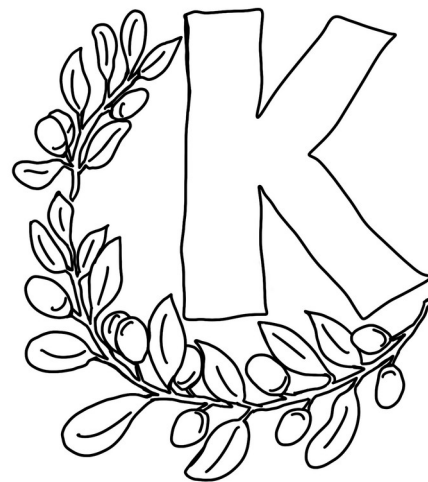


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How to contribute and jump start your career in
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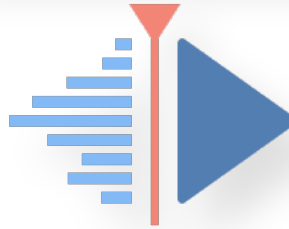
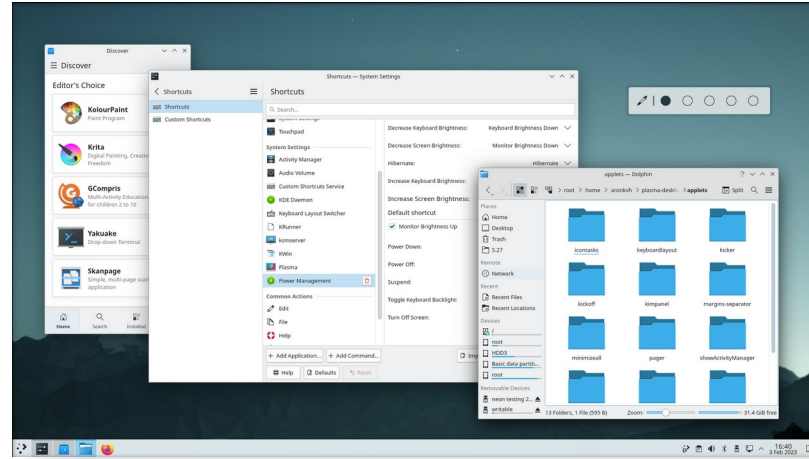
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What is KDE?

KDE builds free software

- Plasma Desktop environment for computers
- Plasma Mobile for phones
- Kdenlive, Krita, lots of apps
- KDE Frameworks libraries
- KDE Neon Linux distro



Kdenlive



Krita



KStars

What is KDE?

Vision and goals

- <https://manifesto.kde.org/>
- <https://community.kde.org/KDE/Vision>
- <https://kde.org/goals/>

"A world in which everyone has control over their digital life and enjoys freedom and privacy."



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How KDE has shaped today's world



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Technology: Foundation of the modern web

KDE's KHTML rendering engine
underpins almost all web browsers



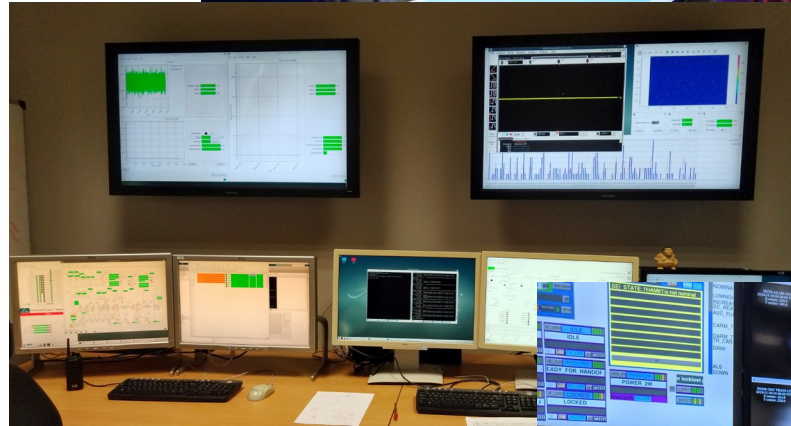
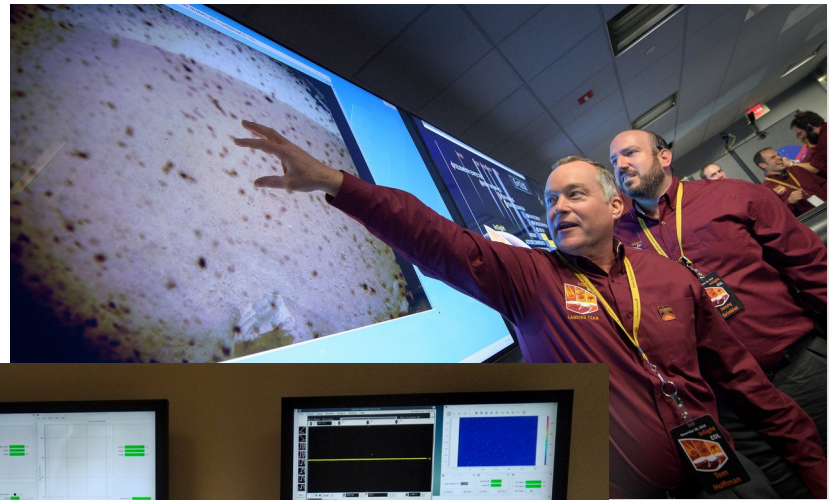
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Technology: Powers NASA and CERN

<https://kde.org/for/scientists/>

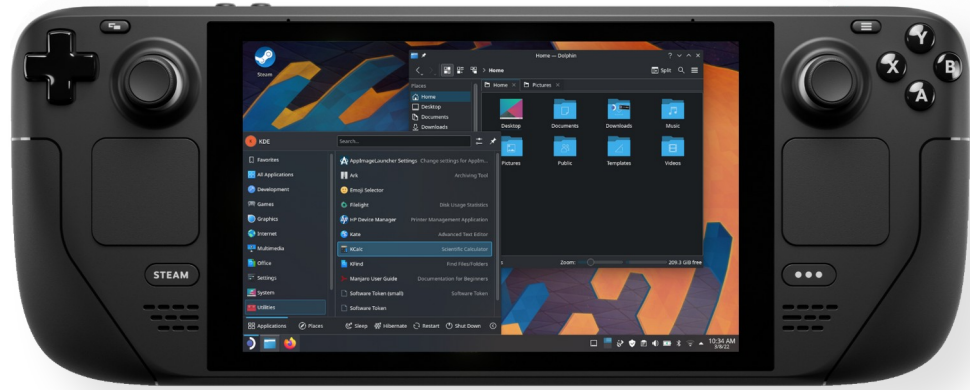
Used extensively in professional
science, astronomy, and
research



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Technology: Powers retail devices

<https://kde.org/hardware/>



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Apps: Krita

<https://krita.org>

Free professional
painting app

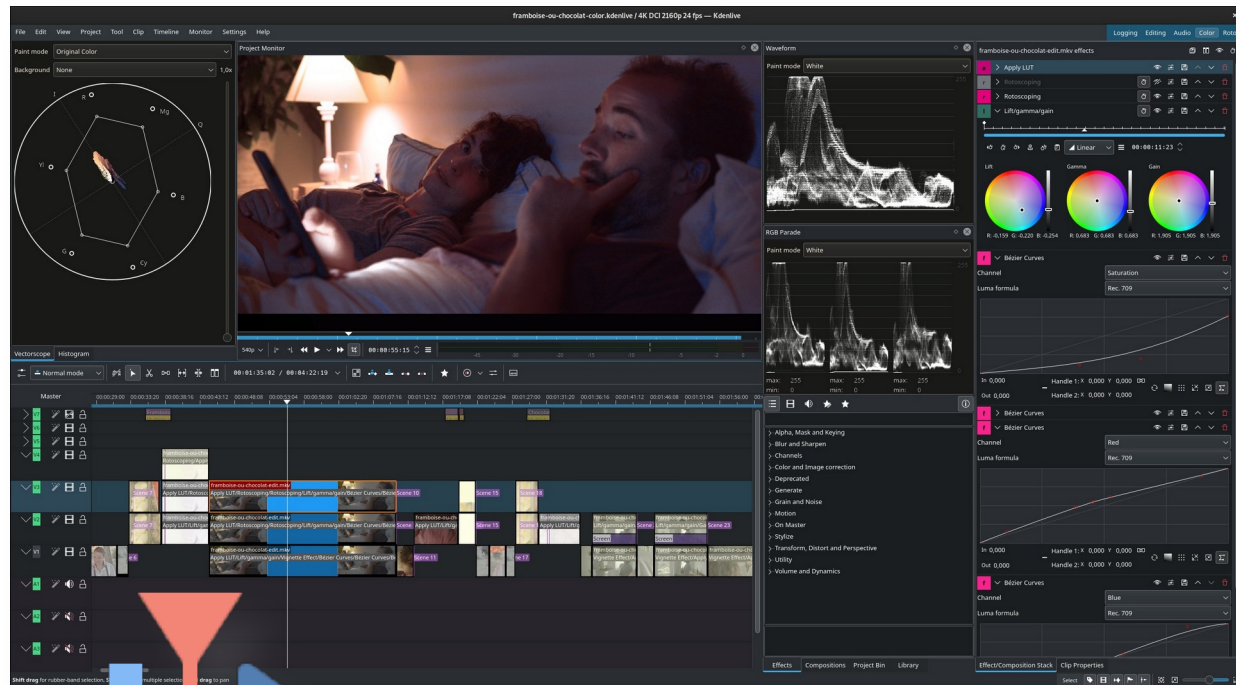


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Apps: Kdenlive

<https://kdenlive.org>

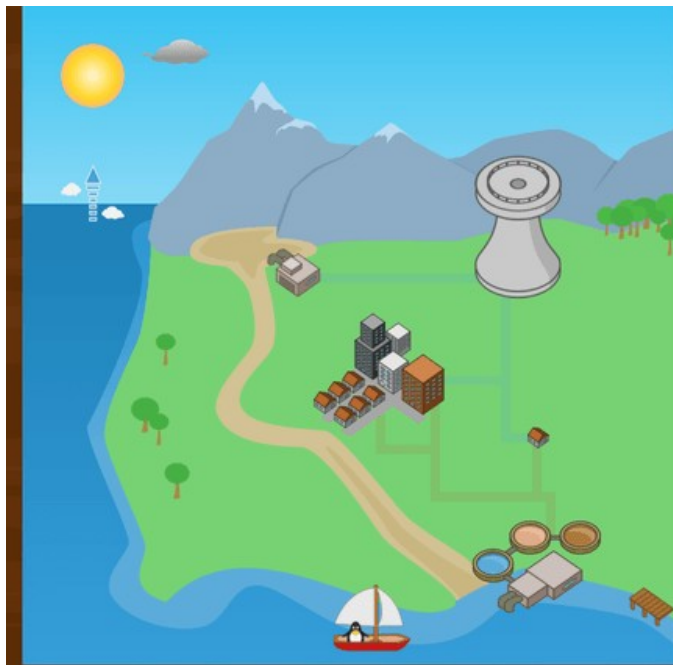
Free professional video
editing app



Apps: GCompris

<https://gcompris.net>

- Free educational game for very young children
- Used in schools worldwide



As the sun rises, the water of the sea starts heating and evaporates.



<https://apps.kde.org>

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What KDE can do for you



What KDE can do for you

Build skills

- Industry-standard skills and tools
- Taught by the masters
- Learn by doing
- Real-world feedback
- Go at your own pace



What KDE can do for you

Job opportunities

- Industry networking
- Work on KDE software for a living
- Use KDE skills in a company in KDE's orbit



What KDE can do for you

Become part of something larger

- Global impact
- Make a difference
- Work on things that matter



Personal growth

- “Learn to think”
- Make new friends
- Become part of a global community



Akademy



History and purpose

<https://akademy.kde.org>

- Gathering in person
- Making decisions
- Networking
- KDE e.V. annual meeting



You're invited too!

<https://akademy.kde.org/2023/register>

- Held in Thessaloniki, Greece this year
- Great way to get involved



Get involved!



How to get involved

https://community.kde.org/Get_Involved/

- Use KDE software
- Submit bug reports
- Triage bug reports, help others
- Develop, design, translate, document
- Come to Akademy, it's free!



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Get involved

Community structure and communication

- Decentralized, remote
- [Invent.kde.org](https://invent.kde.org)
- Matrix chat
- Video meetings
- Mailing lists



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Get involved

Teams

- Frameworks
- Apps
- Plasma
- Design
- Eco
- QA
- Many more



Questions and discussion

- KDE
- FOSS in general
- Academy
- Proprietary software

