



Sponsorship brochure

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Thank you for your interest in the Debian Project

This brochure provides an overview of the sponsorship opportunities for MiniDebConf Winterthur 2026, which will be held at Filasez School and Campo Winterthur from 29th to 30th of August 2026.

MiniDebConf as an entirely volunteer-run conference is a local gathering organized by members of the Debian Project.

We invite you to sponsor our conference at a level which fits your budget and matches your desired level of visibility in our community.

It is thanks to our sponsors' generous support that we have been able to reach people from all corners of the world. Thank you very much in advance for your support, and we look forward to hearing from you and your organization.

If you have any further questions after reading this brochure, please do not hesitate to contact us at manut@debconf.org.

About Debian

Debian is an operating system consisting entirely of Free and Open Source Software. The Debian Project is dedicated to remaining 100% free and to being a responsible "citizen" of this ecosystem. We are committed to Free Software and our users, our two priorities.

Debian runs in hundreds of schools thanks to SkoleLinux, and powers gaming platforms with SteamOS. Debian has been deployed in public institutions such as the cities of Munich and Vienna, and the German Federal Office for Information Security (BSI)..

Debian is produced by over a thousand active developers, spread across the globe, many of whom volunteer in their spare time. Outside of conferences, most communication takes place on the Internet, in mailing lists and IRC chat rooms.

Unlike all other Linux distributions of similar size, Debian is an independent non-profit organization.

About MiniDebConf and MiniDebCamp

While there is just one DebConf throughout the year, there are multiple MiniDebConfs organized all around the world.

MiniDebCamp means having a venue and infrastructure for discussions, hacking sessions, team sprints, workshops ...all about Debian.

MiniDebCamp and MiniDebConf goals are:

- **Enable face-to-face interactions**
Intense technical discussions at DebConf can shortcut weeks or months of mailing list threads.
- **Provide live talks also as video streams and recordings**
Recordings can be used by Debian contributors and others anywhere in the world for free.
- **Provide time to work on Debian during DebCamp**
It is very valuable to have uninterrupted time to work on Debian contributions.
- **Motivate contributors**
People feel lucky to be sponsored to attend. It increases the enthusiasm of many attendees, and ultimately makes them better citizens of the Debian community.
- **Motivate the local community**
MiniDebConf leads to a greater involvement in Debian from locals in the region where it is held.

MiniDebConf Winterthur 2026

After the famous DebConf 2013 and MiniDebConf 2019 in Vaumarcus (Neuchâtel/Neuenburg), the Swiss community is organizing a MiniDebConf again!

MiniDebConf Winterthur is taking place August 29th to 30th 2026. It is a free event open to everyone, regardless their level of knowledge about Debian. The most important aspect is bringing together the community, to work together, learn from each other and celebrate one of the largest Free Software projects in the world. We welcome everyone from inexperienced users who just begin their journey with Debian to official project developers that are with Debian since decades.

About Filasez

Hosting MiniDebConf at our school is very exciting for us, because we have been using Free and Open Source Software from the very beginning of our project in 2020.

As an NGO that offers an officially recognized Swiss primary school diploma, we combine educational innovation with formal academic responsibility. We are constantly exploring new ways to raise and educate children in a participatory and community-shaping way — on equal footing, driven by intrinsic motivation, project-oriented learning, and in mixed-age groups.

In many ways, the open source community is a powerful role model for the educational culture we aim to build. Collaboration, shared responsibility, transparency, and the understanding that learning never stops are values we deeply share.

We also believe that our learning spaces and our workshop provide an ideal environment for open encounters.

André Hochuli, Initiator and leader of the Filasez

Impressions of Past Swiss Events



DebConf13 Main Talk Room



DebConf13 git "BoF" Birt of Feather – Workshop with several members of the Debian Technical Committee and other DebConf13 participants



Become a MiniDebConf Winterthur 2026 Sponsor

MiniDebConf is organized solely by volunteers and is free of charge to attend. Thus, MiniDebConf depends on sponsors and donations.

For MiniDebConf Winterthur 2026, we would love to welcome you as a sponsor!

In addition to supporting Debian and Free Software and Open Source development, your contribution brings exposure to your brand. By organizing MiniDebConf, we offer you a environment to gain contacts and recruit new staff, and the chance to be a part of our exceptional community.

Our sponsorship levels and the associated perks are:

	Rigi	Eiger	Matterhorn
<i>Contribution in CHF</i>	750	1500	3000
Logo on webpage	✓	✓	✓
Mentioned in Opening and Closing	✓	✓	✓
Place a A3 Poster in the Venue	✓	✓	✓
Put A4 Leaflets on a common table	✓	✓	✓
Logo on T-Shirts		✓	✓
Logo in Videos <i>(If Videos will be made)</i>		✓	✓
Place a Rollup in the Conference Area			✓
Logo on MiniDebConf Banners			✓

If you would like to sponsor MiniDebConf Winterthur 2026, or want to discuss additional sponsorship opportunities, please contact manut@debconf.org.



Matterhorn Sponsorship Package

3 Packages a 3000 CHF are available

This level of sponsoring enables you being prominently visible to attendees and video audience (1) during and long time after the event.

- Logo featured on MiniDebConf Banners
- Represent your Company with a Roll-up in the Main Conference Area
- Logo featured prominently on T-Shirts
- Logo featured prominently in the Videos (*If Videos will be made*)
- Be mentioned as Materhorn Sponsor along with your Logo on <https://ch2026.mini.debconf.org>
- Be mentioned prominently in opening and closing statement
- Place an up to a A3 poster in the venue area
- Put A4 leaflets on a common table



Eiger Sponsorship Package

5 Packages a 1500 CHF are available

This level of sponsoring enables you being visible to attendees and video audience (1) during and long time after the event.

- Logo featured on T-Shirts
- Logo featured in the Videos (*If Videos will be made*)
- Be mentioned as Eiger Sponsor along with your Logo on <https://ch2026.mini.debconf.org>
- Be mentioned in opening and closing statement
- Place an up to a A3 poster in the venue area
- Put A4 leaflets on a common table

Rigi Sponsorship Package

10 Packages a 750 CHF are available

This level of sponsoring enables you being visible to attendees during the event.

- Be mentioned as Rigi Sponsor along with your Logo on <https://ch2026.mini.debconf.org>
- Be mentioned in opening and closing statement
- Place an up to a A3 poster in the venue area
- Put A4 leaflets on a common table

See you in Winterthur!



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