

# LSEG Workspace

## Desktop and Web Comparison

The table below highlights the main differences between accessing LSEG® Workspace through the ElectronJS and OpenFin® desktops or through a Web browser, comparing system requirements and application features.

Requirements	Desktop	OpenFin	Web
<b>GRAPHICS</b>			
Screen resolution	1280 x 1024		1024 x 758
<b>INTERNAL S</b>			
Platform	ElectronJS <sup>1</sup>	OpenFin	HTML5 Web application
Front-end		HTML5 UI	
Back-end		Cloud and on-premises	
<b>INSTALLATION</b>			
Link to installer	The landing page, below, contains a link to the installer <sup>2</sup> : <a href="https://workspace.refinitiv.com/">https://workspace.refinitiv.com/</a>	The landing page contains link to the installer. <a href="https://workspace.refinitiv.com/public/download-workspace/index.html#/download/workspace-installer">https://workspace.refinitiv.com/public/download-workspace/index.html#/download/workspace-installer</a>	No installation required. Workspace Web is available through Internet and Private <sup>3</sup> connection.
<b>NETWORK</b>			
Internet	●	●	●
Private Network	●	Under development	●
<b>MAINTENANCE AND UPDATES</b>			
Workspace	The platform updates automatically. Updates can also be managed manually.	The platform updates automatically without affecting user operations.	Platform is updated automatically, without affecting user operations

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.electronjs.org/>

<sup>2</sup> This page also contains a link to Workspace for Web

<sup>3</sup> Only through Forgerock authentication, which is the default authentication mechanism currently used by both Workspace Web and Workspace desktop.



Requirements	Desktop	OpenFin	Web
Browser	Underlying browser (chromium) is updated together with updates to the ElectronJS.	Underlying browser (Chromium) and Electron are updated together with the update to OpenFin Runtime.	Maintained versions of: Google Chrome™ Microsoft® Edge® Apple® Safari® (on supported macOS® versions only)
<b>OFFICE AND DATA API</b>			
Workspace Add-In	Microsoft Excel® COM add-in, requires installation	Standalone Microsoft Office® COM add-in installed with Workspace <sup>4</sup> . It can also be installed separately for silent installation.	Not available
Workspace Lite Add-In	Primarily designed for Workspace Web, the Workspace Lite add-in is available from Microsoft AppSource®. However, it has less functionality when compared with the COM Add-in.	TBD	Primarily designed for Workspace Web, the Workspace Lite add-in is available from Microsoft AppSource. However, it has less functionality when compared with the COM Add-in.
Data API	Desktop Data API is available, including Eikon Data API for Python	Under development	Delivery Platform Typescript Library is available
<b>3RD PARTY INTEGRATIONS</b>			
Side-by-Side (SxS)	Desktop SxS API is available	Under development	Web SxS API is available
AppStudio	In July 2025, AppStudio will be decommissioned.		
<b>AUTHENTICATION</b>			
Authentication	●	●	●
Exclusive Sign-On (ESO) support for Office	Workspace desktop can run simultaneously with certain Office add-ins <sup>5</sup>	●	To run Workspace Web with certain Office add-ins <sup>5</sup> , a browser extension <sup>6</sup> must be installed
SSO Support	●	●	●
Microsoft Entra®		●	● <sup>7</sup>
<b>COLLABORATION</b>			
Screen Capture and Send screenshot capability	●	●	
Send by email	●	●	News only
Messenger	●	●	

<sup>4</sup> While the Standalone Microsoft Office added-in can be installed separately, to run, it requires the Workspace for OpenFin desktop to be installed.

<sup>5</sup> For desktop, currently Excel, Word, and PowerPoint®. For Web, currently, Excel and Word.

<sup>6</sup> A browser extension is currently available for Google Chrome only. Support for Microsoft Edge will be provided in a future release.

<sup>7</sup> Internet connections only.

Requirements	Desktop	OpenFin	Web
<b>DATA ACCESS</b>			
Streaming data limits	2500 RICs <sup>8</sup> for Hosted environment. No limit for Customer Managed environment.		1000 RICs per browser tab
<b>OTHER CAPABILITIES</b>			
Tiles <sup>9</sup>	●		
Notifications	●	Uses OpenFin notification centre	
Launcher	●	●	
Deep links	●	Under development	●

<sup>8</sup> To have this raised to 5000, submit a request to your account manager.

<sup>9</sup> Advanced market monitoring (traditionally, trading) workflows, with floating windows and search bar.