Economic Aspects Exercises

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1 What a project needs is

Firs of all,

- Mailing lists: Max
- Code: repository, VCS, Centralized, Distributed.
- Bugs: BTS Launchpad bugs/issses between projects.
- IMP: Integral Management Platforms. Redmine, trac. Github vs Gitlab.
- Licensing: copyright holders.
- Real-time comm: irc, mumbell, Jabber, identi.ca, twitter.
- Feedback: Forms, surveys.
- Forums (Avoid community fragmentation related to localization), blogs (Automatic Translations), planets (sindication) Multilanguage.
- Project Documentation
 - Requirements
 - Design
 - Manuals
 - Faqs
 - HowTos
 - About
- Developers manual.
- Translation (Laura Arjona). English by Default.

Skilled people on the communication technologies

2 To unify efforts or not

- GNOME KDE
- Beryl Compiz: They share their goal, Desktop Effects.
 - Beryl focused in Configuration.
 - Compiz focused in power (KDE and Gnome development).

Se separaron en el camino y cayeron en una especie de ostracismo. Ms adelante Ubuntu used compiz as desktop effects base. Volvieron a unir esfuerzos despus de separarse.

• Several distributions (Debian, Suse, Fedora, Mandriva, Ubuntu, Linex, Guadalinex

3 Visibility

Community building. Attract new users, developers. Project visibility comes after improvement in development. Near to visible projects: be included in a huge project. You can lose autonomy or stilling, for being part of a bigger project. Prepare Scalability.

4 Structure

About & Contact. Basic info; First steps:

- 1. Download get-it.
- 2. FAQ.
- 3. Demo.
- 4. Doc.
- 5. Hot news.
- 6. Mailing lists, wiki, trac...
- 7. Related projects.
- 8. Users/Clients Portfolio.
- 9. Licensing
- 10. Link to VCS.

5 Installation process

Difficulties mean:

- Lost time answering doubts.
- Lost time fixing problems.
- Lost time updating the web site.

6 Cleaning code

- Your code is your image.
- Commits mailing list.

7 Files

Source code have several "burocratic" files:

- LICENSE
- README
- Changelog
- INSTALL
- Documentation (Users, developers, managers)

8 Demos

- Live demo environment it's the best.
- or data in a database, XML, CSV...
- Proof on concept

9 Tools

Keep record of everything...

10 Netiquette

Inline Reply in mails.

11 Ok, but where?

What is it? where to get it? features requirements

12 Real case

SourceForge: when Github appears, they published Allura ALM. Python + Ruby.

Forge Business models: Break Interoperabily to be the best. So the project won't change to another forge. **TODO**: Forges Interoperability Libresoft.

Redhat, Novell: service providers need a good translation and localization to avoid fragmentation.

WebKit: Automated Integrated System.

Visibility: GIMP, dump code and create Plugin Oriented Model.

References

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