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Subject: CentOS 4.3 available (announcement soon I imagine)

Posted by [dowdle](#) on Sat, 18 Mar 2006 00:41:57 GMT

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Ok, I noticed it has hit some of the mirrors. CentOS site doesn't have an announcement yet... but the torrents I'm using are flying by.

So, question is... when will an OpenVZ template be released? Or should I just update my yum.conf and point it at my self made repo? I'll wait until I get some guidance because I don't want to break my VPSes.

No hurry really.

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Subject: Re: CentOS 4.3 available (announcement soon I imagine)

Posted by [kir](#) on Sat, 18 Mar 2006 08:00:30 GMT

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If you are using vzpkgtools, you just run vzpkgcache and it will update your OS template. As for the existing VPSs, run vzyum VPSID update. Basically that is all.

We will definitely update a precreated OS template available from our site. We do it regularly anyway.

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Subject: Re: CentOS 4.3 available (announcement soon I imagine)

Posted by [dowdle](#) on Sat, 18 Mar 2006 22:56:46 GMT

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Inside each VPS, I updated the yum config to point to the 4.3 repo I created... and updated my VPSes with no problem. I haven't tried to update my OS template cache yet though.

VPS updates went just fine.

If I was smart I would bind the yum cache directories between VPSes and save all of the downloading.

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Subject: Re: CentOS 4.3 available (announcement soon I imagine)

Posted by [kir](#) on Sun, 19 Mar 2006 09:57:09 GMT

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Quote:If I was smart I would bind the yum cache directories between VPSes and save all of the downloading.

Basically, that is what vzyum does! It keeps the yum.conf (per OSTEMPLATE) and the yum cache outside of the VPSs.

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Posted by [dowdle](#) on Sun, 19 Mar 2006 14:34:21 GMT

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Surely that does... but in my case, I want each VPS to have yum so that the VPS root user can install whatever software they want without having root on the primary host (and access to all other VPSes).

I did get around to upgrading 10 VPSes and they all went well. What I did to avoid excess downloading was just scp -r the cache directories from one VPS to the next. Still had to download the headers but not about 74MB per VPS worth of updates.

It still amazes me how well OpenVZ works.

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Posted by [kir](#) on Sun, 19 Mar 2006 15:01:54 GMT

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Quote:It still amazes me how well OpenVZ works.

Thank you!

Have you tried other virtualization solutions? And if yes, what is your opinion, and how they compare to OpenVZ?

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Subject: Comparing OpenVZ, Xen, VMware and linux-vserver

Posted by [dowdle](#) on Sun, 19 Mar 2006 16:10:14 GMT

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Err... for a comparison with Xen, see my comment here:

<http://community.livejournal.com/openvz/2355.html>

BTW, downloading FC5 right now (went through ALL of the FC mirrors and found a couple that were prematurely open)... Unfortunately, I don't have any FC4 VPSes at the moment to try and upgrade.

Regarding VMware... I was an original purchaser of the 1.0 release... downloading it on the day it was released. Man, how many years ago was that? Anyway, I kept up with it for a couple of years (mostly to run Windows from inside of Linux)... but I have fallen behind as I no longer needed to run Windows inside Linux.

Recently though, I did download the VMware Player and try it out with a few Linux LiveCDs. Works great. It is rather annoying though to run VMware on Linux and have to rebuild the modules whenever a new kernel comes out. That's why I'm running VMware Player on Windows rather than Linux.

I use linux-vserver on a couple of Debian boxes at work... and it is so similiar to OpenVZ it is kinda spooky... although linux-vserver doesn't offer all of those resource parameters and has less tools.

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Posted by [scooter](#) on Wed, 22 Mar 2006 02:26:35 GMT

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Just to let you know, i upgraded a centos 4.2 ve to 4.3 with no problems that i can tell now.

All i did was:

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wget http://mirrors.kernel.org/centos/4.3/os/i386/CentOS/RPMS/centos-release-4-3.2.i386.rpm
yum upgrade
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