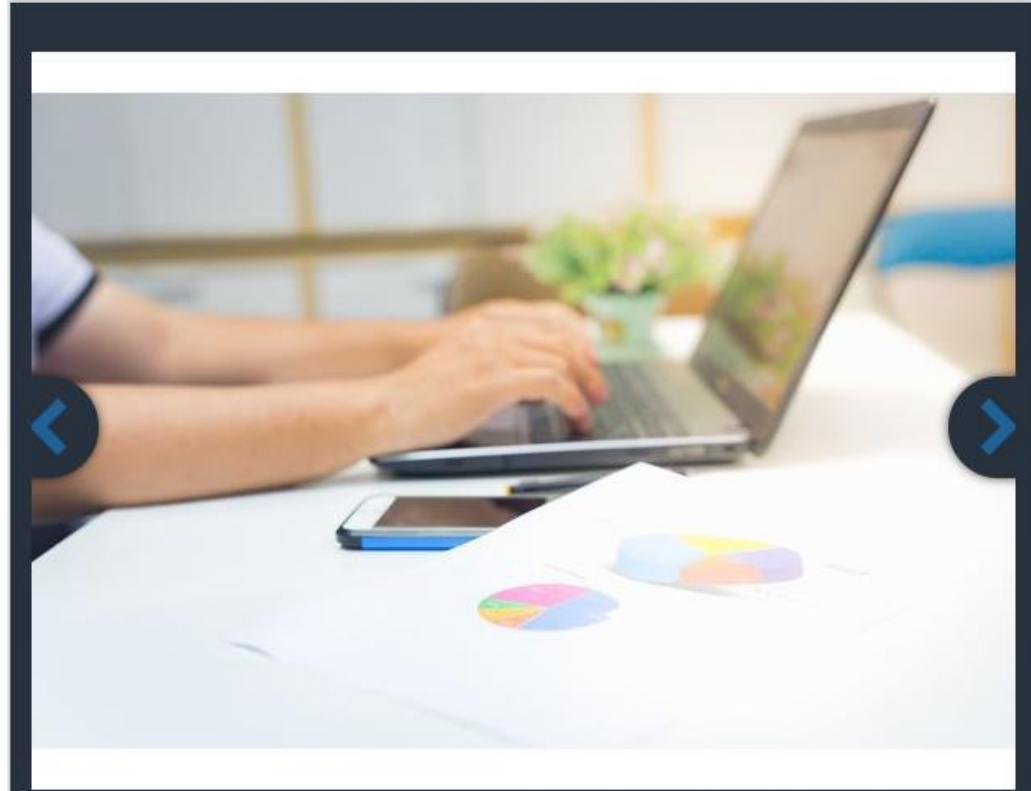


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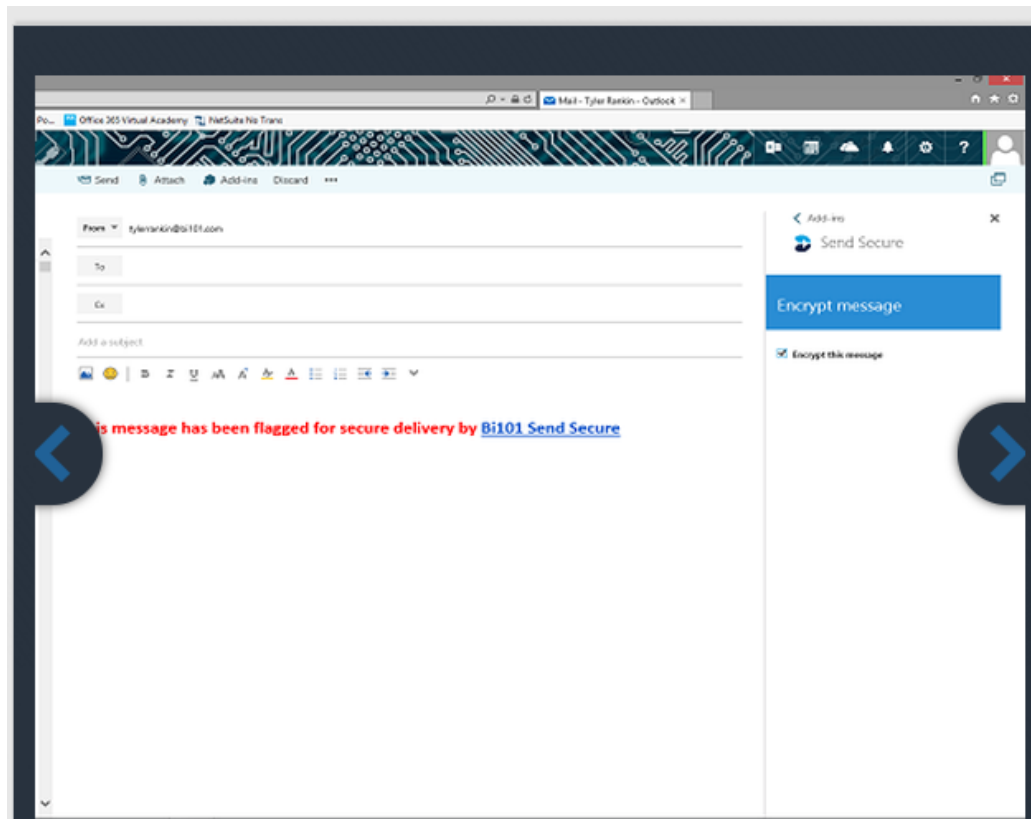
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Microsoft Outlook has been one of the leading professional email communication and calendar schedulers chosen by IT pros for years. Two big reasons why are that the platform is very user-friendly and it works seamlessly with the full Microsoft Office 365 Suite. Plus, there are a slew of add-ins that can make Outlook even more efficient to use – amplifying your productivity and saving you time – and who doesn't like that? Here are six of our favorite Microsoft Outlook add-ins that will help IT pros get the most out of the platform.

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Send Secure

Protecting your emails from hackers is a huge focus for companies of all sizes these days for good reason. **Send Secure** works to help in the battle by encrypting any messages you send from Outlook. Once installed, the app allows the user to hit the **Send Secure** button in Outlook instead of the default send button – encrypting the message before it is sent to the recipient. Encryption makes it harder for hackers to pick off sensitive information contacted within your emails and can also help reduce the chance of spam being sent from your account. **Send Secure** is \$5 per user per month.

DocuSign

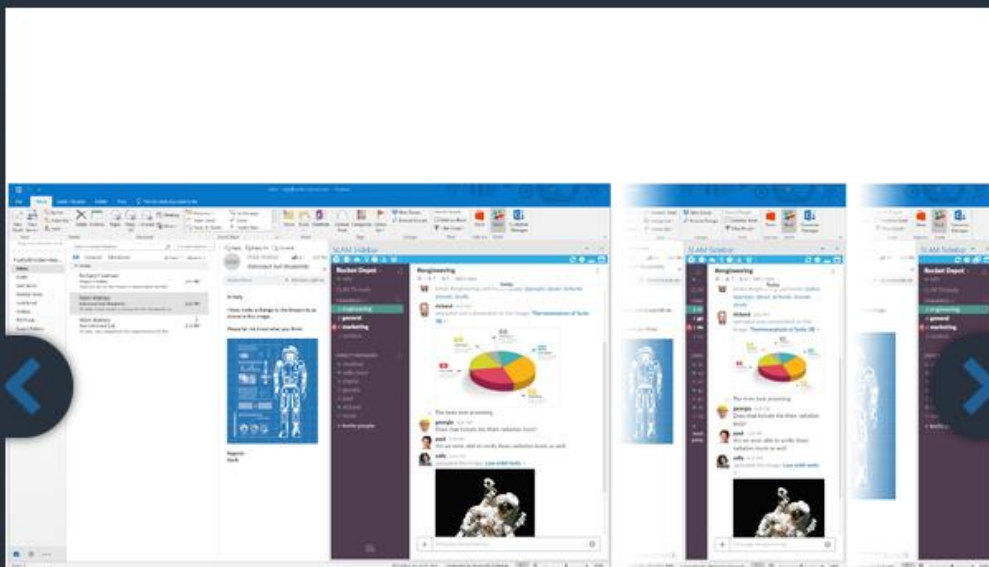
Printing, signing and scanning documents such as contracts, purchase orders and invoices can be a pretty tedious task. Luckily, the DocuSign add-in for Microsoft Outlook can help simplify the process. The app makes it easy to have a recipient securely sign a document or to sign one yourself without having to print a single page of paper. Once installed, recipients can "sign attachments" by dragging and dropping their signature or initials in tagged areas in the document. All parties receive a digital copy of the file once complete. DocuSign subscriptions start at \$10 per user per month and a 10-day free trial is available to test the service.



Slack

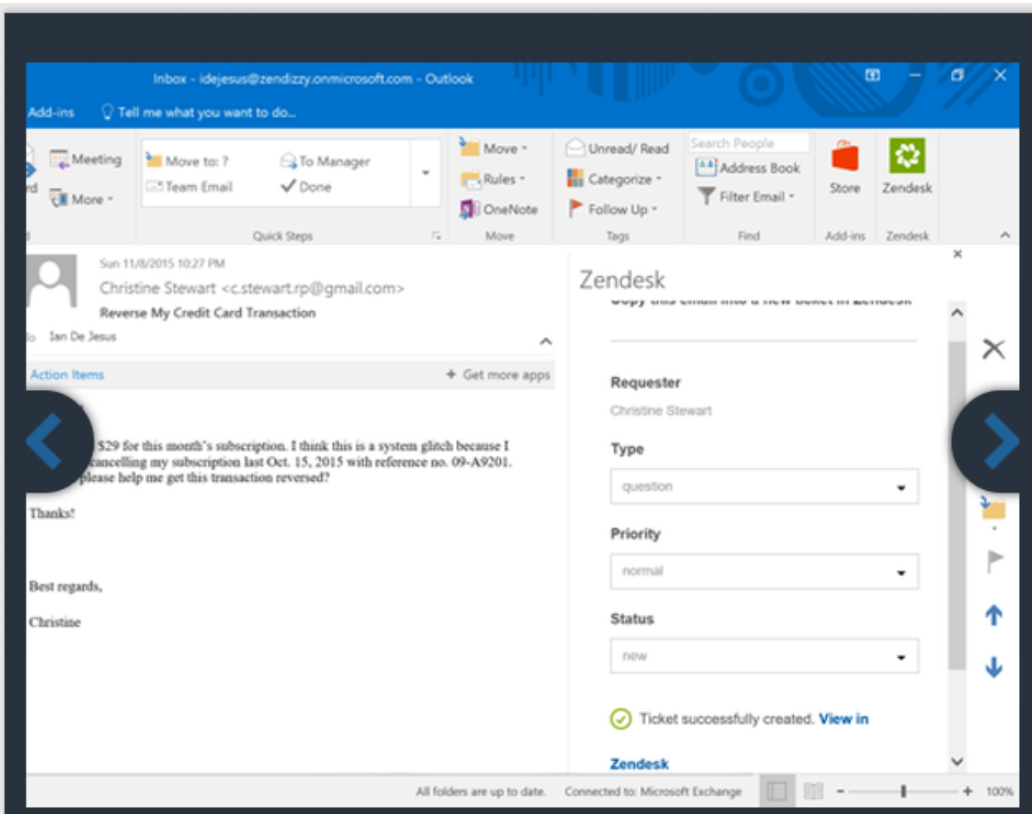
Email communication is great, but sometimes you need a more collaborative way to connect with coworkers. The Slack add-in app for Microsoft Outlook – called *Slam Sidebar* – allows you to do just that. Slam allows users to run Slack directly in Outlook meaning they can drop meeting invites, attachments, contacts and email messages right into Slack conversations. The app also lets users know which Slack teammates are online and direct message them with one click. Slack post and files can also be attached to Outlook emails with just one click, so users don't have to toggle back and forth between platforms. Slack's Slam Sidebar is currently free to download, but you also need a Slack account to use

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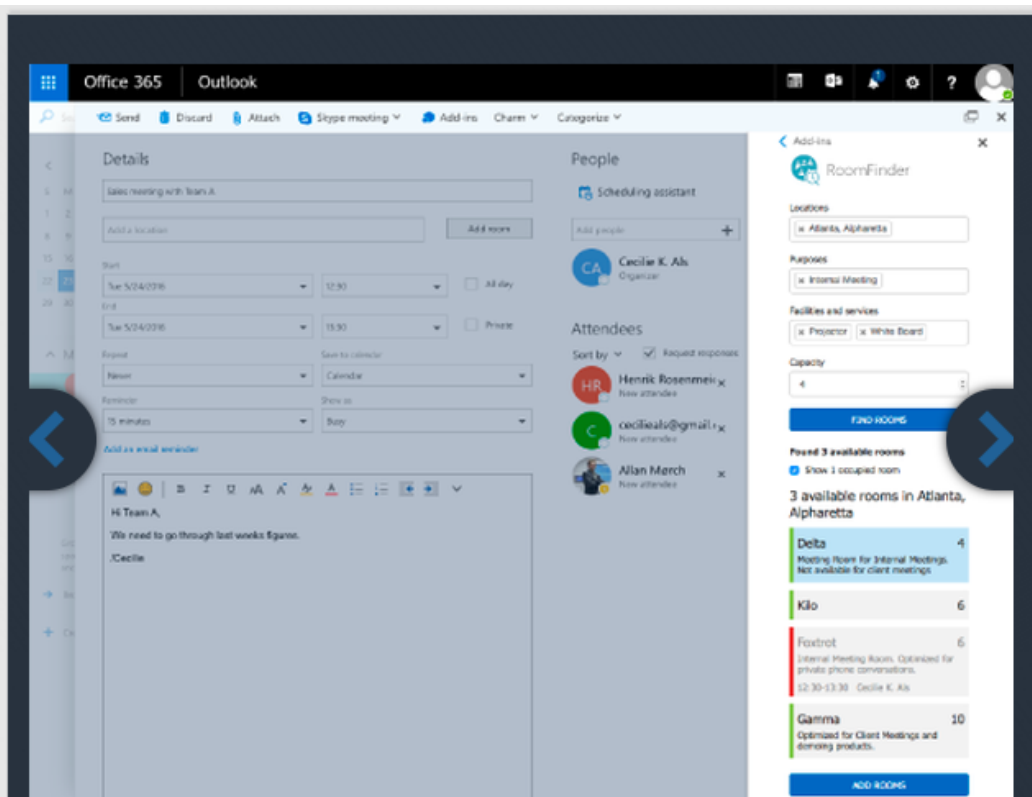
Zendesk

Being able to provide stellar customer service is a requirement for any good business team, and time is of the essence when responding to help requests. With the Microsoft Outlook app from Zendesk, users can turn any email into a ticket that goes right to the customer support team, ensuring that customer needs are met as quickly as possible. The helpdesk app also keeps the conversation in Outlook for the customer and in Zendesk for the support team. The Zendesk Outlook app is free to download, with the monthly subscription starting at \$5 per user per month.



RoomFinder

Securing an available meeting room can be a daunting challenge in the best of offices. The RoomFinder add-in app for Outlook makes finding an available space to meet so much simpler. With the app, you can search and sort open rooms by capacity, features and purpose without leaving Outlook. Plus, RoomFinder lets you search for rooms in multiple office locations and different time zones, so booking a conference room with videoconference capabilities for 20 people is a cinch. The RoomFinder app is free to download.



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XING

Getting invited to a meeting where you don't know anyone in the room can be an awkward experience. The XING for Outlook add-in aims to make those type of uncomfortable professional encounters a thing of the past by providing more information about meeting participants and Outlook contacts. Users with the app installed can see profile photos, job titles and the company name of participants, along with items you have in common with them. Having that type of data can help make any first encounter a little more comfortable.