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Subject: Software Patents should be eliminated

I am a software professional having over 18 years in the field.

Software patents hurt us all and should be done away with.

In the old days we knew that Software Patents were bad, so we intentionally did not patent our software. It would only hurt us all and hinder innovation.

But in more recent years, people started to patent software and now we are in a total mess.

A few years ago I created a Chat Middleware program ([www.ChatBlade.com](http://www.ChatBlade.com)). Even though it contained innovative ideas never seen before, I intentionally did not patent them.

Software Patents not only hurt consumers, they also hurt software developers, and companies large and small. They could destroy the programming profession.

Software patents should be abolished.

You should not be looking for input on how to make the system work better, you should be totally removing Software from a category of things that can be patented. Software patents hurt innovation, they do not help.

Good Luck,  
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