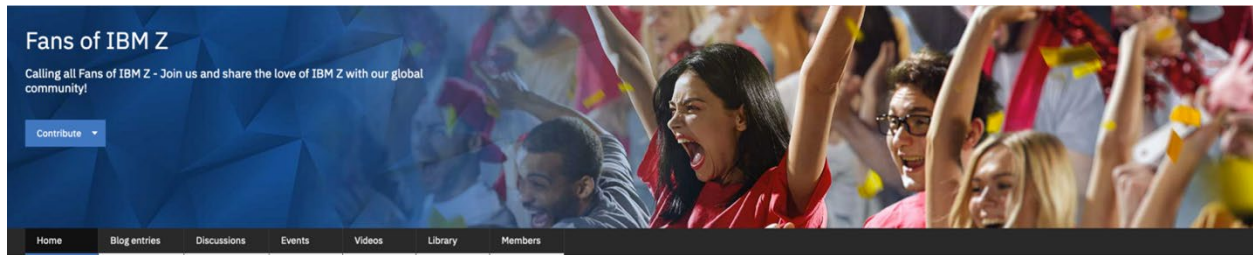


Fans of IBM Z – Fast Start Guide



Welcome to the Fans of IBM Z Hub. This guide will help you get started with your IBM Z Advocacy journey!

So, are you thinking, “How can I get fast start to being an IBM Z Advocate? How can I earn badges?”

Here are a few opportunities to get you started today, and on your way to earning badges!

- Answering questions on various forums
- Mentoring students, New to Z members
- Presenting at events
- Translating content
- Creating content
- Hosting /facilitating events
- Moderating discussions/ forums
- Creating / teaching IBM Z courses

Forum Moderation Opportunities:

- Here are some forums / discussions you can moderate as an IBM Z and LinuxONE Subject Matter Expert (SME), share your expertise and respond to questions
 - [IBM Z and LinuxONE Community](#)
 - [Stack Overflow](#)
 - [Reddit](#)

Mentoring Opportunities:

- Vets in Tech Veterans – **Opportunity Now** - looking for 7 Mentors!
 - Learn more about the opportunity [here](#)

- To sign up for this opportunity contact Sudharsana Srinivasan (sudharsana.srinivasan@ibm.com)
- Hack4Space – **Opportunity Now** – *looking for 10 Mentors!*
 - Contact Melissa Sassi (mesassi@ibm.com)
- [New to Z community](#) members
- [IBM Z Global Student hub](#) students

Presenting at Events:

- **Aug 20: MEXDUG (Mexico Db2 User Group)**
 - Looking for 1 speaker for a session on Db2 for zOS
 - If you are able to speak at this event please reach out to javier.strad@gmail.com
- **Sept 14 – Sept 15: IBM Z Day 2021 (New Opportunity)**
 - CFP link – ibm.biz/zday21-cfp
 - CFP Closes – July 21st, 2021
- **Sept 22 – Sept 23: Open Mainframe Summit**
 - CFP link - <https://events.linuxfoundation.org/open-mainframe-summit/program/cfp/>
 - CFP Closes – July 16th, 2021
- **Additional Speaking Opportunities** available [here](#)

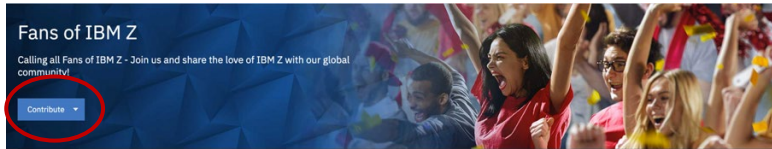
Translating Content:

- Here are some content pieces that need translation. You can publish the translated content as a blog on our IBM Z and LinuxONE community. (Instructions below on how to contribute blogs on our community)
 - <https://developer.ibm.com/components/ibm-linuxone/gettingstarted/>
 - <https://developer.ibm.com/components/ibm-linuxone/articles/what-is-ibm-z/>
 - <https://developer.ibm.com/components/ibmz/patterns/build-secure-health-care-apps-with-ibm-hyper-protect-sdk-for-carekit/>
 - <https://developer.ibm.com/components/ibmz/patterns/migrate-linux-application-containers-from-x86-to-ibm-linuxone-on-red-hat-openshift-44-using-multi-arch/>

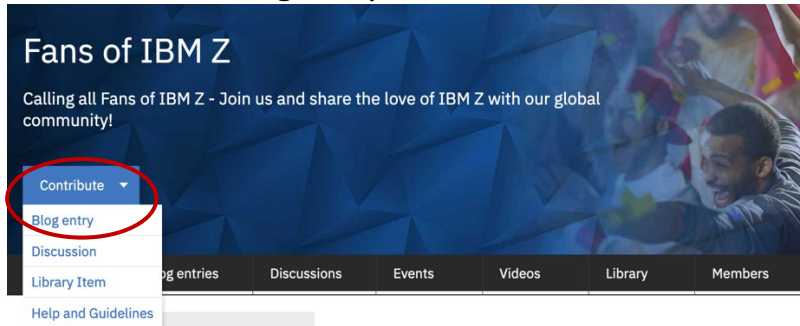
Creating Content (contribute blogs):

As a member of the Fans of IBM Z Hub you can contribute content following these simple steps below.

1. Click on Contribute from the top banner



2. Choose blog entry

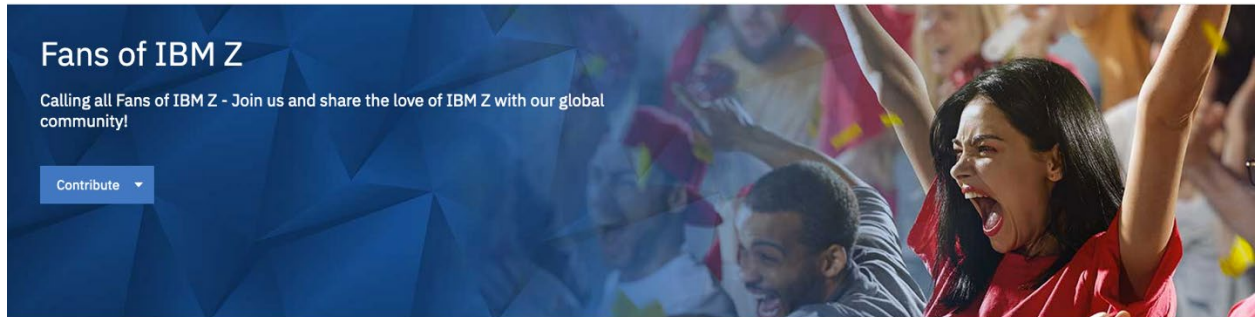


3. Compose your blog in the editor & click ' Publish' .

NOTE: We request that you have at least one image in your blog. The image in the blog is used to display and highlight your blog in the blog entries section of the Fans of IBM Z Hub!

Please use [this image](#) of IBM Z in your translated blog before you publish on our Fans of IBM Z Hub.

Please use [this image](#) of IBM LinuxONE in your translated blog before you publish on our Fans of IBM Z Hub.



Title of Your Blog Entry*

Permalink to your blog post: modify as desired but only use dashes, numbers or letters*

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Search Engine Optimization [Show >](#)

Associate this post with a group

Who can read your blog entry?

Who can make comments on this? Members Only No Comments Allowed

Publish Save as Draft Cancel

Social Amplification

A very important step in creating content is to socially amplify content on LinkedIn, Twitter and other social media channels. Here are some suggested tags you can use to further boost your social media posts:

#fansofz
#ibmz
#linuxone
#skills
#advocacy

To get started with socially amplifying, Here are some fun LinkedIn Messages and Tweets and social tile you can share to spread the joy of Fans of IBM Z Hub with your networks!



Sample LI messages:

Calling all Fans of IBM Z! Join us today in our Fans of IBM Z Hub. A great place to talk about your advocacy experiences, share tips & tricks, respond to questions, tap into resources for an activity you have planned and earn some badges along the way! Look forward to seeing you there: ibm.biz/fansofz

I just joined the Fans of IBM Z Hub - a spot for fans to come together and talk about our advocacy experiences, respond to questions, tap into resources for an activity you have planned and earn some badges along the way! See you at ibm.biz/fansofz

Sample Tweets:

Calling all Fans of IBM Z! Join us today in our Fans of IBM Z hub @ ibm.biz/fansofz

I just joined the Fans of IBM Z hub! Join me, won't you? ibm.biz/fansofz

Start a discussion

It's easy to start or contribute to a discussion in the various topic and user groups on our IBM Z and LinuxONE community. Sharing your expertise and experience through discussions are a great way to share best practices, tips / tricks, respond to questions, collaborate on ideas and more.

It's easy to find, always on the right-hand navigation bar of the community pages.

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What do you want to discuss?

Start a discussion

We look forward to your ongoing contributions as you level up to the Influencer Badge!