

# Here comes the Spring: a new life cycle for Mandriva Linux

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Mandriva, the global Linux distributor, announces a new Mandriva Linux release schedule.

Customers and partners can sometimes make a difference. In accordance with their feedback and Mandriva's analysis of the overall advantages and drawbacks of the longer development schedule, Mandriva decided to adjust the life cycle of the consumer oriented products to a shorter 6 month period.

Mandriva corporate product line will keep on its 18-24 months rhythm, with a standard 5-year support lifetime. Mandriva's base system life cycle also remains the same: it has been decided to keep a stable kernel foundation for a full year, to ease the work of ISVs and hardware vendors. This yearly kernel foundation is used by all Mandriva products, and is updated each quarter to support new devices.

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