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„It's all about the community“ – Symfony Day Cologne 2011 was a great success

On October 21st, 2011, the Cologne-based [internet agency Interlutions](#) hosted the Symfony Day Cologne for the third time already. Some 300 people from 16 different countries joined the conference and came to Cologne Mediapark to meet other members of the global Symfony community. It is a one-of-a-kind event in Germany. Among the sponsors were Microsoft with its cloud service platform Windows Azure, Sensio Labs Germany, Server Grove, t3n, O'Reilly, GFU and ingewikkeld. One day prior to the actual conference, beginners as well as advanced Symfony developers had the opportunity to take part in workshops and learn about the latest updates and new features.

As usual, the key note by Fabien Potencier, founder of Sensio Labs and Symfony's head of development, was as entertaining as informative. Potencier stressed one thing in particular: He said that the community is the true backbone of the framework. The community has a global network, is very creative and highly dynamic. Furthermore, Potencier talked about the new features of the framework, underlining the improvements, and announced the first Symfony Community Awards. With the update Symfony2, complex web applications can be developed considerably faster. At the same time, maintaining and expanding them becomes a lot easier.

„Symfony Live“ 2012 in Berlin

The hosts in Cologne were very content with this year's Symfony Day: A lot of people took part in the event, experiences and information were exchanged and the atmosphere was great. „More and more companies are looking for solutions based on Symfony“, says Eric Meurers, managing director of the [internet agency Interlutions](#). „That's, of course, good news for us and a big challenge.“ After France and the US, Germany is the third biggest market for the open source, php-based framework Symfony.

Next year, probably in November, there will be a German Symfony Live conference in Berlin rather than a fourth Symfony Day Cologne. Symfony Live will be modelled on the events of the same name in Paris and San Francisco. [Sensio Labs Deutschland GmbH](#), founded in Cologne in 2011, will organise the conference next year and is also in charge of the Symfony sales in Germany and Austria. The company offers commercial support by means of consultings & audits, trainings, technical support for projects as well as workshops.

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