

Chairman's Statement of the Fifth Northeast Asia OSS Promotion Forum

November 22nd, 2006

In accordance with the understanding in the Memorandum signed by the IT Directors General of China, Japan and Korea (CJK) at the meeting held in Beijing on April 3rd, 2004, and the achievements of the first meeting of the Northeast Asia OSS Promotion Forum (the Forum) held at that time, the representatives who promote Open Source Software (OSS) in each country confirmed the state of OSS promotion in each of three countries, built a consensus for future cooperation, and agreed to found and jointly administer Working Groups (WGs) at the 2nd meeting held in Sapporo on July 28th, 2004. At the 3rd meeting in Seoul on December 3rd, 2004, the following 3 WGs were established and started their activities.

WG1: Technology Development & Assessment

WG2: Human Resources Development

WG3: Study on Standardization and Certification

At the 4th meeting in Tianjin on April 14th, 2006, it was reaffirmed that Participants would make full use of the Forum to communicate with each other and encourage activities in the spirit of cooperation.

At the 5th meeting held in Fukuoka, on November 22nd, 2006, CJK participants reviewed and endorsed the accomplishments achieved and future plans reported by each WG.

1. Participants in the Forum recognized that cooperative ties and spirits among CJK have been strengthened steadily since the inception of the Forum and are now realizing valuable outcomes.
2. The Forum will carry out our activities in accordance with the summary conclusion of the 5th China-Japan-Korea IT Directors General Meeting for the promotion of Open Source Software held in Fukuoka on November 21st, 2006.

3. The Forum encourages and strengthens cooperation in each WG to produce prolific outcomes for mutual benefit. The summary conclusions of three working groups are as follows:

- WG1

A. Server sub-WG:

(1) WG1 agreed to start 3 open source cooperative projects with the objective of contributing to the open source community and to fix the goal, schedule, members, etc. in each project.

3 projects are the following:

(i) OpenDRIM (Distributed Resources Information Management) Project.

Develop distributed resources information management technologies & environment for Linux system based on open standards.

(ii) Linux Kernel Regression Test (Crackerjack) Project.

Develop the tools to detect the regression between the different versions of Linux Kernel.

(iii) Benchmark of Data Base Management System (DBMS) Project.

Share the performance and reliability data of MySQL and PostgreSQL.

(2) WG1 agreed to continue discussing SEEN model, which is the "Security ENTITY relation based access control model" for supporting flexibility of security policy.

B. Desktop sub-WG:

(1) WG1 agreed to create 1 project and 1 task-force (TF) of cooperative development.

The project and TF are following:

(i) OSS Desktop Linux Promotion Road-map Project.

Extract the issues which obstruct the adoption of OSS desktop based on each country's research result, find resolutions and identify each country's action items.

The first draft of the road-map shall be completed by January 31st of 2007 and will be updated continually.

(ii) Dedicated Linux Desktop TF.

Study the opportunity to accelerate OSS desktop adoption by promoting dedicated Linux desktop. Determine at least 3 dedicated Linux desktop candidates as the next output.

(2)WG1 agreed that China and Korea shall collaboratively develop common Linux Desktop reference platform based on RPLinux and Booyo specifications, and that Japan will evaluate the result.

- WG2

- (1) WG2 will jointly promote model curriculum and courseware for OSS incrementally. WG2 will release the 1st report “Northeast Asia OSS Human Resource Development Curriculum (ver. 1.0)” along with the report of pilot program execution in each country by the next Forum.
- (2) In order to conduct this task, WG2 will develop a procedure for selecting courses. For each course selected, WG2 will develop the following materials (and/or procedure) :
 - curriculum and syllabus
 - course material
 - evaluation

- WG3

- (1) WG3 has agreed upon the required features of input-method engine interface and shall produce the 1st Draft of the specification by the end of 2006.
- (2) WG3 established a sub working group, SWG2, for studying World Wide Web (WWW) interoperability and it shall produce the 1st Draft of a technical report in the 1st quarter of 2007.

Each country of CJK takes the role of coordinator in one of the 3 WGs - WG1, WG2 or WG3. Current coordinators continue until the next Forum, and then shall be rotated every year afterward.

The 6th Northeast Asia OSS Promotion Forum will be held in Korea, and the date and venue will be decided by Korea, discussing with Japan and China.

In Fukuoka, Japan,

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Japan Open Source Software Promotion Forum