UEFI and Secure Boot in Debian



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Current state

- EFI boot for ia64 since forever (elilo)
- Wheezy UEFI boot (grub-efi)
 - d-i should work on amd64 UEFI machines, CD / USB boot
 - I386 (U)EFI might work, but not supported
- It's grotty, but it mostly works
 - Some known bugs

What's left?



- UEFI PXE boot
- UEFI for other architectures
 - armhf, arm64, ...
- Bug fixes

UEFI stub or bootloader?

- UEFI → stub for direct kernel boot
 - Potentially faster
 - Not useful for generic use
- UEFI → Gummiboot → stub kernel
 - Maybe?
- UEFI → grub → kernel
 - Vastly more flexible
 - Right choice for Debian?





- Debian does not support this (yet)
- Do we want to?
 - Do we get a choice?
- Some work to do

Shim



- Written by Matthew Garrett for Fedora
- Used (and extended) in other distros
- Signatures and checking
- Getting things signed
 - Archive infrastructure



SB Implications for x86

- MS logo requirements for Windows 8
- Must be able to disable signature checking
- Must be able to use your own key(s)



SB Implications for ARM

- MS logo requirements for Windows 8
- Must NOT be able to disable signature checking
- Able to use your own key(s) ?

SB work to be done



- Shim packaging etc.
- Archive support and process
- Grub (other bootloaders?)
- Installer
- ...?
- Who's doing it?