

One of the most important Romanian IT events in 2007



# eLiberatica

The Benefits of Open & Free Technologies

May 18-19 , Braşov, Romania

Presentation Booklet

The eLiberatica Conference brings community leaders from around the world to talk about the hottest topics in FLOSS (Free/Libre/Open Source Software) movement demonstrating the advantages of adopting, using and developing Open Source and Free Software solutions.

*“We started with the belief that FLOSS can contribute to a creative, effective and constructive information technology movement in Romania and that eLiberatica will be a conference that helps to launch this movement.”* ROSI

## The Difference

eLiberatica will be the first conference in Romania dedicated to Free Software and Open Source as a whole, making it the most eastern point of Europe for such an event.

FLOSS-related conferences have been held in Romania before, but were focused on a single FLOSS technology or software.

**eLiberatica will provide a high level view on the entire FLOSS movement that includes business, social and technical aspects.**

## Who should attend

- ▶ Entrepreneurs, decision factors from companies and freelancers.
- ▶ Decision factors involved in the local and governmental administration and non-governmental representatives.
- ▶ Programmers, developers, web designers, system engineers, project managers and everyone else working in IT.
- ▶ Students and teachers, regardless of their study domain.
- ▶ Everyone from Mass Media.
- ▶ Computer users in general. (We are strongly convinced that anybody who is using or is going to use a computer, will find useful and interesting information attending this conference).

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## The Conference Objectives

- ▶ To reveal the general Open Source and Free Software concepts, the differences between the two trends and the types of licenses used in this area.
- ▶ To demonstrate that Open Source and Free Software is a valid alternative to proprietary software.
- ▶ To present the possibilities to use and develop Open Source and Free Software in Romania.
- ▶ To present various business models based on OS/FS and the way they can be implemented by Romanian entrepreneurs.
- ▶ To help local and national governments understand how FLOSS is a viable and strong option for their IT needs.
- ▶ To help strengthen the Romanian FLOSS community and increase it's ties to the global FLOSS community.
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## Proposed Topics

- ▶ Open Source and Free Software: meaning, philosophy, past, present and future.
- ▶ OS/FS license models and related legal aspects.
- ▶ Business models based on OS/FS. How using and developing OS/FS can turn into a successful business.
- ▶ Freedom of choice; FLOSS mainstream and democracy information.
- ▶ How to achieve professional reputation contributing to OS/FS projects.
- ▶ OS/FS alternative for companies and regular users. Examples of OS/FS applications that can successfully replace the proprietary software: operating systems, office software, CMS, web servers, web applications, project administration, etc.
- ▶ The FLOSS influence in the new IT trends: the need of standardization, building social communities on web, etc.

## Summary

Around **30 sessions** will span the two-day two tracks conference which will be held on Friday 18th - Saturday 19th, May 2007, and will be topped off with a sprinkling of social events.

Each day will start at 9 am and finish around 6pm with a few breaks throughout the day, not to mention the *Freedom & Networking Party* that is going to take place Saturday night, giving plenty of opportunity to socialize, meet other people and have fun.

The detailed conference schedule will be updated as far as we are going to receive the description of the presentation from the speakers and guests and the keynotes will be scheduled.

## Notes about keynote speeches

- ▶ Usually speeches will be 30, 40 or 60 minutes in length but will be provided the optimal time for all the speakers to finish their presentations.
- ▶ The language of the conference will be mainly English but we expect some Romanian presentations too; anyway, there will be translation services provided in both languages on the headset.
- ▶ The conference will have a single track in the morning, consisting in more general talks about OS/FS, and two tracks in the afternoon: one track will hold academics/technical presentations and the other one will present practical solutions and case studies about Open Source/Free Software commercial implementation.

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## Speakers

Renowned FLOSS experts, entrepreneurs and developers from all over the world will meet at eLiberatica to share their expertise and experience with their Romanian peers.



**Rasmus  
Lerdorf**

The father of PHP – a language which is used in more than 22 millions of web sites.



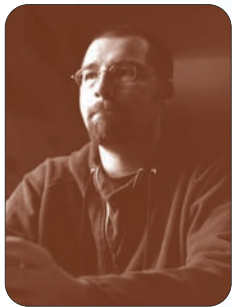
**Monty  
Widenius**

The main engineer and supervisor of MySQL – the most popular Open Source DBMS.



**Brian  
Behlendorf**

One of the **Apache Project** initiators – the server which is behind over 60% of the web.



**Zak  
Greant**

The well known OS/FS evangelist who is going to represent **Mozilla Foundation** – the creators of the most used open source browser in the world



**Jim  
Willis**

*Director of eGovernment and Information Technology, Rhode Island, USA*



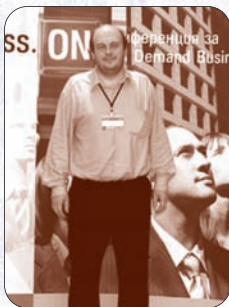
**Aleksander  
Farstad**

OS/FS entrepreneur, CEO and founder of **eZ systems**



**Kurt  
von Finck**

From **GNOME** Foundation and Ubuntu



**Bogomil  
Shopov**

The most important OS/FS representatives in Bulgaria, the coordinators of **WebTech** and **OpenFest** events



**Yovko  
Lambrev**

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The complete list of speakers will be published in the next period, after the guests will confirm their participation. Together with the international speakers presented above, personalities, specialists and representatives from the most important IT Romanian companies and organizations who are doing activities related to open source and free software, will hold presentations at eLiberatica.

## Events

Currently, we are discussing with renowned organizations and companies to hold events inside the conference tracks. More details will follow and will be presented on the conference's website as the discussions advance.



# We launched the registration process!

For reservations please access Agora Media "Registration" website page

[www.agora.ro](http://www.agora.ro)

Considering the goals and objectives of the conference and our willingness for helping the attendance, we established a different price systems depending of:

**The status of the participants** - please check the promotion for students / academics / teachers / non-governmental representatives and the mass-media representatives.

**Early-bird discount** - for those who will register in time, we offer important discounts from the BCT price; a 40% discount for the January - February period and a 20% discount in the March - April period.

## Standard Offer

Offer	Period	Price (Euro)
Basic Conference Ticket - BCT	January-February 2007	149
	March-April 2007	199
	May 2007	249

### Note:

- ▶ Provides access to presentations and workshops.
- ▶ Includes the following: two coffee breaks, one lunch per day, dinner on Friday, and Freedom & Networking Party (at "Citadel Restaurant") on Saturday.
- ▶ The event registration is possibly due 10th May 2007, 12:00 (EET).
- ▶ Late registrants are welcome on the Conference venue at the Registration and Information Desk (in ARO hotel hall) on 18th May 2007.
- ▶ The prices do not contain VAT.

## The offer for students/academics and teachers/non-governmental representatives

Offer	Period	Price (Euro)
Discounted Conference Ticket - DCT	January - May 2007	25

In order to register for a Discounted Conference Ticket you will need to fax, email or post us a copy of documents proving your statute as follows:

**Students:** a copy of your Student ID.

**University didactic personnel:** official proof from the university.

**Members of non-profit organizations:** official proof from the non-profit organization.

### Note:

- ▶ Due to the limited number of discount tickets (100) compared to the number of appliances, each case will be individually analyzed. For more details on this subject please consult the Agora "Discounted Conference Ticket" page.
- ▶ Provides access to presentations and workshops.
- ▶ Includes the following: two coffee breaks, and one lunch per day.
- ▶ The prices do not contain VAT.

## The offer for mass-media representatives

Offer	Period	Price (Euro)
Media Conference Ticket - MCT	January - May 2007	Free - based on subscription

### Note:

- ▶ Provides access to presentations and workshops.
- ▶ Includes the following: two coffee breaks, and one lunch per day.
- ▶ You can find more information in the "Media Center" section or you can send your questions to [media.registration@agora.ro](mailto:media.registration@agora.ro).

## General notes:

- ▶ Cancellations must be submitted in writing via post, fax or e-mail.
- ▶ Cancellations received before the 30th of April 2007 is subject to a 20% administrative fee.
- ▶ No refunds will be paid after 30th April 2007.
- ▶ If you have registration questions, email [eliberatica@agora.ro](mailto:eliberatica@agora.ro).

To answer any questions or if you require assistance with the registration process, you can also reach our customer service representatives at:

**Phone: (+ 4)-021-330.92.82**

**Fax: (+ 4)-021-330.92.85**

### Note:

- ▶ The registration process is subject of change by the organizers; section will reflect any changes that occur in the future.



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