## Connector Problems - Win2k8, IIS7 and Multi-Server ColdFusion 8 x 64 Bit

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I have not yet had this problem specifically, but it was pointed out by CFG Tom Forrest who spent some time wrangling with it. He was trying to use the connector widget to connect IIS 7 sites to ColdFusion instances (running in Multi-Server Mode). He reports as follows:

The connector refused to install anything into IIS. When I started it, the first window would appear. When I clicked "add" I would see something to the effect of, *Installing required IIS7 components. It may take 2 to 5 minutes to complete.* The window that allows you to set all the parameters would open, and you could select any of your running CF servers. However, you couldn't select any of the IIS sites that were created. Assuming you give up and click ok, allowing it to "install to all" you would get an error window stating *error creating IIS application extensions ColdFusion*.

According to Tom the fix is to install the IIS 6 Management Compatibility role service. This service allows an IIS 7 server to "act like" an IIS 6 server. Once installed the configuration tool began to work.

While I haven't had this specific problem, I have noticed that a number of other things are easier and more familiar with the IIS Management Compatibility installed. Thanks Tom.