Linux-Kongress 2002
9th International Linux System Technology Conference
September 4-6, 2002 in Cologne, Germany

Call for Papers

Linux-Kongress 2002, the 9th International Linux System Technology Conference is organized by the German Unix User Group (www.guug.de) and and hosted by the Institute of Computer Science at the University of Cologne, Germany. Please contact <info@linux-kongress.org> if you have any questions.

Overview

The 9th Linux-Kongress 2002 will take place from September 4 to September 6, 2002, at the University of Cologne in Germany. It follows the tradition of the Linux-Kongress series (Heidelberg 1994, Berlin 1995 and 1996, Würzburg 1997, Köln 1998, Augsburg 1999, Erlangen 2000, Enschede 2001) which has evolved into the most important meeting for Linux experts and developers in Europe.

You are invited to participate in this famous Linux community event by giving a presentation about your current development work, experiences with Linux and Open Source, and future plans. The Linux-Kongress will be the best opportunity for Open Source developers to meet in Europe and exchange ideas about current and upcoming Open Source projects.

You can learn from the tutorials, refereed papers, and invited talks, and discuss the newest technology with famous Linux and Open Source gurus. You can also visit the vendor exhibition, where leading Linux and Open Source companies show their newest products, or find the latest books about your favorite topic on this exhibition. A social event will take place on Thursday, September 5. A perfect opportunity to exchange ideas with other Linux experts, while enjoying food and drinks.

The conference language is English.

Tutorial Program (September 4)

On Wednesday, a number of tutorials will be presented, all related to Linux and Open Source. Tutorials both for beginners and for more advanced users and developers will be included. If you're interested in presenting a tutorial or would like to share ideas about what would be a terrific tutorial, please contact the program committee via e-mail at <program@linux-kongress.org>.

Technical Conference (September 5-6)

Thursday and Friday will offer around 25 technical sessions, including keynote address, presentations of refereed papers, and invited talks, divided in 2 parallel tracks. The talks will focus on Linux kernel and systems software, as well as more generic Open Source software, the underlying software technologies, and the Free Software and Open Source philosophy. Presentations should take about 40 minutes (including discussions, when applicable).

The Linux-Kongress 2002 conference seeks original and innovative papers about current Linux software development and more generally about Open Source projects.

Presentations are being solicited in areas including, but not limited to:
- Security (firewalls, VPNs, cryptography, smart cards, ...)
- Networking (IPv6, IPsec, VoIP, ...)
- High-Availability and clustering
- Architectures (from Linux on PDAs to Linux on S/390)
- Virtual machines and emulations (Wine, Plex86, User-Mode Linux, ...)
- Storage management (LVM, filesystems, ...)
- Device drivers
- Desktop/office environments
- Multimedia
- ...

To address the fast evolving nature of Linux, new topics not covered by the conference talks can be discussed during informal gatherings, called Birds-of-a-Feather (BoF) sessions. BoFs may be scheduled at the conference or in advance by mailing the program committee.

Refereed Paper Submissions

Papers for the technical sessions will be reviewed by the program committee. An extended abstract is required for the paper selection process. These abstracts must be submitted via a form on the Linux-Kongress 2002 web site at http://www.linux-kongress.org/2002/submission.html. Only abstracts in ASCII format (250-500 words), including a title and the name(s) and e-mail address(es) of the author(s) are accepted. Furthermore, abstracts accompanied by non-disclosure agreement forms are not acceptable and will not be read. By submitting an abstract to the Linux-Kongress 2002 organization, you also give permission to publish it on the conference web site.

Authors of accepted submissions are asked to provide a final paper for publication in the conference proceedings. This paper preferably should not have been published before.

Important Dates

Extended abstracts due: June 14, 2002
Notification to speakers: June 24, 2002
Final papers due: August 12, 2002

Program Committee

You can contact the program committee via e-mail at <program@linux-kongress.org>. Abstracts can only be submitted via the web form at http://www.linux-kongress.org/2002/submission.html.

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Complete registration and program information will be made available on the web site in early July 2002. Companies interested in getting a booth at the exhibition or in sponsoring the Linux-Kongress 2002 should send e-mail to Jochen Topf <jochen.topf@guug.de>.