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IT News around the Net



Google TV

It is believed that Google has teamed up with Intel and Sony to work on a project that is rumoured to be "Google TV". As you have probably guessed, the unit will be running on the Android OS. The unit should be somewhat similar to a set-top box and serve as a gateway to internet-based content. In addition to video, web-based photo sharing sites such as Flickr and Picasa Web should also be included in the package. Integration with various social platforms such as Facebook will also be strong.



Windows Phone 7 Series

Microsoft finally went public with its latest OS for mobile devices. Any mobile phone (at least so far) will be referred to as "Windows Phone 7 Series". Microsoft has set up clear technical guidelines defining the basic attributes of the Windows Phone 7 Series. The new OS is a radical departure from the previous Microsoft mobile phone OS and features a real-time, highly-interactive home screen consisting of "hubs". Each hub represents a key function of the phone. For more information, visit the Windows Phone 7 Series [official website](#).



Service Pack 1 for Windows 7

Microsoft is currently working on Service Pack 1 for Windows 7 (all versions). As of right now, it is still in the beta stage and not available to the general public. Don't expect ground-breaking new features or capabilities as this service pack is more like a security patch roll-up, plus new driver updates. Microsoft has not yet announced an estimated release date, but everything is going smoothly, accordingly to Microsoft.