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OSADL Joins Linux Foundation

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OSADL is glad to announce that it has been accepted Silver Member of the Linux Foundation.

The Linux Foundation is a nonprofit consortium dedicated to fostering the growth of Linux. Founded in 2007, the Linux Foundation sponsors the work of Linux creator Linus Torvalds and is supported by leading Linux and open source companies and developers from around the world. The Linux Foundation promotes, protects and standardizes Linux by hosting important workgroups, events and online resources such as Linux.com (http://www.linux.com). More information is available at the Homepage of the Linux Foundation (http://www.linuxfoundation.org).

With this membership, OSADL and its members are now also contributing to the funding of the mainline Linux kernel - in addition to sending patches and testing new releases what we already are doing since long time. Both the Linux Foundation and OSADL share common views and interests: What the Linux Foundation is doing for all the many standard components of the mainline kernel, OSADL is providing especially for those Linux components that are required by the automation industry and for embedded systems. Furthermore, the two organizations have a number of common activities and links. One of the links is represented by OSADL's kernel developer Thomas Gleixner who recently was elected to the Technical Advisory Board of the Linux Foundation (http://www.linuxfoundation.org/collaborate/tab).

The original text of the Linux Foundation's press release announcing the OSADL membership is available here: http://www.linuxfoundation.org/news-media/announcements/2010/05/automation-development-lab-joins-linux-foundation

About Open Source Automation Development Lab (OSADL):

The Open Source Automation Development Lab (OSADL) started its activities in summer 2006 and is organizing since then the development of Open Source software for automation companies. Among others, OSADL is acting as a "purchase community" of Open Source software, i.e. the membership fees are used to delegate the development of Open Source software projects that the majority of the members is requesting for or agreeing to. In addition, OSADL provides support with practical aspects of using Open Source software in the industrial and commercial context. Current OSADL projects focus on real-time and safety critical Linux, I/O framework, real-time Ethernet and other special drivers for the Linux mainline kernel as well as virtualization.

The OSADL member companies employ altogether more than 100,000 people, generate a sales volume of more than 100 billion euros and are machine companies, manufacturers of automation hardware and software, semiconductor companies, Open Source software service providers and user associations.

More information at: http://www.osadl.org/

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Über das Open Source Automation Development Lab (OSADL):

Das seit Sommer 2006 aktive Open Source Automation Development Lab (OSADL) organisiert die Entwicklung von Open-Source-Software für die Automatisations-Industrie. Dabei agiert das OSADL unter anderem als "Einkaufgemeinschaft für Open-Source-Software, d.h. von den Mitgliedsbeiträgen werden Entwicklungsaufträge für Software-Projekte vergeben, die von der Mehrheit der Mitglieder benötigt oder befürwortet werden. Darüber hinaus bietet OSADL Unterstützung bei praktischen Fragen, die sich bei der Verwendung von Open-Source-Software im industriell-kommerziellen Umfeld ergeben. Aktuelle OSADL-Projekte betreffen Echtzeit-Linux, Zertifizierungen, I/O-Framework, Echtzeit-Ethernet und andere spezielle Treiber für den Linux-Mainlinekernel sowie Virtualisierung.

Die Mitglieder des OSADL beschäftigen insgesamt mehr als 100.000 Mitarbeiter, erwirtschaften einen Usatz von mehr als 100.000 Euro und stammen aus den Branchen Maschinenbau, Automatisations-Hardware, Automatisations-Software, Halbleiter-Hersteller, Open-Source-Dienstleister und Nutzervereinigungen.

Weitere Informationen unter: http://www.osadl.org/

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