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Merits of Drupal and Updates on Drupal Camps by [Opensourcearticles](#)

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Drupal is famous for its relatively rapid build time. It is also known for its dynamic nature as websites designed on the Drupal framework can be altered by modifying modules. Drupal can be used to manage easily all aspects of a website, from adding content and images to updating a product catalogue, processing credit card payments or taking online reservations.

Drupal is a cost effective CMS solution as it allows Drupal programmers to develop complex websites in minimal time period compared to what it would take using other commercial CMS technologies. There are thousands of community-contributed modules that extend the flexibility of Drupal, so the chances of Drupal supporting almost all the features is high; and if at all a drupal developer can't find a module that suits the requirements, the developer can program new modules quickly and efficiently. After installing a Drupal website and is made to run, it is simple for non-technical users to add or edit content, update images, and to manage the critical data. Basic word processing skills is enough to manage a Drupal site

In addition, to above advantages Drupal offers strategic capabilities for search engine optimization and infrastructure flexibility:

â€¢ Friendly URLs â€“ Drupal uses Apacheâ€™s mod\_rewrite to enable URLs that are both user- and search engine-friendly, which can help your search rankings.

â€¢ Permalinks â€“ All content created in Drupal has a permanent link or â€œpermalinkâ€• associated with it. Users can link to content freely without fear of broken links, another feature that is likely to boost search ranking and page views.

â€¢ Taxonomy and Tagging â€“ Drupal enables you to define hierarchical categories that can be used to tag and organize content, as well as fields for content authors to apply free tags. Tagging content can help enhance your siteâ€™s organization, enable related content linking, and assist in the definition of meta-keywords that can boost search rankings.

â€¢ Platform Flexibility â€“ Drupal was designed from the start to be multi-platform. It can be installed and run on Apache, Linux, Solaris, Windows, and Mac OSX platforms.

2012 is indeed a great year for Drupal Developers as they get opportunity to get together with other developers in the same field to share their ideas and enhance their insights about Drupal programming and its updates. Drupal camps are held all over the world this year. This article will give you details where the Drupal camps were held and where all it is going to be conducted. The following is the list when and where various Drupal camps are held:

Maryland Drupal Camp February 10th - 11th, 2012

Stanford Drupal Camp May 1, 2012

Baltimore Drupal Camp May 8, 2012

Dublin Drupal Camp May 18-19, 2012

Lyon, France Drupal Camp May 26-27, 2012

Vancouver Drupal Camp, Canada June 2, 2012

Madison Drupal Camp, 26 & 28 July, 2012

Delhi, India Drupal Camp November 1st week

During these conferences Drupal developers / programmers will be immersed in the world of Drupal. Through a wide range of presentations one will learn more about all the latest Drupal developments. Tricks and tools to easily keep tabs on your website's usage, performance, security, and content, leveraging existing data, practical decisions based on Drupal data, visualized and various other valuable thoughts will be shared by Drupal experts.

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