



IBM Linux on System z Executive Advisory Customer Council

Friday, June 5th, 9 AM – 1:00 PM
Hosted at Insurance Services Office
545 Washington BLVD
Jersey City, NJ 07310

You're invited to join us for the next session of the Linux on System z Executive Advisory Council. We launched this council in 2002 in order to garner your insights and foster communications among the System z Linux community. We are grateful to accept ISO's gracious invitation to host this council session at their auditorium, particularly given our tremendous gains in attendance and popularity. We have included directions to ISO's facility, which we believe you will find very convenient to reach by mass transit as outlined in the directions included at the end of this invitation.

We have an exciting agenda for this council session. Karl Freund, IBM Vice President of System z Strategy and Planning will discuss the strategy for the System z platform and update us on trends in the industry for mainframe expansion. Jason Ganovsky from Novell will discuss the latest version of their SUSE Linux Enterprise Edition 11 including the new MONO extension which provides commercial support for running .NET applications on Linux. Heather Johnson-Dunnings will give us an update on IBM's internal server consolidation to Linux on System z, Project Green. We will conclude the session with an update on ISV programs and support from Andrew Schmidt. Andrew will give us an update on IBM's latest ISV partners and can answer questions from the council on specific ISV requests. We look forward to seeing you.

Agenda

8:30 AM	Arrival and Continental Breakfast
9:00 AM	Opening Remarks and Introductions Mary Wallace, Business Unit Executive Americas, IBM
9:15 AM	System z Strategy - Myths vs Reality Karl Freund, VP of System z Strategy and Planning, IBM
10:15 AM	Novell SLES 11 Overview for System z Jason Ganovsky, Systems Engineer
10:45 AM	Break
11:00 AM	Update on IBM Project Green Heather Johnson-Dunnings, IBM Senior Program Manager
12:00 PM	ISV System z Enablement Andrew Schmidt Program Manager, IBM System z ISV Enablement
12:30 PM	Lunch & Open Discussion with Speakers & Plan next session
1:00 PM	Adjourn

As valued customers and trusted partners, your input to this council is very valuable. We continue to appreciate the candor with which you've shared your Linux on zSeries implementation experiences and requirements.

RSVP to nyzlinux@us.ibm.com



Directions to meeting location at ISO:

Insurance Services Office
545 Washington BLVD
Jersey City, NJ 07310

Located between the Path Train and Hudson-Bergen Light Rail 'Pavonia Newport Station'.

<http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/pavonia.html>

Parking is available at Central Parking Newport North Garage
561 Washington Blvd
Jersey City, NJ 07310
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