

Smaller businesses take another look at open source apps

By *srlinuxx*

Created 24/05/2006 - 6:29pm

Submitted by srlinuxx on Wednesday 24th of May 2006 06:29:42 PM Filed under [OSS](#) [1]

A surge in IT spending among small and medium-sized businesses is raising hopes among freeware advocates that a flurry of new open source products will spur the corporate use of Linux.

Value-added resellers and integrators are jumping on board the open source bandwagon. Prompting the move are companies like SpikeSource Inc. and its channel partners. Based in Redwood, Calif., SpikeSource certifies commercial software for use in open source environments and provides free testing and certification for open source projects. The company said it is taking on the task of educating users about the benefits of open source to help dispel perceptions that still linger about applications some still consider unreliable, unsupported or risky.

And the timing of these open source introductions couldn't be better, especially among small and medium-sized businesses, which are defined as having fewer than 1,000 employees.

[Full Story](#) [2].

[OSS](#)

Source URL: <http://www.tuxmachines.org/node/7116>

Links:

[1] <http://www.tuxmachines.org/taxonomy/term/72>

[2] http://searchopensource.techtarget.com/originalContent/0,289142,sid39_gci1190221,00.html