

VMware Copy & Paste in Linux Guest

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Symptom (öffentlich)

[1]Copy & Paste option is disabled in vSphere Client 4.1 - default

[1] <http://www.amikkelsen.com/?p=487>

Problem (öffentlich)

Lösung (öffentlich)

[1]Copy & Paste option is disabled in vSphere Client 4.1 - default Tuesday, September 21, 2010[2]A. Mikkelsen[3]7 comments

Yesterday we upgraded one of our vSphere Clusters to 4.1 - it went smoothly

But today the users reported that they weren't able to use cut % paste between the guest and their computer using the vSphere Client (Console).

After a quick google we found that VMware has tightened the vSphere security by disabling this feature. See VMware [4]KB 1026437.

If you need the cut & paste functionality you can enable it again on the guest or host level.

For a single VM:

- Using the vSphere Client logon to your vCenter server.
- Poweroff the VM.
- Edit the VM's settings
- Navigate to Options > Advanced > General

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- Click Configuration Parameters
- Add the following rows, by using Add Row

```
isolation.tools.copy.disable - false
isolation.tools.paste.disable - false
```

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- Click OK twice to close the dialogs and save the changes.
- PowerOn the VM

For all VM's on a host ESX/ESXi

Must be done on all hosts, so you don't loose the functionality when the VM is migrated to another host.

- Open a SSH to the host ex. using Putty
- Open /etc/vmware/config in your favorit editor .

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- Add these lines to the file

```
isolation.tools.copy.disable="FALSE"
isolation.tools.paste.disable="FALSE"
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- Save and close the config file. Cut & Paste will work after a VM powerson, reboots or resume.

[1] <http://www.amikkelsen.com/?p=487>

[2] <http://www.amikkelsen.com/?author=2>

[3] <http://www.amikkelsen.com/?p=487#comments>

[4] http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=1026437

[5] http://www.amikkelsen.com/?attachment_id=489

[6] http://www.amikkelsen.com/?attachment_id=490

[7] http://www.amikkelsen.com/?attachment_id=493

[8] http://www.amikkelsen.com/?attachment_id=499