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Speaker: Andrew Clunis

The One Laptop Per Child initiative aims to put a low cost laptop computer in the hands of every child in the world. This talk will attempt to explain the goals, challenges (aggressive power management, mesh networking, and activity collaboration), and implementation of this ambitious project.

Most of the nearly two–billion children in the developing world are inadequately educated, or receive no education at all. One in three does not complete the fifth grade.

The One Laptop Per Child initiative is an ambitious project to put a low-cost yet powerful laptop computer into the hands of every child in the world, using only Free Software.

OLPC also brings some unique technical challenges forward for hackers of all kinds, from the kernel (power management and mesh networking), to user space (collaborative activities, UI design, and performance).

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