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For those that haven't seen it yet, the new development build of OO now has PDF export capabilities. Yet another reason for corporate users to switch over.
http://www.openoffice.org/dev_docs/source/643/

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Actually OpenOffice.org has had a PDF export filter since the 1.0.0 release. It's really easier to implement too. Just go to “OpenOffice.org Printer Administration” in the OpenOffice.org menu, then click on “New Printer” tab. This will bring up a dialogue box asking you to choose a device. Click on “Connect to a PDF Filter”, then choose “Default driver”. When you get to the next dialogue box choose the line that states:

`/usr/bin/gs -q -dNOPAUSE -sDEVICE=pdfwrite -sOutputFile="(OUTFILE)" -.`

This specifies the Ghostscript utility which is what actually does the work of conversion to PDF or Postscript. Go to the next box, give your PDF converter a name and voila, you've got a PDF converter.

Don't be caught out though, you don't “save as” PDF, you “print” to PDF. Note that to do this on Windoze you will need Adobe Distiller – I think. Ghostscript is usually a part of most default Linux installations. If you don't have it, it's not difficult to get from the regular places.

Regards,

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