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LinuC (Linux Professional Certification) by LPI-Japan Now Offered in English - From February 1 LinuC will be Available Globally (Including Japan) to Accelerate International Deployment and Respond to the Need for Examinations in English -



The Non-Profit Organization LPI-Japan (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo, Chairman: Gen Narui, <https://lpi.or.jp/en/>, hereafter referred to as LPI-Japan), which as a professional certification organization of open source technology offers LinuC (Linux Professional Certification), OSS-DB Professional Certification, HTML5 Professional Certification, ACCEL (Apache CloudStack Certification), and OPCEL (OpenStack Professional Certification), would like to announce the release of the English versions of LinuC (<https://linuc.org/en/>) to further establish LinuC as a globally accepted certification. LinuC exams can be taken from anywhere in the world, including within Japan, from February 1, 2019.

Against the backdrop of the expanding market for IT services, typically in fields such as AI and FinTech, and future expectations, there is a global shortage of human resources in IT industry that is becoming increasingly serious with each passing year.

According to the “Study of Recent Trends and Future Estimates Concerning IT Human Resources” announced by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry on June 10, 2016, Japan is expected to face a shortfall of 369,000 personnel in 2020, which will reach a maximum of 789,000 personnel in 2030, and attention is focused on appointing foreign IT professionals to secure the required resources.

To address this situation, hiring of IT engineers is being fast-tracked both within and outside Japan. In particular, Linux/OSS is the main technology supporting the foundation of the expanding IT services, and there is an increasing need for IT engineers with skills in Linux/OSS technology. Therefore, LPI-Japan decided to offer the English version of the globally trusted “LinuC” exams. LinuC will be available not only in Japan, but also overseas.

Delivering of LinuC began in March 2018, and the total number of certified IT professionals has exceeded 30,000 with many companies adopting it as part of engineer training. The release of the English versions will promote an environment where IT engineers are recognized, both within Japan and internationally, and will support the global participation of Linux/OSS engineers.

【Certification Overview】

- URL: <https://linuc.org/en/>
- Schedule Exams: <http://www.pearsonvue.com/linuc/>
- Certification Name: LinuC (Linux Professional Certification)
- Exam Name: LinuC Exam (Linux Professional Certification Exam)
- Exam Fees:
 - LinuC Level 1/2: USD 150.00 (without TAX) /1 exam (outside Japan)
¥15,000 (without TAX) /1 exam (in Japan)
 - LinuC Level 3: USD 300.00 (without TAX) /1 exam (outside Japan)
¥30,000 (without TAX) /1 exam (in Japan)
- Languages: English, Japanese

[Website for Scheduling Exams]

The English versions of LinuC will be delivered worldwide by Pearson VUE. It will be possible to take the exams at test centers in Japan and around the world. Visit the below-mentioned Pearson VUE website to schedule a LinuC exam.

<http://www.pearsonvue.com/linuc>

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About LPI-Japan

LPI-Japan was incorporated in July 2000 to popularize the technical skills certification exams of Linux and nurture IT professionals in Japan, and it has now widened its scope to conduct certification exams for OSS database software, cloud software, and HTML5 professional certification as a non-profit organization.

LPI-Japan develops activities to contribute to nurturing IT professionals and promoting business related to open technology, with a neutral and fair viewpoint, through strict and impartial management of the certification system for technical skills of IT professionals in the field of open technology.

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