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Guide to install BMW ISIS in VMware 7.01 – Created by KahN

Ok, these are the steps that worked for my installation. I have some screenshots, but mostly this is a written guide. Sorry for the crappy English but this is not my native language

For the Record, this is my computer setup:

- Inter i7 920
- 6GB (I know, to low, but I will buy an extra 6GB in a couple weeks)
- Gigabyte EX58-UD5
- Intel X25-M 80 GB SSD
- 500 GB WD hdd (this is were my ISIS is installed on(
- 1.5 TB Samsung ecogreen (this is were I store my BMW installation ISO's and such)

To complete your ISIS installation with this guide you'll need to have a good basis in IT and ICT understanding. If you are new to VM's, Windows Server and hardware configuration you are probably not going to complete the setup.

So, for the first step you'll want to setup your VMware machine. So, do the following:

- File, new, Virtual Machine
- Select custom (advanced)
- Set the hardware compatibility to 'workstation 6.5-7.0'
- Select I will install the operating system later
- Guest operating system will be Microsoft windows
    - Select furthermore Window Server 2003 Enterprise x64 Edition
- Give your machine a fancy name and use a location that has at leas 400GB of free space. The best is if you have a spare 500 or bigger disk, just locate it there. This so that you can continue to do stuff on your computer without major hiccups
- Use number of processors 4, and number per processors 1.
    - In testing, this seemed to be the fastest
- Use at least 4 GB of ram, but recommended is 8 GB! This is crucial for a flawless and speedy ISIS installation (this speedy is eventually a contradiction)
    - Note! Do not assign more than your own internal memory -2GB. For example: If you have 6 GB, assign at max 4GB (like in my case)
- For the networking just use 'Bridged Connection'. You can also use the 'host only' option, but in that case the VM is not accessible by another computer in your network.
- Use the LSI Logic SAS
- Create a new virtual disk
- IDE!!!! (this is very important)
- Set the Maximum disk size to 600 GB
    - You can store the virtual disk as a single file, which is the fastest option. Also you can check the option to allocate the disk space now. This takes a while and may enhance performance
- Give your virtual disk a fancy name. The file is automatically stored on the location created above
- And then, FINISH!

It should look like this: