



21st Century Software VSEⁿ V6.3: New Name, Full Compatibility

VSEⁿ V6.3 KEY FEATURES AND FUTURE DIRECTION REFLECT 21ST CENTURY SOFTWARE'S INVESTMENT IN THE VSE ECOSYSTEM

Our first version of the VSE operating system (OS) enters the market under the name: **VSEⁿ V6.3**. VSEⁿ is designed to offer **non-disruptive compatibility** with previous versions of IBM z/VSE. VSEⁿ V6.3 also addresses fixes and functionality that had been applied to IBM z/VSE 6.2 through March 2022, along with the newest releases of the TCP/IP stacks and installation enhancements.

Middleware stack names have also changed, but executables (commands, jobs, APIs) have not have not been renamed to maintain compatibility for customers coming from IBM z/VSE. Here's a look at the new names for the components we are delivering initially across the stack:

| IBM Product Name | Corresponding 21st Century Software Offering |
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| z/VSE | VSE ⁿ |
| CICS, CICS TS | OLTP for VSE ⁿ or OLTP |
| VTAM | VCDD for VSE ⁿ or VCDD |
| HLASM | HLASM for VSE ⁿ or HLASM |
| EREP | IDRP for VSE ⁿ or IDRP |
| IBM IPv6/VSE | 21CSW IPv6/VSE |
| IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE | 21CSW TCP/IP for VSE ⁿ |
| DL/I | HDB for VSE ⁿ or HDB |

The rest of the 21st Century VSEⁿ stack will be provided in the coming months. VSEⁿ has been designed to interoperate with current versions of those IBM z/VSE middleware stack products not yet included in the table above, as well as other ISV VSE products, so customers can move to VSEⁿ and leverage their investments right away.

Investing in the Future of VSEⁿ

21st Century Software has the expertise to support and improve the VSEⁿ ecosystem. Our VSEⁿ team, led by Gonzalo Muelas Serrano, has been consistently investing in the mentoring and training of new developers. All new developers work closely alongside seasoned VSE experts as they learn our OS.

We will continue to work closely with IBM to ensure we align with current and future strategies. Here's a look at some concrete investments we intend to provide:

- **Support for new generations of IBM Z hardware**
- **Enablement for VSEⁿ also as a public cloud offering aligning with customer needs and IBM's evolving hybrid cloud strategy**

We are also working with active VSE vendors interested in investing in and strengthening the VSEⁿ ecosystem in key areas like security, storage, resiliency, observability, and connectivity. Some of these VSE vendors include:

- ✓ **Barnard Systems Inc.**
- ✓ **Broadcom Mainframe Software**
- ✓ **Lattwein GmbH**
- ✓ **Velocity Software, Inc.**
- ✓ **B.O.S. Software Service und Vertireb GmbH**
- ✓ **CSI International**
- ✓ **MacKinney Systems, Inc.**
- ✓ **XPS Software GmbH**



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To learn more about why VSEⁿ provides the business value you need or if you are looking to join our team of VSEⁿ experts, reach out to Gonzalo Muelas Serrano at gonzalom@21csw.com.

