# OpenGroupware Phoenix from the ashes

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#### OpenGroupware

- Shared calendar, contacts
- ♥ Web mail interface
- **⇒**Tasks
- Database back-end
- LDAP or database authentication
- Project management
- Scripting interface
- ⇒WebDAV, GroupDAV, ...

## History

- Initially developed by Skyrix as SKYRIX5
- Roots in the Mid 90s, "LSOffice" developed by MDLink GmbH
- Relased as OpenSource (GPL/LGPL) in 2003, but still parts closed source (snsd)
- ⇒Based on gnustep-make 1.X
- Foundation library used was libFoundation
- SOPE application server

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## **Porting**

- ⇒From gnustep-make 1.X to 2.X
- From libFoundaton to gnustep-base
- Now based on the SOPE fork from Inverse.ca (the main company behind SOGo)
- Porting actually started about 3 years ago in the gsmake2 branch in the old Open-Groupware SVN

#### Getting serious

- Old branch was forked and moved to SourceForge beginning last year www.sf.net/projects/opengroupware
- First started with cleaning up the makefiles from old cruft, getting them nicely in shape with gnustep-make 2.x
- Build against gnustep-base and SOPE from Inverse

## SOPE and gnustep-make2

- Olnitially, SOPE/SOGo from Inverse was also based on gnustep-make 1.x and older gnustep-base relases
- Those first had to be ported to gs-make2 and made work with actual gnustep-base releases
- This took a while, but finally it worked and the Makefiles were in a good shape so that it got accepted upstream

## Porting OGo initial steps

- ⇒Getting the Makefiles updated for gnustep make 2.x
- Build against gnustep-base and new SOPE
- A couple of patches were required to get it to compile at all
- Run it → Yay it crashed all over the place
- Here the real fun starts
- Fire up gdb, try fixing the lots of differences between gs base and LF

## Fixing here and there

- Ran into a bug in GNUstep base
- Ran into a couple of bugs in SOPE
- Some problems affecting SOGo and OGo
- Well, lots of fixes also in OGo needed
- Problem categories:
- double frees
- Accessing already relased objects
- Access arrays/strings beyond bounds

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#### New Features

- Integration of location based services
- Geocode addresses to get coordinates
- Ability to add icons to addresses to look up information based on the address on the web
- Show list of contacts via markers on google maps
- **CTI** with Asterisk
- Trigger phone call via the Web Interface

#### What we have now

- OpenGroupware-5.5rc1
- Compiles with gcc (tested with 4.2.1 and 4.6.X)
- Compiles with IIvm/clang
- Compiles with libobjc2
  - Also with non fragile ABI
- Mostly tested on OpenBSD, and OpenSUSE
- ⇒All the tests so far show, we have a fairly stable RC1

#### Outlook

- ⇒For rc2
  - Update documentation (WMOGAG)
  - Potentially fix more bugs found by users
- Maybe more RC versions, depending on bugs found and feedback
- A final release in summer this year
- Further releases with new enhancements;)

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#### Where do I get it?

- www.opengroupware.us
- www.sf.net/projects/opengroupware
- Sources, bug tracker, m/l on SourceForge
- You want to help out? No problem, test give feedback, send in patches, or become a project member!

#### Demo

**⇒**Demo