

Getting started with Rational System Architect

This document describes the steps you need to take to get started with the Rational System Architect hosted virtual environment. You are now able to evaluate Rational System Architect online, without installing or configuring it on your own system. This provides you:

- Immediate access to the software, no download or installation required
- Pre-configured evaluation user Welcome Guidebook and sample data to help you maximize your trial

This VMWare image is running on Citrix, and the virtual environment is transparent to the user.

(Note that you are required to install the proper plug-in to access the on-line trial environment. If you already have the Citrix XenApp Web Plugin installed on your computer, you are ready to move forward. If you do not, proceed to the next step to access the Rational Online Trial Environment, which will alert you to the installations you will require to access the trial.)

- A) To get started, click “Start your trial now” located on the top of the Rational System Architect trial page. This will open the Rational Online Trial Environment.
- B) Take special attention to the message center, which will alert you if you do not have the proper plug-ins installed to run the System Architect Trial, and will also include instructions to rectify. Take the suggested actions.
- C) Under the “Applications” section, double-click on the Rational System Architect Icon.



1. When prompted, enter User name: **Administrator**, and Password: **passw0rd**

This will open the System Architect image with either the “Citrix XenApp Web Plugin” or the “MetaFrame Presentation Server Client for 32-bit Windows”, depending which application you have installed on your computer.

2. If prompted for an explanation as to why the Windows Server 2003 was shut down unexpectedly, then select “Security issue” and click OK

3. When System Architect launches, you will be asked to “Open Encyclopaedia”
 - To access pre-populated sample diagrams and definition content, and Select “**samples**”, and click “**OK**”.
 - Later in the evaluation, select “File”, “Open Encyclopaedia”, and select and Select “**demo**”, and click “**OK**”. This will give you access to predefined enterprise analytic and explorer relationship reports.
4. Close the tip window (or feel free to read thru a few, then close).
5. If the **Evaluation Welcome Guide** does not launch by default (and you see a blank gray workspace), open it by selecting “File”, “Show Welcome Guide”. When the Welcome Guide launches, you may want to tick the check-box at the bottom of the screen that states “Show welcome guide when opening an encyclopaedia”.
6. Make your selections of interest when presented with the Welcome Guide, and proceed with your evaluation. Note that the hosted evaluation is a time-limited evaluation, and your data will be lost at the end of the session.
7. To open the System Architect model and file **explorer**, select “View”, and either “Explorer” or “Classic Explorer”. From here, you will have access to all predefined models, definitions, reports, and analytics.

Helpful Tip – When working in the Welcome Guide, use the backspace key to navigate to the previous screen.