Center

- In a CMD prompt run the Collaboration install.
- It should be something like this from the c:\collabcenter directory: install "C:\Program Files\WebSphere\PortalServer"
- You should get a message to tell you that it was successful.
- Change Directories in the CMD prompt to c:\Program Files\WebSphere\PortalServer\config
- To run the script to deploy the portlets type: WPSconfig.bat cc-deploy-page
- This should deploy the Collaboration Center portlets and sample page.
- You should get a "Build Successful" message (This may take up to 20min)

3. Configure the portlets

- Launch Internet Explorer.
- Login as **wpsadmin** with the password of **wpsadmin**.
- Go to the Administration Link
- Under Portal User Interface, choose Manage Pages.
- Search on All Available pages, find the Collaboration Center Page and click the "Set the page permissions" which is the Key Icon.
- For the User role add the "all authenticated portal users" Click Ok and then click Done.
- Close the browser and login again.
- You can get to the Collaboration Center page if you scroll right from the Welcome page.
- At this point, you should see Workplaces portlet, Who Is Here and Sametime Contact List portlets working. (You may need to refresh the browser if they appear not to be working)

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4. Configuring Web Conferencing Portlet

- Click the Administration link.
- Under the Portlets label, chose the Manage Portlets link.
- Find the Lotus Web Conferencing portlet in the list and modify the portlet parameters.
- Change SametimePassword1 to **password**
- Change the SametimeUserName1 to **domino admin**
- Change SametimeServer1 to **portalv5.raleigh.ibm.com**
- Save changes and go back to the Collaboration Center page.
- You can test if the Web Conferencing portlet works by searching for a "meeting in progress" or creating a new meeting.
- If you create a new meeting, you will note that the online awareness icon is the same as the icon in Lotus Workplace.

5. Configuring the People Finder

- Click the wrench icon.
- Click Configuration Basics link
- Click OK and Apply Changes Now button.
- Do a search for **wp*** in the People Finder portlet and you should see a list of people come up. Note the new icon for awareness. This is the icon used in the Lotus Workplace.