

# FOSS advocate who's free, frank and fearless

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Journalist, FOSS advocate, feminist - Carla Schroder is all these and more. But more than anything it is her straight talking that marks her out - when she takes a stand on issues she is driven by conviction.

This means that often she is at the receiving end but it is something that she can more than handle. The good thing about dealing with her is that she never allows her personal and professional worlds to mix - even her worst enemy will be allowed to have his/her say on a site which she edits. This is indeed a rare trait.

Schroder was recently in the news when her gig with Linux Today, one of the better-known FOSS news aggregation sites, ended in dismissal. Her readers liked what she was doing but the management apparently did not. The terms of her leaving do not permit her to say anything about it.

But there is a lot more to Schroder than what she did at Linux Today. She has moved on and rejoined LXer where she was an editor before joining Linux Today. She took some time off to speak to iTWire about her present, her past and what she looks forward to.

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