

Christ Update and Recovery Tool

Intended Use

The Christ Update and Recovery Tool can be used to recover the image on a device, when an error has occurred or if it is necessary to update the image.

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1 Preparation

- A USB stick with partition table and FAT32 formatted first partition is required. Some USB sticks come from the factory without a partition table and are formatted directly. This can be recognized due to the fact that the first partition is e.g. /dev/sda and not /dev/sda1. If this is the case please repartition and format the USB stick.
- Copy the file curt.itb to the USB stick.
 The file is already located on the USB stick of the Evalkit or can be downloaded.



INFORMATION!

The latest CURT now supports all platforms and display resolutions!

| Platform | Supported Resolution | Download link |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| pixi-cdl100 pixi-cq100 crix-cq100 crix-cdl100 crix-arq100 blix-bdl100 blix-bq100 | all resolutions supported | https://dataserv.christ-ag.com/s/tFn2MfdfqAF8PJi Password: curt2020 |



CAUTION!

If you want to update a rocko based image, please contact us for further information as you might not be able to boot CURT or brick your system! linux@christ-es.de

Copy the image file to the USB stick.
 The name of the file must have following structure: * image * -Vx.y.7z
 Vx.y is configured in the image recipe like PV="x.y".

Example:

ces-qt-demoimage-pixicdl100-20170404101200-V2.0.7z

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If the image was built with Yocto, then the image can be found under: tmp/deploy/pixi-cdl100/



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If several image files are on the stick, the highest version is used. In the case of several identical versions, the selection is random.

2 Perform The Update

- 1. Plug the USB stick into the device
- 2. Activate recovery / update mode on the device.
 - Recovery: The device does not start the operation system. In this case, the recovery mode
 will be activated automatically.
 - Update via Recovery: The recovery mode is used for updating. Connect the device to the
 power supply and disconnect it after 1-2 seconds. This simulates a malfunction of the
 software and the automatic recovery mode is activated on the next boot.
 - Update via Software Switch: Two possible variants trigger the update process.
 The correct method for updating includes the following steps within the running system.
 Choose variant 1 or variant 2. Variant 1 is only available in the latest releases.

Variant 1

Run the following command in the linux command-console (execute script):

enable-update

Finally restart the system.

Variant 2 (if variant 1 is not available)

Set the U-Boot variable **run update** to 1 with the command (in linux command console):

fw_setenv run_update 1

Before this can be done the ReadOnly flag for the partition /dev/mmcblk1boot0 must be set to 0. For example with the following shell command:

echo 0 >/sys/block/mmcblk1boot0/force ro

Finally set the write protection (ReadOnly flag) back to 1 and restart the system.

Note:

Not every device inevitably contains this script (enable-update) for **Variant 2**. **Variant 1** instead is supported by all devices.

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3. When CURT is ready it will select the image with the highest version and check it for consistency. The following picture shows CURT after the consistency check passed.

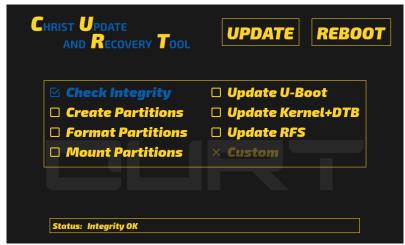


Figure 1: CURT after the integrity check

4. Click on **UPDATE** start the update process. Successfully completed tasks are indicated in blue with a check mark, a red cross indicates an error. Grayed out tasks with a cross were disabled in the update configuration. For more information see chapter **3 "Yocto Configuration"**. Figure 2 shows CURT after a successful update process.



Figure 2: CURT after successful update

5. After a successful update remove the USB stick and click **REBOOT.**



INFORMATION!

In rare cases it might happen that CURT is not properly booting form cheap USB sticks. This is due to the USB implementation in the boot loader. In such a case try another USB stick.

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3 Yocto Configuration

The creation of CURT compatible image is achieved by adding the following to the image recipe:

require recipes/images/christ-image-fstype.inc

In addition, the configuration of the update is controlled via two variables (achieved by adding the following variables to the image recipe):

CHRIST UPDATE INCLUDE UBOOT

This flag determines whether the U-Boot is updated.



CAUTION:

Updating the bootloader increases the risk of permanent software damage. Update it only if necessary!

CHRIST UPDATE INCLUDE CUSTOM

An additional script can be included with the "CHRIST_UPDATE_INCLUDE_CUSTOM" variable. Set it to 1 to execute the script as last task of the image update process. Here it is possible to set special parameters, update the touch firmware, perform initializations, etc.

The default search path for custom.sh is in recipes/images/ or set a path to your custom script file via "CHRIST UPDATE CUSTOM FILE".

The script should return to CURT whether it was successful (custom=1) or not (custom=0). Example custom.sh:

#!/bin/sh

LOGFILE="/tmp/curt.log"

echo "[CURT.Custom]" >> \$LOGFILE echo "custom=1" >> \$LOGFILE echo "custom script=end" >> \$LOGFILE



INFORMATION!

For example recipes using CURT configuration options refer to our demo images at: https://github.com/software-celo/meta-ces/tree/dunfell/recipes/images

4 Linux Support

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