

# Re: Intel rejects Vista, will stay with XP and wait for windows7

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On a sunny day (Fri, 27 Jun 2008 07:36:40 -0700 (PDT)) it happened Richard Henry <[pomerado@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:pomerado@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in <[1b6ad1d0-9f6e-4657-95da-c8cf122b0c09@xx](mailto:1b6ad1d0-9f6e-4657-95da-c8cf122b0c09@xx)>:

MS also just announced that Bill Gates is retiring.

I have been thinking about MS future a lot the last days, and one thought that keeps echoing in my head is: 'Is MS the new Enron?'

Now that may seem strange, but I remember in the very last days of Enron, that the management went looking for anything to make a quick profit, and even tried to get foot in the porno industry.

At least that is one story I have read.

Now we see MS in a situation where Vista is failing, and many other ventures they tried to make similar big profits also failed, grabbing Yahoo failed, their game machine turned out more expensive due to thermal design problems, they gambled wrong on Blu-Ray, leaving them with a lot of HD-DVD players for that xbox..., many more failed projects.

Now I look upon an OS as a car, OS is in fact just an interface, or should be, between the different hardwares and the applications, so applications can talk to one interface.

MS was not very strong in that either, only did x86 hardware...

But staying with XP and fixing remaining problems, would at least give them a steady income, XP on every new computer that is sold.

But if indeed Intel, and today I did read also Daimler, wait for windows 7, and, as Balmer stated, 'Windows 7 is Vista with touch screen support', then, as new hardware comes, that XP cannot support, then that will sort of force those companies to Unix.

Been looking at financial data from MS today, and although Balmer gets the share price up, I did see the first negative numbers....

With Bill Gates leaving, what if investors lose faith, and start massively dumping those shares, sure a boom-bust for Microsoft is a possibility by any means.

I do not see Balmer as an innovative person, I see him (and how incredible innovative you

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would have to be to even come close to what happened in the seventies with Bill Gates and that OS), as a man who waves his arms around with a lot of energy, the same sort of energy 'of the apes' that you use when running 100 meters, you think you achieved something and feel really tired, but actually you have moved 100 meters only. I think he cannot stop a 'bust'.

Those are just some thoughts \*I\* have, not sure they are right, and the effect on the US economy, if MS was no more, could also be of significance....

Time will tell, I own no MS stock, I consider it extremely risky.

People do not want to give away control of their computers, how ever superficial they may use those, Vista is a thread to them, special hardware LSI that rules what is your and not, can, or request from some NSA IP send your keyboard strokes to them, it is here, watch out.

Now the last thing is beyond most users capabilities to test for and prevent, but on the software level keeping clear of something that takes over from you like Vista is, is one thing people love.

And what they like sells, and that may well be Linux or some other Unix.

After all those years, in the seventies I first worked with Unix command line,

Unix is still here, maybe MS came, and MS went....

Unix is sound from the basis upwards.