

How to Successfully Download Installation Package

Overcoming the Download Hurdles on recent Windows Systems

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Problem

- With the latest releases of the Windows 10 operating system and the Edge browser, MicroSoft has introduced new hurdles for downloading the products of mainly small independent software providers.
- Officially this happens in the name of malware protection, but it has the potential to serious hurt the free software market.

What happens?

• The download of the installation package will start and proceed like before, but once it is done, the user will see the following instead of a confirmation. (Screenshot taken after 3 unsuccessful attempts):



Successfully Downloading AthosGEO View and Blend - cobo GmbH 2022

What does it mean?

• The full message text is the following:

AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0.exe isn't commonly downloaded. Make sure you trust AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0.exe before you open it.

• This raises two questions:

1) Not commonly downloaded? Right, nobody downloads this package every day! And?

2) Trust before you open it? But how can I do that?

• Although very well hidden, there is a way out: see next slides!



There is a Way Out

 1st step: Move the mouse pointer over the message – without clicking anything yet! - and see a garbage bin and three dots appearing:



Right Click the Garbage Bin

- 2nd step: Right click on the garbage bin and see a menu appearing that includes a Keep option:
 - Note: If you left click, you will immediately delete your download!

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One More Hurdle

- 3rd step: Choosing the Keep option (left click) still does not bring you there! Instead you will see another dialog, trying to convince you not to keep the dowlooad
- Make sure you trust AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0 (2).exe before you open it

Microsoft Defender SmartScreen couldn't verify if this file is safe because it isn't commonly downloaded. Make sure you trust the file you're downloading or its source before you open it.

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You Want to See More!

 4th step: Extend the dialog by pressing Show more: only with this you will see the Keep anyway option Microsoft Defender SmartScreen couldn't verify if this file is safe because it isn't commonly downloaded. Make sure you trust the file you're downloading or its source before you open it.

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Finally!

 6th step: Press Keep anyway – and finally get the installation package

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• Once you are there, you can directly click on Open file, or start the installer package from the Downloads folder and double clicking on AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0.exe (or whichever package you just downloaded).

Shortcut – If you Know what you are Doing

• Once your download ends with this message

AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0.exe isn't commonly downloaded. Make sure you trust AthosGeoBlend-2.1.0.exe before you... the installation package is actually complete and present on your computer, in the Downloads folder, with a name like

Unconfirmed 654723.crdownload

- Just rename it to AthosGeoBlend.exe and you are done!
- Note: With this step, you are taking the responsibility for checking whether you are renaming the correct file or not: Make sure that date, time and file size are matching!