

Delegate Control in Active Directory to Department Heads

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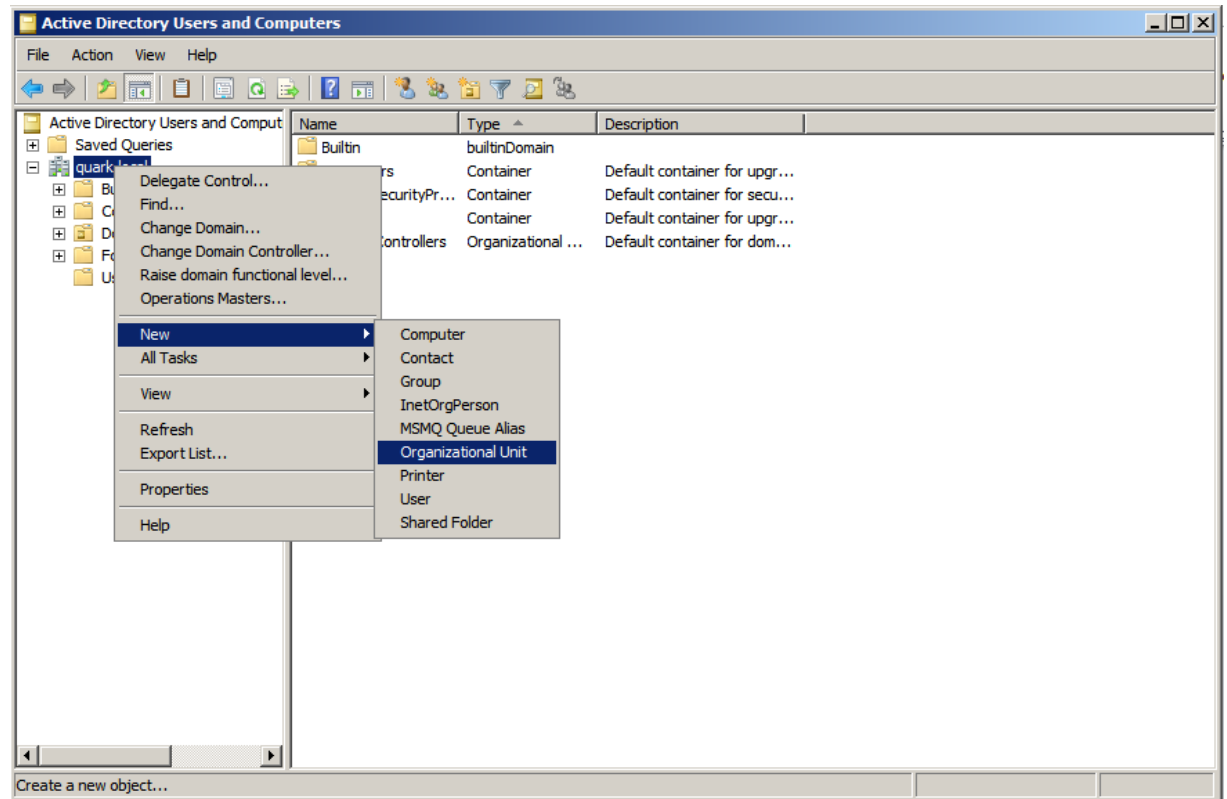
Delegate Permissions to Managers

We will want to give a certain amount of control to trusted managers in our organizations so they do not have to wait for the IT department to reset passwords and create folders. We can place departments in Organizational Unit (OU) containers and delegate many tasks to the group leader so they can manage their group and users.



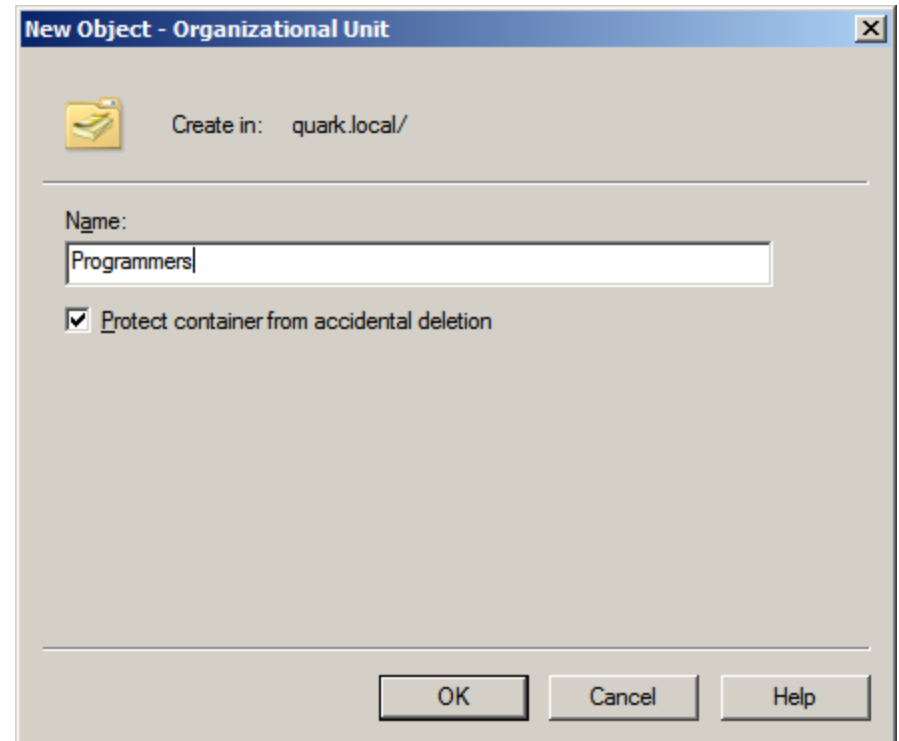
Active Directory Users and Computers

To begin the delegation process, we right click on the domain in the Active Directory Users and Computers console and pick New from the menu. We choose the Organizational Unit .



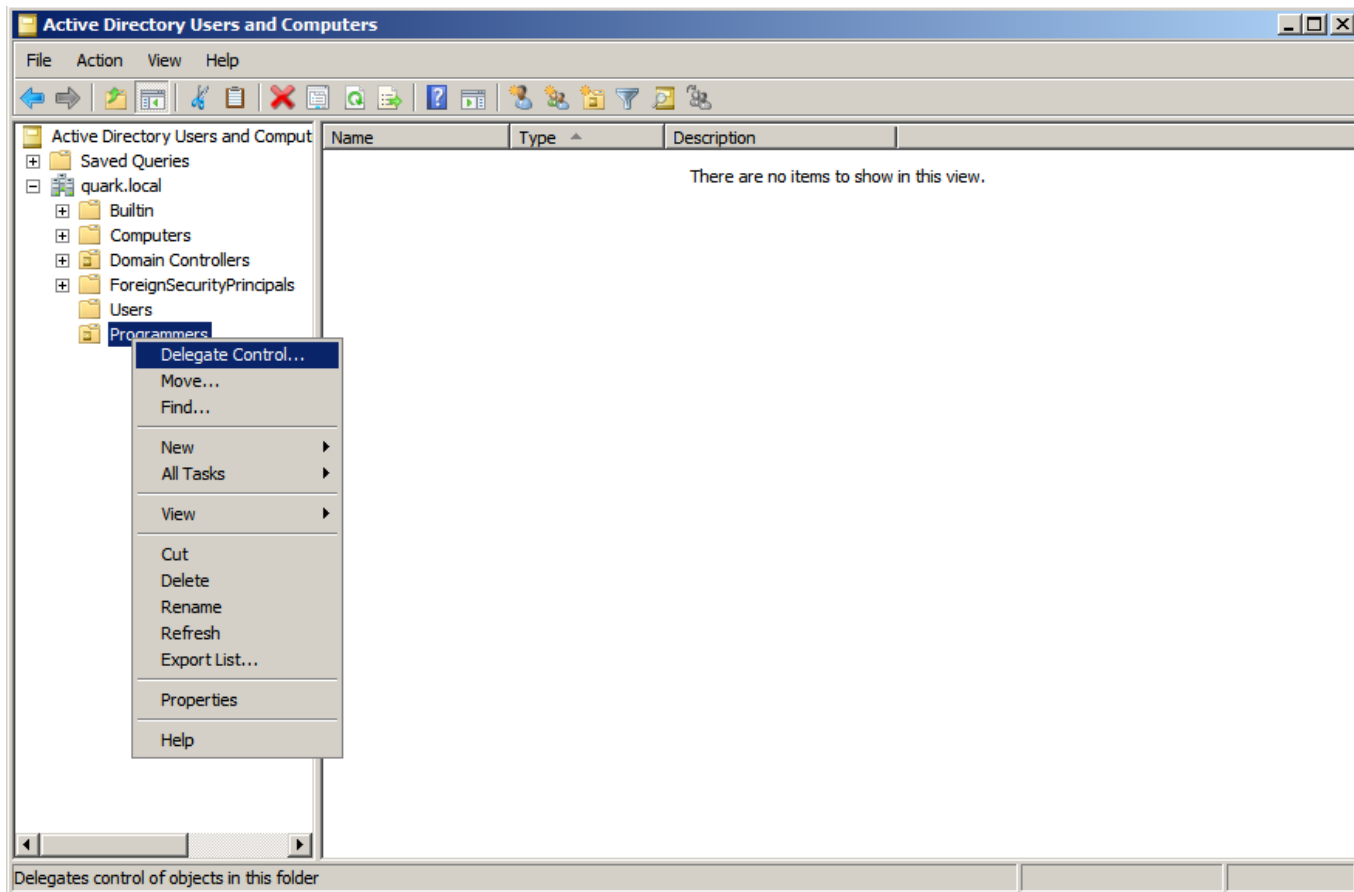
New Object – Organizational Unit

The New Object – Organizational Unit window will appear and we will type Programmers for the OU name. We also will protect the container from accidental deletion.



Delegate Control

Next, we right click on the Organizational Unit container and we select Delegate Control from the popup menu.



Delegation Control Wizard

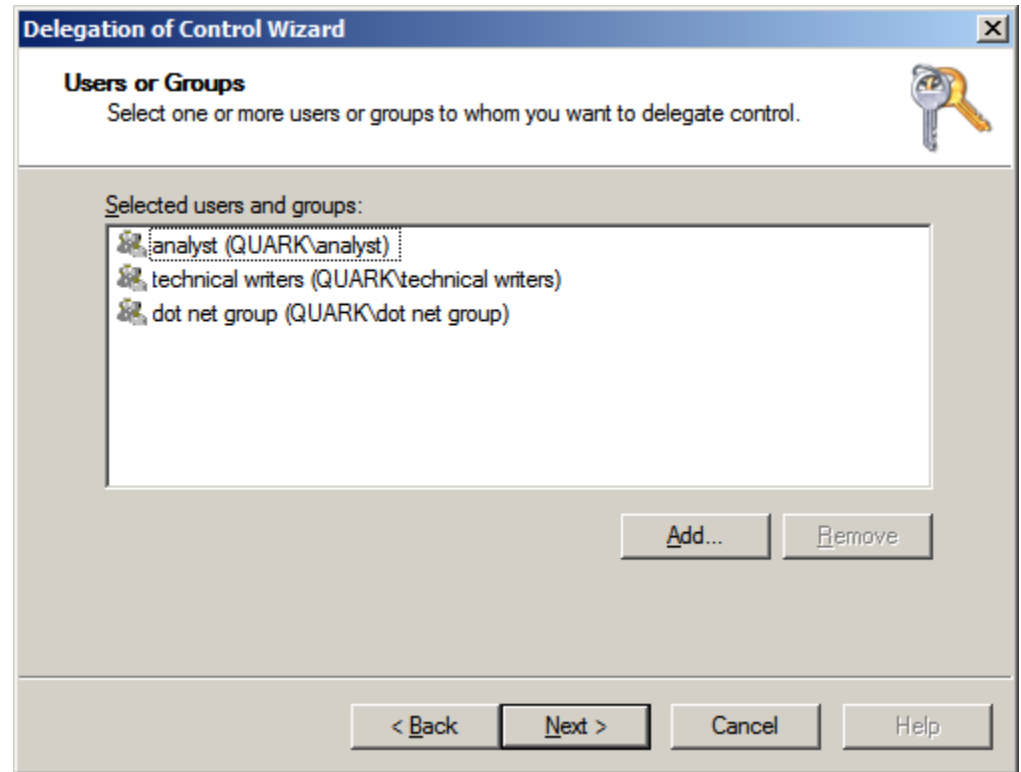
The Delegation Control Wizard will launch and we pick Next to continue.



Add Groups to Control

We have three groups to control in this container. The Analyst, Technical Writers, and Dot Net group are added.

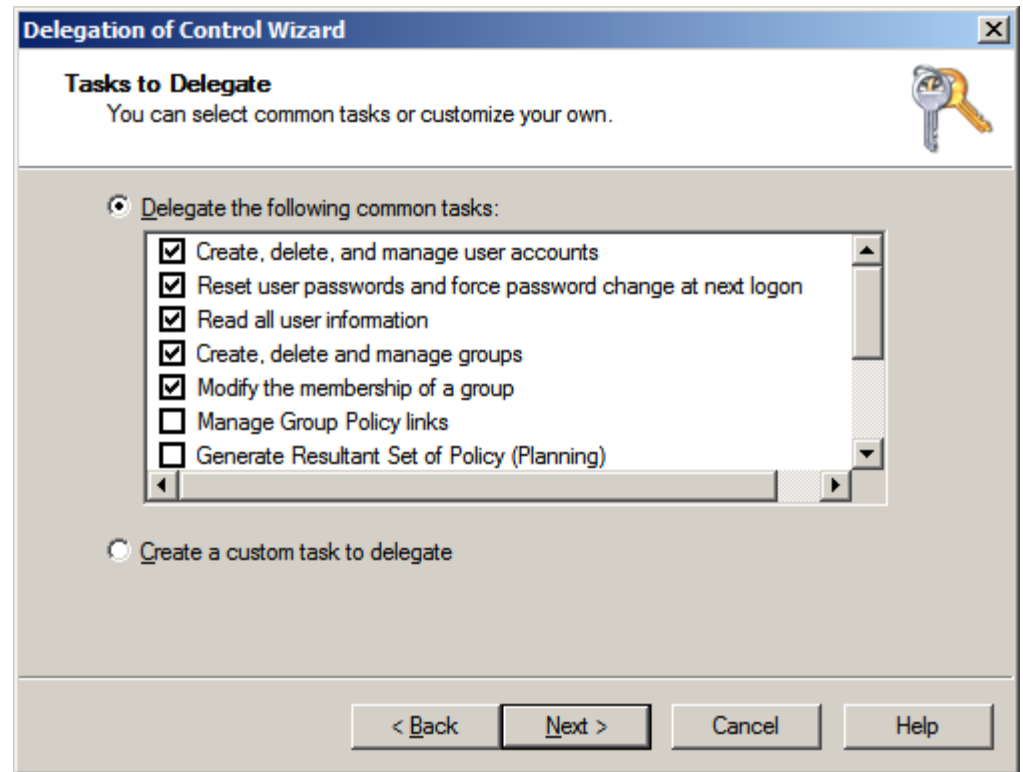
Press the Next button to advance.



Tasks to Delegate

We will add tasks to delegate:

- Create, delete, and manage user accounts
- Reset user passwords and force password change at next logon
- Read all user information
- Create, delete and manage groups
- Modify the membership of a group



We push the next button to go on.

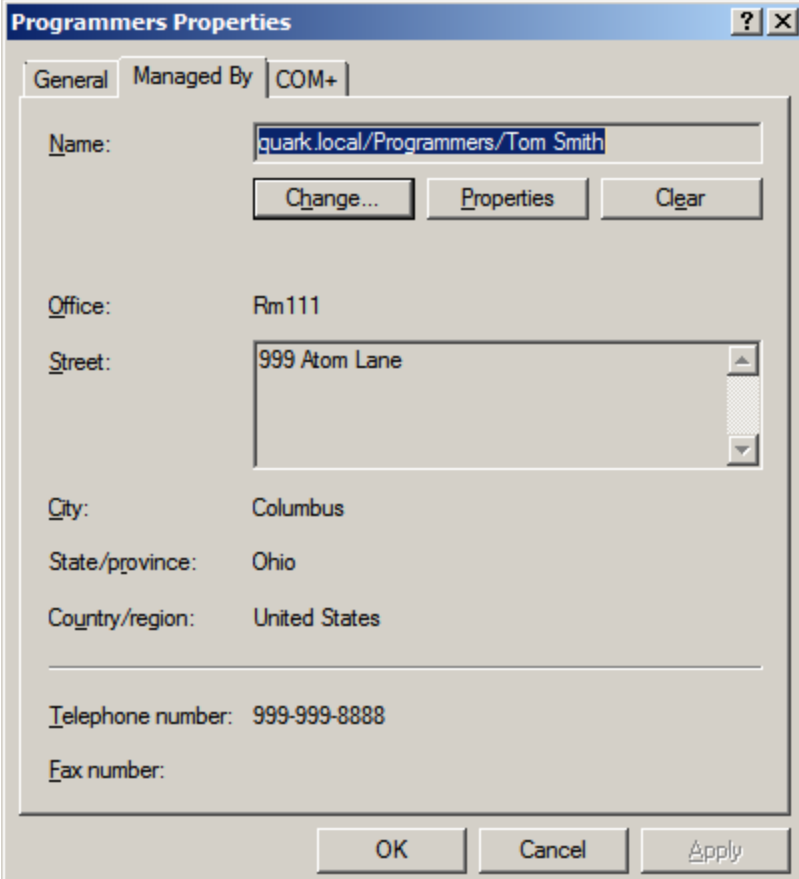
Summarize

A summary will be shown and we press the Finish button to complete the wizard.



OU Properties

We add Tom Smith as the manager of the Programmers Organizational Unit.



The screenshot shows the 'Programmers Properties' dialog box with the 'Managed By' tab selected. The 'Managed By' dropdown is set to 'COM+'. The 'Name' field contains 'quark.local/Programmers/Tom Smith' and has three buttons below it: 'Change...', 'Properties', and 'Clear'. The 'Office' field is 'Rm 111', 'Street' is '999 Atom Lane', 'City' is 'Columbus', 'State/province' is 'Ohio', and 'Country/region' is 'United States'. The 'Telephone number' is '999-999-8888' and the 'Fax number' field is empty. At the bottom are 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons.

Field	Value
Managed By	COM+
Name	quark.local/Programmers/Tom Smith
Office	Rm 111
Street	999 Atom Lane
City	Columbus
State/province	Ohio
Country/region	United States
Telephone number	999-999-8888
Fax number	