IBM/Red Hat/Fedora Leftovers

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• **What can the IBM z/OS core collection for Ansible do for automation on your z/OS systems?** [2]

  This blog post takes you through a sample playbook that accompanies the recent release of the IBM z/OS core collection.

• **Introducing OpenAPI Specification to IBM Cloud Functions** [3]

  Powered by the Apache OpenWhisk project, IBM Cloud Functions is a serverless, event-driven programming platform designed for developing snippets of code set to perform a specific task. IBM Cloud Function?s ibmcloud fn deploy is a tool for capturing the configuration of a larger IBM Cloud Functions deployment, such as defining a state for all deployed actions, APIs, triggers, rules, and more.

  My colleagues and I have been working hard over the last few months to deliver a new way of defining APIs in OpenAPI Specification format to Apache OpenWhisk, and I am excited to announce it is now available in IBM Cloud Functions!

• **Powering SAP NetWeaver on RHEL 8** [4]

  SAP NetWeaver marks the technical foundation for many of the SAP Business Applications. SAP and Red Hat have worked jointly to deliver timely support of SAP technology stack on Red Hat?s latest release of Red Hat Enterprise Linux. SAP officially announced the support for SAP NetWeaver based applications including SAP Business Suite, on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8 in production environments on February 27th. This adds to the existing SAP support for its major database products on RHEL 8, including SAP MaxDB, SAP ASE on
Intel 64, and SAP HANA- on Intel 64, and also IBM's Power 9 platform.

- Avoiding the ragged edge: How open-source must navigate success and conflict to survive [5]

  At the Open Source Summit in San Diego last summer, a representative from the Cloud Native Computing Foundation enthusiastically declared that open-source was entering its ?golden age.?

  This raises two questions: What will that ?golden age? look like, and how will open-source deal with its success?

  The evidence for open-source popularity is hard to dispute. Whether it?s the purchase of Red Hat Inc. by IBM Corp. for $34 billion in 2018 or surveys that show that at least 85% of businesses are using open-source software in some form, open-source has entered the mainstream enterprise world.

  However, success can also breed conflict with existing business models. In the electrical world, this clash is often called ?impedance,? a measure of the opposition to the flow of alternating current through a circuit. For one prominent member of the open-source community, handling ?impedance? in the form of conflict between legacy infrastructure and new technologies will be a key part of the open-source future.

- Fedora 33 Plans To Default To OpenJDK 11 As The Default Java Version [6]

  To date Fedora has defaulted to Java 1.8 / OpenJDK 8 as the default system JDK version but for Fedora 33 later this year they plan to transition to OpenJDK 11.

  OpenJDK 11 would be the default version for java/javac rather than the aging but still popular OpenJDK 8.

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