

# i2 Office locations trust UK-wide in wireless Access Control

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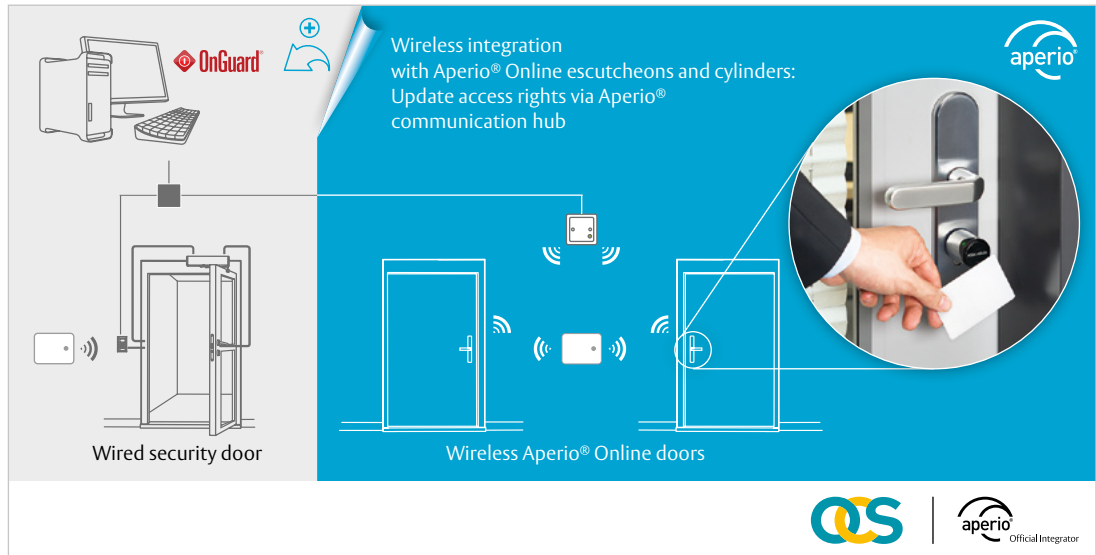
# Managing tenant changes is easy with flexible, programmable access control



*"Aperio® appealed to us because of its innovative design and its ability to work with the security solution in place. We have found it really easy to use."*

Philip Grace,  
CEO of i2 Office

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## Company

**Company:** i2 Office ([www.i2office.co.uk](http://www.i2office.co.uk))  
**Segment:** Office/corporate  
**Location:** Across the UK  
**Aperio® system integrator:**  
OCS Security Solutions ([www.ocs.co.uk](http://www.ocs.co.uk))

**Access Control System:**  
Lenel OnGuard ([www.lenel.com](http://www.lenel.com))  
**Aperio® devices installed:**  
700 x E100 Online escutcheons,  
approx. 300 x C100 Online cylinders  
**Years of installation:** 2013–15

## Challenge

Serviced office provider i2 Office provides rented work space for businesses of all sizes. The group emphasizes quality and aesthetics at city-centre locations spread across the UK, from Glasgow to Guernsey, including multiple locations in the City of London.

The company sought access control to upgrade its existing hardwired solution, which was proving costly and time-consuming to manage. Key requirements for the new access control solution included:

- To seamlessly connect with the existing i2 Office access control system, but without the need for additional cabling during installation
- To complement stylish office designs, so i2 can achieve their mission of providing the best serviced facilities available on the UK market
- To provide a solution that enables administrators to instantly grant or revoke access rights, without the need to update smart cards
- To provide all these required attributes in as short a timeframe as possible

## Solution

Originally piloted at a select group of i2 Office locations, Aperio® wireless access control has been rolled out UK-wide over the course of 3 years. In total, ASSA ABLOY has supplied over 1,000 battery-powered Aperio® units to i2, a mixture of E100 Online escutcheons and C100 Online cylinders.

Installation was conducted in partnership with OCS Security Solutions, who have seamlessly integrated the Aperio® components with i2's existing access control system, Lenel OnGuard. *"By utilising the existing access control system in place and not altering the doors in any way, the installation costs are also minimised so more offices can be upgraded in shorter timescales,"*

says Larry Lowther, operations manager at OCS Security Solutions.

The unique features of Aperio® wireless locks make them a simple, intelligent way to upgrade security at any premises. Encrypted smart cards replace mechanical keys. Updates to the Aperio® Online locks can be made without the need to visit doors.

Cost savings are especially apparent when i2 manage tenant changes, because there's no overhaul of locks or keys required.

*"When there is a tenant change-over, it saves us valuable time and resource,"* says Philip Grace, CEO of i2 Office.

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