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### **Teamquest Virtualisation Poll**

An interesting outcome of a "Which virtualisation do you use or plan to use?"-poll hold by Teamquest. First place, of course, VMware. This was perfectly explainable. Virtualisation is mostly a cure for this "one service, one server" dogma in Windows based computing. And well, VMware is the best solution for that at the moment (will change soon because of HVM XEN in Solaris . But: The second place is Solaris Containers with 17%. Ahead of IBM's Advanced Power Virtualisation with 11%.

Posted by Joerg Moellenkamp in English at 09:23

It all depends on what you're trying to sell.

From my point of view, IBMs virtualisation products as of now only target people trying to consolidate many servers into one, pushing hardware utilisation up as far as possible.

And Solaris' zones look more like more sophisticated chroot-jails to me and that's what I would (mostly) use them for: separating applications from one another.

I think, the concept of zones is much more accepted by people.. especially people who are having headaches about sharing resources with others. They paid for one CPU and they want one physical CPU for their money.

I've prepared several IBM APV workshops and courses and after changing jobs, I came back to the harsh reality: hard, physical partitioning on a machine that could support tens of partitions

Anonymous on Aug 1 2007, 11:32