

Rumor: Asus to make Eee Pad Transformer 2 with Windows 8

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(PhysOrg.com) -- The Asus Eee Pad Transformer is one of the most popular models of tablet PCs on the market. The Android Honeycomb-based tablet is expected to become the second most popular tablet on the

market, second only to the iPad family in popularity.

Rumors are floating around the tech blogs that Asus will create a Transformer 2 that is expected to go into production until 2012. This, in and of itself, is not surprising, most companies will continue the line of a successful product. What is interesting is that the rumors are saying that the tablet will feature not an updated version of Google's [Android](#) OS, but Windows 8. While Windows 8 is expected to be a much more tablet-friendly [user interface](#) than Windows 7, one is forced to wonder why the company would switch off of a proved OS in favor of one that is untested in the market.

Rumors also state that the tablet will have keyboard dock, unlike its predecessor, which would make long-term usage easier on the hands. We will not know more about the system's hardware until the system is much closer to its release. Some bloggers are speculating that the company has been testing a version of the Windows 8 tablet OS on the current generation of hardware. Since the [dual-core](#) Tegra processor and built-in 1GB RAM would be sufficient to run the OS, this is not entirely out of the question.

Specifics on the release date are not available at this time. Neither company has currently released a statement to confirm or deny these rumors.

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