

# Liferay Social Office vs Liferay Portal

Liferay Portal is an exceptional platform for building web sites and applications. It's combination of ease of use and rich web development allows it the ability to meet multiple needs. Popular projects include internal Portals which aggregate existing web properties into a single web experience, external websites for commerce and lead generation, customer and partner portals, etc. One solution that often requested by customers of Liferay is for a collaboration solution that can meet the demands of both teams as well as the entire organization. Customers can build these solutions using Liferay Portal however, it requires time to develop and a long term commitment for the end customer to maintain the solution.

Liferay Social Office is an out-of-the-box solution that addresses this need. Built with Liferay Portal's foundation, Liferay Social Office allows customers to implement team/project collaboration quickly with zero development effort. In short, Liferay Social Office removes the need to build a collaboration solution, while Liferay Portal is a powerful platform to build any website, portal, or web application.

COMPARISON MATRIX		
COLLABORATION	SOCIAL OFFICE	LIFERAY PORTAL
DOCUMENTS	✓	✓
Doc Sharing	✓	
MS Office Integration	✓	
"Work from Desktop"	✓	
PRESENCE	✓	
Online Status	✓	✓
Internal IM chat	✓	✓
Team Member Status	✓	
MAIL AND ALERTS	✓	✓
External Webmail Integration	✓	✓
SMS, Web, Email Alert Integration	✓	
PROJECT MANAGEMENT	✓	
Project/Team Sites	✓	
Project/Team Membership, Docs, Events, Tasks, Blogs/Wiki/Forums	✓	
Task Progress	✓	
Team Calendars	✓	
Team Alerts/Message Board	✓	
Aggregated view of Project/Team Calendars	✓	
NETWORKING	✓	
User Profile Page	✓	✓
User Tagging	✓	
People Search	✓	
Shared contacts	✓	
Social Network Linking (Friend list)	✓	✓
Activity Tracking (My Wall)	✓	✓
BLOGS, WIKI, FORUMS	✓	✓
Global	✓	✓
Exclusive to Team/Project	✓	
SEARCH		✓
Global		✓
Team specific		
Related Content		

COMPARISON MATRIX		
PORTAL	SOCIAL OFFICE	LIFERAY PORTAL
Portlet Desktop	✓	✓
Customizable Themes		✓
Gadget Support		✓
Drag Drop Portlets	✓	✓
SSO	✓	✓
Rules based Personalization		✓
Plugin Marketplace		✓
More Portal Features	✓	✓
CONTENT MANAGEMENT		
Integrated Web CMS		✓
WYSIWYG page editing		✓
Role Based Approval Process		✓
Workflow Approval Process		✓
High Available Architecture and Scalable		✓
More Web CMS Features		✓
ADMINISTRATION		
User Management	✓	✓
System Management	✓	✓
System Auditing		✓
System Monitoring		✓