



INFORMATICS COLLOQUIUM

Speaker:**Dimitris Andreadis, Red Hat****Making sense of professional open source software – the JBoss story****Abstract:**

Red Hat is a leading enterprise software provider that has built a business model around something that is perceived as "free": open source software. In fact, last year Red Hat managed to sell about \$3 billion dollars of "free" software and services to the likes of Fortune 500 companies. How can this be possible? How does an open source business model work in practice? Where does it make sense? Why open source has prevailed in so many different technology domains?

Come to this talk to discover the nuances of enterprise open source software seen from the point of view of JBoss, a popular open source application server project and a start-up company built around it that was acquired by Red Hat back in 2006 to form Red Hat's Middleware division. Also, learn the secrets of how one becomes a successful open source software developer, should you want to get involved with the open source movement, build a career out of it and have a lot of fun on the way.

Bio:

Dimitris has more than 20 years of experience in open source software development and he is currently Director of Engineering at Red Hat in charge of the WildFly / JBoss Enterprise Application Server team. He served as the JBoss AS project lead for several years and he has been a JBoss addict and contributor from the early start-up days. He worked previously at Intracom and Motorola in the areas of NMS/OSS, designing reusable frameworks and distributed systems. Dimitris studied computer science at the Technological Educational Institute of Athens and received an M.Sc. by research from University College Dublin, Ireland.

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