

Executive Summary

Avoiding Tradeoffs between Security and User Experience

We're living in a world in which devastating security breaches appear virtually every day. In an instant, customer trust, balance sheets and brands can be significantly, perhaps permanently, damaged.

Given these realities, it makes sense that many leaders prioritize security above all else, even if that means making compromises in the user experience. This dynamic is underscored as teams pursue security transformations, such as secure access service edge (SASE) adoption and zerotrust approaches. While these approaches offer compelling security advantages, they can also make it more difficult to monitor and manage the user experience.

How do teams address their critical security imperatives—without making compromises in the user experience?

The reality is that, with the right set of tools in place, teams can track and optimize the user experience, today and as their security approaches and networks evolve.



Prioritizing Security Above All Flse

Creating a Different Kind of Business Risk

In a recent survey of over 500 enterprise security professionals, almost half of respondents indicated that they were willing to accept diminished user experiences, employee productivity, and customer satisfaction in order to realize enhanced security. (See footnote at end of this eBook.)

However, in spite of this stated prioritization, 46% have had to bypass security in order to make improvements in the user experience.

The reality is that these tradeoffs are unacceptable. Markets are too competitive to tolerate inferior user experiences. Security is too important to accept shortcuts.

The question is how do you avoid being forced to make these tradeoffs?

How do you knowledgeably, continuously track the user experience—no matter what security approaches are employed?

How do you ensure an optimal user experience is being delivered—or that teams will know immediately if not?

How do you proactively manage service levels—so you can preempt potential issues before users experience a problem?



Security Takes Precedence...

are willing to adversely affect the user experience for the sake of increased security

are willing to have productivity take a hit for improved security

are willing to accept diminished customer satisfaction for increased security

...But Compromises are Made

admit they have resorted to bypassing security to improve user experiences





You Can't Improve What You Can't Measure

Visibility Across Modern, Multi-Vendor Networks is a Must

To improve experiences you must be able to measure them. Surveyed organizations strongly indicate that it is critical to monitor the impact security solutions have on user experiences.

Today, that means monitoring more than endpoints. It means tracing users' end- to-end access paths, including for cloud applications. This visibility needs to be complete, whether users are working at the office, at home, on a plane, or in a café.

Third party networks, ISPs, and even home wi-fi networks can create issues for users—so visibility across these environments is critical.

The Imperative

state they must monitor the impact of security solutions on the user experience

report they need to monitor end-to-end user access paths for cloud-based applications

The Problem

Hybrid workers, third-party networks, and public clouds utilize technologies that inhibit end-user experience visibility



The Security Landscape Is Quickly Changing

Be Prepared for Zero-Trust and SASE Adoption

A tremendous shift is occurring as organizations adopt zero-trust and cloud security approaches such as SASE.

These approaches make it that much more critical to monitor service levels. However, these approaches also have the potential to further complicate these efforts.

To successfully adopt emerging network security solutions, visibility into the end user experience is an absolute requirement.



Monitoring Can't Be One Dimensional

Get Complete Visibility Into Even The Most Complex Networks

Today's organizations operate in a hybrid, multi-vendor, and multi-technology world. While some monitoring solutions may cover a specific network security solution, these approaches don't suffice any more.

Monitoring solutions must now provide visibility into the entire network path and offer contextual insights based on the entire network ecosystem that user services rely upon.

This visibility is essential in enabling teams to determine the root cause of network performance issues and pinpoint the cause, even when the issue arises in networks managed by third parties.



state it is very important to monitor network security within the context of the entire system

of companies employ a hybrid network security approach





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Security and Optimized User Experiences. No Compromises

To advance their digital transformations, organizations continue to migrate to the cloud and extend support for hybrid, work-from-anywhere approaches. By delivering comprehensive visibility for cloud, SASE, and modern networks, Broadcom helps customers ensure a positive digital experience and accelerate digital transformation.

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