General

Ocularis is an IP-video surveillance and security platform which includes a full-fledged VMS, combined with comprehensive PSIM functionality. It provides:

Integration and coordination of integrated physical security, content analytic and other detection systems;

Full VMS functionality with centralized management of cameras, connected devices, recording servers and redundant servers, at multiple sites.

Centralized event, end-user rights and video recording and distribution management.

The Ocularis Platform is offered in five feature sets – PS, IS, CS, LS and ES – to meet the needs of organizations of all sizes and types.

The Ocularis CS Feature Set was designed for large distributed organizations with extended command and control needs. Ocularis CS supports the VideoWall and OpenSight add-ons, allowing the control of video walls at multiple command and control centers, and incorporating camera streams from other Ocularis installations.

Major System Components

Ocularis is a unified, modular software platform that consists of a number of components:

1. **Ocularis Base**: Provides system-wide management, user access, shared event management, alarm and event correlation, video access, and distribution rights.

2. **Ocularis Recorder Component (RC)**: provides video recording, storage management, video delivery to users and camera management.

3. **Ocularis Client**: Access to video, management of alerts and shared event handling is done through the unified Video Client software, for desktop and control room video wall environments.

4. **Add-Ons and Integrated Applications** including:
   - Video Wall management
   - Ocularis OpenSight
   - Axis Entry Manager Integration
   - Integrated physical security solutions (access control, radiation detection, contact closure, among others)
System Highlights

Full-Fledged VMS with Physical Security Information Management (PSIM) Functionality
Ocularis CS manages video and event data received from cameras connected to multiple recording servers, as well as from physical security, content analytic, environmental detection, transaction and other enterprise systems.

Designed for Integration
Ocularis CS allows the integration of a host of add-on components via integration tools including Data Link Integration events, API commands, Contact Closure and more. An optional Software Development Kit (SDK) enables integration of 3rd party components.

Open-architecture Non-proprietary Technology
Ocularis runs on off-the-shelf PC hardware; and supports all leading manufacturers’ cameras and devices (over 3200 models), all industry-standard compression formats (MPEG4, MJPEG, H.263, H.264 plus MxPEG) and the ONVIF, ONVIF Profile S and PSIA standards.

Camera NVR Support
Ocularis supports using Axis camera NVRs (that have been configured using Axis Camera Companion), eliminating the need for a PC-based NVR.

Ocularis Mix & Match
Ocularis features the ability to use multiple different recorders under the same Base. This allows users to tailor the system to meet their needs. Ocularis Mix & Match allows a CS user to install RC-C, RC-I, RC-P and camera NVRs in the same system with centralized user and event management.

Per-Camera Configuration of Video Streaming, Recording and Archiving Parameters
System resources are optimized through per-camera configuration for compression level/format, image resolution, bandwidth, framerate, conditional recording, retention time, archiving frequency, archiving location and more.

Flexible storage allocation
Storage, based on either size or retention period, is allocated per camera or camera group, with prioritization of important cameras. Video can be stored on local or network drives, using a database structure that eliminates the distinction between ‘live recording’ and ‘archived’ video.

Central Management for Alerting, Shared Event Handling, Client Asset and User Authorization Data
All recording servers and Ocularis Client users are managed by the Ocularis Base, which coordinates all event and alert handling, manages users’ rights to specific cameras and functions system wide (Active Directory supported), and distributes all shared assets.

Highly Intuitive Unified Video Client
Ocularis Client offers a user-friendly operator interface, for both desktop and control room video-wall environments, with only minutes of training required for full proficiency.

Complete Video Wall Management
Utilizing Ocularis Client’s map-based navigation, the Ocularis VideoWall add-on allows sending cameras and camera groups to any remote or local monitor, eliminating the need for any video matrix hardware.

Live monitoring with Instantaneous Investigation
While monitoring live video feeds, users can perform basic investigation on individual cameras – playback, digital PTZ and optical PTZ (for PTZ cameras) - without the need to switch to a dedicated investigation mode.

Multiple Investigation Tools
Ocularis Client’s investigation tools include the Kinetic Motion Timeline, multi-parameter motion detection, the Time Slicer and the Motion Slicer.

Shared Event Handling
Recorded events are handled simultaneously by multiple operators, bookmarked and exported as evidence in multiple formats, all within minutes.

Ocularis OpenSight
An add-on to Ocularis that lets users consolidate and share information from video surveillance and other security systems that are outside their own system.
Detailed Features and Functionality

**Ocularis Base**

The Ocularis Base Application manages the flow of event, user and system status data from the various system components.

**Event Management**

All events within the Ocularis platform, as well as messages received from external devices and systems, are managed through the Ocularis Base administrator. These include camera connected I/O messages; motion detection events; camera status events and others.

**Event Prioritization**

Events can be prioritized from 0-10 with a corresponding color code and can also be assigned customizable audio tones. Events handling options are configurable as well.

**Composite Events (‘Event Fusion’)**

Composite Events are created by linking two camera events or alerts, configured by sequence order, time interval and logical conditioning (e.g. ‘If Door A opens, but no motion detection on Camera N, within 15 seconds’). Composite Events can be fused with other events to create complex detection scenarios, and assigned priority for push video and handling by Ocularis Client operators.

**Automatic Push Video Alerting (Blank Screen Monitoring)**

Upon event, a push-video alert of the camera that triggered the alert, or any other camera, can be sent to users running the Ocularis Client application. In addition, the alert can be configured to trigger alarms or send notifications to users.

**Simple Recording Server Management**

Any number of RC-C, RC-I, RC-P and camera NVR recorders can be managed under Ocularis Base allowing for unlimited system scalability.

**Management of Users, User Groups and Authorizations**

Users are assigned to Active Directory-supported authorization groups, granting users rights for accessing cameras, operating specific camera and video wall functions (including PTZ controls and presets, accessing recorded video and initiating recording for specific cameras).

**Schedule-Based Distribution of Events to Users**

Multiple activity ranges for each day of the week, as well as for overriding holidays, are configured through a simple GUI.

**Schedule-Based Actions on Events**

Multiple actions may be configured on event including:

- Send email notification to one or more recipients
- Move PTZ camera to preset
- Send HTTP GET/POST request
- Send TCP/UDP package
- Send event camera(s) to remote Videowall

**Camera Array Views for Video Client User**

By logging in to the Ocularis Base, users gain access to Views – arrays of different dimension and pane size combination, containing camera streams, hotspots, carousels, web pages and images, and push-video panes. View panes can be configured for image resolution, framerate, carousel dwell time, etc.

**User Audit Logging**

All user activity may be logged by enabling auditing in Ocularis Base. An easy-to-use query tool provides easy-to-read, color-coded results and export capability.

**Repository for Shared Assets System Wide**

Shared asset management, for video wall maps and icons and events tagging/classification tables.
RC-C Recorder

- **Native 64-bit**: 64-bit recording server provides for optimal utilization of available hardware resources.
- **Scalable Architecture**: Unlimited number of cameras, connected to multiple recording servers at multiple sites; support for MJPEG, MPEG4, MxPEG, H.263 and H.264 compression formats, at image resolutions up to 12MP (and higher) and framerates of 30 fps or more; support for analog cameras via a wide range of IP video encoders.
- **Unified Recorder Administrator Application**: A feature-rich administration interface for each recording server, for setup and configuration of cameras and I/O devices, camera event settings, archive settings, scheduling, and soft buttons for manually triggered events.
- **System Configuration Wizards**: Used for adding cameras, configuring video, scheduling recordings, adjusting of motion detection, and user configuration.
- **Device Discovery and Detection**: Cameras and other devices are discovered and detected based on user preferences (Universal Plug and Play, Broadcast and IP Range scanning).
- **Batch Device Configuration**: Settings for cameras, connected to multiple recorders, can be configured as a batch action.
- **Export/Import of Configuration Data**: Allows backup of recorder configuration files for fast recovery. Configuration data can be set off-line, allowing the configuration of the system prior to physical installation.
- **Set Automatic System Restore Points**: Restore Points are created each time a configuration change is confirmed. Current and previous five sessions are stored and can be reapplied.
- **Recording and Archiving**: Per-camera configuration for compression format (for multiple format cameras); image resolution; frame rate; image parameters (brightness, contrast), archiving retention time, and archiving location.
- **Maintenance Free, Transparent Archiving**: Multiple archiving archives per day on local or remote (network) drives. The archive for each camera is stored in a separate data directory. No down-time during transfer for video to archive.
- **Recording Viewer**: Dedicated application for viewing exporting multi-camera video databases.
- **Multi/dual-stream support**: Separate video streams, at different resolution, video format and framerate settings, can be assigned for live monitoring and recording (e.g. MJPEG for live, MPEG4 for recording), for maximizing CPU, bandwidth and storage resources.
- **Support for DNS and NAT** (Network Address Translation).
- **Recording Settings**: Individual cameras can be configured for recording on motion, continuous recording, or either based by schedule; and for pre- and post-recording (buffer) on motion/event. Optional speed-up recording on event. Evidence Mode preserves recorded video. If no space is available, recording stops rather than deleting older recordings.
- **PTZ Preset Settings**: 50 presets per PTZ camera, controllable from each camera’s view pane in Ocularis Client.
- **PTZ Patrols**: Multiple scheduled patrols may be configured for each PTZ camera.
- **Audio**: Two way audio (from camera/IP device-connected microphones and to camera/IP device-connected PA system); audio from cameras is recorded and included in export of evidence (as AVI file, using RC-C only).
- **Network Topology**: Support for segmented (VLAN or dedicated network) or shared networks, for physical network separation between the camera and the recording servers and video clients.
- **Outside Network Access**: the RC-C administrator is able to allow/prevent access from outside the local IP address range. The configuration settings allow selecting an Outside IP Address, Outside IP Port, Local IP Ranges, Maximum Number of Clients.
- **Logging**: Detailed logging, including Overall System log, Event log and Audit log.
- **Virtualization**: Support for VMware and MS Hyper-V.
- **Background Operation**: RC-C runs as a Windows® service, with no need for user login. Service can be stopped/started, and provides system status and logging information.
- **Advanced Motion Detection**: RC-C offers three resolution levels of motion detection with automatic sensitivity adjustment for changing lighting conditions.
Ocularis Client and Ocularis Viewer

- **Unified Client for Ocularis**: Ocularis Client is the main video client for all OnSSI Ocularis solutions.
- **Unlimited Concurrent Users**: No limit on the number of concurrent client users, and no incremental cost for additional Ocularis Clients.
- **User Authentication**: Basic or Windows Active Directory-supported authentication to Ocularis Base (and also for Limited Mode).
- **Touchscreen-enabled, Intuitive Interface**: Ocularis Client's intuitive, touchscreen-enabled GUI reacts to the user's actions, presenting only the controls and tools required by the current mode of operation.
- **Multiple Screen Support**: supports up to eight connected displays.
- **Mixed Content Views**: Users can select among unlimited private or administrator-configured pane arrays of different sizes (up to 8x8 panes), consisted of camera streams, carousels, hotspots, web browser/static image/flash animation (requires file support on client machine), and panes for receiving automatic (on-event) and manual (peer-to-peer) push-video alerts.
- **Personalized display attributes**:  
  - Display mode (windowed or full screen)  
  - Select active local monitors  
  - Set framerate for peripheral cameras (other than the selected camera)  
  - Set interface language (English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, Italian, German, Dutch, Finnish, Russian and Swedish)  
  - Manage video streaming attributes for MPEG4/H.264 cameras  
  - Set joystick (physical and virtual) sensitivity to eliminate unintentional joystick positioning data from being sent to the client
- **Pane View/Full Screen Toggle**: Any view pane can be toggled between pane and full-screen viewing modes.
- **Live Monitoring Assisted by Instantaneous Investigation**: A-synchronous live monitoring, with per-camera controls for:  
  - Playback  
  - Pause/Live  
  - Digital PTZ  
  - Optical PTZ and PTZ presets (for PTZ cameras)  
  - Dedicated parsing controls for cameras equipped with 360-degree (Panomorphic) lens.
- **Critical Camera Failover**: Ocularis Client features automatic switching of interrupted or disconnected video streams in any live view – including maps and blank screen events – to designated alternate streams as configured in Ocularis Base.
- **Digital PTZ**: Applicable in all viewing modes, and assisted by PIP (Picture-in-Picture) for easy orientation. Control methods include draw rectangle, mouse wheel zoom in/out, and dragging selected PTZ region in PIP window.
- **Unified Optical PTZ Control**: All PTZ cameras are manipulated using the same controls. Controls include:  
  - Mouse wheel (zoom in/out)  
  - Variable zoom ribbon  
  - Zoom in/out buttons  
  - Click-to-center  
  - Click-draw zoom rectangle (for supported devices)  
  - PTZ preset list (unlimited presets)  
  - Virtual joystick  
  - Physical joystick
- **360-Degree Lens Controls**: Special controls are provided for de-warping views from fixed cameras equipped with 360-degree lenses. The de-warped view emulates a PTZ camera, with simulated pan, tilt and zoom. 360-degree de-warping is available for both wall or ceiling mounted cameras, in single or quad view within a single camera pane, with playback and digital zoom controls.
- **Camera Offline Notification**: In the event that a camera goes offline (lost communication or other camera failure), a visual alert in the form of a prominent red ‘X’ will immediately appear, overlaying the last received frame.
- **Change Cameras on the Fly**: In all viewing modes, the current camera can be instantly replaced by selecting another camera from a drop-down list. The camera list is equipped with a quick-access filter, which displays only the
camera names that include the entered alphanumeric combination.

- **Smart Carousel Monitoring:** Carousel panes, displaying cameras in a predefined sequence, include controls for pause/restart rotation, next and previous camera.

- **Manual Push-Video Alerting:** users are able to send a live push-video alert to other Ocularis Client users. Pushed video alerts can be investigated using playback, digital PTZ and Optical PTZ controls.

- **Copy Current Camera View to Clipboard:** Users are able to copy live or recorded camera views, for pasting in other documents or editing using image editing software. Copies performed while digitally zoomed will copy only the zoomed-in portion of the video.

- **Live and Playback Audio:** Audio is available in both live and playback mode with optional push-to-talk functionality for workstation microphone.

- **Start Recording Control:** Users are able to initiate the recording of a live-monitored camera, for the time period specified in the recorder application.

- **Snapshot:** Feature allows operators to easily create JPEG still image

- **Toggle PTZ Patrolling:** Users are able to toggle a PTZ camera’s patrolling directly from the Ocularis Client application.

- **Switch Audio Streams:** Audio streams from camera-connected microphones can be switched on and off, selectable from a menu list.

- **Activate Outputs:** I/O devices can be activated directly from Ocularis Client, including visual and audio alarms, contact closure, etc.

- **Investigation and Access to Events:** Multiple tools are provided for quickly accessing and investigating video:
  - **Synchronous Camera View:** Current live monitoring view will carry upon transitioning to Browse mode, with synchronous playback, skip to next/previous event and skip to next/previous event sequence
  - **Go to Time/Date:** Simple smartphone style interface control
  - **Kinetic Motion Timeline:** Scalable horizontal timeline, with kinetic variability (responding to the momentum and speed of the user’s ‘swiping’ movement) allows reviewing extended periods of recorded video in a short time, with color indicators for recorded video and detected motion.

- **Highly Configurable Motion Detection:** Can be calibrated for percentage of changed pixels within the motion detection zone; sensitivity and detection sampling time interval.

- **‘Time Slicer’ Tool Set:** The Time Slicer tool set auto-generates thumbnails, for rapid drill-down to the moment of an event, based on time interval, motion detection, camera alerts and alert sequences. All Time Slicer tools enable the application of digital PTZ to all slices, by drawing a region in the Timeslicer main pane.

- **Shared Event Handling:** All events generated within the Ocularis system, or detected by external/add-on devices, are entered in a dynamically-updated, shared among all authorized users. Users are able to access, investigate and handle events directly from a dedicated event handling interface, with on-map indicator of the camera that triggered the event and dual video panes displaying the recorded event and a live stream. Handled events may be accessed by the administrator for continued handling.

- **Event Bookmarking and Export of Evidence:** Segments of video for bookmarking and exported are graphically selected on the Kinetic Motion Timeline.
  - Bookmarks are tagged, classified and commented by users, and copied into a Bookmark database. Bookmarked events are presented along all event information and thumbnail of the incident.
  - Video evidence is exported as:
    - annotated still image report
    - multiple still frames
    - audio-included AVI file with annotated preamble; optionally export only the zoomed-in portion of video pane
    - court-admissible, multi-camera video database package, which can be played back directly from the export media using the Ocularis Viewer with 128 or 256-bit AES encryption and password protection.
  - Video export tasks are performed seamlessly in the background; tools include job status (as a percentage and bar graph) and cancel button

- **Map-based Navigation and Video Wall Management:** Cameras and entire views are accessible through a map-based interface, used also for Video Wall management (requires optional Ocularis VideoWall add-on).
Ocularis Viewer

The Ocularis Viewer is a standalone application that allows viewing multi-camera video databases, without the need for an installed video client application. The Viewer is uploaded to, and runs directly from, the portable media used for exporting video evidence.

Video database export is used typically where an AVI file is not acceptable as evidence, or for exporting multiple camera streams within the same file.

Features of the Video Database Viewer include:

- Comprehensive set of playback controls: play, frame-by-frame, skip to end/beginning of video or go to specific time stamp. Playback is synchronous for all cameras displayed.

- Scalable timeline, color coded for motion activity and areas of recorded video. The timeline can be dragged to control multi-camera synchronous playback.

- Digital PTZ (pan, tilt & zoom).

- Export video of selected camera as AVI file, optionally preceded by a preamble including video and camera data as well as user’s annotations.

- Export still-image (.jpg) annotated incident report, or multiple-frame still-image folder.

- Video quality can be set to Low, Medium or High to optimize performance.

Keyboard Shortcuts: Users can configure keyboard shortcuts for a large number of commonly used controls, including pan, tilt and zoom; go to presets; next/previous image; playback; toggle between minimized and maximized view pane; minimize application and more.

Memory Usage Indicator: provides information for memory and graphics card resources usage.

Event Coordinator Status Indicator: if the OnSSI Event Coordinator Service on the Ocularis Base machine stops, an additional icon will appear in the Application Control section on all logged in Ocularis Client screens.
**Ocularis Add-Ons**

**Ocularis VideoWall Collaboration (optional)**

- Allows sending video to video wall monitors and remote displays anywhere on the network, all from the Ocularis Client’s intuitive, map-based controller interface.
- Instantly push cameras and camera groups to any display on the network.
- Accommodates any number of cameras, displays and simultaneous operators at multiple sites.
- Eliminates the need for analog multiplexing hardware.
- Ideal for command and control centers, central station and remote alarm monitoring operations.
- Allows for collaborative viewing of video between operators at multiple sites.

**Ocularis OpenSight (optional)**

- OpenSight, an add-on to the Ocularis platform, allows organizations to consolidate video surveillance and other data from multiple Ocularis installations into their own Ocularis system with a single logon. This provides a complete view of multiple entities’ security systems within a city or a region.
- Typically, organizations and agencies will allow access to their OnSSI systems to law enforcement and emergency services in the same locale, increasing overall security and improving responsiveness to emergency situations.
- OpenSight allows for specific privileges and access rights to be assigned to users for specific cameras, alarms and events. For example, users can be assigned the right to view but not control PTZ cameras in order to not interfere with the host system’s operators.
- The OpenSight add-on is licensed for 10-camera bundles, per Ocularis Base installation (e.g. a police precinct must have its own Ocularis license in order incorporate cameras from a school into its video system).
- OpenSight-accessed cameras are viewed using Ocularis Client. No special or additional hardware is required for OpenSight. Note that the OpenSight license does not extend to mobile (portable) access.
Hardware Requirements for Ocularis CS v4.2 Components

Ocularis Base Server
- CPU: Intel Core i3 or better
- RAM: 4 GB (8 GB if using 64-bit OS)
- Hard Drive: minimum 250 GB; dependent of recording/archiving needs
- Operating System: Microsoft® Windows® Vista Business, Ultimate, Enterprise, or Windows 7 Professional, Ultimate or Enterprise (32 or 64-bit), Windows 8, Server 2003/2008/2012 (32 or 64-bit).
- Software: Microsoft .NET 4.0 Framework; IIS 6.0 or newer

Ocularis Administration Client
- CPU: Intel Core i3 or better
- RAM: Minimum 4 GB (8 GB is using 64-bit OS)
- Operating System: Windows Vista Business, Ultimate or Windows 7 Professional or Ultimate (32 or 64-bit), Windows 8
- Graphics Adapter: Adapter: PCI-Express, 128 MB RAM, Direct 3D supported

Note: the Ocularis Administration Client does not require a dedicated PC.

RC-C Recorder
- CPU: Intel Core i5 or better
- RAM - Minimum 4 GB or more recommended
- Hard Disk Space: Minimum 100 GB free (depends on number of cameras, rules, and logging settings).
- OS: Windows Vista Business, Ultimate, Enterprise (all 64-bit), or Windows 7 Professional, Ultimate or Enterprise (all 64-Bit), Windows 8 (64-bit), Server 2008/2012 (64-bit).
- Software: .NET 4.0 Framework, .NET 4.5 Framework IIS 6.0 or newer

Ocularis Client
- CPU: Intel Core i5 or better (Intel Core i7 or better for 20+ megapixel streams)
- RAM: Minimum 4 GB (8 GB if using 64-bit OS)
- Operating System: Windows XP Professional SP3, or Windows Vista Business, Ultimate, Enterprise, or Windows 7 Professional, Ultimate or Enterprise (32 & 64 Bit), Windows 8
- Graphics adapter: PCI-Express, minimum 256 MB RAM, Direct 3D supported.
- Guidelines for video RAM Requirements:
  - 20 simultaneous video streams: 256MB minimum
  - 50 simultaneous video streams: 512MB minimum

Video RAM requirements are regardless of number of attached monitors. Additional factors may affect video RAM requirements, including megapixel cameras, compression format, as well as video card and other system hardware specifications.