

# MySQL wants to be Ikea of the database market

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"Version 5.0 clearly is maybe our first and last statement of feature parity," MySQL CEO, Marten Mickos, told Computer Business Review of the new product's support for stored procedures, triggers, and views. "We don't compete with the guys who compete on the number of parameters you set, it's not what we are interested in."

While the new features will make the Uppsala, Sweden-based company's flagship database management system more suitable for existing applications beyond its traditional core web serving market, Mr Mickos maintained that the company is still more interested in new web-based application customers than it is in replacing existing database installations.

While new entrants into the open source database market, such as EnterpriseDB and Pervasive Software, have made no secret of their intentions to chase Oracle's market share, Mr Mickos said MySQL is happy to leave them to it.

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