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Omniscient - April 10, 2017, 11:59 am

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Thank you.

.iniFile - April 10, 2017, 12:00 pm

First! Nice Omni! Can't wait for the Ub3r API!

Mom - April 10, 2017, 12:00 pm

I can't wait for the Ub3r API, thanks for the hard work Omni.

SIM-403479 - April 10, 2017, 12:00 pm

Great to see that we're always improving!

Caleb™ - April 10, 2017, 12:01 pm

Thanks for working hard & providing us this API, Omni! I'm sure alot of members will have ideas with what to do with it. I myself have a nice little idea aswell.

Computer Craft - April 10, 2017, 12:01 pm

Looking forward to the changes.

M?xim - April 10, 2017, 12:03 pm

Oh boy oh boy oh boy good news.

webdev77 - April 10, 2017, 12:04 pm

Thank you for continuing to improve HF services. It is appreciated.

Charger - April 10, 2017, 12:04 pm

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Saltpeter - April 10, 2017, 12:08 pm

Can't wait to see what new functionality this API will add. Also I'm sure it feels good getting rid of that dying ssd.

Cylo - April 10, 2017, 12:13 pm

This is great, thank you Omniscient. Good Luck.

Omniscient - April 10, 2017, 12:15 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 12:04 PM)Charger Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Post some specs for us.

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Lots of cores and huge RAM and solid drives. That's the best answer you'll get.

Lucifer's Inferno - April 10, 2017, 12:15 pm

Goodluck with the transfer, I'm sure it'll be painful but worth it. Keep up your great work.

Grievous???? - April 10, 2017, 12:17 pm

We appreciate the time & money you invest into these new features, hope the downtime isn't too long ?

ONURIS - April 10, 2017, 12:17 pm

good i'm planing to upgrade my account to be Ub3r

Orchid - April 10, 2017, 12:19 pm

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SUI-3183372 - April 10, 2017, 12:20 pm

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liam270591 - April 10, 2017, 12:24 pm

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Skurt - April 10, 2017, 12:25 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 12:24 PM)killerteddy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I know this has already been asked before, but what exactly is the UB3R API? I only ask as I want to upgrade my account anyway.

Omniscient hasn't disclosed the use for it yet.

occupi - April 10, 2017, 12:27 pm

Thanks for keeping the lights on here. Sometimes I'm amazed you haven't just called it quits and moved to a private island. ;)

Hypocrattes - April 10, 2017, 12:30 pm

I may just have to buy UB3R now to see what this api is all about...

Thanks for the update, omni

Omniscient - April 10, 2017, 12:42 pm

Quote:I'm sure it'll be painful but worth it. Keep up your great work.

Shouldn't be too bad actually since the server is mainly a directly clone of what I have. So the configuration files just have to be moved. What might normally take me weeks should now take me a few days at best.

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Main purpose will be for 3rd party applications to easily interface with HF. An example would be a desktop application to get notifications of new PMs or a mobile app for iOS or Android. An API will make a lot of things possible for developers wishing to extend what HF does for the community.

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Skurt - April 10, 2017, 12:45 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 12:42 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Not sure about any private island but some days are much harder than others and at times I just want to smash things.

If you would like, I'll be your personal punching bag free of charge. I just need 3 meals a day and I'm str8

SUI-3183372 - April 10, 2017, 12:47 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 12:42 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I think we've been with LSN about 8 years. We're very happy with their service. I do use other datacenters for tunnels and miscellaneous functions.

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Omniscient - April 10, 2017, 1:02 pm

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No worries. LSN knows we use them and so do members. I have private contacts with them for security purposes and that's been great.

I have a few VPS at OVH because of their cheap prices and actually pretty good DDOS protection.

Then we have 3 other datacenters I use which I won't mention. They are all paid with Bitcoin and used 100% anonymously. Servers run with encrypted drives too.

Maybe we should just go TOR with an onion address. :(

liam270591 - April 10, 2017, 1:06 pm

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SUI-3183372 - April 10, 2017, 1:24 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 01:06 PM)killerteddy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) hackforums.onion I love it lol.

Needs to be 16 characters but I'm sure we could generate a pretty cool one.

Katarina Du Couteau - April 10, 2017, 1:25 pm

Omni, how many servers are we running on?

Dragon King - April 10, 2017, 1:33 pm

Will you be upgrading MyBB?

Omniscient - April 10, 2017, 1:37 pm

Quote:Can you tell us at what approx. time the API will be released?

It's mostly ready. Just need to continue review and testing. I'll release it when the timing is right.

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Not just yet. Really not in a hurry to break everything on the site and rebuild everything. It's going to require weeks of work.

BeNT- - April 10, 2017, 1:45 pm

Very cool, I am looking forward to seeing what awesome stuff comes from the API :)

CHears, and thanks for the hard work.

B.

J?son - April 10, 2017, 2:17 pm

oh shit it's finally happening i cannot wait :D

what a great time to be alive

Armada - April 10, 2017, 2:52 pm

Very nice to hear.

Hope the new servers really help with the services on HF. Sounds like it will be.

Hope the migration between goes well. ?

Regulus - April 10, 2017, 2:53 pm

Thank you so much for the hard work you're putting into HF.

Really looking forward to the API!

poisson - April 10, 2017, 3:02 pm

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Armada - April 10, 2017, 3:06 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 02:53 PM)Regulus Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Really looking forward to the API!

(Apr 10, 2017 03:02 PM)poisson Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'll be looking forward to see what the API brings.

Kinda wondering what the API will bring myself, but I dont really want to ask questions anymore.

Mi2414 - April 10, 2017, 3:09 pm

Glad to see a API coming, thanks for making HF a better community every day. I appreciate it greatly mate an I know a lot of others do as well(:

Elitas - April 10, 2017, 4:44 pm

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Thank you.

API is going to be amazing! Can't wait to see it. :)

SawCyanic - April 10, 2017, 5:05 pm

Long awaited server changes. Hope it goes smooth.

JustAnotherRandomDude - April 10, 2017, 5:09 pm

Thank you for working to make HackForums ever better :D

Vitani's Mate - April 10, 2017, 5:40 pm

Awesome shit Omni.

Can't wait to be on the new server and hopefully it will be good now.

??e rando? d??c? g?y - April 10, 2017, 5:43 pm

Everyone is so hyped about the API, We all cant wait :D

Good luck with the configuration

Elite Hacker 69 - April 10, 2017, 6:17 pm

Would it cost more or less to host on auto scaling/load balancing aws servers?

???ro - April 10, 2017, 7:50 pm

(Apr 10, 2017 06:17 PM)Drink Tea Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Would it cost more or less to host on auto scaling/load balancing aws servers?

tbh they might not even host HF.

Prince™ - April 10, 2017, 7:52 pm

It's all worth it Omni. Thank you for the new server.

Omniscient - April 11, 2017, 12:06 am

Quote:Would it cost more or less to host on auto scaling/load balancing aws servers?

A lot more because of our huge database. It's over 30Gb. I wouldn't want to use cloud services anyways.

Career - April 11, 2017, 1:01 am

Keep up the good work boss, can't wait for the new API! May it be a nice, easy and smooth process.

NurSpec - April 11, 2017, 1:16 am

Sounds like everything is moving forward nicely! Thanks for the update.

False King - April 11, 2017, 5:21 am

Can't wait for the API to come online, really curious what kind of things we will see. Might play around with it myself too.

Truth - April 11, 2017, 5:57 am

This is an incredible update, thanks omni :)

He B TeMy - April 11, 2017, 10:37 am

MOARRRRRRRR RAM

jk , upgrades are always nice ;)

05317832892 - April 11, 2017, 10:41 am

API is gonna be dank.

gonna need to download more ram lol

NurSpec - April 11, 2017, 11:01 am

(Apr 11, 2017 11:00 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm surprised so many members realize the potential the API could offers.

What surprises you about that, Lord Adam?

DevNet - April 11, 2017, 11:32 am

(Apr 10, 2017 01:02 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Maybe we should just go TOR with an onion address. :(

Or wait for MAIDSafe net to come on :)

Omniscient - April 11, 2017, 12:04 pm

(Apr 11, 2017 11:32 AM)DevNet Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Or wait for MAIDSafe net to come on :)

Or that. I am interested to see it implemented.

????? - April 11, 2017, 12:14 pm

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That'd make it extremely easy for users who want to leave the site and make a quick buck to sell their account, though, wouldn't it? It'd also be pretty much impossible to find multi scammers.

Of course, there would be ways to defend the site a little better against those types of things, but that'd cost a lot of user friendliness so honestly I don't like the idea of the type of full anonymity Tor provides on HF.

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You shouldn't worry. I was being sarcastic.

SIM-2875347 - April 11, 2017, 12:45 pm

Applying for ub3r hopefully in time for the API release, awesome to see new features being added. Great work!

Crystallize. - April 11, 2017, 3:38 pm

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Dredd - April 11, 2017, 3:55 pm

Oi oi who's ready for mobile push notifications :D

Confound - April 11, 2017, 5:41 pm

I hope it's worth it too. It certainly looks like all of these updates will prove to be very useful for the

community - I look forward to this all. Thanks for the continued work on HF, Omni.

J?son - April 11, 2017, 5:48 pm

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M?xim - April 12, 2017, 5:07 am

(Apr 11, 2017 05:48 PM)Jas?n Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) mobile support
Well, it will give users the opportunity to make HF mobile apps and such.

Estonia - April 12, 2017, 5:53 am

(Apr 10, 2017 01:25 PM)Blak Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This is great news coming from a great admin. Thanks for your hard work! Good luck with doing it.

Also, I can't wait for the API! Can you tell us at what approx. time the API will be released?
It will be for ub3rs.

Appelmouse - April 12, 2017, 5:55 am

Thank you for trying to make HF better, hope everything goes well and wish you good luck.

Egregious Jr. - April 12, 2017, 4:21 pm

Is there going to be any way for non-Ub3rs to use the API Omni? Like for a fee?

ZuGgY - April 12, 2017, 7:08 pm

Very exciting. Thank you Omniscient. Will there be any specific and noticeable improvements to speed by much or neigh?

Thanks again!

Sajuuk - April 12, 2017, 8:42 pm

(Apr 12, 2017 07:45 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I like to think the answer will be niiii!

Reference:

monty python ref

Someone make an offering of shrubbery?