

Will Korea survive end of Windows XP?

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He advised that the government should shift to open source operating systems like Linux to achieve security at little additional cost. ?The cost to update Linux is small, and problems can be solved even in old versions as it is open source.?

He pointed out that many devices, including smartphones and smart TVs, now use the Android operating system, which is another sign that it is time to change. ?The dominance of Windows is over. Shifting to open source is the new trend.?

The government is also aware of the problem caused by the heavy dependence on MS. Ha at the MOSPA said there has been much discussion about open source operating systems, ?but right now, we have to deal with what?s on our plate. Upgrading is the best solution for now.?

He said the overdependence on MS is not limited to Korea and some countries have shifted to Linux. ?We too are continuing efforts, but there is much to consider. As most government programs are based on Windows, we have to make sure all programs run smoothly on Linux.?

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