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The 8th maintenance update to KDE 3.5

The 8th maintenance update to the popular K Desktop Environment (KDE) 3.5 (and probably the last before the KDE 4.0) has just been [released today](#), just as I am writing this. Version 3.5.8 brings bugfixes to applications like Konqueror, Kolourpaint, KMail and even KOrganizer. Let's have a detailed look at the improvements and bugfixes included in this release:;

- Improvements in Konqueror and its web browsing component KHTML. Bugs in handling HTTP connections have been fixed, KHTML has improved support of some CSS features for more standards compliance.;
- In the kdegraphics package, lots of fixes in KDE's PDF viewer and Kolourpaint, a painting application, went into this release.;
- The KDE PIM suite has, as usual, seen numerous stability fixes, covering KDE's email client KMail, the organizer application KOrganizer and various other bits and pieces.

For a more detailed list of improvements since the KDE 3.5.7, which was released on 22nd May 2007, please refer to the full KDE 3.5.8 [Changelog](#). If you already use the new version of Kubuntu or Ubuntu with KDE (must have kubuntu-desktop package installed), Gutsy Gibbon (scheduled for release in 2 days), you can now upgrade your KDE environment to the brand new 3.5.8 version. If you don't know how to update your KDE packages, follow the instructions below: Go to *KMenu -> System -> Administration* and open the Software Sources application. Type your password and hit enter. Make sure that *multiverse* and *universe* repositories are checked, then go to *KMenu -> System -> Konsole* and type: `sudo apt-get update` `sudo apt-get upgrade KDE 3.5.8` packages for Kubuntu 7.04 (Feisty Fawn) will be available soon. In other news, the KDE development team released a month ago, the second beta version of the most awaited project of the year, KDE 4.0. The final release of KDE Four is expected somewhere in December 2007.

About KDE: KDE is a powerful Free Software graphical desktop environment for Linux and Unix workstations. It combines ease of use, contemporary functionality and outstanding graphical design with the technological superiority of the Unix operating system. KDE is a network transparent contemporary desktop environment for UNIX workstations. KDE seeks to fill the need for an easy to use desktop for Unix workstations, similar to the desktop environments found under the MacOS or Microsoft Windows. You can download the KDE 3.5.8 sources right now from [Softpedia](#).