GETTING INVOLVED IN OPEN SOURCE AND UBUNTU

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Possible Tasks

Developers
Translators
Artwork
Documentation Writers
Community Support

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Ubuntu Repositories

- Main

- Universe

- Multiverse

Universe is maintained and controlled solely by Ubuntu community members

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Ubuntu Development

- Paid distro team

- Community maintainers
  - The *Masters Of The Universe*

Ubuntu Translations

- Ubuntu translations are accomplished via the "Rosetta" web development framework

- Rosetta makes it easy for anyone of any skill level to help improve localization

- Localization teams are organized by language

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Ubuntu Translations

Translations are not a minor feature.

Translators are IMPORTANT.

Do not underestimate the importance of true language independence in the Ubuntu ideology and goals.

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Ubuntu Artwork

PRETTY IS A FEATURE
(aka "The Compiz Effect")

Compelling artwork (splash screens, desktops, icons) can be a significant "tractor feature" when new users evaluate their initial reactions to an OS

(Can we all say "Mac OS X?")

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Documenting Ubuntu

Without good documentation any operating system is an unknown labyrinth to a user.

Documentation separates the cream from the milk in open source.

The Ubuntu Documentation team is critical part of Ubuntu's mission and success.

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Supporting Ubuntu

Community support is the primary support mechanism for the majority of Ubuntu users.

(But I do like eating)

Support via Launchpad, IRC, or forums is often a new user's first experience with the Ubuntu community.

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Building A Business

- Improve your CV
- Gain demonstrable skills
- FLOSS mojo!
- The Ubuntu Marketplace
- The Guadalinex model
- Reselling services

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So why Ubuntu (or free software)?

ROMANIAN INDEPENDENCE

Let's review Romanian history:

- A Roman province

- Tribute to Ottoman Porte

- Control by Hungary

- Control By Austria-Hungary

- Control by Russia

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Sultan Bill Gates Bey?

AND NOW YOU WILLINGLY SURRENDER YOUR CONTROL OF THE MOST IMPORTANT HUMAN ENDEAVOR OF THE CENTURY TO A FOREIGN CORPORATION?

ROMANIA AND ROMANIANS DESERVE BETTER

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Open Source Is Your Choice For Independence

CHOOSE SUSTAINABILITY!
CHOOSE INDEPENDENCE!
CHOOSE FREEDOM!

CHOOSE OPEN SOURCE!

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