

# You'll NEVER guess who's building the first Ubuntu phones in 2014

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The first smartphones running Ubuntu will ship this year, Canonical now says ? although the Linux vendor's hardware partners are hardly the first companies you might guess.

In January, Ubuntu community manager Jono Bacon said that getting major carriers on board with the upstart mobile OS was "longer-term," and that the first Ubuntu smartphones would be built by small manufacturers who serve small regions. Apparently he wasn't kidding.

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