

# Developers fork Mandriva Linux - Welcome Mageia

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Everyone knows Mandriva Linux is in trouble. At best the desktop version is being starved into oblivion and many expect the company to disappear completely. The exodus of developers has been recorded over the last few months and Frederick Himpe most recently described the situation as an "empty box" with "no more heads in charge of the direction of new releases." With the dawn of September 18 came hope for users of the dying distribution.

Many of Mandriva's exiting developers have joined together with others to fork the once popular distribution and have dubbed their new distribution Mageia, which translates to "Magic." It's a distribution, as explained on its Website, not "dependent on the economic fluctuations and erratic, unexplained strategic moves of the company." "Mageia is a community project.

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