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Hi everyone!

I have some possibly sad news for you...

Short version: I will no longer publish the ubuntu packages on launchpad and PKGBUILDs on AUR.

Long version:

Almost exactly 8 years ago, I started maintaining the ubuntu packages on launchpad. The packages were definitely not the best, sometimes there were some outages and sometimes even bugs. But I hope they helped to make life easier for some of you.

A lot happened in my life in those past 8 years: I finished school, got a job, switched from Ubuntu to ArchLinux, started family, ... And as the time went, I had less and less time to spend with my various side projects, sadly including U++. Last two or three years, the launchpad repository only worked out of inertia. When it even worked - sometimes the script broke and it took a couple of months before someone (usually Zbych, thanks!) made me aware of the problem.

Last week, I had to replace the hardware that was running the script which created the packages. I thought for quite some time, if I should migrate it to the new machine, but in the end I have decided it doesn't. I believe that I could be easily replaced and that whoever steps in can do just as good job as I did (and probably even better).

I have also maintained AUR packages for ArchLinux users. They were probably not much used, because I haven't updated them in 6 months and nobody complained. So I will abandon those as well.

If anyone is willing to replace me in this unofficial "job" of U++ packager, I'll be more than happy to share all that I can remember about how those scripts in uppbox/lpbuild2 work. Just contact me via PM.

So long and thanks for all the fish...

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