

04 Accelerating Open Source adoption



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What we found !

The key conclusions from the session

Key Benefits of OSS	Key Challenges of OSS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Vendor Lock-in avoidance ■ Speed and control – rate of innovation ■ Talent acquisition ■ Knowledge retention – pool ■ Possibly lower cost - TCO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ (Perception of) security issues ■ Legal / license compliance ■ Resources for adoption of OSS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture • Governance

In any organisation open source can be used for building quick alpha-versions.
Governments can play a key role in driving open source – UK Government is a role model.

What we have explored

Among these conclusions, we have developed one of these in greater detail below

Procurement rule no 1 for 2019: When acquiring new software ask: Is there an open source alternative? If so, why not use it (and validate the arguments)?

What we have left open...

Some questions still remain to be addressed

Trends in society:

- Open democracy
- Sharing Economy
- Maintaining the EU welfare state (US/Chinese tech companies difficult to tax)

Therefore: Is there an opportunity for EU as driver for an open source European eco-system? Scaling the UK Governments push for open source, where today 90% of new public solutions are open source?

Convergences

What points do we share in common

Open source will play a key role in the IT landscape of any organisation. As software becomes the defining factor in every industry, no one can afford to develop/license all components/functions needed... we must learn to leverage each other.

Differences

What points do we agree to disagree

None...

A picture is worth a thousand words

An illustration that sums up our results

