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Doing business on **Open Source is not** selling a code that we did not pay but earn his life around a code that is not sold.

PREAMBULE

This presentation aim to answer 3 questions that were asked on our Dplug discord channel :

- What are the economical state/figures about FLOSS in US & EU ?
- What are basic/main Business models in FLOSS ?
- Can you give us some hints about FLOSS community ?
 - How they emerge ?
 - Any framework to animate a FLOSS project with its community ?

I tried to answered those questions in 25 minutes :-)

If you want to talk about a more specific topis about FLOSS, don't hesitate to ask question on our discord channel...



What is Free/Open Source software ?

- OSS can be defined as computer software for which the human-readable source code is made available under a copyright license (or arrangement such as the public domain).
- This allows users to use, change, and improve the software, and to redistribute it in modified or unmodified form.



Once upon a time ...

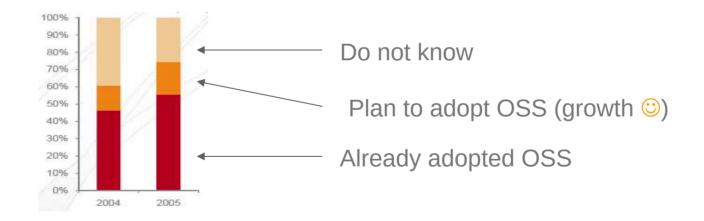
- 1969 First message exchanged between 2 computers through ARPANET network
- 1970 to 1980 Email, FTP, Permissive code distributed in universities...
- 1983 Richard Stallman creates the Free Software Foundation
- 1984 Richard Stallman publish several tools to devellop the futur GNU Linux system -> licence libre (GPL)
- 1985 Lancement du système GNU
- 1991 1^{ère} version of Linux by Linus Torvalds
- 1995 RedHat SuSe, Mandrake...
- 1998 Eric Raymond & Bruce Perens propose a new definition : Open Source
- 2000 Adoption (Linux) by IBM, Oracle, SAP...





OSS Adoption

Panel of 400 businesses in Europe & US



Source: Forrester, Fabernovel 2007



Why shall we use Open Source Software ?

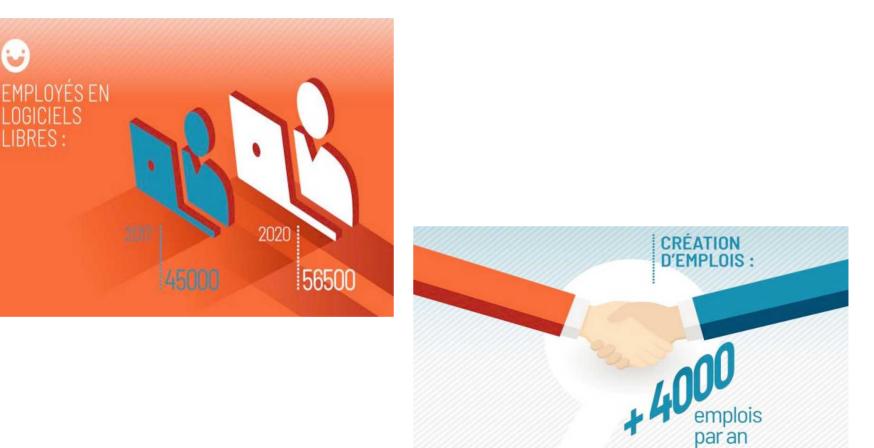
Survey 2020

- 82% : mutualisation /cost reduction (code dev.) ;
- •72 % : Innovation leverage !
- 70% : Strategic booster.



Important innovation leverage tool for 72 % of companies using (not producing) open source.

Open Source & jobs in France ?





Free/Open Source adoption In Europe (2020)

Free Software / Open Source ... some figures...

- Rate of Growth ? 8,1 % between 2017 2020,
- French Open Source Market : 4,46 Mds d'euros in 2017 and should be 5,650 Mds d'euros in 2020, (source : PAC).

France, is the european leader for Open Source :-)



• France represent 23 % of the EU market behond England & Germany.

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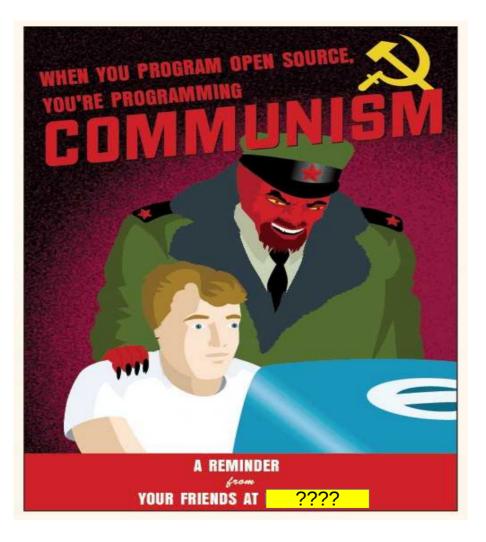
Main FLOSS Business Models

An OSS BM typology:

- Services
- Value Added distribution
- Double Licensing
- Mutualisation

Source: Fabernovel 2007







Some words about FLOSS community & their organisation



Community organization

- Non-profit organization
- Sponsors
- Commercial enterprises
- The Onion model of communities
- Communities around OSS projects
 - Volunteer-based
 - Ideology, freedom, sharing
 - Company-based
 - Business, funded developers
 - Mixed
- Different types of communities
 - Linux: Project centric
 - MySQL: Business centric
 - Eclipse: Foundation centric



Example 2. Imed Hammouda, adjunct professor, Department of Software Systems, University of Technology, Tampere, Finland, IEEE-OSW2009.



How may emerge a FLOSS Community ?

Community.init()

- Answer a problem widely shared,
- Open everything,
- Positive network.





Community.start() begin loop

> **Analyse the environment Build a strategy & goals Build a digital habitat Develop codes & initiatives Promote the project Animate the community Increase membership** Monitor



end loop



Focus on digital habitat

digital_habitat.init() 3 spaces...

- Website portal
- Collaboration space(s)
- Communication space(s)

Exemple of implementation :

architecture digital_habitat(**organisation needs**) case project-identity & code-dissemination

Web portal

case project-collaboration

Code repository Issue Tracker

case project-interaction





FLOSS website content ?

function build_web(url)

- **Good project name**
- **Clear mission statement**
- **State "project is Open Source"**
- **Development status**
- License used
- How to install and use
- Where to download
- How to contribute
- **Mailing list**

end build_web







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Thanks !



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