

## Virtualisation technology promises cheaper, more powerful PC

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MiniFrame has launched a new version of SoftXpand, set for release this month. This Windows XP based solution enables the creation of up to eight PC workstations from one standard PC.

Providing a more than adequate PC experience, each workstation - up to eight of them - matches the host PC's performance by simply using standard, off-the-shelf hardware.

MiniFrame's software takes advantage of the unused processing power in today's PC, creating multiple "virtual" computer workstations, each consisting of only standard monitor, keyboard, and mouse.

SoftXpand supports all types of applications, including multimedia programs, videos, games, Flash, and Voice Over IP (using a microphone and speakers).

While giving a full multi-media PC experience, it enables extensive savings on IT Total Cost of Ownership (initial hardware, PC maintenance, and software deployment).

It is also scalable allowing users to add extra workstations whenever needed. Moreover, SoftXpand delivers huge electricity savings (up to 80%).

SoftXpand prices start from \$50 per workstation, a fraction of what you could expect but you would still need to factor in the cost of the monitor, keyboard and mouse.

As a software only solution, necessary standard hardware can be purchased and supported locally in any country while helping users and distributors keep in step with hardware industry trends and technological advancements.