

Re: Configuring /etc/apt/preferences

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On 25.4.2004 20:10 Vincent Lefevre wrote:

> On 2004-04-25 19:47:49 +0200, Andrei Badea wrote:

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>>I run this on my home computer, where I've switched to unstable
>>immediately after installing Woody. So I guess there aren't security
>>updates for me anyway since unstable is not supported by the security
>>team (but please correct me if I'm wrong).

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> This is incorrect, as some packages that are not actively developed
> may have the same version in stable and in unstable. In this case,
> if there is a security update for such a package, you will get it
> if you track stable with the same priority as unstable.

This I didn't realize. So I can have a preferences file similar to yours:

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Package: *
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Pin: release a=stable
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Pin-Priority: 900
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Package: *
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Pin: release a=unstable
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Pin-Priority: 900
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I'm not sure if I should also track testing. Anyway, thank you for correcting me.

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Andrei

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