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Subject: Seeking comment on setup

Posted by [satimis](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2010 10:39:51 GMT

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Hi folks,

I haven't run OpenVZ for sometimes and am prepared to comeback.

1)

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2)

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Now I'm prepared making following test OR setup

a)

host - Debian 600 desktop (squeeze, testing), 64 bit

b)

guests - all 64 bit Linux including desktop

c)

install Oracle VirtualBox on a guest.

d)

install Windows on VirtualBox and Linux OS which needs playing sound

e)

Would there be any sound problem on OpenVZ?

f)

Can serial port be attached to guest for connecting external modem?

Please advise. TIA

B.R.

satimis

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Subject: Re: Seeking comment on setup

Posted by [TheStig](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2010 14:24:13 GMT

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Subject: Re: Seeking comment on setup

Posted by [satimis](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2010 15:27:06 GMT

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Thanks. If VMWare can run on a virtualized-OpenVZ container I trust Oracle VirtualBox also can run on it.

B.R.  
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Subject: Re: Seeking comment on setup  
Posted by [TheStig](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2010 15:53:35 GMT  
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Posted by [satimis](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2010 16:29:42 GMT  
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Thanks for your advice and URL.

On message #32916 of that URL it mentions  
To answer your question, Virtual Box will run openvz

which is important to me. I can run the other way round, installing OpenVZ on VM and install Linux OS on its guests which don't require sound.

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I won't run Windows on OpenVZ unless it supports full virtualization.

B.R.  
satimis

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