



#### Installation Guide Server Installation

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SCIA Engineer 19.0

## 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Welcome

Welcome to the SCIA Engineer Installation Guide. SCIA Engineer is a calculation program running under Windows. It has a large range of applications: from the check of simple frames to the advanced design of complex projects in steel, concrete, wood, etc.

The program handles the calculation of 2D/3D frames, including the profile check and the connection check for steel constructions. Apart from frames, it is also possible to model and analyze plate structures, including advanced concrete calculations.

This manual describes the procedures for a correct installation of the application with network protection on the server as well as SCIA Engineer installed locally on the client's computer. To install the SCIA Engineer license on the server, it is necessary to be on the console (not with remote desktop) to activate the licence.

The final two chapters include the procedure for uninstalling the software (Chapter 6) and a guide for troubleshooting common issues. (Chapters 7 & 8).

## **1.2 System Requirements**

To install SCIA Engineer it is recommended that your system qualifies the following requirements:

#### Hardware

Brossor	Minimum: Intel Core i5 or AMD equivalent		
FIDCESSO	Advised: Intel Core i7 or AMD equivalent		
RAM	Minimum: 8 GB (Advised: 32 GB)		
Graphics Controller	256 MB, supporting OpenGL		
Free disk space	5GB		
Resolution	1280 x 800 (4K Not supported)		

#### Software

	Windows 2008 server 64 bit
	Windows 2012 server 64 bit
Supported Windows	Windows 7 32/64 bit
OS	Windows 8.1 32/64 bit
	Windows 10 32/64 bit
API link with Revit	SCIA Engineer 18 is compatible with:
( <u>http://www.s</u> -	Revit 2017, Revit 2018
<u>cia.net/revit</u> )	
	SCIA Engineer 18 is compatible with:
API link with Tekla	Tekla Structures 2017
	SCIA Engineer 18 is compatible with:
Etabs	Etabs 9.2
	SCIA Engineer 18 is compatible with:
IFC	IFC version 2x3
	SCIA Engineer 18 is compatible with:
	SDNF version 2.0
SUNF	SDNF version 3.0

## 2. First installation of the protection on the server

Network protection for SCIA Engineer can be installed on any computer in the network. Each of the authorized modules can have a different number of licenses, which can be started simultaneously. Before SCIA Engineer is started, the user can determine (in a separate protection setup utility) which modules he/she wishes to use in the session and which modules he/she wishes to remain available for the other users.

On the license server, a setup of FlexNet will be installed. This setup contains drivers for the SCIA network dongle which is used for the floating protection. If you wish to change the license to another computer, then you need is to install FlexNET on the other PC, deactivate the license on the older server, and activate it on the new PC.

Depending on the type of dongle you own you need to install a different version of Flexnet.

• Dongle with licence number > 630700



For this type of dongle Flexnet version 3.0.5 or higher is required.

• Dongle with licence number < 630700



For this type of dongle Flexnet version 2.3.5 is required.

Flexnet can be downloaded using the folowing site:

http://scia.net/en/support/downloads/latest-version-flexnet

The installation procedure for the protection on the server consists of the following steps:

- Installation of the FlexNET network Protection (which automatically includes the old FlexID installation)
- Activation of licences
- Configuration and start of the FlexNet Server

## **2.1 Installation of FlexNET**

1. Download the SCIAFlexNET from our webstie: http://scia.net/en/support/downloads/latest-version-flexnet

- 2. Unzip this file and double click on Setup.exe to start the installation
- 3. Install FlexNET by following the instructions on the screen.
- By default FlexNet is installed in the folder
   C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\FlexnetServer. for version 2.3.5 or lower
   C:\Program Files \Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\FlexnetServer. for version 3.0.5 or higher

It will add the following programs to your server, which are needed in the next steps:

- a. SCIA Activation Manager (ActivationUtility.exe)
- b. FlexNET License Administrator (Imadmin.exe)

#### **2.2 Activation of licences**

To activate the licence you need to have a console session to the server. If it is a physical machine this can be done by: 1) Logging in directly on the server. 2) Connecting to the server using the command mstsc\admin. If it is a virtual machine you need to make sure to establish a console connection using the virtual machine application. You can check if you have a console session by typing 'Tasklist' into the command prompt. Your applications should have console as session#.

- 1. Attach the FlexID dongle (the USB dongle for your server license) to the server.
- The Lock ID (the special internal ID number for the lock) is stored in a .lid-file (this is the file you'll need in the next step to link this specific dongle to the server), which has been sent to you by email. If you didn't receive this file, it can be requested by sending an email to support@scia.net with the following information:
  - Your company name
  - Your name and return email address
  - The (list of) LID-number(s) (6 number figure(s), starting with '6')
- 3. Execute the SCIA Activation Manager (ActivationUtility.exe)

icia Activation server URL:	http://activation.scia-online.co	m:80/	Network settings
Licence ID Name of licence	Licence Status	FlexNET ID	Read Licence ID
			Delete Licence ID
			Edit licence name
			Activate Licence
			Reload Licence
			Return Licence
			Repair Licence
			Close

Press [Read Licence ID]

If you are using proxy settings, then configure Network Settings for the activation to work. If this still won't work, refer to section 8.6.

The Lock ID is stored in a SCIAxxxxx.lid-file, where x represents the number of your dongle. This number is indicated on the dongle as shown below:



Choose the correct lid-file and press [Open]

The data in this file together with the presence of the dongle itself on the server will be converted to a license file. This license file will be used by the FlexNET License administrator to send out licenses to start SCIA Engineer.

4. The number of your license file will appear in the FlexNET activation utility window.

cia Activation server URL:	http://activation.scia-online.com:8	0/	Network settings
Licence ID Name of licence	Licence Status	FlexNET ID	Read Licence ID
630769	Not yet activated	2BD 58EC0	Delete Licence ID
			Edit licence name
			Activate Licence
			Reload Licence
			Return Licence
			Repair Licence
			Close

Select this number and press [Activate licence]

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It is not possible to activate the license file using remote desktop (to try and push this command, see also section 8.2). For problems with proxy settings, check 8.6.

5. Afterwards you will receive a warning message about returning the licence before activating it on another server. Click [OK] and the circle in front of the license number will become green and the license file has been activated.

cia Activation server URL:	http://activation.scia-online.co	m:80/	Network settings
Licence ID Name of licence	Licence Status	FlexNET ID	Read Licence ID
129617	Active	FID_SCIA_1722732799129617	Delete Licence ID
			Edit licence name
			Activate Licence
			Reload Licence
			Return Licence
			Repair Licence
			Close

Press [Close]

#### 2.3 Configuration of the Server

From version SCIA Engineer 2010.0, the network protection uses FlexNET. In versions before 2010.0 (2009.0, 2008.1, Esa Prima Win) FlexLM was been used instead of FlexNET.

- FlexLM is actually the same as FlexNET, but an older version of it, and it uses "LMTOOLS" instead of the "Activation Manager"
- For SCIA Engineer 19, the version of FlexNET has to be at least 3.0.2.
- The FlexNET software can also be configured to provide "old" licenses (see 8.4)
- 1. Start the FlexNET license administrator
  - a. OPTION 1: Execute the FlexNET license administrator (can be found under Start > Programs > SCIA License Server > FlexNET license administrator)
  - b. OPTION 2: Open an internet browser and navigate to http://serveraddress:8080 (e.g. http://localhost:8080)

(→) # http://localhost:8080/dasht	FLEXnet License Administr	×			- • <del>×</del> ∩ ☆ ©
FLEXNET			User	Name: admin Help Dashboard Admir	Sign Out
Alerts	Licenses Retivatable	Concurrent	Vendor Daemon: SC	IA	E
	Product Versit	on In Use (Available) eer 0 (0)	Overdraft Expiratio	N VT	-



2. Click on [Administration] and sign in (for the first login use "admin" for user name and password).

Sign In	
User Name:	
Password:	
Remember me	
Submit Cancel	

3. Go to "Vendor daemon configuration" and click [Administer].

	FLEXNET*				User Name: admin	? Help	X Sign Out
						rd <mark>Adm</mark> i	inistration
System Information	Vendor Daemons						
User	Name 🔺	Status	FLEXnet Publisher Version	Port			-
Conflouration	SCA	RUNNING	11.10	60786	Administer	Delete	

4. First stop the server before adapting the settings.

on:SCIA
Port in Use: 61175
n Actions
Reread License Files

5. In the "General configuration" section it is necessary to set the correct path to license file (by default this is scia\SCIA\_Software.lic). It can also be changed in order to refer to a \*.DAT file (to configure FlexNET for old versions of SCIA Engineer & EsaPrimaWin, see Section 8.4 for how to do this). The path for the vendor daemon (SCIA.exe) should be scia/scia. Please note the importance of the back and forward slashes!

The Vendor daemon port is the port which is used for communication between scia.exe and Imadmin.exe. It is not used for communication between SCIA Engineer and the license server.

Restart retries specifies whether the license server will be automatically started after restart of license server machine (also restart after sleep mode). Set the value to 1 in order to enable automatic restart of license server.

Vendor Daemon Actions	
Start	
General Configuration	
* License File or Directory	
scia\SCIA_Software.lic	*
	*
Vendor Daemon Location:	
scia/scia	
* Vendor Daemon Port:	
Use default port	
O Use this port 0	
* Restart Retries:	
1	
Enable Date-based Versions	

6. In the "vendor daemon log" section, it is possible to modify the position of log files or show the log file:



7. When you are finished making changes, make sure to save the configuration:



8. Once the daemon is configured correctly, it can be started using the "Start" button.



When the user wants to use another TCP port (e.g. 7182), it is possible to change this under "Server configuration > License Server Configuration > License Server Manger port" (see image). But after changing the port, you will have to restart Imadmin.exe (you can restart it in the services, or you can restart the server).

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#### 3. Update of the server for a new version

SCIA Engineer 18 requires a version of FlexNET that is at least 3.0.2. (see chapter 2).

SCIA Licence Server x64	SCIA	3.0.2	81,2 MB
SCIA Engineer 17.0	SCIA	17.0.26	1,80 GB
SCIA Engineer 16.1	SCIA	16.1.3033	1,89 GB

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If your server is using LMTools to divide licenses, then you are using FlexNET version 1.X.X and you must also upgrade your FlexNET. To upgrade, first go to the activation manager and return ALL licenses. Then remove FlexNET from the server. The location for the setup and the installation for the new FlexNET is described in chapter 2.

1. Execute the SCIA Activation manager. This can be found by default in: "C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenseServer\ActivationUtility\

ActivationUtility.exe"

icia Activation server URL:	http://activation.scia-online.co	m:80/	Network settings
Licence ID Name of licence	Licence Status	FlexNET ID	Read Licence ID
129617	Active	FID_SCIA_1722732799129617	Delete Licence ID
			Edit licence name
			Activate Licence
			Reload Licence
			Return Licence
			Repair Licence
			Close

- 2. Select your license number and press [Reload License]
- If the activation has succeeded, you will receive a message that tells you that the license is now bound to the server and must be returned before removing or changing hardware to the server (and before removing software relevant to the activation utility).



4. Now you must execute the [Reread License Files] option in the FlexNET license administration:

F	LEXNET*				User Name: admin	? Help	X Sign Out
						d Admi	inistration
System Information	Vendor Daemons						
User	Name 🔺	Status	FLEXnet Publisher Version	Port			-
Configuration	5024	RUNNING	11.10	60786	Administer	Delete	

	LEXNET*	User Name: admin	Pelp S	x ign Out
		Dashboard	Adminis	tration
- Öa	Vendor Daemon:SCIA			
System Information	Vendor Daemon Port in Use: 49169			
	Vendor Daemon Actions			
User	Stop Reread License Files			0
Configuration	Report Log Name: Rotate Report Logs			
Alart	General Configuration		-	- 1
Configuration	* License File or Directory			
-Qo	scia\SCIA_Software.lic			
Server Configuration				
(PII)	Vendor Daemon Location:			
	SCI8/SCI8			
Configuration	* Vendor Daemon Port:			
	Use default port			
	* Restart Retries:			
	999			
	Enable Date-based Versions			
	Vendor Daemon Log			
		Save	Cance	
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## 4. Extra options on the server

### 4.1 Checking the status of license server

The status of SCIA License server can be checked on the "Dashboard" of the web based interface. It is possible to see alerts and warnings here and to see which licenses are available at the server. There are provided information about availability, expiration or current users (Hosts) for each module.

FLEXNET				Pelp Sign	Out
			Dashboa	rd Administrat	
Alerts	Concurrent Licenses		Vendor Daemon: SCIA		
	Feature Version	In Use (Available)	Expiration		
1 U	▼ ESALED.BA ENG EC 1.0	0 (1)	PERMANENT		
Vendor daemon down: SCIA Xendor daemon down: SCIA Xendor daemon down: SCIA	▼ ESA.ED.BA FRA CM				
	1.0	0(1)	PERMANENT		
	▼ <u>ESA.ED.BA FRA EC</u> 1.0	0 (2)	PERMANENT		
	▼ <u>SCIA Software</u> 1.0	0 (1)	PERMANENT		
	▼ _ESA.1010				
	1.0	0 (4)	PERMANENT		

#### 4.2 Deactivating the license file before a server migration

Deactivating the license file is necessary when changing the dongle from one server to another. In this case it is necessary to deactivate the license file on the original server before activating the same license on the new server. You can deactivate the license using the following steps:

- Using Windows Explorer, go to the folder C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\Protection\ActivationUtility for FlexNET 2.3.5 or lower or C:\Program Files \Common Files\SCIA\Protection\ActivationUtility for FlexNET 3.0.5 or higher
- 2. Execute the file ActivationUtility.exe
- 3. Select the License file number and press [Return License]
- 4. Press [Close]

Now it is possible to activate the license on the new server. Please follow the instructions provided under chapter "2. First installation of the protection on the server" on page 8 in order to install the protection on the new server.

## **5. Installation of SCIA Engineer on the client pc's**

## 5.1 Installation of SCIA Engineer

1. You can start the installation using the web setup from our site:

Go to our download page:

https://www.scia.net/en/support/downloads/

And run the web setup.

2. In the dialog box which appears, select the language for installation:

The language chosen for installation is also the default language that will be used for the help files of SCIA Engineer.

- 3. The Welcome screen for installation appears. Press [Next] to continue.
- 4. In the dialog product improvement program the customer can choose if he wants to share anonymous runtime usage data. No personal data is collected. You can find more info on <u>https://www.scia.net/en/support/faq/installation/scia-engin-eer-product-improvement-programm</u>
- 5. In the dialog Choose Destination Location, the folder where the files will be installed can be specified. By default the destination folder is created in Program Files. It is advised to use this default location.

Destinatio Click Nex folder.	on Folder t to install to this folder, or click Cl	nange to install to a	different	SCIA ENGINEER
Ø	Install SCIA Engineer 18.0 to: C:\Program Files (x86)\SCIA\Eng	jineer18.0\		Change
InstallShield -	[	< Back	Next >	Cancel

Press [Next] to continue.

6. In the dialog Setup Type the preferred setup can be chosen. Press [Next] continue. We advise to choose Custom so that you can check the add-ons that will or won't be installed by default. Make sure that ALL required add-ons are selected to be installed. If you are not sure about a certain component, it is better to install it anyway.

If you want to install one of the SCIA Engineer Plug-ins, then you need to select the plug-in in the Custom installation.

7. Select the application languages that should be installed (additional languages can only be used if you have the language module for it in your licence)

- English	Polish	
German	Russian	
French	Spanish	
Dutch	Portuguese	
Czech	Greek	
Slovak	Italian	
Romanian	Croatian	

8. In the dialog Protection Defaults the default values for the protection settings can be set.

Protection settings Please choose protect	ion defaults			EN	<b>SCÍA</b> IGINEER
O Viewer only					
Trial version					
O Student version					
Only standalone					
Only floating					
◯ First standalone,	then floating				
O First floating, the	n standalone				
License server:	27000@server				
InstallShield					
		< Back	Next	>	Cancel

- Select Only floating.
- Fill in the correct path to the License server:
  - E.g. 27000@Server
  - The number 27000 refers to the TCP-port. Default this port is 27000, but it can be adapted in the license file (see chapter "8.3 Changing the TCP Port" on page 29).
  - Localhost should be replaced by the name of the license server.

Press [Next] to continue.

When using a dongle together with a FlexNET network license, the options "First standalone, then floating", or "First floating, then standalone" can be chosen.

9. The next window, allows the user to select the required desktop icons.

10. The last window shows an overview of the selected settings. Press [Install] to start the installation process.

11. After installation, the message appears that SCIA Engineer has been installed successfully. Press [Finish] to end the installation procedure.

#### 5.2 Start SCIA Engineer

Double click on the SCIA Engineer 18 icon to start the program.



When the protection update succeeded, SCIA Engineer will start up and the installation is finished.

If SCIA Engineer does not start immediately, the following screen will appear and follow the steps below to update the protection:

cia Engine	er		X
8	Valid licence has not been four Problem found: Hardware key Please choose a possible actior Settings = start Protection setti Viewer = Run Scia Engineer in v Exit = close Scia Engineer.	nd. Scia Engineer cann can not be found. n: ing dialogue viewer mode	iot continue.
	Settings	Viewer	Exit

- 1. SCIA Engineer cannot start without a correct protection. Press [Settings] to run the protection setup to update the protection.
- 2. The Protection setup will be displayed

Select the option Only floating and fill in the correct path to the License server:

- E.g. 27000@SERVER
- The number 27000 refers to the TCP-port. Default for this port is 27000, but it can be adapted in the FlexNET License Administrator (see chapter "8.3 Changing the TCP Port" on page 29)
- SERVER should be replaced by the name of the license server (which you can see under the tab "System Information" in the FlexNET License Administrator).

licence number(s):	OK
Гуре	
C Try-out	Apply / Refresh
C Only standalone	Cancel
• Only floating	Cancer
C First standalone, then floating	
O First floating, then standalone	
C Student	
oftware floating protection	
Licence server path	
(e.g.: http://localserver:7182/, 7182@localserver)	
27000@localhost	
ts of modules: All available modules	]
ts of modules: All available modules 👤	Save set
ts of modules: All available modules 🗨	Save set of modules Import set of modules
ts of modules: All available modules 🗨	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules
ts of modules: All available modules 🗨	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected modules
ts of modules: All available modules 🗨	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected module Select All
ts of modules: All available modules 🗨	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected modules Select All Clear All

Press [Apply / Refresh]

4. The available commercial modules will appear in the window:

Flotection setup	
Licence number(s):	ОК
C Try-out	Apply / Refresh
Only standalone	Apply / Renear
Only floating	Cancel
C First standalone, then floating	
C First floating, then standalone	
C Student	
Software floating protection	7
Licence server path	
(e.g.: http://localserver:7182/, 7182@localserver)	
2/000@localhost	
vailable commercial modules: ESA ED.BA(1) - 1 / 0 ESA ED.BA(2) - 1 / 0	Save set
Available commercial modules: ESA.ED.BA(1) - 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(2) - 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(3) - 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(3) - 1 / 0	Save set of modules Import set of modules
Available commercial modules: ESA.ED.BA(1) • 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(2) • 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(3) • 1 / 0 Scia Engineer 2009.0 license [_ESA.900] • 3 / 2 Standard language English [ESA.08.E] • 3 / 2	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules
wailable commercial modules: ESA.ED.BA(1) • 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(2) • 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(3) • 1 / 0 Scia Engineer 2009.0 license [_ESA.900] • 3 / 2 Standard language English [ESA.08.E] • 3 / 2 SCIA new modules [SCIA_NEW_MODULES] • 1 / 0	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected modules
vailable commercial modules: VESA.ED.BA(1) - 1 / 0 VESA.ED.BA(2) - 1 / 0 VESA.ED.BA(3) -	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected modules Select All
vailable commercial modules: ESA.ED.BA(1) - 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(2) - 1 / 0 ESA.ED.BA(3) - 1 / 0 Scia Engineer 2009.0 license [_ESA.900] - 3 / 2 Standard language English [ESA.08.E] - 3 / 2 SCIA new modules [SCIA_NEW_MODULES] - 1 / 0	Save set of modules Import set of modules Remove set of modules Borrow selected modules Select All Clear All

- 5. Press [OK] to close the protection Setup
- 6. Double click on the SCIA Engineer 18 symbol to start the program.
- 7. When the protection update succeeded SCIA Engineer will start up and the installation is finished.

## 5.3 Update

When an update is available, you will see a notification at the bottom right corner of SCIA Engineer itself:

New version available	Snap mode	Filter for service	Current UCS	

When you click on New version available you can choose "Install update" and the updates will be installed automatically.

In SCIA Engineer it is also possible to check if an update is available, using Help -> Check for update in SCIA Engineer.

It is also possible to disable this option in the registry on the client's computer by navigating to:

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\SCIA\Esa\xx.x\Admin\Settings\EnableUpdateMenu

and setting the value here to: 0

## 6. Uninstalling SCIA Engineer

#### 6.1 Uninstalling with Add/Remove Programs in Windows

SCIA Engineer can be uninstalled like any other windows based software application:

- 1. Go to Add or Remove Programs through Start > Settings > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs.
- 2. A list with installed software applications will appear. Select SCIA Engineer and press [Change/Remove]
- 3. In the dialog box that appears choose the option Remove

Program Mainte Modify, repair,	enance or remove the program.		l	SCIA ENGINEER		
O Modify	Change which program features are installed. This option displays the Custom Selection dialog in which you can change the way features are installed.					
Repair         Repair installation errors in the program. This option fixes missing or corrupt files, shortcuts, and registry entries.				ing or		
Remove	Remove SCIA Engineer 18.0 from your computer.					
InstallShield	< Back Next > Cancel					

4. Press [Next] to start the uninstall procedure.

After completing the uninstallation, some settings remain in the Registry of windows. These traces can be deleted manually. Deleting these entries can be necessary when problems occur with a new installation.

- 1. Open the Run dialog box through Start > Run
- 2. Type regedit and press [OK]

Take note, for this step it is required to have Administrator rights!

3. The Registry Editor appears.

le Edit View Favorites Help			
1 Computer	Name	Туре	Data
HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT      HKEY_CURRENT_USER      HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE      HKEY_USERS      HKEY_CURRENT_CONFIG	(Default)	REG_SZ	(value not set)

4. Go to the following key's and delete them using the Delete button.

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\SCIA\ESA\\*

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\Software\SCIA\ESA\\*

Where \* represents the version number.

5. Close the Registry Editor through File > Exit

After completing the uninstallation, some folders remain on your hard disk and can be deleted manually:

32 bits computer:	C:\Program Files\SCIA\ Engineer**
64 bits computer:	C:\Program Files (x86)\SCIA\Engineer**

Also the following folders remain on your hard disk and can be deleted:

Windows 7/8/10: C:\Users\#User#\Esa\*\* C:\Users\#User#\Documents\Esa\*\*

Where \*\* represents the version number

These folders can be deleted using Windows Explorer. Please note that the first folder can contain projects so the user must be absolutely sure if he/she wishes to delete these folders.

#### 6.2 Uninstalling without Add/Remove Programs

Sometimes SCIA Engineer cannot be uninstalled using the "Add/Remove programs" feature of Windows. Sometimes an error message presents itself or SCIA Engineer is not added to Add/Remove Programs. In this case, it is not possible to uninstall the software.

This problem can occur with any Windows based program.

To easily uninstall Scia Engineer, use the following procedure:

Go to Start > Run and in the dialog that appears, type the following command:

msiexec/x {A39DB31A-4752-4611-A2F9-299324BED8EF}

This will execute the same procedures as uninstalling through Add/Remove Programs.

### 7. Troubleshoot – on the client computer

A complete list of Frequent Asked Questions can be found on our website: http://scia.net/en/support/faq

## 7.1 Language module not found

When starting up SCIA Engineer the following message appears:



If this message appears, it means that SCIA Engineer does not find the correct language to start.

To use a certain language, you need the module for this language and the language must be installed. It is possible that you have chosen a different language during your installation then the language of your modules.

You can install an extra language in the setup for "Programs and Features" in Windows. Select the SCIA Engineer version from the list and choose for "Change". With this option you can change the installation of the program and select an extra language which will be installed.

#### 7.2 User Access Control

If UAC (User Access Control) is enabled the following message will appear at the end of the installation:



Choose "Install this driver software anyway" to end the installation.

For using SCIA Engineer, standard user rights suffice. Here, no Administrator rights are needed. However, the user must have read/write permission for the user folder of SCIA



Engineer: Windows 7/8/10: C:\USERS\#USER#\ESA\*\* Where \*\* represents the version number and #USER# represents the user login name.

## 7.3 System variables

Some applications using Flexnet change the System variables. This blocks SCIA Engineer from getting access to the licence. To solve this problem you need to follow the next steps:

- 1. Right click on This PC and click on Properties.
- 2. Go to advanced system settings.
- 3. Click on environment variables.
- 4. Delete the system variable LM\_LICENCE\_FILE

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### 8. Troubleshoot – on the server

#### 8.1 TCP Ports – Server setup

For servers with a windows version older than Windows 7 the ports used in FlexNET (default 27000) should be opened.

When using a Windows 7/8 server, it is necessary to add exceptions in the Windows firewall for: Imgrd.exe, scia.exe and Imadmin.exe

# 8.2 Impossible to activate license using Remote desktop

Remote desktop does not recognize the dongles from the remote system (in this case the FlexID dongle is not recognized). It is possible to log in on the console session of the server and then the dongle will be recognized, using the following command:

For Windows 7/8:

mstsc/v:servername/admin

More info:

/v:ServerName[:Port]

Specifies the remote computer and, optionally, the port number to which you want to connect.

If the license is installed on a virtual server with Windows 2008 R2 or newer, it is not possible to active the SCIA Engineer license with a console remote desktop session like described above. In that case an additional tool need to be used (e.g. vSphere).

## 8.3 Changing the TCP Port

When the user wants to use another TCP port (e.g. 7182), it is possible to change this by using the following steps:

- 1. Start the internet browser and navigate to http://serveraddress:8080 (e.g. http://localhost:8080)
- 2. Click on [Administration] and sign in (for the first login use "admin" for username and password)
- 3. Go to "Vendor daemon configuration" and click [Administer].
- 4. And go to "Server configuration > License Server Configuration > License Server Manager port". You can change the Port here:

	Uxer Name: admin ? X FLEXNET* Help Sign Out
	Dashboard Administration
System	Server Configuration Stop Server
	Web Server Configuration
	Secure Web Server Configuration
User Configuration	License Server Manager Port:                ● Use Default Port (27000 — 27009)
Configuration	*Maximum Number of License Server Manager Processing Threads: 10
Server Configuration	*Maximum Number of License Server Manager Receive Threads: 5
	Logging User Interface
Vendor Daemon Configuration	Save Cancel

- 5. Afterwards, you must restart the service Imadmin.exe or restart the server.
- 6. Now you'll need to configure SCIA Engineer 18 so that it can listen on the changed TCP port in order to receive the modules. Go to the protection setup (start -> All programs ->SCIA Engineer 18 -> Protection setup) on the client's PC. In the protection setup you can give in the TCP port that you've just configured on the server (e.g. 7182). Next click on apply/refresh. You should be able to see the modules when you click on expand.

icence number(s): 129617	OK
C Try-out	Apply / Refresh
Only standalone	
Only floating	Cancel
C First standalone, then floating	
C First floating, then standalone	
C Student	
oftware floating protection	
Licence server path (e.g.: http://localserver:7182/, 7182@localserver)	
7182@YOUR SERVERNAME/SERVER IP-ADRESS	

# 8.4 Working with versions older than SCIA Engineer 2010.0

This is only possible if you have FlexNET version 2.3.5 or lower.

With the "SCIA\_Software.lic" file, the users can work with SCIA Engineer 2010.1 and newer. But if the users prefer to work also with older versions of SCIA Engineer or with Esa Prima Win, the old dat-file should be copied to the folder of the "SCIA\_ Software.lic" file, by default:

C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\FlexnetServer\scia

Afterwards the dat-file should be adapted and the first 2 rows should be changed into:

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	SERVER MYSERVER FLEXID=9-60E55D9A VENDOR SCIA scia/scia USE_SERVER		*
л П	INCREMENT ACTIVE_DOCUMENT SCIA 1.0 permanent 4 SIGN=2F INCREMENT ASSEMBLED_CROSS_SECTION SCIA 1.0 permanent 4 SIGN=FC019C9E5732	5C7CAE0	)c

Change "MYSERVER" in the name of the server.

Don't change the FLEXID number (this depends on the number of your dongle)

Remove the port number at the end of the first row

Change the second line into: VENDOR SCIA scia/scia

And refer to this datfile in Imadmin (instead of: "scia\SCIA\_Software.lic"). This can be done in the FlexNET Licence Administrator. To do this, follow the next steps:

- 1. Start the internet browser and navigate to http://serveraddress:8080 (e.g. http://localhost:8080)
- 2. Click on [Administration] and sign in (for the first login use "admin" for username and password)
- 3. Go to "Vendor daemon configuration" and click [Administer].
- 4. And refer here to the Licence file or Directory, not to te lic-file, but to the dat-file:

General Configuration	
* License File or Directory scia\630769.dat	

With those adaptations it is possible to work with older versions of SCIA Engineer and with the new versions as well.

#### 8.5 Lmadmin does not start automatically

When restarting the computer, the Imadmin service should start up automatic.



If this service does not start up automatically, please add a shortcut to Imadmin.exe (C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\Scia\LicenceServer\FlexNetServer) in the startup menu of Windows.

In some cases Imadmin.exe can be blocked due to other programs. The key in such a situation is to find what is blocking it.

One example is for some Windows Server operating systems. These operating systems sometimes have "Data Execution Prevention" activated by default for almost all programs. You can access and change it in the following manner:

Right Click on the C: drive to access the computer properties

Organize 🔻 System	properties Uninstall or ch	ange a program
🚖 Favorites	Hard Disk Drives (4)	(
<ul> <li>Desktop</li> <li>Downloads</li> <li>Google Drive</li> <li>iCloud Photos</li> <li>Recent Places</li> <li>Libraries</li> <li>Documents</li> <li>Music</li> </ul>	OSDisk (C:)	
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Then you can configure data execution prevention by following the steps indicated in the next image:

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Control Panel +	All Control Panel Items    System	Search Control Panel
Control Panel Home	System Properties	
Device Manager     Remote settings     System protection     Advanced system settings	Computer Name   Hardware   Advanced System Protection   Remot You must be logged on as an Administrator to make most of these ch Performance Vaual effects, processor scheduling, memory usage, and virtual memory	Performance Options
	User Profiles Desktop settings related to your logon Setting	against damage from visues and other security threats, frow visues it work?  Turn on DEP for essential Windows programs and services only Turn on DEP for all programs and services except those I select:
	Startup and Recovery System startup, system failure, and debugging information Setting	
See also	OK Cancel	Apply Add Remove Your computer's processor supports hardware-based DP.
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Windows Update	Windows activation	
Performance Information and Tools	Windows is activated Product ID: 00371-OEM-8992671-00524	OK Cancel Apply

# 8.6 Activation manager having problems with proxy setttings

If you are working behind proxy settings, and the activation manager does not work after adjusting the proxy settings in the activation manager, it is possible to use a configuration file for the ActivationUtility.exe.

Usually we have a bypass of calling HTTP status 101 - continue. Some proxies do not accept it and then activation fails.

To create this configuration file, you must follow the next steps:

a. Create a new file in notepad, and put in it the following content:

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<configuration>
<system.net>
<settings>
<servicePointManager
ue="false" />
</settings>
</system.net>
</configuration>
```

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- b. Save the file in the folder of ActivationUtility.exe  $\rightarrow$  C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\ActivationUtility
- c. Rename the file you created to:
   → ActivationUtility.exe.config (make sure that the old file extension is gone)

## 8.7 Configuring the firewall on server side

The licenses have to be exchanged between the server and the computer using SCIA Engineer. To allow this exchange, it can be possible that exceptions have to be added to the firewall on the server side.

You have to add these 4 exceptions:

1. The port used to send out licenses to the client pc (default is 27000).

You can check this port under



- 2. The port used to communicate with the server. This is the port used in step 1, plus 1. So this is by default port 27001.
- 3. Add the process "Imadmin.exe" as exception. This process is located in the following folder: "C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\FlexnetServer"
- 4. Add the process "SCIA.exe" as exception. This process is located in the following folder: "C:\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\SCIA\LicenceServer\FlexnetServer\scia"