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The better a project's commercial arm the faster that project can progress. Drupal offers a great example.

I first came across Drupal almost five years ago. I recommended it for a project on politics, since abandoned. My experience was a nightmare. We were a commercial operation that needed professional programming.

The launch of Acquia as Drupal's commercial arm last year changed that. It turned out to change a lot more.

Within months, Microsoft was distributing Drupal. Acquia is acquiring a host of new platinum partners. Commercial organizations have begun adopting it. So has the government.

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