

# Why Linux?

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This talk is useful for companies who are looking into using Linux. It summaries the history of Open Source Software and tries to explain the reasons for the growing popularity of Linux and other Open Source Software. It deals with the technical characteristics of real-time and embedded systems and how to get good support for Linux systems.

## Biography

Joel Isaacson has worked as a independent consultant at the cutting edge of high technology for over 30 years. He concentrates his efforts on consulting and actively developing software. He has been promoting open software solutions for over 15 years. For the last 20 years, he has taught various advanced computer science courses at Bar-Ilan University and has advised tens of students in their advance degree theses. He has a Ph.D. degree in theoretical Physics from the University of Pennsylvania.