



### Preliminary Identity Management Assessment

PathMaker Group provides consulting and systems integration for security technologies specific to Identity Management. This includes web access management, password management, identity provisioning and directory technologies. For companies just getting started with this process, we offer a service that provides client education and orientation while answering four key questions:

#### ONE 1 Is There A Need?

The process begins with a series of **interviews with key personnel** including help desk administration, security administration, systems administration, internal audit and key IT and business management to capture the following:

- User id and password management processes
- Identity HW/SW platforms, directories, applications, and operating systems
- Access management for key applications including web, client/server, mainframe and remote access

This information will then be distilled and assessed using our Identity Management Capability Matrix. We will review strengths and weaknesses with stakeholders and seek to **understand key business drivers** including the need to improve both the integrity and efficiency of access and identity processes and capabilities.

#### TWO 2 Is This Financially Feasible?

The purchase and implementation of identity management technologies can be expensive. However, the **benefits can be tremendous**. Both hard quantifiable numbers and softer intangible advantages can be realized.

Using client specific metrics, we will use our **ROI calculator** to give you a clear picture of your potential benefits. We will introduce the concept of "Identity Management Convergence(SM)" and other key factors that will make your business case clear, compelling and justifiable.

#### THREE 3 Where Should We Start?

The identity management industry encompasses many products, technologies and standards. Understanding where to start can be overwhelming.

We will introduce our "Identity Path<sup>(SM)</sup>" four-layer architectural framework to show the appropriate placement of new products, key integration points and how to leverage existing investments.

We will **recommend specific, near-term steps to address your high priority issues**. This may include acquisition and implementation of new products. It may include establishing and enforcing new security policies and processes. It may include a combination of both.

The solutions will address those areas of most immediate need based on key business and technical drivers. These recommendations will fit within an overall, long-term strategy to accomplish your identity management maturity goals.

#### FOUR 4 What Is The Building Block Sequence?

Identity Management technology is changing rapidly. We will help you understand how to begin today yet utilize your investment for long-term benefit. We will plan a roadmap of three to six month initiatives that will **enable quick wins and immediate payback** while working towards your full Identity Management vision and maturity.

We will introduce a key component of project success. Our "Clear Path<sup>(SM)</sup>" **Identity Management project methodology** defines a clear, five-phase process for each initiative that follows a phased implementation approach to project success.

### Getting Started...

PathMaker Group offers a series of fixed-fee engagements enabling clients to clearly see the cost and benefit of beginning an Identity Management initiative. This preliminary assessment is available for a fixed-fee (plus applicable travel). To schedule your session, please contact PathMaker Group at 817-410-5722 or email at [info@pathmaker.biz](mailto:info@pathmaker.biz). We look forward to the opportunity to clear your path through the identity management jungle. For more information about our company and our additional offerings, please visit us at [www.pathmaker.biz](http://www.pathmaker.biz).