

Proposal for
openSUSE.Asia summit 2018
Conference & Hackathon



Proposed City : Faridabad (Delhi-NCR)
Proposed By : MRIIRS, Faridabad
Proposed Date: September 20th to 23rd 2018
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1. Introduction



Department of Computer Science and Engineering, FET, MRIIRS team propose to organize openSUSE.Asia Summit 2018 / openSUSE Hackfest to be hosted in Faridabad (Delhi-NCR).

New Delhi is gaining importance and significance as a powerhouse for the future and Faridabad being part of the National Capital Region (NCR) is not far behind. The capital offers a glimpse of India's diversity, yet retains the essence of the various cultures (the ancient Indian, the Mughal, the British) in its purest form. Faridabad is a city dotted with greeneries, yet building infrastructures for a better and smarter future. The city is famous for henna production from the agricultural sector, while tractors, motorcycles, switch gears, refrigerators, shoes, tyres and garments constitute its primary industrial products.

We strongly believe that Faridabad is the best place to host the upcoming openSUSE.Asia summit.

2. Objectives

To bring awareness about openSUSE, Free and Libre Open Source Software and encourage people around the world to use and adopt open source because of its various benefits. To introduce to the users, students and developers worldwide the ways in which they can contribute to openSUSE or open source software at large. To make use of this big event to promote open source in different Asian countries.

3. Local Organisers



Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies (MRIIRS) is a world-class institution and a visible symbol of knowledge and experience providing high-quality education. A continuum of excellence from the Career Institute of Technology and Management (CITM) then Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies (MRIIRS), the institute is part of the vibrant Manav Rachna Educational Institutions (MREI) which has grown from an institution of modest ambitions to one of energy, optimism and self-confidence. Carrying forward the mantle of excellence and professionalism with the philosophy of Manav Rachna 'Vidyantariksha' (the reality of inner vision or root of all knowledge), the group has built a reputation for excellence in professional education and research. Committed to creating better human beings, Manav Rachna focuses on the overall holistic development of its students, mentoring them to acquire the latest knowledge and skills. MRIIRS enjoys unparalleled reputation amongst all stakeholders i.e. its students and their parents, employers and community at large. Proximity to capital city of National Capital Territory i.e. New Delhi, MRIIRS campus is located at a distance of about 5 Km from South Delhi. What distinguishes MRIIRS as a leading institution is its eye-catching infrastructure

including state-of-the-art labs, a Central library with a collection of more than hundred thousand documents in print and electronic format and a sprawling campus highly conducive for academic excellence.

Proposed organizing committee for summit

Dr Suresh Kumar, HOD-CSE, MRIIRS
Wg Cdr (Prof)Anil Chopra, CSE, MRIIRS
Ms Shobha Tyagi, CSE, MRIIRS
Ms Rachna Bhel, CSE, MRIIRS
Jwngfu Brahma, Student, CSE, MRIIRS
Rhitabrat Pokharel, Student, CSE, MRIIRS

Proposed supporting organisations

Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies (<http://www.mriu.edu.in>)
Defence Research and Development Organisation (<http://www.drdo.nic.in>)
Department of Science and Technology (<http://www.dst.gov.in>)
Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (<http://www.mospi.nic.in>)

4. Dates

Tentative dates

Possible period: September 20th to 23rd 2018.

- Conference: First half of the above period
- Hackfest/workshop: Second half of the above period

5. Venues

Suggested Conference and Hackfest Venue:

Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies
Delhi Suraj Kund Road, Sector 43, Faridabad, Haryana 121004, India.



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6. Schedule to the summit

- a. Call for proposals – June (3 months before the summit)
- b. Call for volunteers – August (2 month before the summit)
- c. Call for the summit logo – July (3 months before the summit)

7. Activities and schedule

Conference:

- Keynotes
- Talks
- BOF(Bird of Feather)
- Lightning Talks
- Booths
- Party after the conference

Hackfest:

A wiki page can be put up to allow participants to write down their proposed works / topics. Activities include:

- Hacking
- Collaboration
- Workshop
- Discussion
- Technical Helpdesk

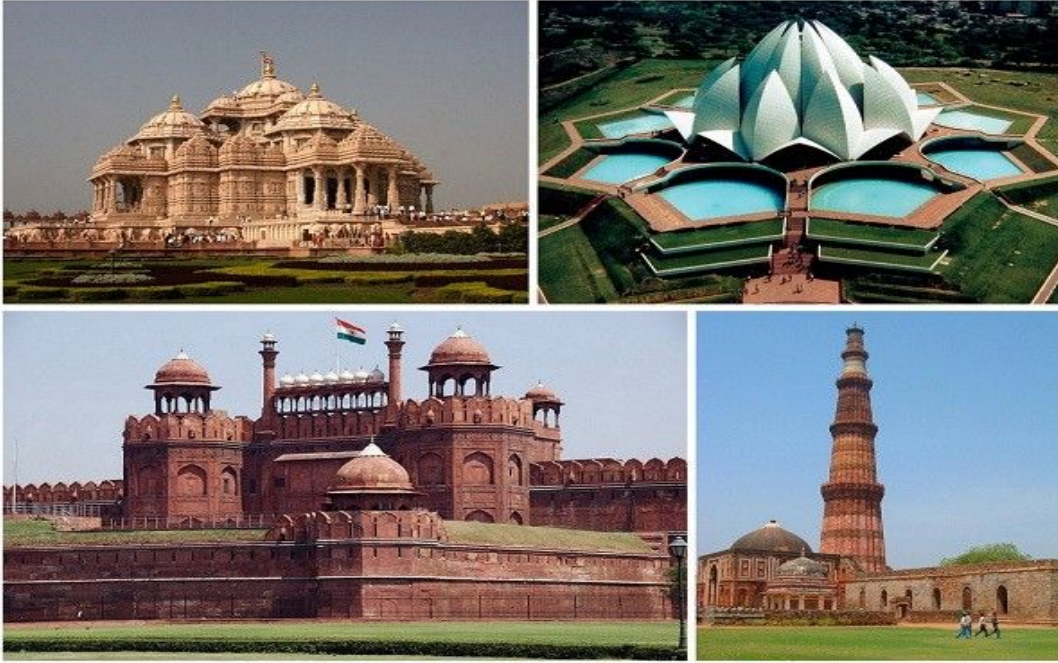
Conference Schedule		
	Track 1	Track 2
8:00	Party starts	
08:45	Welcome speech - Local organizer & openSUSE.Asia Committee	
9:00	Keynote #1	
10.00	Keynote #2	
11.00	Keynote #3	
12.00	Lunch	
13.30	Talk#1	Talk#2
14.00	Talk#3	Talk#4
14.30	Talk#5	Talk#6
15.00	Talk#7	Talk#8
15.30	Talk#9	Talk#10
16.00	Talk#11	Talk#12
16.30	Talk#13	Talk#14
17.00	Lightning Talk	
17.30	Closing speech – openSUSE.Asia Committee	
18.00	Dinner Party	

* Schedule is tentative and can be rescheduled as per the suitability and mutual understanding.

* There will be booths and exhibitions from 8:00 to 17:00.

* We proposed to have a party room (and support booth) as well, the purpose is to help students/participants to install openSUSE Shell and Desktop.

Optional: 1 day local tour: Delhi Darshan



Option 2: Agra (Taj Mahal, Agra Fort, Memtabh Bagh)



8. Expectations and Marketing

We will send out "call for participation" 3 months prior to the event. We expect to have around 500 participants joining the conference and around 20 people joining the Hackfest. We intend to invite participants from India and other Asian countries to attend the conference. On top of the above marketing channels, mass scale marketing will also be carried out 3 months prior to the conference in India and other Asian countries. Please find below the communication channels:

Conference:

Advertising in universities, IT related colleges and some secondary schools in Delhi, NCR.
 Articles and/or website banners at all FOSS communities and distributions in Delhi, India.
 Mailing list of openSUSE.Asia, every FOSS community and distribution that use openSUSE in Delhi-NCR and the areas nearby.
 Magazine / newspapers ads.
 News site banners and articles.
 Word of mouth.
 Social Networks (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)

Hackfest:

openSUSE website
 Selected mailing lists from openSUSE and other related communities
 Selected IRC channels of openSUSE and other related communities
 openSUSE developers from different companies e.g. Red Hat, Novell, Oracle
 Blog posting
 Invitations to selected contributors
 Social Networks (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)

9. Budget Estimation

			USD	USD
Category	Item & Description	Quantity	U/P	Amount
Conference Venue	Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies (24x7 on-campus Wi-Fi access)	Hall (300) 1 Hall (100)* Exhibition Area	Free	Free
Marketing materials	T-shirts	100	4.00	400.00
	Banner	10	8.00	80.00
	Badge			
	Posters	20	5.00	100.00
	Others			
Tea Breaks	Tea/Coffee & Cookies	400	0.50	200.00
Lunch		400	2.00	800.00
Travel subsidy and accommodation				
Miscellaneous (10%)				158.00
Grand Total				1738.00

*More conference hall(s) can be put to use if needed.

10. Potential sponsor and media partners

We will help to send out "call for sponsors" to find local open source sponsors in India.

- Potential Sponsors
 - Red Hat India
 - Google India
 - CDAC
 - Local Startups
 - Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO)
 - Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 - Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI)
 - IBM, India
 - Infosys, India
 - TCS, India
 - EMC, India

- Potential Media Partners
 - Delhi Times by Times of India, New Delhi
 - Dainik Jagran, New Delhi, a daily local newspaper
 - Computer Society of India
 - Indian Society for Technical Education
 - Reporter, by Manav Rachna, Vidyantariksha
 - Campus Buzz, etc.

11. Conclusion

Department of Computer Science & Engineering has a great team of passionate people and plenty of experience in hosting events and conferences. We have been talking to different local FOSS communities and potential sponsors as well as media partners about this proposal, all of them showed their supports to the event. We strongly believe Manav Rachna is the best place to host this upcoming openSUSE.Asia Summit 2018. In case you have any question(s), please feel free to contact us. Thank you.