SimpleRisk Release Notes

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This SimpleRisk version includes bug fixes, security updates, and brand new permissions to help with access control across the application. It also includes several quality of life updates as well as filters in various tables throughout.

If you are not already running SimpleRisk, then you will need to DOWNLOAD it and follow the instructions for your chosen installation method. If you are currently running a previous release of SimpleRisk, then you will need to go to your Configure menu, select Register & Upgrade, and then click the "Upgrade the Application" button. This will run both the application and database upgrades to move you to the most recent release.

The complete list of changes for this release is below:

<u>SimpleRisk Core</u>

New Features

- Added new permissions for users accounts across multiple sections of SimpleRisk.
- Added several new fields to aid in tracking documents in the "Document Program" section of Governance these should help contribute to an easier time scheduling reviews of documents.
- Added the ability to view the Comment field from Risk Management in the Dynamic Risk Report
- Added the ability to attach files to exceptions.
- Added a new report for Team-Based Separation users allowing them to see all users and their teams, their permissions, and their roles.
- Added a new catalog of potential risks that can be mapped to the details of a risk along with a setting to determine whether or not this value is required.
- Added the ability to associate multiple different frameworks and control IDs with each control created.
- Added new fields to track the validation details for each control assigned to a risk including the validation owner, validation details, and mitigation percent.

Usability

- SimpleRisk will now retain your control selections after adding a new test to a control in Compliance.
- Added a Sort By dropdown to the "Risks and Assets" report allowing users to sort by "Asset Name" or "Risk Value"
- Risks and Controls report now sorts by inherent risk.
- Selecting a "Control Framework" will now prune unrelated values from the other filter dropdown menus.

- Added the ability to customize what columns are shown on the Active Audits page in Compliance similar to the Dynamic Risk Report.
- Added the ability to filter columns in various places where data tables are displayed in SimpleRisk. These will function just like the ones recently added to the Dynamic Risk Report in a previous release.
- Control Framework names are now in alphabetical order in dropdowns.
- Saved reports in the Dynamic Risk Report now save the filters in the report columns as well.
- Admins can now view the details of disabled users on the User Management page.
- Removed Obsolete reports from the Reporting section.
- Updated the "User Management" menu to use tabs to separate functionality.
- Updated the Overview pie chart to read "Mitigation Planned Vs Unplanned"
- Added a new health check to ensure the SimpleRisk Base URL is set and matches the one used in the instance.
- Made the health check a tabular page layout.
- Added a timeout to the services call if no connection is made in 5 seconds.

Bug Fixes
- Fixed an issue where Documents could display they were assigned to a framework even though none has been assigned.
- Fixed an issue where updating an existing questionnaire question and adding a sub-template to an answer all other answer to the question would be removed when the changes were saved.
- Fixed an issue where users would not be told when an improper file type was used while submitting a mitigation.
- Fixed an issue where names containing an apostrophe would be displayed incorrectly on the Risk Dashboard.
- Fixed an issue where audit log entries did not properly reflect when a users' team was changed.
- Fixed an issue where All Open Risks by Team would not display correctly with Team-Based Separation Extra.
- Fixed an issue where sorting by Subject would not work as intended in the Dynamic Risk Report.
- Fixed an issue where user created frameworks that were disabled would not appear in the inactive frameworks tab.
- Updated the proxy settings to function with registering instances.

Security
- Fixed a SQL injection vulnerability.
- Updated debug log functions so they may no longer overwrite files in the web root.
- Generating new password tokens now invalidates old tokens immediately regardless of how much time they were still supposed to be active for.
- Fixed several XSS vulnerabilities.

SimpleRisk Extras

Risk Assessment
- Added the ability to track and update risks that are created through questionnaires
- Added the ability to associate controls to risks created through questionnaires
- Added the question and answer that created a risk to the Additional Notes field
- Added the ability to tie risks created through questionnaires to projects
- Fixed an initial PHP Fatal Error when activating the Extra on a fresh installation

Import-Export
- Fixed a bug affecting the import of tags that are not unique or were not already in the database
- Updated to work with the new framework and control mappings

Email Notification
- Fixed a bug affecting the ability to save configuration changes when using the Safari browser

ComplianceForge SCF
- Updated to work with the new framework and control mappings so that it reflects the actual control that is linked to the common control

Organizational Hierarchy
- Introduced a brand new SimpleRisk Extra that enables you to create Business Units and assign teams underneath them. These Business Units are then used to control information displayed to the users such as the list of users and teams. In the future, this will be extended to filter assets and determine selected form templates.

Incident Management
- Introduced a brand new SimpleRisk Extra that enables you to prepare your organization to deal with incidents, track incidents as they occur, follow pre-defined Playbooks for different types of incidents, and report on the incidents that have occurred.

Other Notes

- A SimpleRisk user noted that they were having difficulty logging in with the default username of "admin" with password of "admin". Upon investigation, it was discovered that PHP was enforcing secure cookies, but the application was not using SSL, so the session values were not set. This may be an isolated instance, but if you experience this issue, try installing a SSL certificate and run SimpleRisk over HTTPS to fix it.