

LinuxWorld Conference & Expo Announces Finalists for Product

Winners to be announced next week in San Francisco.

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. – July 28, 2008 – IDG World Expo, the leading producer of world-class tradeshows and events, today announced finalists for the LinuxWorld Product Excellence Awards, to be presented at LinuxWorld Conference & Expo® next week in San Francisco. Judged by a group of respected industry experts managed by LinuxWorld.com, the LinuxWorld Product Excellence Awards recognize product and service innovations by LinuxWorld® and NGDC exhibitors. Winners will be announced during a ceremony at the event on Tuesday, August 5th at 4:00 p.m. at Center Stage located in the North Hall.

LinuxWorld Conference & Expo runs August 4-7, 2008 at the Moscone Center. The LinuxWorld exhibit hall floor opens on Tuesday, August 5, at 10:00 a.m. Exhibit hall passes are free on or before August 3, 2008 – passes cost \$50.00 thereafter. Register for free exhibit hall passes at <http://www.linuxworldexpo.com>.

This year's LinuxWorld Product Excellence Awards are divided into 12 product categories, including a "Best of Show," that represent major areas of innovation in the Linux and open source community.

Finalists include:

Best Application Development Tool

- Ingres: Ingres CAFÉ (Consolidated Application Foundation for Eclipse)
 - TWiki.net: Twiki OnDemand Enterprise
- Unicon Systems, Inc.: Pagasus Mobile Product Development Kit

Best Business Application

- xTuple: xTuple ERP 3.0
 - Acquia: Drupal 6
- Concur: ConcourseSuite 5.3

Best Clustering or Grid Solution

- IBM: iDataPlex
- Hyperic: CloudStatus
- DataSynapse: Fabric Server 2.6

Best Desktop Solution

- SugarCRM: Sugar Community Edition
- Canonical: Ubuntu Desktop Edition 8.04 LTS

Most Innovative Hardware Solution

- Violin Memory: Violin 1010 with 1 Million IOPS Linux Driver
 - Unicon Systems, Inc.: Helios Digital Signage System
 - Fusion-io: ioDrive

Best Integration Solution

- Openbravo: Openbravo Network
- ImageStream: Integration with PowerCode
- IPBrick International: IPBrick.GT

Best Messaging Solution

- Barracuda Networks: Barracuda Message Archiver 850
 - Kerio technologies, Inc.: Kerio MailServer
 - Unison Technologies: UnisonTM

Best Mobility Solution

- Unicon Systems, Inc.: Hermes Mobile Platform
- Openmoko: Openmoko Neo Freerunner

Best Security Solution

- Astaro Internet Security: Astaro Security Gateway 7.2
- Barracuda Networks: Barracuda Web Site Firewall
- Trusted Computer Solutions: Security Blanket Enterprise

Best System Management Tool

- Opengear: SDT for Nagios
- Altinity: Opsview v2.12
- Hyperic: Hyperic HQ

Best Virtualization Solution

- Oracle: Oracle VM 2.1.1
 - GoGrid: GoGrid
- Pivot 3: Serverless Computing

For more information on the Product Excellence Awards and LinuxWorld Conference & Expo, visit www.linuxworldexpo.com.

About LinuxWorld Conference & Expo

LinuxWorld Conference & Expo is the premier event exclusively focused on Linux and open source solutions. As the world's most comprehensive marketplace for open source products and services, LinuxWorld provides business decision-makers with information and resources to implement Linux and open source solutions into business infrastructure and enterprise networks. For more information or to register for the event, visit the LinuxWorld Conference & Expo Website at www.linuxworldexpo.com, or call (800) 657-1474. For exhibiting opportunities, please contact Amy Bonner at (508) 424-4892 or amy_bonner@idg.com or Giovanni Stein at (508) 424-4864 or Giovanni_stein@idg.com. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Ellen Moorehead at (508) 988-7830 or ellen_moorehead@idg.com or Michelle Mohr at (508) 424-4855, or michelle_mohr@idg.com.

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