Elevatorarchitect

Automatic Deployment

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1. Deploying in large enterprises

1.1 Needs for an automatic deployment

Many companies with a large number of architects have a centralized computer administration. Therefore, their IT department bundles different installations (like Elevatorarchitect) into packages for automatic installation. This omits the need for each architect to manually install the software.

The Elevatorarchitect installation is prepared for this situation and includes the required files contained in the downloaded installation file. This document explains how to get the required files for this process.

1.2 Who needs this document

This document addresses your IT staff, not end users or architects. Forward this document to your IT personal, if you want to install this software on a large number of computers.

This document does not explain how to setup an automated rollout process.

2. Set up a silent installer

To set up a silent installer for Elevatorarchitect, you may proceed as it is described in the following 2 steps.
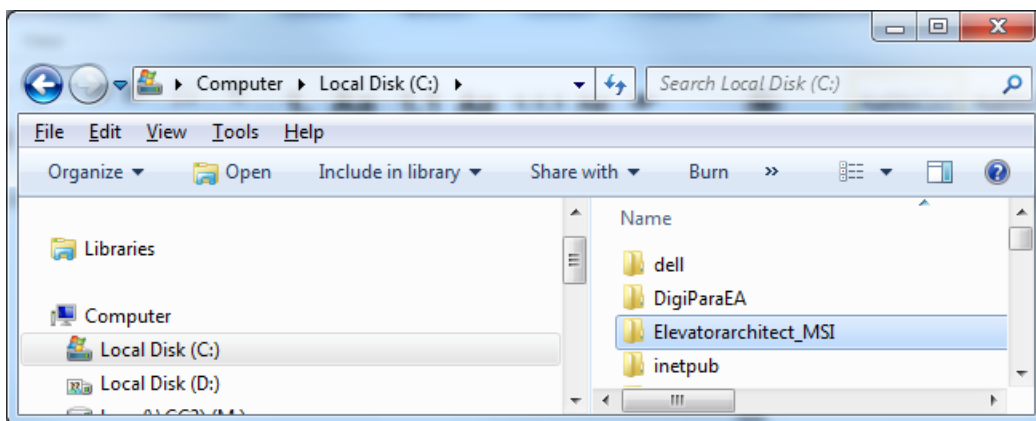
☞ The silent installer option is supported from Elevatorarchitect version 10.04.0033. Earlier versions of the program do not support the silent installer option.

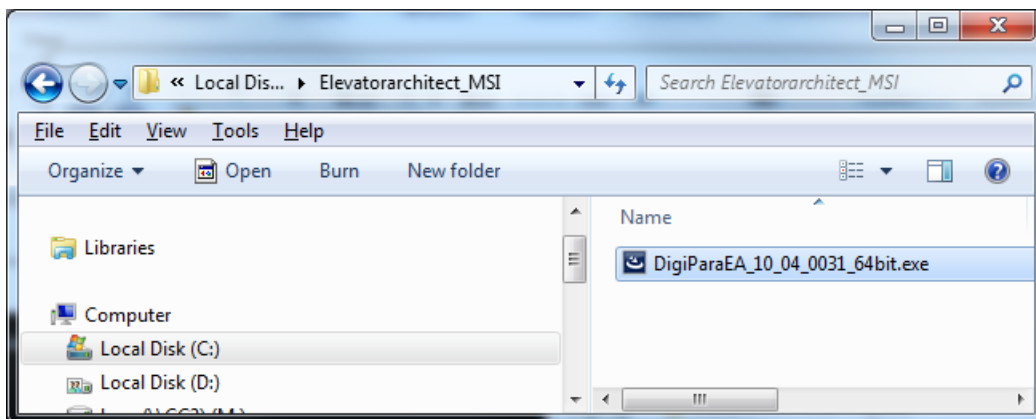The latest version can be downloaded at: http://www.digipara.com/DownloadEARevit.aspx

2.1 Extract the msi from the single installer

To be able to setup a silent installation, you need to extract the msi package data from the existing single installer file. To do so, please copy the installer file to any directory on your computer e.g. to "C:\Elevatorarchitect_MSI".

Step 1: Create a new directory

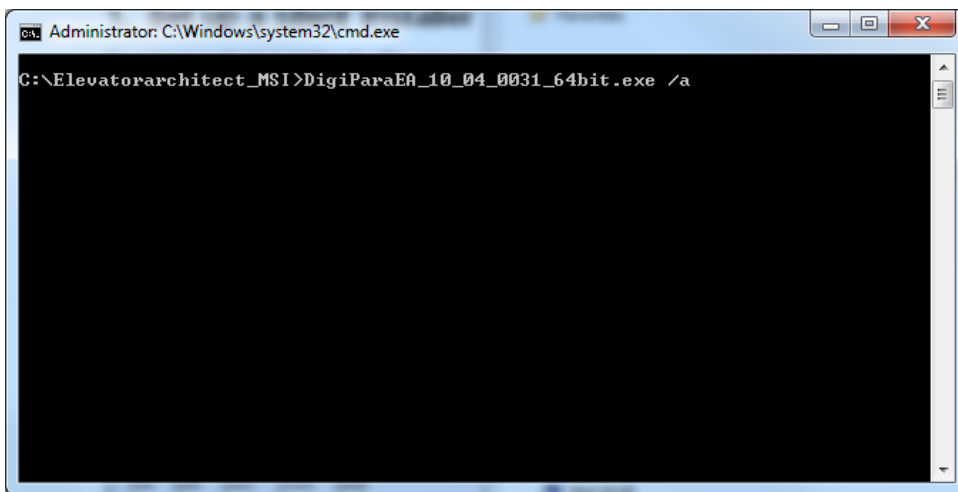Step 2: Copy the single Elevatorarchitect installer into the new directory:

Now run the single installer from a command console with the administrative option "/a", e.g.
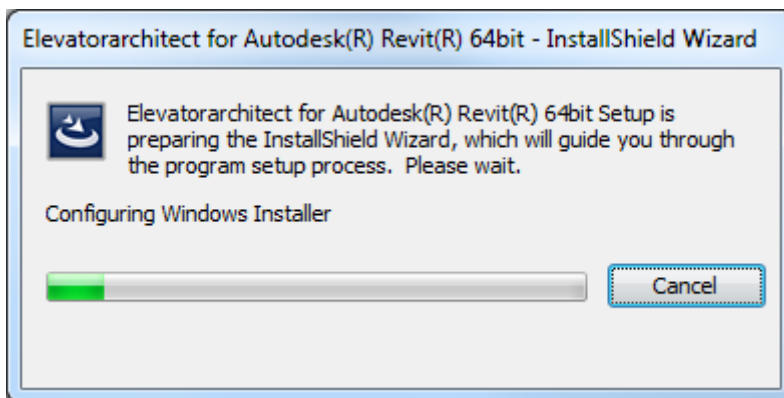
⌨ C:\Elevatorarchitact_MSI>DigiParaEA_10_04_0031_64bit.exe /a

The existing msi data will be extracted from the single installer file via this option.

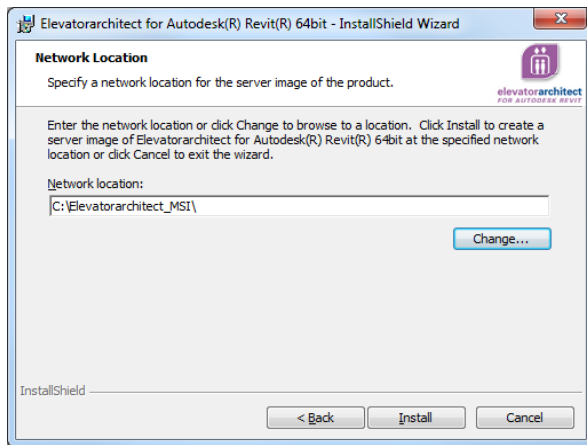Step 3: Run the single Installer with the administrative option:
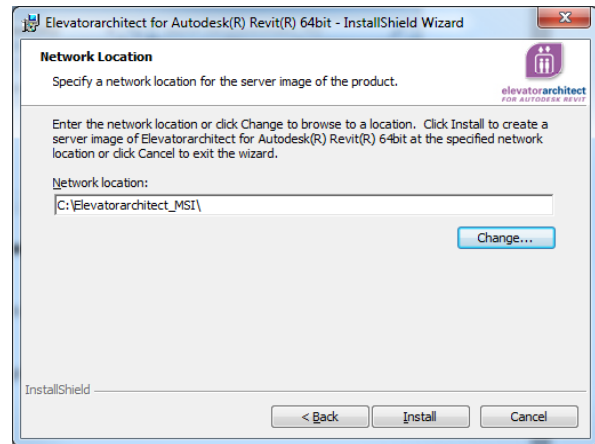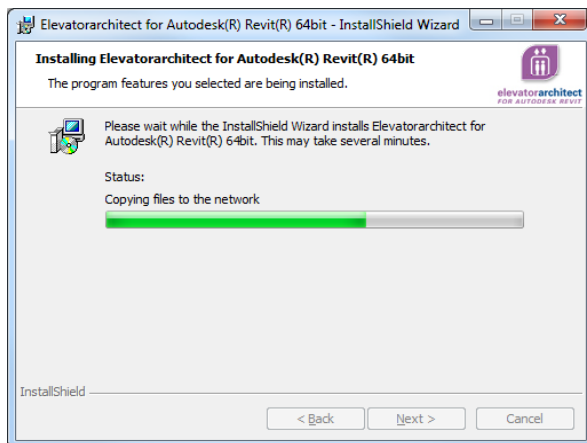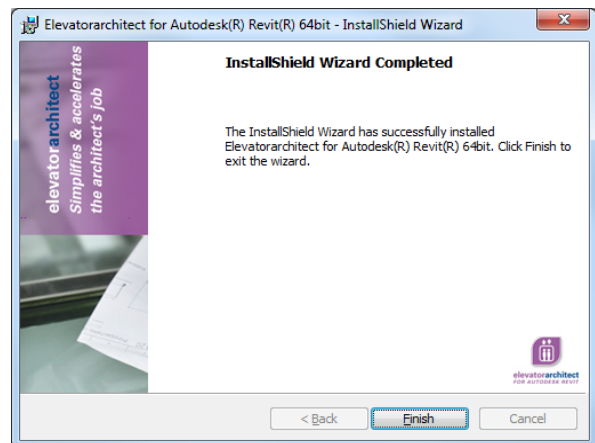

The installer gets started:

Install Welcome dialog:

Specify the path where the msi data shall be extracted to, e.g. C:\Elevatorarchitect_MSI:
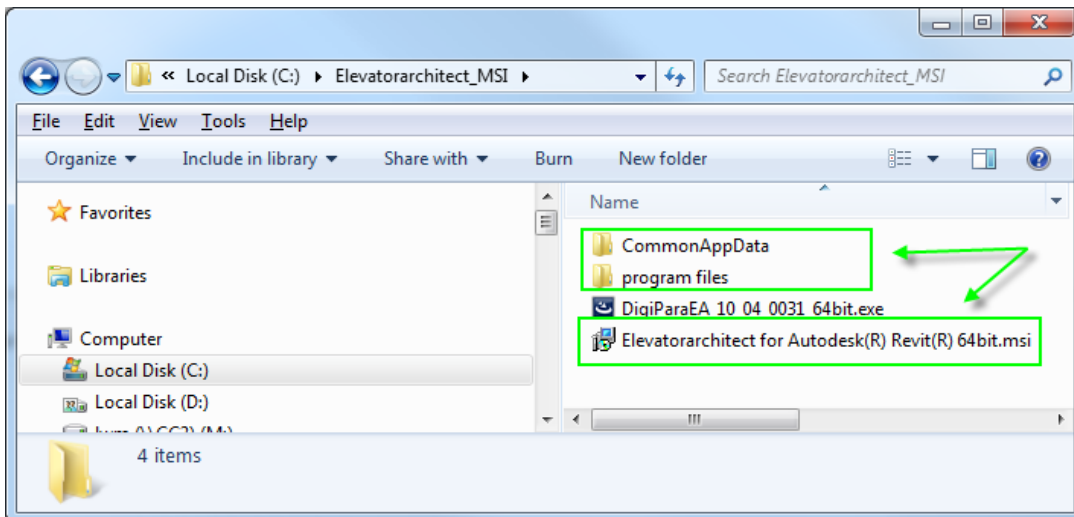
The single installer data is extracted:

The msi data has been extracted:

Now finish the Installer and check the "C:\Elevatorarchitect_MSI" directory.

It now contains the Elevatorarchitect msi file as well as the corresponding directories.

2.2   Run the MSI in silent mode

Now you can run the extracted MSI file on the command line in an Administrator Console or via a batch, which must be run as an administrator, using msiexec, e.g.:

⌨   msiexec /I "C:\Elevatorarchitect_MSI\Elevatorarchitect for Autodesk(R) Revit(R) 64bit.msi" /QN /L*v "C:\Elevatorarchitect_Log.txt" AgreeToLicense=Yes INSTALLDIR="C:\Program Files\Elevatorarchitect"

Parameters

/I	Installs or configures a product.
/QN	Displays no user interface.
/L	Specifies the path to the log file
Sub-option "v"	Logs verbose output. To use v, specify /L*v

Properties:

INSTALLDIR="C:\Test"	Specifies the installation location on the target machine
AGREETOLICENSE=Yes	Accept the application license agreement.

☞   **After Elevatorarchitect has been deployed to the client machine, the user must run the update and licensing process for the application before it can be used. This process will automatically be started when Elevatorarchitect gets used for the first time in Autodesk® Revit®. For update and licensing options, please take a look at the Elevatorarchitect installation instructions.**

1. Technical support

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