



Zend PHP Engine

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HOW HAS IT HELPED MY ORGANIZATION?

Faster web app implementation, when PHP dev is required by customers.

WHAT IS MOST VALUABLE?

Standard Library (StdLib) Loader Cache classes ServiceManager Events and EventManager i18n support

WHAT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT?

Integration of MVC with ORM tools for PHP is okay, but lacking a short list of decent ORM tools for PHP to choose from; there is ample room for improvement in both areas.

FOR HOW LONG HAVE I USED THE SOLUTION?

Three to five years.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE STABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

No issues with stability encountered.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE SCALABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

No issues with scalability encountered.

HOW IS CUSTOMER SERVICE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT?

As with any open source tool, it offers free dev community support, which is okay, even though the fastest free way to get support is StackOverflow, as usual.



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WHICH SOLUTIONS DID WE USE PREVIOUSLY?

We started using Zend while customizing an open source web app developed with Zend, for a customer.

HOW WAS THE INITIAL SETUP?

We did some in-house training on Zend web app dev prior to working with the tools; no issues with setup.

WHAT'S MY EXPERIENCE WITH PRICING, SETUP COST, AND LICENSING?

No problem with pricing and licensing, as tools are open source. You have to consider training cost, mindset setup cost, as part of the TCO.

WHICH OTHER SOLUTIONS DID I EVALUATE?

No. It was imposed as part of customer requirements.

WHAT OTHER ADVICE DO I HAVE?

Open source tools are tricky to consider because some aspects of TCO may not be straightforward to identify, such as sizing and impact from the perspective of an ISV.

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