GOOD GOVERNANCE INITIATIVE

A PROJECT FROM THE OSPO ALLIANCE

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Free & Open Source Software (FOSS)

**Freedom + Opportunities**
- Everywhere, unavoidable, fuels innovation: FOSS is the bedrock of all modern and successful initiatives.
- The freedom to use, modify, execute and share software brings tremendous opportunities

**+ Obligations**
- FOSS also comes with legal obligations, IP restrictions.
- Making the most out of FOSS requires deep knowledge of the ecosystems and a clear strategy.
FOSS is now part of most organizations' **software supply chain**

**OSPOs** are structures that organise and promote good use of FOSS inside an organization

Most companies are only starting to realise they need an OSPO

… do not know where to start, where to go, or get lost along the way!

=> Introducing the **Good Governance Initiative & OSPO Alliance**
The Good Governance Initiative (GGI)

The GGI Handbook
➢ A Framework to create a full blown OSPO

The Resource Center
➢ Collect existing relevant material to address all open source challenges

OSPO Alliance & OnRamp Meetings
➢ A space to share and promote OSPOs, and good implementation of the GGI.
Proposes a **path to a successful OSPO**, with a proven method and practical guidance:

- Lists 25 **Activities**, from Software Composition Analysis and development best practices, to training, HR and executives' education.
- Activities are organized into **Goals**, from discovery to engagement and strategy.
Breaking down the OSPO objectives into 5 goals

**Usage Goal**: Basic Skills in Using Open Source Software

**Trust Goal**: Secure and Appropriate Usage of Open Source Software

**Culture Goal**: Belonging to the Open Source Community at Large

**Engagement Goal**: Engaging with the OSS Ecosystem

**Strategy Goal**: Open Source as a Corporate Strategy
GGI Framework - Activities

- **Activities** have the following structure:
  - Description
  - Opportunity Assessment
  - Progress Assessment
  - Recommendations
  - Tools & Resources

- Activities are meant as templates, and need to be translated to the local context through *Scorecards*, which enable **full adaptation**.
Scorecards
To describe and assess how each activity is implemented in a company.

Two flavours:
- Full detailed document
- Light version, integrated to the GGI Board
The GGI Handbook comes as a Website and Book

- Under the CC-BY licence 4.0.
- Hard copies are available for purchase.
- Translated into German, and being translated into French, Portuguese, Italian and Spanish.
- Openly developed on Git repositories.
GGI – Translations Principles & Tools

Translated using Weblate (https://hosted.weblate.org/projects/ospo-zone-ggi/)

- A libre (GNU GPLv3) translation software
- Free service hosting for open source projects
- Used for 2,500+ libre software projects and companies in over 165 countries (eg. Debian Handbook, LibreOffice, OpenSuse, F-Droid)
- Allows anyone to suggest new translations
- Linked with GitLab repository
- Easy to interface through local Bash scripts
GGI – Translations Principles & Tools

GGI Handbook Project on Weblate web site

Languages and progression of translated text
GGI – My GGI Board

A GitLab Board to kick-start GGI Implementation

Simple setup:
1) Fork repository
2) Create API token
3) Add it in CI/CD variable
4) Initial run of pipeline

What you get:
1) A space to track the implementation of the Activities
2) One Issue / Activity with Role, Status and Goal labels
3) A GitLab Board to organise Activities
4) A Web Dashboard to track and share your progression
5) A nightly Pipeline to refresh the Dashboard
Translations of the Handbook are available!

- We are using Weblate (an OSS project) to crowdsource the translations.
- **German** and **French versions already available**, with others on their way: Portuguese, Spanish, Italian.
- And more to come!
GGI – My GGI Board

GitLab Board with Activities

Dashboard website
GGI v1.1 - Deployment

- Easy to deploy: 10mn setup on any GitLab instance.
- Provides complete access to all GGI features: activities, boards, and a customized dashboard to track and share progress.
The OSPO Alliance

- Launched in 2021 by European nonprofit organizations to promote an approach to excellence in open source software management.

- Governed by open source principles: open, collaborative, meritocratic. Everybody is welcome, and we respect members privacy (no collection of details, no spamming).

- Provides:
  - The OSPO Alliance website and community mailing list.
  - The OSPO OnRamp monthly webinars.
  - The Good Governance Initiative and its associated resources.

- Yearly releases: v1.0 (Nov 2021), v1.1 (Nov 2022)
Who?

The **OSPO Alliance** in a few words:

- **A vendor-neutral** space, founded by European nonprofit organizations.
- **Participation is open to all.**
- **Low barrier:** No fees, no commitment. Just a statement of support.

Our **members include organizations of all sizes & types**: SMEs and large companies, academics, administrations.
OSPO Alliance & OnRamp meetings

The OSPO Alliance: Action & Collaboration
Organisations join\(^{(1)}\) the OSPO Alliance to exchange and learn about the basics on how to set up an OSPO and get started into open source.

**OnRamp meetings:** 90 minutes, every 3\(^{rd}\) Friday of the month, 10:30 to 12:00

Two moments:

- Presentations to share experiences, lessons learned
  – recorded sessions

- Openly share and discuss challenges, problems or other topics around establishing Open Source in your organisation
  – Chatham House Rules, not recorded.

\(^{(1)}\) Only a signature of a statement of support required
More info - Contact us - Get involved

OSPO Alliance & OnRamp meetings

- Visit the OSPO Alliance page: https://ospo.zone/contribute/
- Subscribe to mailing list: https://accounts.eclipse.org/mailing-list/ospo.zone

Good Governance Initiative

- Visit main page: https://www.ow2.org/view/OSS_Governance/
- Subscribe to dedicated mailing list: https://mail.ow2.org/wws/info/ossgovernance
- Visit the GitLab GGI project: https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi
We are open!

All of our work is public and accessible, and we welcome contributions.

- OSPO Alliance website: https://ospo-alliance.org
- GGI Workplace: https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi
- Mailing lists:
  - OSPO Alliance: ospo.zone@eclipse.org
  - GGI: ossgovernance@ow2.org
- Contributing guide: https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi/-/blob/main/CONTRIBUTING.md
The GGI Handbook has received an enthusiastic reception.

- It has **already been deployed** at various organizations (corps, administrations).
- **Feedback is great.** We want to continue improving its content and dissemination.

Possible next steps for the roadmap:

- Improving and enriching the handbook with more, and better content.
- More translations, Better deployment on multiple platforms.
- Lack of measurement:
  - Integration of metrics to better track progress and success!