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Three developers have launched a project to bring Ubuntu, a popular Debian-based desktop Linux distribution, to embedded Linux devices. EmbeddedUbuntu aims to radically simplify device firmware creation, availing mobile phone, PDA, and web tablet owners of easier access to sophisticated open source desktop applications, such as multimedia streaming software.

EmbeddedUbuntu will focus initially on the ARM architecture, and will produce a "reference" graphical filesystem based on GPE (GPE palmtop environment). Ultimately, it hopes to distribute tools that make it fairly simple for users to build and install device firmware, using standard Debian system management tools and repositories of Debian ARMLinux binaries.

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