## Localization Tools and Processes Ankit Patel, Red Hat

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## Localization

### Localization

- Major task Translations
- Translation of applications or software packages an important one
- Translation of guides/manuals
- File format being used for software packages' translation (PO), mostly
- For packages like Firefox, .dtd/.properties and for Openoffice.org, .gsi/.sdf files

# Tools

### **Tools**

- Translation editor tools
  - kbabel
  - lokalize
  - gtranslator
  - poeditetc.

## Tools (cont)

- Version Control System tools like
  - CVS
  - subversion (svn)
  - mercurial (hg)
  - git
  - etc.

## Tools (cont)

- Online tools for translation submissions
  - Pootle
  - Transifex etc.

# Process

### **Process**

- Know/Understand the project
- Introduce yourself over the respective mailing list where you want to make your contributions
- Inform the co-ordinator and the list about your skills
- Existing contributors will guide you
- Co-ordinators will assign you some tasks, based on individual community guidelines to test and verify your skills and may be guide you if any improvements needed

## Process (cont)

- Once your contributions make sense to coordiators they will allow you for the upstream access, that you need to apply for
- Once you get the access for contributions you can submit your contributions anytime provide you follow guidelines given by your community
- That's all!

## Major Projects

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- Fedora (translate.fedoraproject.org)
- Gnome (l10n.gnome.org)
- KDE (i18n.kde.org)
- XFCE (i18n.xfce.org)
- Firefox (l10n.mozilla.org)
- Openoffice.org (l10n.openoffice.org) etc.

## Demo - Fedora Translation Process

## Thank You!