

Solution Profile

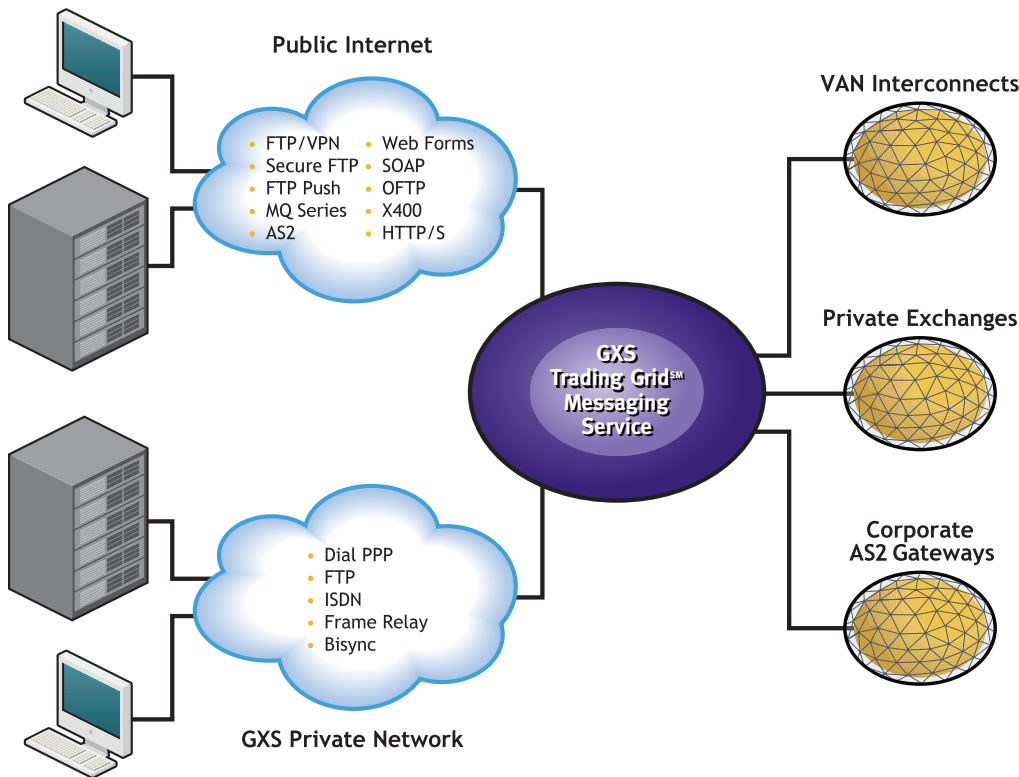
GXS Trading GridSM Messaging Service

Leveraging the Internet for Exchanging Electronic Business Documents

Businesses today are increasingly relying on the Internet for their business-to-business electronic commerce transactions. The most popular Internet-based file transfer methods used by companies are AS2, HTTP/S, VPN or Secure FTP. All of these are available as connectivity options to GXS Trading GridSM Messaging Service, enabling you to standardize on one connectivity method for all your Internet communications.



Secure access to Trading GridSM Messaging Services is available through the public Internet.



KEY BENEFITS

- Dependable & secure global service
- Single connection to reach all your trading partners
- Flexible transaction management service
- Integration cost savings for companies of any size

Following is a chart that describes the four most popular of the connectivity options to Trading GridSM Messaging Service, including client prerequisites and cost of service:

Connectivity Option	Overview	Getting Started on GXS
AS2 (Applicability Statement 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides companies a secure method to communicate EDI or XML transactions over the Internet while providing authentication, privacy, and non-repudiation of document receipt. Due to the cost and skills required to implement and manage AS2 connectivity, companies may implement AS2 directly with only their highest volume trading partners and use Trading GridSM Messaging Service to connect to the remainder of their trading partners. Connecting via AS2 provides you with all the value-added capabilities of Trading GridSM Messaging Service plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It provides you with real-time delivery of electronic documents as they arrive in your mailbox—you don't need to request delivery because the service "pushes" them to you. For your trading partners that are also connected via AS2 connectivity, the documents you send to your partners are also delivered to them in real time. You save the time and resources involved in implementing and managing your AS2 community when you and your trading partners connect once to Trading GridSM Messaging Service. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client Preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installed AS2 Drummond Group certified software. 24x7 connectivity. Business Certificate (recommended) or Personal Certificate from Verisign or Digital Signature Trust. Self-generated certificates are acceptable but not recommended. Trading Grid Messaging Service mailbox. Costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation Fee: \$495. Standard Trading GridSM Messaging Service fees.
Secure FTP (Secure File Transfer Protocol)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secure FTP is FTP/TLS according to RFC4217. Designed to handle large files, provides batch file data transfer with encryption for security. Provides for automatic TLS upon interruption of communications session. Easier to set up than VPN and AS2. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client Preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GXS-qualified Secure FTP software installed. Cleo's LexiCom, version 2.0.o8 (www.cleo.com) has completed GXS qualification. May require configuration changes if you have a firewall. Trading GridSM Messaging Service mailbox. Costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation Fee: None when GXS certified Secure FTP software is used. Standard Trading GridSM Messaging Service fees.
VPN (Virtual Private Network)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encrypts communication between you and GXS over the public Internet. Allows you to use existing Internet software such as FTP, File Transfer Protocol. VPN access to Trading GridSM Messaging Service available through GXS-provided Windows software for the PC or via client-owned VPN gateway to the GXS VPN Gateway. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client Preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For PC VPN SecuRemote access: Windows-based PC with Internet connectivity (Dial-Up, DSL, Cable Modem, etc). For VPN Gateway access: IPSec-compliant VPN gateway with Internet connectivity. May require configuration changes if you have a firewall. Trading GridSM Messaging Service Mailbox. Costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation Fee: None for PC access, \$495 for Gateway access. Standard Trading GridSM Messaging Service fees.
HTTP/S (HyperText Transfer Protocol)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The communications protocol that is used by Web browsers to view Web sites. Enables uploading and downloading of documents via a standard Web page. Can be used with Trading GridSM Messaging Service to view mailbox contents and send and receive files. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client Preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard Web-browser. Trading GridSM Messaging Service mailbox. Costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation fee: None. Standard Trading GridSM Messaging Service fees.

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