

**NAME**

user-dirs.conf – configuration for xdg-user-dirs-update

**DESCRIPTION**

The `/etc/xdg/user-dirs.conf` file is a text file that controls the behavior of the `xdg-user-dirs-update` command. Users can have their own `~/config/user-dirs.conf` file, which overrides the system-wide configuration.

The following keys are recognised:

`enabled=boolean`

When set to `False`, `xdg-user-dirs-update` will not change the XDG user dirs configuration.

`filename_encoding=encoding`

This sets the filename encoding to use. *encoding* can be an explicit encoding name, such as `UTF-8`, or `"locale"`, which means the encoding of the users locale will be used.

Lines beginning with a `#` character are ignored.

**ENVIRONMENT****XDG\_CONFIG\_DIRS**

The system-wide `user-dirs.conf` file is located in this directory. The default is `/etc/xdg`.

**XDG\_CONFIG\_HOME**

The per-user `user-dirs.conf` file is located in this directory. The default is `$HOME/.config`.

**SEE ALSO**

**xdg-user-dirs-update(1)**