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## HERMES has a launch date!

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Nick Werner-Matavka <n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com>

18 June 2022 at 23:48

To: Eudora-Dev <eudora-dev@hades.listmoms.net>, Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

Hello, everyone!

Work on HERMES Mail has progressed to the extent that we have a launch date. A revolution in personal e-Mail that runs on *your* computer and is in *your* control is set to begin on 1 August of this year.

No more stop-gap measures; our transitional HERMES toolkit obviated the need for clumsy workarounds like Stunnel, and our final software package (provisionally named Aurora) will allow Windows users once again to have an enterprise-class, multilingual POP3 and IMAP client in their hands. This is the ideal software for anyone who is hesitant to allow unaccountable tech titans, like Google and Microsoft, control over their private mail; it is also ideal for those who want to keep a seemingly unstoppable torrent of junk mail in check.

Given what has happened in the past, it must be noted that this is a FIRM launch date. We are not in the vapourware-peddling business; we are in the communications business, and this software represents an iron-clad guarantee that the historical Eudora for Windows codebase is in safe hands.

That said, this will be a soft launch: we will release to testers first (alpha), then to this group and perhaps other trusted users (beta), and finally to the public (gamma). If you wish to be first to test the next step in e-Mail, please make your contribution at <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/hermes-mail-8-0-the-final-stretch#/>

Best regards,

Nicholas Edward Werner-Matavka  
Team HERMES

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Dr Michael Foster <drmikejfoster@btinternet.com>

20 June 2022 at 10:05

To: Eudora-Dev <eudora-dev@hades.listmoms.net>

Cc: ArtKnsZ@zoho.com, n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com

At 05:13 20/06/2022, Art KnsZ via Eudora-Dev wrote:

On 06-18-2022 20:48, Nick Werner-Matavka via Eudora-Dev wrote:

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... our final software package (provisionally named Aurora)

Still think Nudora is a far better and descriptive name.

If trademarks are an issue, Nudora is not much different than Aurora so go with something that has meaning and recognition. Nudora would have instant recognition - orders of magnitude better than Aurora.

On a separate note, are you still accepting/collecting Eudora bugs and annoyances? If so, where should they be sent? Preferred format?

Art

I guess I do not mind as to what the program is called - A rose by any other name would smell as sweet (lines 43-44, Act-II, Scene-II of Romeo and Juliet), and yet I agree that somewhere there needs to be a definite identification to Eudora its predecessor. Perhaps in the programing acknowledgments and in the marketing advertisements.

Certainly the news that a replacement to Eudora is at last making an appearance is wonderful news and spurred me on to donate.

Michael F.

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**Michael** <msmconn@comcast.net>  
To: n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com

19 August 2022 at 02:28

Nick,

I've been trying to find a place where current news is being posted about Hermes Aurora without much success. Most of the postings to Sourceforge and indiegogo are dated. Not much is posted on the 'Eudora for Windows' forum either.

As a backer of Aurora (and a previous backer on Kickstart), I was hoping to be invited to join the testers program on August 1st - but I've not been able to find out where the project stands.

Do you have a progress update?

Thanks,  
Michael McConnell  
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**Dr Michael Foster** <drmjf@btinternet.com>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Nick Werner-Matavka <n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com>

25 August 2022 at 03:33

At 04:48 19/06/2022, Nick Werner-Matavka via Eudora-Win wrote:

Hello, everyone!

Work on HERMES Mail has progressed to the extent that we have a launch date.

I have two questions for Nick

1. I did contribute (a small amount - the widow's mite - as I am a pensioner and impoverished) - but no Hermes Mail to test as yet - when will there be a roll-out to contributors?
2. will/can Hermes Mail support OAuth2 authentication? If not - is it back to the drawing board to ensure Hermes Mail stays in the game?

Michael F.

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**Dr Michael Foster via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

25 August 2022 at 03:33

Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Dr Michael Foster <drmjf@btinternet.com>

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**Nick Werner-Matavka** <n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

25 August 2022 at 11:29

Hi everyone, just setting up the infrastructure, you'll have the HERMES Aurora alpha in no time at all. We're working on it :)

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**Gordon Jacobson** <gaj@portman.com>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com

25 August 2022 at 15:16

At 11:29 AM 8/25/2022, you wrote:

Hi everyone, just setting up the infrastructure, you'll have the HERMES Aurora alpha in no time at all. We're working on it :)

Nick -

You did not answer Michael's question and I am sure those who have been following Michael's thread would like to know:

Will Hermes support OAuth2 authentication?

Gordon Jacobson

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**Nick Werner-Matavka** <n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com>  
To: Gordon Jacobson <gaj@portman.com>

25 August 2022 at 16:05

Yes, in the fullness of time we will support OAuth2.

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**Sid Herbage** <sidhrb@teksavvy.com>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

25 August 2022 at 17:35

At 03:33 AM 8/25/2022, Dr Michael Foster via Eudora-Win wrote:

2. will/can Hermes Mail support OAuth2 authentication? If not - is it back to the drawing board to ensure Hermes Mail stays in the game?

Is anyone other than Microsoft demanding OAuth2 authentication ?

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..... Sid

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**Gordon Jacobson via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Gordon Jacobson <gaj@portman.com>

25 August 2022 at 18:04

At 05:35 PM 8/25/2022, you wrote:

At 03:33 AM 8/25/2022, Dr Michael Foster via Eudora-Win wrote:

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Just for the record Sid, Nick Werner-Matavka wrote me back with the following response to my repeat of Michael Foster's question about Hermes Mail supporting OAuth2 authentication.

Nick wrote that "Yes, in the fullness of time we will support Oauth2."

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..... Sid

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**Butch Kemper via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Butch Kemper <butchkemper@gmail.com>

25 August 2022 at 18:31

At 05:35 PM 8/25/2022 -0400, Sid Herbage wrote:

>At 03:33 AM 8/25/2022, Dr Michael Foster via Eudora-Win wrote:

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Gmail supports OAuth2 authentication.

Butch

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**Katrina Knight via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Katrina Knight <kknight@fastmail.fm>

25 August 2022 at 18:39

At 03:31 PM 8/25/2022 Butch Kemper via Eudora-Win wrote:

>Is anyone other than Microsoft demanding OAuth2 authentication ?

Gmail supports OAuth2 authentication.

I believe Butch is asking whether anyone else requires it, not whether they support it. I don't know of any other provider that demands OAuth2 for POP and/or IMAP.

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Katrina Knight  
kknight@fastmail.fm

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**George Allen via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: George Allen <geo.allen@comcast.net>

26 August 2022 at 09:00

At 10:00 PM 8/25/2022, [Jens@hades.listmoms.net](mailto:Jens@hades.listmoms.net), [O.M.Karlsson@hades.listmoms.net](mailto:O.M.Karlsson@hades.listmoms.net), wrote:

At 8/25/2022 06:04 PM, Gordon Jacobson via Eudora-Win wrote:

| Nick wrote that "Yes, in the fullness of time we will support OAuth2."

Doesn't sound like the "fullness of time" will arrive by October 1st...

What about plain "OAuth", though (not "OAuth2")? I thought somebody here made the distinction that the Oct. 1 requirement is for plain OAuth.

As noted earlier,

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/exchange/clients-and-mobile-in-exchange-online/deprecation-of-basic-authentication-exchange-online>

there are other Modern Auth options besides OAuth2 for MS email after Oct 1. It is only "Basic Auth" that is being disabled.

The "App Password" with some form of 2FA [app or phone] should work if your IT dept will support it. If they won't, then off you go to Pandora, at least until Hermes is able to add OAuth2 support in the future. And if we find out that MS email won't support these lesser forms of Modern Auth, then off to Pandora go I, too.

See also:

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/exchange/clients-and-mobile-in-exchange-online/outlook-for-ios-and-android/setup-with-modern-authentication>

which says:

Modern authentication is an umbrella term for a combination of authentication and authorization methods that include:

Authentication methods: Multi-factor Authentication; Client Certificate-based authentication.

Authorization methods: Microsoft's implementation of Open Authorization (OAuth).

OAuth2 is part of "Modern Auth", but there are other multi-factor authentication methods that are included in the Modern Auth bucket that should still work on Oct 1.

George

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**Graham Price** <genetree@tpg.com.au>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

2 September 2022 at 01:24

Hi, I received an email purporting to be from Team HERMES following my earlier donation to the cause. Is this real? Why? Because there is an invite for me to purchase an app and then to navigate to a 'secure' link to the testing channel. If I am to receive a trail version of HERMES why am I asked for this further cost? Just wondering. :-)

Cheers

Graham

Re. edited: "Esteemed Client: On behalf of all of us here at Team HERMES, please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your financial contribution of xxxx on the date of xxxx, particularly during the more trying times when our existence as a going concern was in question. (etc.) . . . For these as well as operational reasons, we use the xxxx app for secure, synchronous discussion and co-ordination . . . and it can be downloaded at xxxx. . . . This will grant you access to our testing channel . . . (etc.)"

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**Katrina Knight via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Katrina Knight <kknight@fastmail.fm>

2 September 2022 at 01:40

At 10:24 PM 9/1/2022 Graham Price wrote:

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Sounds suspicious to me. It is hard to say without seeing the details though and given that Nick is a lawyer, not an experienced software developer, I wouldn't be surprised if he made odd choices about how to do this. What are they trying to get you to purchase and why? The appropriate place for discussion of the Hermes mail client is eudora-dev, not eudora-win. If you are not already a member, you can join using this link <mailto:join-eudora-dev@hades.listmoms.net?Subject=Gazelle> then discuss the trial version and related stuff there.

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Katrina Knight  
kknight@fastmail.fm

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**David Layton via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: David Layton <david@layton.com.au>

2 September 2022 at 02:11

At 03:24 PM 2/09/2022, you wrote:

Hi, I received an email purporting to be from Team HERMES following my earlier donation to the cause. Is this real? Why? Because there is an invite for me to purchase an app and then to navigate to a 'secure' link to the testing channel. If I am to receive a trial version of HERMES why am I asked for this further cost? Just wondering. :-)

I rec'd the same email.

Whilst the email was ponderously worded, it knew my name, email address, the amount and date I donated so I assume it is genuine. It was inviting participants to download the Signal app (which is for secure comms) and is free and then to join a Signal group. I have done so and there are currently 18 members in the group, but no messages apart from people testing the app.

No idea why Nick thinks all comms need to be secure, as I would have thought email would have been sufficient.

As Katrina suggested, I'll now join the eudora-dev list and see if I learn anything.

Cheers  
David

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**Graham Price via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Graham Price <genetree@tpg.com.au>

2 September 2022 at 02:27

At 04:11 PM 2/09/2022, David wrote:

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Tks Katrina, have joined the dev list.

David, the Signal.app website keeps asking me for a euro donation, but keeps rejecting me when I up the amount. I can't see where it is free!  
Graham.

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**Mantwis via Eudora-Win** <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

2 September 2022 at 02:07

Reply-To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>  
Cc: Mantwis <mantvius@gmail.com>

At 08:24 AM 9/2/2022, Graham Price wrote:

Hi, I received an email purporting to be from Team HERMES following my earlier donation to the cause. Is this real? Why? Because there is an invite for me to purchase an app and then to navigate to a 'secure' link to the testing channel.

The app is free, you don't have to purchase it.  
Mantvydas

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**Nick Werner-Matavka** <n.theodore.matavka.files@gmail.com>  
To: Eudora for Windows <eudora-win@hades.listmoms.net>

2 September 2022 at 09:59

I fluffed it. It's meant to be signal. Org not signal. App.

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