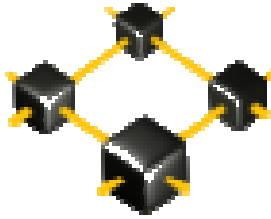
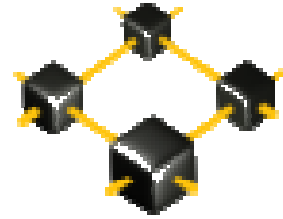




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An Evening Seminar on Wednesday 13th Feb 2008
Room C47, RGU, St. Andrew's Street, Aberdeen

Businesses and institutions need no longer be in thrall to the software giants for their operating systems and commercial tools. Open source software tools have now reached a stage in scope, integrity and regulation where they can be considered as viable options.

The seminar will consist of two talks with live demonstrations;

1: Ubuntu LINUX for Server Networks

Dr. Tony Travis (Rowett Research Institute)

2: Case Studies of Open Source in use

Gavin Henry (Suretec Systems Ltd)

1. **Dr. Travis** who leads the EU NuGO Black Box (NBX) project will describe and demonstrate the **Ubuntu Linux** server operating system used in the project. This aims to provide an easy way to deploy a **network of 'lab-scale' bioinformatics servers** as web-based 'appliances' **pre-loaded with useful tools**. They can all be accessed either using a web browser or remote desktop login, or via SOAP-based web services. The NBX can be installed easily from CD, and uses **FLOSS** (Free/Libre Open Source Software).
2. **Gavin Henry** is on the Executive Council of the Open Source Consortium representing Scotland. He is also part of the OpenLDAP Engineering Team and an avid FLOSS contributor. He will discuss **real life Case Studies** on the use of **Open Source** software for SMEs and other Enterprises, aiming to **reassure new users**.

- Refreshments available from 18:00
- Free Parking in Denburn (after 18.00)

There is no charge for this meeting