Subject: OpenVZ tools

Posted by Dag Wieers on Mon, 16 Oct 2006 14:27:57 GMT

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Kind regards,

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Subject: [Devel] Re: OpenVZ tools Posted by kir on Mon, 16 Oct 2006 14:51:36 GMT

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So, we can set up a git repo (and a component in bugzilla) and start working on some "next-generation package management tools".

Although I do not see any problem with "shell-oriented" config files. They are easy to edit and can be easily read from any code (be it C or Perl or Python or whatever). So, can you be more specific and tell us why you don't like such configs?

Finally, I propose to move the discussion to devel@ list (to'ed). If you agree, please reply to devel@ only.

Devel mailing list Devel@openvz.org https://openvz.org/mailman/listinfo/devel

Subject: Re: [Users] OpenVZ tools
Posted by Dag Wieers on Mon, 16 Oct 2006 15:02:51 GMT
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On Mon, 16 Oct 2006, Kir Kolyshkin wrote:

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What is python's configuration format? Something like yum.conf? I.e. almost-shell-style with sections denoted by [sectname]? Or something else?

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Subject: Re: [Users] OpenVZ tools

Posted by Ola Lundqvist on Tue, 17 Oct 2006 18:58:48 GMT

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Do you plan to do something based on debootstrap or something else?

Regards,

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