Subject: Re: The end (?) of ubuntu packages Posted by dolik.rce on Thu, 19 Jul 2018 18:16:53 GMT

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Hi Alboni,

Big thumbs up for your idea to maintain the packages! :)

Alboni wrote on Thu, 19 July 2018 11:26I figured out how to create a repository on my own webspace for my stuff. That is working. I didn't consider launchpad for that as they won't allow closed source projects.

Just few points to consider, before you ditch Launchpad completely:

- Launchpad provides resources to automatically build packages for any version and any supported architecture of Ubuntu. This is probably not so important anymore, as almost nobody uses 32bit systems these days. Although you might also build packages for ARM, I think some people tried U++ on Raspberry Pi and similar devices.
- The packages can take quite some space, just keeping the latest version of all the packages for both architectures took up to 2GB of disk space. This might be of concern if you have limited storage on your webspace.
- The PPA from Launchpad is slightly easier to install into system, especially for newbies. With launchpad it is just a single command (sudo add-apt-repository ppa:dolik-rce/upp-nightly), while for any other repository, you must usually manually edit a configuration file in /etc/apt/.

Also note, that there is another free alternative, providing similar services, but not limited to ubuntu derivatives: Open Build Service, provided by openSUSE. This one lets you use their build farm to build packages for SUSE, Debian, Ubuntu, Arch Linux, Fedora and probably other distros. Not that I'd suggest you do all of that - it is a lot of work:) In comparison to launchpad, OBS has steeper learning curve, but lets you do much more.

Anyway, good luck with the packaging and if you have any questions, don't be afraid to ask. I still follow this forum and I'd be glad to help to keep the packages available for everyone.

Best regards, Honza