

SUSE LINUX ENTERPRISE SERVER 8 POWERED BY UNITEDLINUX: READY FOR ORACLE9i DATABASE

The current version of SuSE's outstanding enterprise server product, **SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8 powered by UnitedLinux**, is now certified for the superior database and clustering technology provided by Oracle®, **Oracle9i Database** and **Oracle9i Real Application Clusters**.

The strategic partnership between Oracle and UnitedLinux is based on:

- Technology engagement to enhance the functionality of the Linux platform
- Technical support engagement to enhance the customer experience

Oracle customers can now deploy their mission critical environments safely on all UnitedLinux distributions:

- Conectiva Linux Enterprise Edition powered by UnitedLinux
- SCO Linux Server 4.0 powered by UnitedLinux
- **SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8 (SLES 8) powered by UnitedLinux**
- Turbolinux Enterprise Server 8 powered by UnitedLinux



SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8 powered by UnitedLinux – setting a new benchmark

Product Features	SLES 7	SLES 8	
■ Concurrent number of users	< 600	1.000+	▶▶▶ More users than any other Linux distribution
■ Asynchronous I/O	No	New	
■ Large SGA (System Global Area)	Limited	Enhanced	
■ Atomic Block Writes	No	New	▶▶▶ UnitedLinux distributions only
■ Improved scheduler	No	New	
■ Mainstream Kernel	2.4.18	2.4.19	▶▶▶ UnitedLinux distributions only
■ Journaling Filesystems	Limited	Enhanced	

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Technology Engagement

Oracle works closely with the leading Linux distributors such as SuSE, part of UnitedLinux, to test and optimize the operating system to effectively handle mission critical applications.

Oracle and SuSE collaborated together to create a core set of enhancements in the areas of performance, reliability, clustering and manageability in order to enable Linux to support the joint customer's enterprise-class deployments.

These efforts have been integrated into the UnitedLinux distributions like the SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8. The close cooperation between Oracle's and SuSE's developers today allows more than 1.000 concurrent users on Oracle9i Database – more than ever before.

In general, Oracle is actively supporting the Linux open source community by contributing source code for products like Oracle Cluster File System, to drive development of the Linux kernel.

Support Engagement

Together with UnitedLinux, Oracle is committed to providing seamless support for Oracle customers to diagnose and fix Linux operating system issues and providing them with the critical fixes they need in a timely manner.

Oracle provides direct support for products powered by UnitedLinux – Oracle provides support for the entire software stack including the operating system. As a result, Oracle customers who have deployed on UnitedLinux are seeing improved response and faster resolution for critical issues from a single support organization.

A customer running Oracle products on UnitedLinux should turn to Oracle for support if they have an issue that prevents the smooth operation of their Oracle implementation. Oracle will diagnose the issue and work with UnitedLinux for those cases where the operating system is suspected of causing the issue. For those issues of a critical nature (P1) Oracle will provide a fix to the customer regardless of the source of the issue – Oracle product or UnitedLinux product.

In order to receive UnitedLinux support from Oracle, the customer must maintain a support contract with one of the four UnitedLinux founding member companies.

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