

Reference: YAFPC, the free PDF composer

To all YAFPC users

Dear Sir or Madam:

Subject: Introduction of YAFPC

This is a demo letter, composed with YAFPC, the free PDF composer. You can find YAFPC on the web by clicking this link: <http://www.yafpc.net>.

YAFPC is free software. You can use, modify, copy and distribute it under the terms and conditions of the GNU General Public License (GPL, see Enclosure). The only „fee“, you have to „pay“ for it's usage is: There is a very small light grey copyright line on the bottom of the second and all further pages of the printed documents, displaying the names of the author, the program and a link to YAFPC's homepage. You may modify the program-sources provided for download on this homepage, incl. removing the copyright line mentioned above. Please consider to make a donation, in order to support my work. For your convenience, I didn't define any upper limit for the donation-amount ;-)

This document was designed by using the following demo files, distributed with the main program of YAFPC:

DemoInput.pdf	as input for composing this letter;
CoverSheet.pdf	as cover sheet preceding the letter;
DemoFirst.pdf	as "First Page Letterhead";
DemoNext.pdf	as "Next Page Letterhead";
DemoWatermark.jpg	as "Watermark" and
Copyright.pdf	as "Appended Pages".

You can create this document by calling "java -jar YAFPC.jar" on a command line. In the appearing Profile Editor chose the files, mentioned above, in the appropriate fields and then click the "Test" button.

If you want the document to be sent as an attachment to your email address, you can invoke your address and a valid SMTP server before clicking the "Test" button. If there is authentication required for accessing the SMTP server you can also set a user name and a password for authentication.

All documents, composed by YAFPC, are encrypted with a 1024-bit random key when enabled. This encryption is made in order to prevent unauthorized editing, viewing, printing, copying text from the document and doing annotations. Only viewing and printing is enabled for the encrypted document.

Please refer to the “Setup step by step” page on <http://www.yafpc.net> for more information on how to setup and use YAFPC. You can find a list of all possible command line arguments, a link to the required Java Runtime Environment and some useful hints for setting up a network-shared PDF-printer there.

While YAFPC is a pure Java application, it can be deployed on all operating systems, which are supported by a Java Runtime Environment (JRE). You can obtain a JRE for almost all operating systems from Sun Microsystems and many other vendors for free.

The system requirements for YAFPC are quite low. If your computer meets the system requirements, defined by Sun Microsystems for their JRE, it will be sufficient for YAFPC too.

If you need to setup a network PDF server for a large number of users in a local network you should also have a look at <http://www.pdfserver.net> You'll find a software appliance named “Network PDF Server YAFPC-Appliance” there. This is a complete server system based on Linux, GhostScript and YAFPC in combination with an easy to use browser interface for administration. It can run as Linux Live System from CD, as a VMware Virtual Machine or as stand alone system installed on HD of a server machine.

I hope, you find YAFPC useful and easy to configure! If you are a network administrator and need an easy to use network monitor too, take a look at <http://www.n-view.net>.

Thank you,

Wolfgang Ullrich

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