

Ubuntu: At the forefront of the Linux Desktop Revolution

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Ubuntu – Linux for Human Beings http://www.ubuntu.com



My Involvement with Ubuntu

- Ubuntu Documentation Project
 - Currently serve as Team Secretary
 - QA Contact (Bugzilla)
- Laptop Mission Team, Accessibility Team
- Ubuntu Down Under Sydney, Australia
- Ubuntu-PH Local Community (LoCo) Team
- Software Freedom International, The OpenCD



Origin of the word "Ubuntu"

Ubuntu is an ancient African (Zulu) word meaning:

"Humanity towards others..."

"I am what I am because of who we all are..."

We believe in a universal bond of sharing that connects all humanity!



Ubuntu in a Nutshell

- Community developed, commercially supported
- The best desktop linux experience
- Rock-solid server platform
- Based on Debian Unstable (sid)
- Frequent, predictable releases
- GNOME Desktop (KDE is officially supported)
- We give back to Debian as we go (not only at release time)
- Strong commitment to Free Software philosophy, localization, and accessibility



The SABDFL

(Self-Appointed Benevolent Dictator for Life)



Mark Shuttleworth (Yes, he's a Cosmonaut)

- Long-time Debian Developer
- He founded Thawte in 1995 and sold it to Verisign in 1999
- Went to space in 2002 as a member of the Soyuz TM-34 mission
- Started Ubuntu (the Linux distribution) in 2004



The Ubuntu Commitment

• *Ubuntu will always be free of charge*, and there is no extra fee for the "enterprise edition", we make our very best work available to everyone on the same Free terms.

• Ubuntu includes the *very best in translations and accessibility infrastructure* that the Free Software community has to offer, to make Ubuntu usable by as many people as possible.



The Ubuntu Commitment

• Ubuntu is released regularly and predictably; a *new* release is made every six months. You can use the current stable release or the current development release. Each release is supported with security updates for at least 18 months.

• Ubuntu is entirely *committed to the principles of free* and open source software development; we encourage people to use free and open source software, improve it and pass it on.



Ubuntu runs on...

Desktops, Laptops and Servers

- Intel x86 (including Intel Pentium and AMD Athlon)
- AMD64/EMT64T (Athlon64, Opteron, EM64T Xeon)
- PowerPC (G3, G4 and G5, including iBooks and PowerBooks)
- HPPA, ia64, SPARC (community-supported)



Ubuntu Releases

Ubuntu releases Debian every six months!

- Based on Debian unstable (sid)
- Released twice a year, every 6 months
 - 4.10 (Oct. '04), 5.06 (April '05), 5.10 (Oct. '05)
- Eighteen months of support for each release
 - Ubuntu 6.04 (Dapper Drake) will be supported
 3 years on desktops and 5 years for servers
- Easy upgrade path (for packages in *Main*)



Ubuntu 5.10 (Breezy Badger) Milestones

- Edubuntu
- Built-in LTSP functionality (Project Muekow)
- HP all-in-one printers work out of the box
- OEM Mode
- Gnome-app-install
- Language Selector
- Launchpad Integration
- Usplash (Graphical Boot Process)



Ubuntu Desktop Goodness









Ubuntu Facts & Figures

- We've topped Distrowatch on page hits for 6 months (and still counting).
- PC World voted Ubuntu 5.04 as #26 of the top 100 best products for 2005.
- Tux Magazine Reader's Choice 2005 for Favorite Linux Distribution
- UK Linux & Open Source Awards 2005 Best Distribution
- Linux Journal Reader's Choice Award (Oct. 2005)
- Ubuntu is certified as "Ready for IBM DB2 Software for Linux"
- ZDNet UK Editor's Choice Desktop Linux for small business (Nov. 25, 2005)



Ubuntu Success Factors

- Best of breed apps from the free software world
 - The latest *CRACK*, but usable for everyone
- Technical excellence
 - Solid packages from Debian; rocking developers
- A huge, lively community (LoCo, Forums, IRC)
 - Pool for potential contributors in the future
- Open specification process for future releases
- Participation possibilities for companies



The Ubuntu Foundation

- Established July 2005
- Ensures that Ubuntu will remain free and fully supported for an extended period of time.
- Creates a legal vehicle that represents the community structures of the project.
- Enhances the commercial commitment of Canonical Ltd.



Partner Projects



Edubuntu is a version of the Ubuntu operating system suitable for classroom use.



Kubuntu aims to be what Ubuntu is to GNOME: an integrated distribution with all the great features of Ubuntu, but based on the KDE desktop.



What's Planned for Ubuntu 6.04 (Dapper Drake)

- Standard Polish and Integration of the existing desktop environment for both Ubuntu and Kubuntu
 - Pre-configured to "Do The Right Thing" TM
- Easier to find software packages, main, universe/multiverse, 3rd party software packaged for Ubuntu.
- Easier to manage network-wide enterprise updates
- Linux Kernel 2.6.15 for Desktops and Servers
- GNOME 2.14
- KDE 3.5 (Kubuntu)



What's Planned for Ubuntu 6.04 (Dapper Drake)

- Ubuntu Express
- Improved SCIM support (universe community driven)
 - (Smart Common Input Method)
- Kubuntu CDs will now be available via ShipIt
- Developer Documentation
- Hardware Certification
- Too many to mention :-)
 - Complete list at https://wiki.ubuntu.com/DapperGoals



Participate in Ubuntu!

- Test and report bugs on Ubuntu 6.04 Milestone releases (Flight 1)
- Start a LoCo team in your area
- Join other Ubuntu projects (UDP, Art, MOTU, Edubuntu)
- Get involved with L10n, i18n
- Contributions to Debian benefit Ubuntu!
- Participate on Ubuntu Developer Sprints
- Ubuntu Partnership Program for companies



The Ubuntu Community



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