

# Sixth Australian Open Source Symposium

## Call for participation



The sixth Australian Open Source Symposium (AOSS 6) will be held in Perth on Thursday October 28th, 2004.

AOSS is an annual one day symposium, run by OSS (Open Source Software) developers, for OSS developers. Of course, non-developers are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Previous AOSS events were held in Melbourne (1999), Adelaide (2000), Canberra (2001), Sydney (2002) and Brisbane (2003).

This years event will be held at the OpenSource WA demonstration centre at Technology Park, Bentley.

### **The goals of AOSS6 are**

- to promote the sharing of information and experience relating to OSS
- to give the OSS community a place to interact
- to nurture and harness synergies between OSS projects
- to raise the awareness and credibility of OSS within the broader ICT community

### **AOSS generally involves short (30 minute) presentation by developers of**

- existing OSS projects
- work in progress
- cool technical stuff
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### **AOSS will involve sessions with specific themes, including**

- open source platforms
  - operating systems (Linux, BSD, etc)
  - web infrastructure (Apache, Squid, etc)
  - desktops (Gnome, KDE, etc)
- open source applications
  - web applications (browsers, content management, etc)
  - office systems (e.g. OpenOffice.org)
  - collaborative applications
- open source languages
  - Lua, Perl, PHP, Python, Ruby, Tcl

### **This year, we are encouraging a non-technical session as well - covering issues such as:**

- legal considerations
- strategies for effective OSS uptake

The 2004 Australian Open Source awards will be presented during the conference. The awards encourage and recognise excellence, dedication and contribution of Australians working in the open source arena.

## **TIMETABLE**

Please send abstracts (around 100 words) or expressions of interest by close of business on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2004. A formal paper is desirable, but consideration will be given to presentations without a paper if of sufficient quality or interest.

## **PRESENTERS WILL RECEIVE FREE REGISTRATION**

Please e-mail submissions to [aoss@auug.org.au](mailto:aoss@auug.org.au)

AOSS 6 is presented by AUUG Inc, with the support of SLPWA Society of Linux Professionals (Western Australia) Inc and OpenSource WA.

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## **About AUUG Inc**

AUUG: The Organisation for Unix, Linux and Open Source Professionals

AUUG's role is building a community by connecting, supporting and promoting people with an interest in interoperable computing – which we see as a key to achieving fitness for purpose and value for money in Information and Communication Technology.

Our members are professionals who care about

- Unix operating systems from proprietary vendors
- Linux, BSD and other Open Source operating systems
- Open standards, specifically those which enable the free and unrestricted interchange of information
- Open Source applications, regardless of the platform they run on.
- other cool technical stuff