



Adobe® Connect™

The complete solution for web conferencing and eLearning with instant access, engaging online experiences, and multiple deployment options

In addition to addressing all your organization’s online meeting needs—from simple screen sharing to mission-critical, real-time collaboration—Adobe Connect 8 software enables you to easily create and deliver compelling, self-paced online courses; conduct highly interactive virtual classes; and efficiently manage training programs. It leverages Adobe Flash® Player, installed on virtually all Internet-connected computers, to offer instant access and broader reach than Wimba. Internal and external users have everything they need—no downloads required—to instantly join meetings, live training, or on-demand courses regardless of software platform or browser. Adobe Connect offers licensed, hosted, and managed services deployment options; a variety of flexible features; adjustable controls; and superior security features.

Rating: Strong ● Weak ▸ Feature currently not available ○

Adobe Advantages*	Adobe Connect	Wimba Collaboration Suite
Improved reach with superior ease of access		
Universally installed client. Adobe Flash Player is already installed on virtually all Internet-connected computers, which means no waiting for attendees to get set up. Wimba requires up to three different downloads, making it practically impossible for users in locked-down IT environments to attend.	●	○
Customizable, easy-to-remember URLs. Users can create personalized URLs for meetings, content, curriculums, courses, events, and seminars.	●	○
Persistent content in always-available meeting rooms. Users can save all configurations and content automatically in multiple persistent meeting rooms, dramatically reducing preparation time for recurring events.	●	○
One-click meeting launch from applications. Users can launch a meeting with the click of a button from IBM® Lotus Notes, Microsoft Outlook, Microsoft Office Communications Server contact list, Microsoft Office, and key Adobe Creative Suite® products.	●	○
Email integration. Integration with Microsoft Outlook and IBM Lotus Notes enables users to easily schedule meetings and training sessions from their email clients.	●	○
Instant messaging integration. Adobe Connect includes integration with SIP/SIMPLE-based (Microsoft Live Communications Server/Office Communications Server) and XMPP-based (Jabber) presence and instant messaging systems.	●	○
Platform support. Adobe Connect supports virtually all major operating systems—Mac OS, Windows®, Linux®, and Solaris™—as well as mobile operating systems with Flash Player compatible or Adobe AIR support, offering a consistent rich experience to all users.	●	▸
Browser support. Adobe Connect supports Firefox, Internet Explorer, Safari, and Google Chrome, promoting easy access for all users.	●	▸
Audio options. Users can employ telephone systems as well as VoIP in the same session and record an Adobe Connect meeting with audio from any conferencing provider. Multiple telephony integrations are supported.	●	▸
Multilanguage capabilities. Adobe Connect provides intuitive interfaces for a variety of languages, including English, Brazilian Portuguese, Chinese Simplified, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Turkish.	●	▸

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Richer, more engaging experiences		
Multiple meeting windows. Users can create multiple meeting windows to facilitate numerous chat sessions, whiteboards, file sharing, and other activities, optimizing the meeting or training experience.	●	○
Superior video capabilities. Unlike Wimba, which limits the number of webcams, Adobe Connect users can broadcast and receive live video from practically an unlimited number of webcams.	●	▶
Advanced telephony integration. Adobe Connect supports multiple audio bridge adapters, audio breakout rooms, call-my-phone/active speaking indication, and volume controls.	●	▶
In-meeting Q&A pod. Questions can be asked and answered directly in the designated Share pod, promoting high learner comprehension throughout an online training session.	●	▶
Integrated slide notes in on-demand presentations. Users can import, edit, and export slide notes as a script in the Record Audio dialog box to optimize participant comprehension.	●	▶
In-meeting PDF file support. Users can present and collaborate on PDF files, with synchronized navigation and whiteboard overlay.	●	▶
Sophisticated security and controls		
Lead/target identification. Users can score and analyze leads with reports on attendance, participant history, and event recording.	●	○
Multiple deployment options. Organizations can choose from hosted, on-premise, or managed services deployment options to best fit business needs.	●	▶
Superior security. Adobe Connect provides security that adheres to the highest level of industry-standard protocols, and screen sharing that complies with financial and security regulations.	●	▶
Enhanced compliance management. Administrators can limit screen sharing to only approved applications.	●	▶
Extensibility beyond web conferencing		
Large-scale webcasting capabilities. Up to 80,000 users can participate with Adobe Connect Webcast.	●	○
Third-party audio and video integration. Organizations can leverage investments in videoconferencing platforms from within Adobe Connect thanks to a vendor-neutral approach to unified communications and standards-based interoperability.	●	○
Incorporation of Adobe PDF documents as training. Adobe PDF documents can be defined as courses, so they can be included in training assignments and can feed training completion requirements.	●	○
Customized in-meeting apps and enterprise integration. Organizations can extend in-meeting functionality with customized apps to enhance collaboration, leveraging an extensive set of integration partners and Flex, ActionScript® 3, and Flash technology developer communities. Over 100 web services APIs provide easy integration with existing enterprise systems.	●	▶

* Adobe Connect 8, Adobe Presenter 7, and Adobe Connect Webcast features are compared with those of Wimba Collaboration Suite 6.0

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