

# Free, Libre software and the Global Community

How can Free software be an opportunity to develop IT without compromising your liberty

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This talk is dedicated to René Cougnenc



# Free Software=Free development

Open standards

Interoperability

Availability of source code

Save money....save knowledge



# Free Software around the world

## EU encourages Open standards

Open Document for all exchanges

## Spain/Junta de Extremadura

- One computer per child/college pupils/student
- Local initiatives to teach and develop the use of IT

## Germany/city of Munich

- 20.000 workstations from Windows to Linux

## France/la Gendarmerie Nationale

- 50.000 workstations drop Microsoft Office

# Free Software to accompany the world's development

## Venezuela/Decreto 3390

- All gov. organisations must use Free Software

## One Laptop Per Child initiative

- Under 100\$ for a laptop
- Easy to use/learn/modify
- Free software

## And of course now...

Dzongkha Linux!

# The Debian Project

Aug. 16th 1993: The Debian Manifesto

“The project is an association of individuals who have made common cause to create a free operating system”

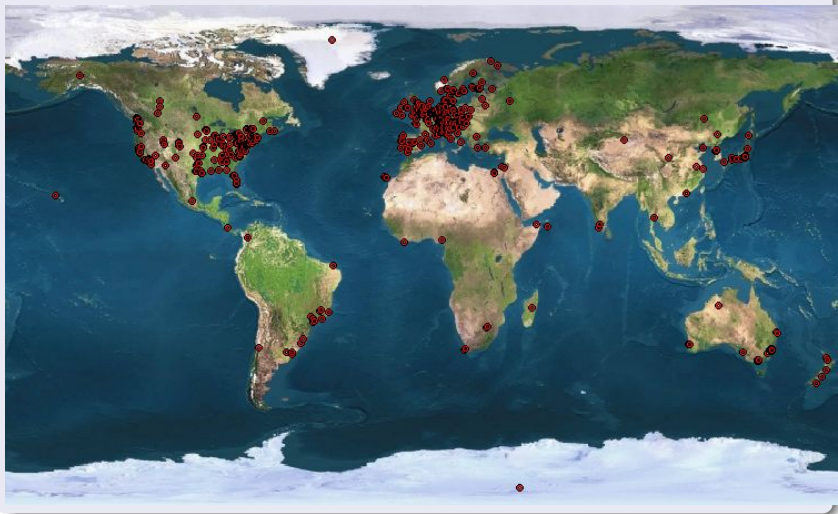
Mostly based on the Linux operating system

One of the most popular Linux distributions



# Debian as an international project

976 developers over 52 countries



# The Debian Social Contract

Debian will remain 100% free software

We Will Give Back to the Free Software Community

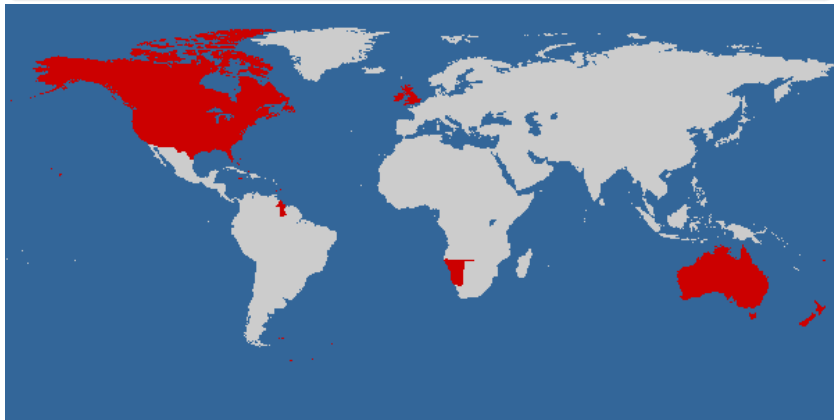
We Won't Hide Problems

Our Priorities are Our Users and Free Software



# Debian as an universal operating system

Up to 2002: installation in 1 language



# Debian as an universal operating system

July 2002: installation in 16 languages



# Debian as an universal operating system

June 2005: installation in 42 languages



# Debian as an universal operating system

March 2006: installation in 53 languages

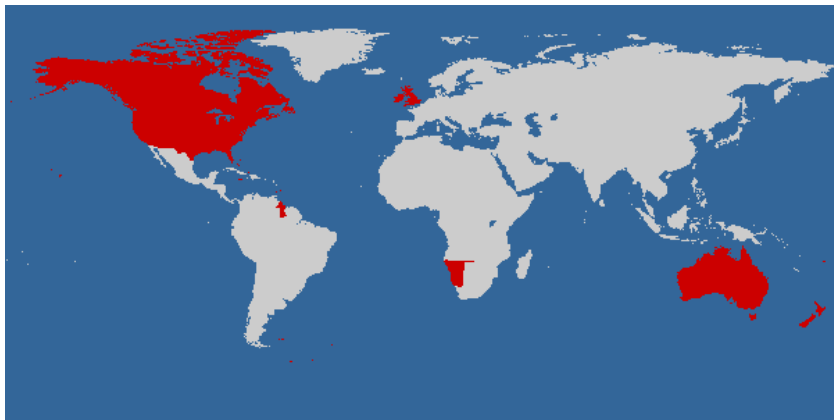


# Debian as an universal operating system

May 2006: installation in 63 languages



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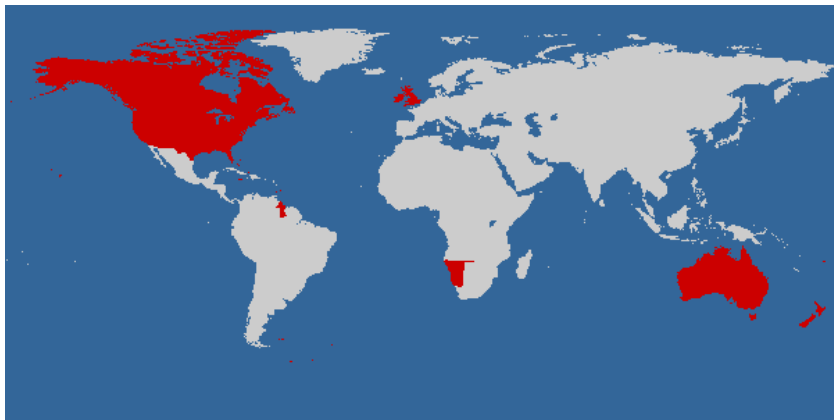
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# Debian as the basis of Dzongkha Linux

Everyone can “derive” Debian for custom purposes

Use Debian as the basis

- Shrink it to specific purposes
- Additional packages (fonts, input systems, software)
- Contribute back

Debian now installable in Dzongkha language

