ARM Ports BoF

Where are we now, what's coming?



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Agenda



- arm64
- armhf
- armel
- Buildds and hardware
- Discussion
- Take notes in gobby please!
 - gobby.debian.org
 - Debconf17/bof/arm-ports

arm64



- Current port, first released with Jessie
- Working well
- More devices available now, more coming
- Real server hardware!
- Simple choice of kernel with DTB and/or ACPI

armhf



- Current port, first released with Wheezy
- Hard-float ABI, v7, VFPv3-D16
 - Standard for 32-bit Arm Linux distros
- armmp kernel & DTBs
 - Potentially massive set of supported devices
- UEFI...

armel



- Current port, first released with Lenny
- Soft-float ABI, v4t
- Still supported upstream...
 - Ish...
- Plan to drop from testing soon
 - Will not release with Buster

Buildds and hardware



 Mostly relying on dev boards still for 32bit:

- Marvell Armada XP (v7)
- Freescale imx53 (v7) porter box
- Wider arm64 machine options
 - AMD Seattle, APM Mustang, Arm Juno





- What else can we be doing?
- What else should we be doing?





- More porters always welcome
- #debian-arm on irc.debian.org
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And all the community!

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