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LinuxIT earns Institute's second training partnership

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VAR LINUXIT HAS BECOME THE second Linux Professional Institute (LPI) approved training partner in the UK.

Peter Dawes-Huish, sales director at VAR LinuxIT, told CRN: "Our core business is providing Linux expertise through the channel. Our training includes certification and our exams are marked independently. The LPI approval means our

training manuals have been endorsed by LPI and are of the required standard."

Adrian Thomasset, training manager at LinuxIT, said: "The LPI accreditation reassures our trainees that they will receive the training and certifications they need to succeed in the Linux market, irrespective of the Linux distribution they will encounter."

As an LPI Approved Training Partner (LAPT), LinuxIT has to use LPI-approved training mate-

rials, LPI-certified instructors and exams, and is required to adhere to a stringent Code of Ethics.

Cliff Brereton, OpenPower sales manager at IBM, said any kind of accreditation for Linux is a good thing. "Since IBM launched the OpenPower series working with 64bit Linux, we have seen a growing acceptance of Linux in business-critical application areas," he said. "To maintain the momentum of that growth, professional Linux train-

ing and distribution of independent certifications have to be available to the market.

"The LATP status is a quality assurance mark for training courses delivered by LinuxIT, and IBM recognises the benefits it will bring to our Linux business. With more of our customers adopting Linux seriously, an advanced level of skill is required to support them," he added.

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LPI endorses LinuxIT training courses

Stamp of approval for Bristol-based consultancy

LinuxIT, one of the UK's largest open source support providers, has inked a deal with the Linux Professional Institute to become only the second LPI Approved Training Partner in the country.

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training and certifications they need to succeed in the Linux market, irrespective of what Linux distribution they will encounter," he said.

Several recent studies have suggested strong growth in Linux use in small and medium-sized companies, meaning that there should be more job opportunities for well-trained sysadmins.

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