

Drupal 7 Targets the Enterprise

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Fresh off a new round of financing, open source content management (CMS) vendor Acquia is putting its new funds to work in taking the Drupal open source CMS to new heights in the enterprise.

For Acquia, Drupal's lead commercial sponsor, a new influx of \$8 million last month will help fuel the engineering behind the upcoming Drupal 7 release, which is intended to help make the software more attractive to enterprise CMS users.

The money -- which follows \$7 million Acquia raised in March 2008 -- will also help the company build a Drupal 7-powered, cloud-based service model, codenamed "Acquia Gardens".

"It's basically Drupal as a service, so that anyone can easily put up their own site online quickly," Acquia CEO Tom Erickson told InternetNews.com. "As a part of that, we're doing a lot of work with the new release of Drupal, Drupal 7, to improve its usability, and that's something we'll use the money for."

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