

General Information	Communote	Co-op	Cubetree	Cyn.in	Elgg
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Company name and headquarter	Communardo Software GmbH, Dresden (Germany)	Idesco, LLC, New York (USA)	Cubetree Inc., Redwood City, California (USA)	Cynapse (India)	Open Source, developed by Curverider
Capitalisation	Private Corporation	Private Corporation	Private Corporation	Private Corporation	Open Source Community
Where does the data come from?	Vendor	Vendor	Vendor	Vendor	EMS10 team
Overview					
SaaS available?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Self-hosted version available?	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
Part of a suite?	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
Number of known customer systems	-	5000	Hundreds of company networks	1200	-
Link to demo or video	<a href="https://www.communote.com/microblog/global/">https://www.communote.com/microblog/global/</a>	<a href="http://coopapp.com/signup">http://coopapp.com/signup</a>	<a href="https://www.cubetree.com/site/tour">https://www.cubetree.com/site/tour</a>	<a href="http://www.cynapse.com/cynin/live-demo-details">http://www.cynapse.com/cynin/live-demo-details</a>	<a href="http://demo.elgg.com/">http://demo.elgg.com/</a>
Language support	English, German	English	English with western language support in Q110	43 Languages	Several languages including English, French and German
Features					
User Interface					
Status updates	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Profiles	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Groups	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Search	✓ (full text, users, tags, time)	✗	✓	✓ (Live quick search, Full text search that searches within documents, User based search, faceted search, tags search and advanced search)	✓ (fulltext, tag based, users)
Filtering	✓ (time, user, tags, blogs)	✗	✓	✓ (faceted filtering with user, date range, tag, content type)	✗
Tag-cloud	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
File attachments	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
Microblogging-specific functionality					
Number of characters per posting	unlimited (specified by admin)	unlimited	unlimited	140	140
Tagging	✓ (#hashtags, 'classic tagging')	✗	✓	✓ (classic tagging)	✗
@-reference	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Following-functionality	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓ (users, blogs)
Retweet-feature	✗	✗	✓ (liking)	✗	✗
View: Threaded discussions	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
View: Chronological order	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
WYSIWYG editor	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
Link shortener	✗ (shorten link view)	✗	✗	✗	✗
Administration and security					
Rights management	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Access management	✓ (by groups)	✗	✓	✓	✓ (by groups)
Customizable layout	✓ (logo)	✗	✓ (branding)	✓ (dashboards)	✓ (startpage of users can be designed by widgets)
Tag management	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
Analysis functionality	✓ (trending topics)	✗	✓ (dashboard view and admin view)	✓ (graphical statistics: content types, highest collaborators)	✗
RSS / Atom Feeds	✓ (microblogs, filter, search)	✓	✓	✓ (search, filters, microblogs etc.)	✓ (blog posts)
Integration					
Widgets (for integration in other apps)	✓ (Microsoft Sharepoint, Atlassian Confluence)	✗	✗	✗	✗
Desktop client	✓ (Windows Sidebar Widget)	✓	✓	✓ (Dedicated Adobe AIR based desktop client)	✗
iPhone client	✓ (web based)	✓ (iCo-op)	✓	✗	✗
Other Mobile client	✓ (java e.g. for Blackberry)	✓	✓	✗	✓ (view for mobile application)
SMS integration	✗	✗	✗ (only through email gateway)	✗	✗
XMPP integration	✓	✗	✓	✓ (for enterprise solutions only)	✗
Email posting	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
Email notification	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Costs					
SaaS version					
Costs	0 - 1 € per user per month	Free	0 - \$5 per user per month	\$499/month for unlimited users	-
Pricing in detail	free service for up to 10 users, volume discount on request	-	different editions available <a href="http://www.cubetree.com/site/pricing">http://www.cubetree.com/site/pricing</a> , Discounts available over 500 seats	Amazon Web Services based Infrastructure with Dedicated EC2 appliances (virtual servers) in the cloud. <a href="http://www.cynapse.com/store/cynin-on-demand">http://www.cynapse.com/store/cynin-on-demand</a>	-
Self-hosted version					
Licence	commercial licence	-	-	Open Source Community Edition (GPL v3), Commercially On-Premise Edition starts at \$6250/year for unlimited users	Open Source (GPL v2)
Licence in detail	<a href="http://www.communote.com">http://www.communote.com</a>	-	-	Commercial Edition comes with Certified live security updates and upgrades for the entire appliance stack. <a href="http://www.cynapse.com/store/cynin-on-premise-appliance">http://www.cynapse.com/store/cynin-on-premise-appliance</a>	-
Technology					
Technology	Java, PostgreSQL	Ruby on Rails	Ruby on Rails	Python, Zope Application Server Object Database, multiple clustering and load balancing options for high performance	PHP, MySQL
API	JSON API available on request, to be released in future version.	✓	✓	✓ XML RPC	✓
Twitter API support	planned for future version	✗	✓	✗	✓
Supporting other APIs and protocols	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
Full export	✓ (RTF)	✗	✓ (via email or comma delimited data file)	✓ (XML/RSS/WebDAV/Others)	✗
LDAP integration	✓	✗	✓	✓ (MS Active Directory, Open LDAP)	✗
Single-sign-on	✗ (but LDAP, Confluence & Sharepoint User Integration)	✗	✓ (SFDC and custom integrations possible)	✓ (LDAP, ticket cookie e.g. Cynapse.com)	✓ (open id)
Automated backups	✓	✗	✓	✓ (daily with auto rotating 10-Prior)	✗
Encrypted communication	✓ (SSL 256 bit)	✗	✓ (https)	✓ (SSL/Https/VPN)	✓ (SSL)
Vendor comments					
What makes your tool unique?	strong business focus, providing licence for installation behind the firewall, integration toolkits for enterprise portals, providing consulting services.	Co-op links up with our time tracking tool, Harvest, which enables seamless time tracking with updating.	People centric social collaboration suite with the most complete app and rich feed.	Cyn.in is the only free open source software that enables unified collaboration for the enterprise, out-of-the-box.	-
What is your vision of your tool in 2 years?	implement other "signals" e.g. from production and financial data, full integration in business communication environment.	We will continue to ensure that teams have access to a "super-simple" tool which will help them collaborate in real-time with each other while minimizing distractions.	Changing the way companies communicate by making all business processes social.	Cyn.in will become the defacto collaboration, communication middleware system for businesses and institutions	-
What else should we know about you?	Communote ( <a href="http://www.communote.com">www.communote.com</a> ) is an enterprise microblogging platform with strong business focus offering features like team & topic orientation, superior tagging and retrieval, partner integration, enterprise authentication, access control, secure SaaS and inhouse-installation. Besides mobile access from blackberry, iPhone and Android smartphones, Communote provides integration toolkits for enterprise portals, e.g. Microsoft SharePoint and Atlassian Confluence. Communote is focused on the needs of German and European enterprises providing consulting, integration and installation for microblogging behind the firewall.	Co-op is a product of the team which built Harvest, a leading time tracking and invoicing web application.	-	Cynapse Rocks	-
EMS10 team comment					
Communote is a good choice for project management or other scenarios with smaller group sizes. It has strong filtering features and is built with J2EE technology.	Co-op is a very lightweight microblogging tool with a simple UI. Due to its lack of following-functionality, we would suggest using it for smaller team sizes.	Cubetree is a good choice if you need a collaboration suite including wikis and blogs. If you only want to use microblogging, it could be too large for you.	Cyn.in comes with lots of functionality and a special bonus: it is available as open source Community Edition. If you are planning to use a collaboration suite including microblogging and maybe are planning to develop your own extensions, this could be for you.	Elgg's microblogging functionality is quite basic until now. However, if you are interested in a whole collaboration suite this could be for you. Elgg is established open source software for many years and there are lots of programmers and ready-to-go plugins out there.	-

ESME	Socialcast	StatusNet	Socialtext Signals	Wordpress P2	Yonkly
<p>http://incubator.apache.org/esme/</p> <p>Anne Kathrine Petteroe (@yojbee)</p> <p>yojbee@gmail.com</p> <p>ESME is an Apache Incubator project (http://www.apache.org)</p> <p>Open Source Community</p> <p>Open Source Community</p>	<p>http://www.socialcast.com</p> <p>-</p> <p>Socialcast, San Francisco, CA (USA)</p> <p>Private Corporation, Venture Capital from True Ventures (\$1M) and angel investors (\$400K)</p> <p>Vendor</p>	<p>http://www.status.net</p> <p>Evan Prodromou, (@evan, twitter @evanpro)</p> <p>StatusNet, Montreal, Qc Canada</p> <p>Venture Capital from Montreal Startup and Innovia Capital</p> <p>Vendor</p>	<p>http://www.socialtext.com</p> <p>sales@socialtext.com (@socialtext)</p> <p>Socialtext, Palo Alto, CA (USA)</p> <p>Venture Capital</p> <p>Vendor</p>	<p>http://www.p2theme.com</p> <p>Open Source, developed by Automatic Inc., San Francisco (USA)</p> <p>Open Source Community</p> <p>EM510 team</p>	<p>http://www.yonkly.com</p> <p>Enad Ibrahim (@yonkly &amp; @ebrahim)</p> <p>sales@yonkly.com</p> <p>Yonkly Inc., Virginia (USA)</p> <p>Private Corporation</p> <p>Vendor</p>
<p>✗</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>Since ESME is open-source, anyone can download it. We know of at least three different installations at customer sites</p> <p>http://esmecloudsvenverapache.dickhirsch.slaxapps.net</p> <p>English and partially in Chinese</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>Several thousand</p> <p>https://demo.socialcast.com/</p> <p>English, all Latin Character languages</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>-</p> <p>http://status.net/create-a-site</p> <p>English and partially support of other languages</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓ (dedicated appliance)</p> <p>5000+</p> <p>http://www.socialtext.com/products/demo_microblogging.php</p> <p>English, Italian, and Japanese</p>	<p>✗</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>-</p> <p>http://p2demo.wordpress.com/</p> <p>English and partially support of other languages</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>3700</p> <p>http://www.yonkly.com/tour</p> <p>English</p>
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<p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Free</p> <p>SaaS usage is free for an unlimited number of users, including administrative controls and data ownership. Fees incurred for SaaS directory integration, Service Level Agreement, and Social Business Intelligence®.</p>	<p>Free</p> <p>Support and Maintenance subscriptions and Professional support and customization services</p>	<p>\$0-\$6/user/month</p> <p>http://www.socialtext.com/products/pricing.php</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>\$0 - \$24.95/month</p> <p>http://www.yonkly.com/plans</p>
<p>Open Source (Apache 2.0)</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Commercial licenses</p> <p>Annual fee applies. Priced per deployment for an unlimited number of users (no per-user pricing). SMB package available for companies with &lt;500 employees.</p>	<p>Open Source (Creative Commons Attribution 3.0)</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Appliance</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Open Source (GPL)</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Open Source and Commercial Licence</p> <p>http://www.yonkly.com/buy</p>
<p>Scala (uses the LR framework), can be deployed in any J2EE container (Tomcat, Glassfish, Jetty, etc).</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗ (only via database tools)</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✓ (OpenID)</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗</p>	<p>Ruby on Rails, MySQL</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓ (XML, SQL exports for users and data, XLS and JPG exports for Social Business Intelligence®)</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗ (but LDAP integration)</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓ (SSL)</p>	<p>PHP, MySQL</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>-</p> <p>OpenSocial Widgets</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>PHP, MySQL</p> <p>✓ (plugin)</p> <p>XML-RPC</p> <p>✓ (XML)</p> <p>✓ (plugin)</p> <p>✓ (plugin)</p> <p>✓ (plugin)</p> <p>✗</p>	<p>ASP.NET MVC (C#)</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗</p> <p>✗</p>
<p>Enterprise Social Messaging Experiment (ESME) is a secure and highly scalable microsharing and micromessaging platform that allows people to discover and meet one another and get controlled access to other sources of information, all in a business process context. Our focus is integration in processes.</p> <p>In 2 years, we wish to have numerous collaborations with other tools / associations / organizations (regardless of whether they are open-source or commercial) to allow enterprises to fully utilize the full potential of the socially-enabled organization</p> <p>Although ESME was associated initially with SAP, our community has now grown to include a variety of other individuals from different organizations. This breadth combined with the standardized structure of the Apache "way" provides with an excellent foundation for success.</p>	<p>Socialcast is truly designed for the Enterprise, featuring the best interface, powerful analytics, and integration with legacy systems.</p> <p>Socialcast will provide powerful activity stream servers for the Enterprise, socializing data from across the company &amp; employees in real-time</p> <p>Socialcast is the real-time conversation system designed specifically for the Enterprise. More than just microblogging, Socialcast powers the information flow of a company across geographic boundaries, corporate divisions, and employee roles. It provides a peripheral vision system for employees while giving leaders access to real time information from the front lines.</p> <p>Our goals are to enable real-time conversations with context, help people connect easily to build relationships, enhance processes and support business objectives.</p> <p>We achieve this through Enterprise Integration: On-premise deployments, robust API, multiple data input sources; Workflow Integration: Desktop application, Sharepoint integration, Outlook and Lotus Integration; Analytics: Social Graph analysis, measuring insights/trends, identify opportunities; and Mobility: iPhone and Blackberry apps, email and IM integration.</p> <p>Socialcast boasts a strong feature mix to drive business value. We offer threaded, rich streams with filtering to promote conversations, custom topic and people/subject matter tracking, idea generation for all employees, mobile accessibility (likened to "Sharepoint in your pocket"), and Social Business Intelligence – the first social organizational analysis product on the market.</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Socialtext Signals can be used standalone, but is also part of the larger Socialtext collaboration platform which includes dashboard, activity streams, wikis, blogs, online spreadsheets</p> <p>Expanding the capabilities of Signals in conjunction with the other events in the users activity stream.</p> <p>Socialtext is the original Enterprise 2.0 company. We've been ranking in the Gartner visionary quadrant 3 years in a row.</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>white label, flexible, open source, self-hosted or SaaS, slick UI, multiple photo uploads, integrates with flickr/picasa, facebook, twitter</p> <p>API, mobile &amp; desktop clients, file attachments, import/export,</p>
<p>ESME is still under development and until now especially the front-end does not seem to be enterprise ready. However, the interesting point with ESME is its background architecture, which allows you to integrate other tools and processes. Judging from the technical potential, ESME is a very promising project.</p>	<p>Socialcast has everything you expect from an enterprise microblogging tool. We especially like its Social Business Intelligence approach, which allows you to monitor your information flow.</p>	<p>StatusNet is an easy-to-use microblogging tool. Due to its Open Source license you can customize it to your needs. Judging from the code base its technology does not fit enterprise class requirements yet. However, StatusNet is in heavy development and we expect more robust versions soon.</p>	<p>Socialtext is a big player in the market of collaboration tools. While its microblogging did not have many features until now, seems to be under heavy development. Socialtext could be a very interesting option for you if you want a solid and secure product from an industry leader.</p>	<p>Wordpress P2 is a nice Open Source solution if you want to quickly supply a microblogging solution for small project teams. We would not recommend it for larger scenarios or long-time deployments.</p>	<p>Yonkly is another microblogging application which supports all basic functionalities. It also has a Community Edition for those wanting to modify the source code. Yonkly does not have an explicit focus on enterprises, which could be a drawback for professional scenarios.</p>