



Kopano

Kopano clients

WEBAPP VS DESKAPP VS OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC



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INTRODUCTION TO CLIENT COMPARISON

Kopano's clients are designed to give its users the best experience while accessing their groupware data, communication systems, files and more. This document is made and maintained by us to help our partners to deliver the best advice to their customers on the question: "Which client should be used when?".

WebApp is the flagship client, which provides full access to all of Kopano's collaboration and sharing capabilities. Releases in the past 12 months brought a lot of new features and great improvements to the look & feel of the application. DeskApp acts as the bridge between WebApp and the desktop, enabling many integration features such as interaction with the files and applications on your local system.

Other use cases might require the use of a different type of client. Since the release of Z-Push 2.2.3 in September 2015, it is also possible to connect Microsoft Outlook (2013 and 2016) to your Kopano Stack through ActiveSync and Z-Push. This, together with the Kopano Outlook Extension (version 1.1 was released in October 2016) enables an enhanced set of features which are normally not available when using ActiveSync. Examples include the availability of free/busy information, synchronizing the Global Address Book and opening shared folders per user in read-only and read-write mode!

In the following pages you will find an extensive comparison of the features the different clients have to offer.



Legend



Present



In development



Missing



Available with the
Kopano OL Extension



May be implemented
in the future

General

FEATURE

	WEBAPP	DESKAPP	OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC
Setup	Not needed	Install package (unattended install is possible)	Native support for ActiveSync accounts in Outlook 2013/2016
Update behaviour	Not needed, only server side	Installer packages can be updated. Unattended if needed	Installer packages can be updated. Unattended if needed
Secure remote connectivity via HTTPS			
Open multiple accounts at once	Based on ACLs	Based on ACLs	Credentials for additional accounts needed
Offline support			Native
3rd party application: "send as email"			
Out of office support			
Possibility to restore items after they were deleted			
Create new folders			Only possible for mail folders
Copy/move items between accounts			
Single Sign On			
Create new items from the taskbar			

Email



Present



In development



Missing



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FEATURE

	WEBAPP	DESKAPP	OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC
Basic email features (Reply, forward, copy, move, print email)	✓	✓	✓
Multiple formats	✓ Plain-text, HTML	✓ Plain-text, HTML	✓ Plain-text, HTML -RTF
New email notifications on desktop	✓	✓	✓
Reply/forward-flags	✓	✓	🟡
Flag emails as important before sending them	✓	✓	✓ Mark email as high, normal, low
Flag important emails	✓ 6 different colors defined server-side	✓ 6 different colors defined server-side	✓ Only red flags
Categories in different colors	⚠️ As flags	⚠️ As flags	✓
Resend & edit sent emails	✓	✓	✓
Group by ... (e.g. category)	🟡	🟡	✓
Add one of multiple predefined signatures to outgoing emails	✓	✓	✓
Encrypt/Sign via S/MIME	✓ Not yet able to read sent items	✓ Not yet able to read sent items	✓ Not able to read sent items
Postponed delivery	✓	✓	✓ Outlook needs to be open to send the message later
Save as draft	✓	✓	✓ Only locally, not uploaded to the server
Archive to local disk	✓ EML	✓ EML	✓ Auto archive & manual save to (MSG, PST)
Send as a different user	✓	✓	🟡 Introduced with 1.1 Will be improved with 1.2
Automatically move SPAM to junk mail folder	✓	✓	✓
Serverside rules wizard	✓	✓	✗
Read receipt support	✓	✓	✓
Attach files from anywhere on your file system	✗	✓	✓
Use as your default email client	✗	✓	✓
Send email from other applications	✗	✓	✓

Calendar



Present



In development



Missing



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FEATURE

	WEBAPP	DESKAPP	OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC
Basic calendar features (Create, move, copy, delete appointments)	✓	✓	✓
Description of meetings	✓	✓	✓
Open shared calendars	✓	✓	🔄
Reminder: Get a pop-up before a meeting	✓	✓	✓
Recurring items	✓	✓	✓
Meeting request: invite, cancel/uninvite	✓ No private notes possible	✓ No private notes possible	✓
Resources support: automatically accept/deny meeting requests	✓	✓	✓ Meeting request booking only, not direct booking
Free/busy (scheduling)	✓	✓	🔄
Multiple calendars in one view	✓	✓	✓
Private item support	✓	✓	✓
Category support	✓ 10 different categories, defined server-side	✓ 10 different categories, defined server-side	✓
Manage ACL/Permissions on my calendar	✓	✓	✗

Notes

FEATURE

	WEBAPP	DESKAPP	OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC
Basic notes features (Create, move, copy, delete notes)	✓	✓	🔄

Contacts



Present



In development



Missing



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FEATURE

WEBAPP

DESKAPP

OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC

Basic contacts features
(Create, move, copy,
delete contacts)



Description



Private contacts



Protocol limitation

Global address book



Multiple contact
folders per account



Limitation of Outlook

Contact folder in public
folder as address source



Distribution list support



Only for GAB, not in
personal contacts

Automatic address resolving



Send as vCard



Tasks

FEATURE

WEBAPP

DESKAPP

OUTLOOK VIA ACTIVESYNC

Basic task features
(Create, move, copy,
delete contacts)



Description of tasks



Private tasks



Recurring tasks



Task reminders



Assign task to your
colleagues by email



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