Python in Debian: Past, Present, Get involved! Reprise (sorry)

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Outline

- 1 Debian
- 2 Ubuntu
- 3 Python in Debian
- 4 The people
- 5 Modern Debian Python Packaging
- 6 DebConf16 Bid

Debian

Headcount

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Who has heard of Debian?



Headcount

Uses Debian?

Headcount

(Wants?) to contribute to Debian?

Headcount

Has contributed to Debian?

Debian

What are we trying to do

Free Software is written by disparate groups

Coherent holistic product

Universal Operating System

Ever tried OSX?

What are we trying to do

Packages are useful

Build systems, Dependencies

Stable Release

Schedule:

- \blacksquare every \sim 2 years
- 3 years support
- 5 years LTS (sponsored)

Debian

Maintainers

Debian is Feudal

but meritocratic

Maintainers

Experts in a particular package

Maintainers

Sponsored Maintainer, Debian Maintainer, Debian Developer

Maintainers

Teams

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Ubuntu

Relationship to Debian

Opinionated, supported core

70% entirely unmodified Debian

Few new packages (Unity etc.)

Smaller team

Release schedule

LTS: 2 year cycle, 5 year support

Release schedule

6 month releases

Release schedule

Paid archive maintenance

- Fast transitions
- Often slightly ahead of Debian
- But contributing back

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Python in Debian

Interpreter

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We have python in Debian

Interpreter

and Python3

Interpreter

and PyPy

Python in Debian

Applications

Applications

Useful to package

Applications

Can be kept out of the import path

Python in Debian

Libraries

Libraries

but... virtualenvs?

Libraries

for Applications

for Developers

crazy build systems

for Developers

C extensions

for Developers

convenience

Libraries

Only one version

Libraries

dist-packages

Python in Debian

History

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PEP20: There should be one – and preferably only one – obvious way to do it.

History

pybuild

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The people

DPMT & PAPT

Everything in SVN

Git migration

DPMT & PAPT

Knowledgeable people and sponsors

The people

Want to help?

http://deb.li/joindpmt

Fix bugs!

Review things

Less packaging, more infrastructure

The people

Upstream maintainers



Engage with your distro maintainers

Join their team

Subscribe to bugs

Stable APIs

Upstream maintainers

Patience

The people

FAQ



Old packages

FAQ

Latest crack

Really old packages

Inactive maintainers

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Modern Debian Python Packaging

Fundamentals

Source Package

Upstream source + Patches & Metadata

Build systems

source -> binary*

Build systems

dh

- Smart, Declarative
- Overrides

Modern Debian Python Packaging

pybuild

pybuild

setup.py



pybuild

all 3 python stacks

pybuild

nose, py.test, unittest

pybuild

dh plugin

examples

unidecode

examples

python-cffi

Modern Debian Python Packaging

We're hiring

We're hiring

http://deb.li/joindpmt

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DebConf16 Bid

Bring DebConf home

Cape Town 2016

Venue hunting

Build a team

Submit bid

```
#debconf16-capetown
irc.debian.org
http://deb.li/dc16cpt
```

Thanks! Questions?

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