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RIM opens its Blackberry Enterprise Solution (BES) to other platforms-- now incorporating secure device management for both Android and iOS.



The device management solution (done via single web-based console) comes through RIM's recent acquisition of ubi-Suite developer ubitexx.

The announcement will prove good news to enterprises wanting to manage their growing mobile device populations-- IT administrators will be able to manage devices over-the-air (functions include device activation, software/app distribution and device locking/wiping).

Some BES features will remain Blackberry device-exclusive (many from over 550 IT policies available through BES, according to RIM)-- including RIM's push technology, behind-the-firewall enterprise application and system access.

Also Blackberry-excusive is RIM's other announcement, Blackberry Balance-- technology allowing for the work and personal use of a single device without compromising either corporate data security or personal content privacy.

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