

# Mandriva: A Call to Arms

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News regarding the fate of Mandriva has not been coming hard and fast despite the failing fortunes of this once popular Linux distribution. However, a recent corporate blog post by current Mandriva COO Jean-Manuel Croset reveals the uncertain future of Mandriva Linux.

The COO humbly requested for a response from the Mandriva community, citing the [community@mandriva.com](mailto:community@mandriva.com) address as a contact point. The comments to the post swung from harsh and hardly constructive to sincere support and wistful regret. A lot of the comments came from jaded Linux users disappointed with recent releases of Mandriva.

What was striking for me was how the negative comments revealed just how fractured and how fragmented Linux users are.

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