

The community platform lug.berlin

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Open Source Activities and Projects



Chemnitzer
Linux-Tage
since 2000



Brandenburger
Linux-Info-Tag
(BLIT)
2006-2012



since 2009

Regional LUG
meeting Berlin-
Brandenburg
since 2008



LinuxBus
Berlin-
Chemnitz
since 2007

About Hofmann EDV – Linux, Layout und Satz



Linux, Layout & Satz



WIZARDS OF FOSS
Open Source Schulungen

- Layout and typesetting, pre-press production
- Automated technical documentation
 - Development and automatization
 - Authentification
- Trainings for IT experts
Co-founder and trainer

lug.berlin – The Berlin Community Portal

- website that displays all the Linux User Groups from Berlin and the Berlin area
- website uri: <http://lug.berlin>
- a community project – everybody can contribute
- targets: who exists, where, and what happens?



Communities and LUGs



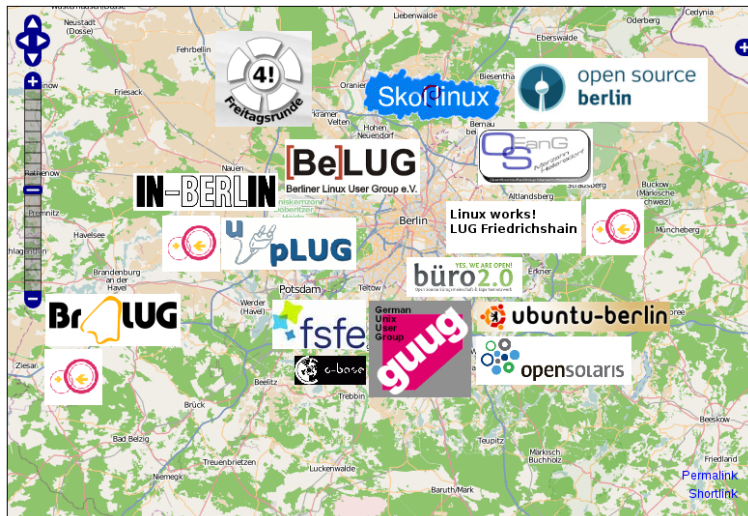
- term *community*
 - a wide range of companionship with other people
- a group of people sharing the same interests
- Linux User Group (LUG)
 - common element: being interested in Linux and Free Software
 - particular feature: regional relation

Specialities for the Region Berlin-Brandenburg



- cities/places: Berlin, Potsdam, Brandenburg
6 Mio inhabitants
area size: about 30.000 km²
- mentality:
 - with strong local roots
 - multi-cultural attitude, open minded
 - actions focus on a specific local area, only
 - high level of fluctuation
- infrastructure and connectivity
city vs. semi-rural areas
copper cable vs. fiber glass

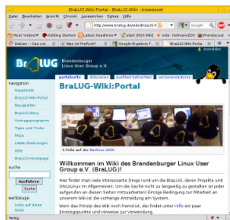
Linux User Groups in that Region (2010)



Variety in Detail

- small groups
- low attention in the media
- every LUG is „fighting for“:
 - level of organisation (e.g. state of common interest)
 - members and responsibilities, offspring
 - finances – membership fee and support
 - rooms and locations
 - event programme
- supported by educational institutions, e.g. TU Berlin, HU Berlin, FU Berlin, Beuth Hochschule, FH Brandenburg, and Universität Potsdam

Communication and Networking



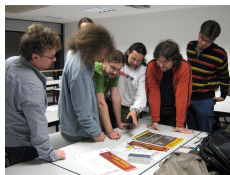
- website
- mailing list
- IRC channel
- contacts and networking:
 - events
 - presentations and workshops
 - social events
- cooperation with Freifunk



Starting Point: LUG Meeting for Berlin and the Berlin Area

- started in early 2008
- meeting every 6 months – one in spring, and one in autumn
- location: always at a different LUG
- exchange of experience and knowledge:
 - news – what did happen
 - tasks (and problems) – who needs help
 - meeting in real life
- renew and keep personal contacts
- improve connectivity between the groups

Results of this Cooperation



- „view beyond one's own nose“
- shared mailing list for open source activities
- stronger cooperation between the groups
- event cooperation (preparation, postprocessing) – especially during BLIT, LinuxTag, and Linux Presentation Day
- job and career network – who may join a project
- community portal lug.berlin
2014: started with the availability of the top-level domain .berlin

lug.berlin Needs Help!

- lug.berlin is a community projects
- lug.berlin is non-commercial
- help is needed:
 - keep the content up-to-date
 - maintain the entries of the LUGs
 - add an archive for presentations and speakers
- cooperation with other groups and organizations such as Open IT Berlin
- help the current organizers
especially relevant in terms of personal changes

Merci beaucoup!

Lassen Sie es setzen.



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