

## Atlona Updates Velocity AV Platform

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Atlona announces the 2nd generation of the Velocity IP-enabled AV control platform, an update offering greater ability to plan and scale AV control system designs, from 1-3 systems to enterprise-wide installations.



Set for release following an ISE 2020 debut, Velocity 2.0 integrates capabilities including room scheduling, unlimited BYOD usage for AV control, integration with leading soft codec platforms (Zoom Rooms, Cisco WebEx), AV asset management and cloud-based remote monitoring and management.

“Our new Velocity System model removes the burden of specifying, configuring, deploying and managing separate platforms for AV control, room scheduling, and asset management,” Atlona says. “With the integration of the Atlona Management System (AMS) into Velocity, installers can now configure, control, and manage not just the control systems, but individual Atlona AV devices as well. Velocity also retains the functionality and benefits that made it a groundbreaking AV control system, including an IT-friendly architecture, built-in disaster recovery, and the ability to quickly configure, modify and extend control systems without extensive programming.”

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Hardware making the platform includes the VGW-HW server gateways to serve multiple rooms with AV control, room scheduling and Atlona AV device configuration and management. The VGW-HW-3 provides AV control for up to 3 rooms and room scheduling for up to 6 rooms, with the capability of up to 250 simultaneous IP connections. The VGW-HW-10 controls the AV in up to 10 rooms, and room scheduling for up to 20 rooms, with 250 simultaneous connections. The VGW-HW-20 provides AV control for up to 20 rooms and room scheduling for 40 rooms, with up to 500 simultaneous connections.

Customers wanting the convenience of installation on standard server infrastructure can get the VGW-SW, a software gateway able to provide AV control for up to 20 rooms and room scheduling for 40 rooms, with up to 500 simultaneous IP connections. One can expand a VGW-SW installation with one or more VRL-SW licenses, with each licence adding AV control for one more room and room scheduling for 2 additional rooms. Server gateway setup comes via web browser, and the system is compatible with Google Calendar and Microsoft Office 365.

Velocity Systems also leverage Velocity Touch Panels, allowing room scheduling and systems control through intuitive touchscreen-based GUIs. In addition, the system supports BYOD for AV system control with no extra licensing costs.

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