

# 2004 USENIX Annual Technical Conference: UseLinux Special Interest Group Session

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Boston, Massachusetts, USA

## Important Dates

Proposals due: *December 16, 2003, 11:59 p.m. EST*

Notification to authors: *February 4, 2004*

Camera-ready final papers due: *May 4, 2004*

## Program Committee

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## Overview

UseLinux will be a one- (or possibly two-) day special interest group session hosted as part of the 2004 USENIX Annual Technical Conference in Boston (June 27–July 2, 2004). The focus of UseLinux, as the name implies, will be on showcasing ways in which creative members of the Linux community are making use of Linux—on the desktop, in embedded applications, in corporate data centers, in retail environments . . . the possibilities are endless!

## Topics

The UseLinux Program Committee solicits proposals for presentations covering any of the following topics:

- ◆ Linux advocacy—quantifying Linux TCO/ROI advantages
- ◆ Linux adoption in lesser-developed countries
- ◆ Development tools and GUI libraries for embedded Linux
- ◆ Technologies that enable the use of Linux
  - ❖ Desktop technologies
  - ❖ File format conversions
  - ❖ Integration with legacy UNIX and Windows operating systems
- ◆ Case studies
  - ❖ Using Linux in business
  - ❖ Commercial uses of free software
  - ❖ Using Linux in network infrastructure and telephony
  - ❖ Cluster applications using Linux

- ❖ Embedded Linux applications
- ❖ Business models involving open source
- ◆ Organization issues: Linux Users Groups
- ◆ Next-generation Linux security models
- ◆ Managing large-scale and high-availability Linux installations

Proposals for more informal, Birds-of-a-Feather sessions are also welcome.

## Submission Guidelines

In order to judge a proposal, the Program Committee requests a submission of a 2–3-page extended abstract of the proposed presentation. These abstracts must be submitted by December 16, 2003, via a Web form available at <http://www.usenix.org/events/usenix04/uselinux.html>. While formal papers are requested, they are not required; in lieu of papers, camera-ready copies of the slides to be used in the presentation may be submitted by May 4, 2004. Formatting guidelines for papers may be found at <http://www.usenix.org/events/usenix04/freenix-submit.html>.

## Registration Materials

Complete program and registration information will be available in March 2004 on the conference Web site. The information will be available in both HTML and a printable PDF file.