

Open Source for Tech Transfer

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Starting the conversation

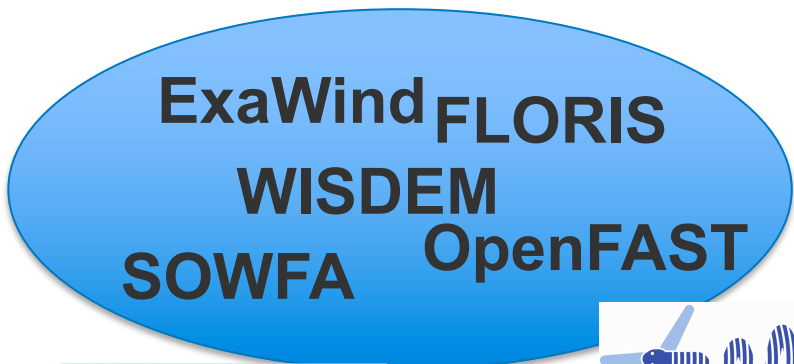
- Professional Background
 - PI DOE Wind Energy Digitalization
 - Operating Agent- IEA Wind Task 43
 - Secretary IEC 61400-15 “WRA”

- Commercialization Background
 - Product Owner: OpenOA
 - ENTR Foundation: Board Member
 - Task 43 WRA data model
 - Alumni of DOE Energy icorps and TCF



Wind Energy Open Source Ecosystem

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WOMBAT



IEA Wind



System Advisor Model



WIND ENERGY
DIGITALIZATION
IEA WIND TASK 43



SWISS WIND ENERGY
R&D NETWORK

Turbine Design &
Manufacture

Project
Development

Construction

Operations &
Maintenance

Life
Assessment &
Asset Transfer

Case Study: IEA Wind Task 43 WRA Data Model

PDF Format

JSON Format

Sensor	Sensor 1	Sensor 2
Channel	1	2
Type	Anemo.	Anemo.
OEM / Model	Thies 4.3351	Thies 4.3351
Serial	9183000	9183001
Height	80.1	80.2
Orientation	315	135
Logger Slope	0.045	0.045
Logger Offset	0.25	0.25
Calibration slope	0.04573	0.04568
Calibration offset	0.2419	0.2487

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Sensor information in PDF forms (left) and JSON format (right)

Requires manual data entry or specialized tools like OCR

Can be processed with a few lines of code (Python or R)

Task 43 Data Model Industry adoption activities

- Data Model specified in commercial contracts
- Joint Offshore Industry Letter of Support
- Multiple Software Providers are adopting as an I/O format
- 20+ organizations contributing to development
- Startups/Products created around the data model



Key Discussion Points

- How do we support open source ecosystems better?
- What is the right TRL for open source that fosters a vibrant commercial ecosystem?
- As researchers, do we provide predictability and reliability for commercial partners?



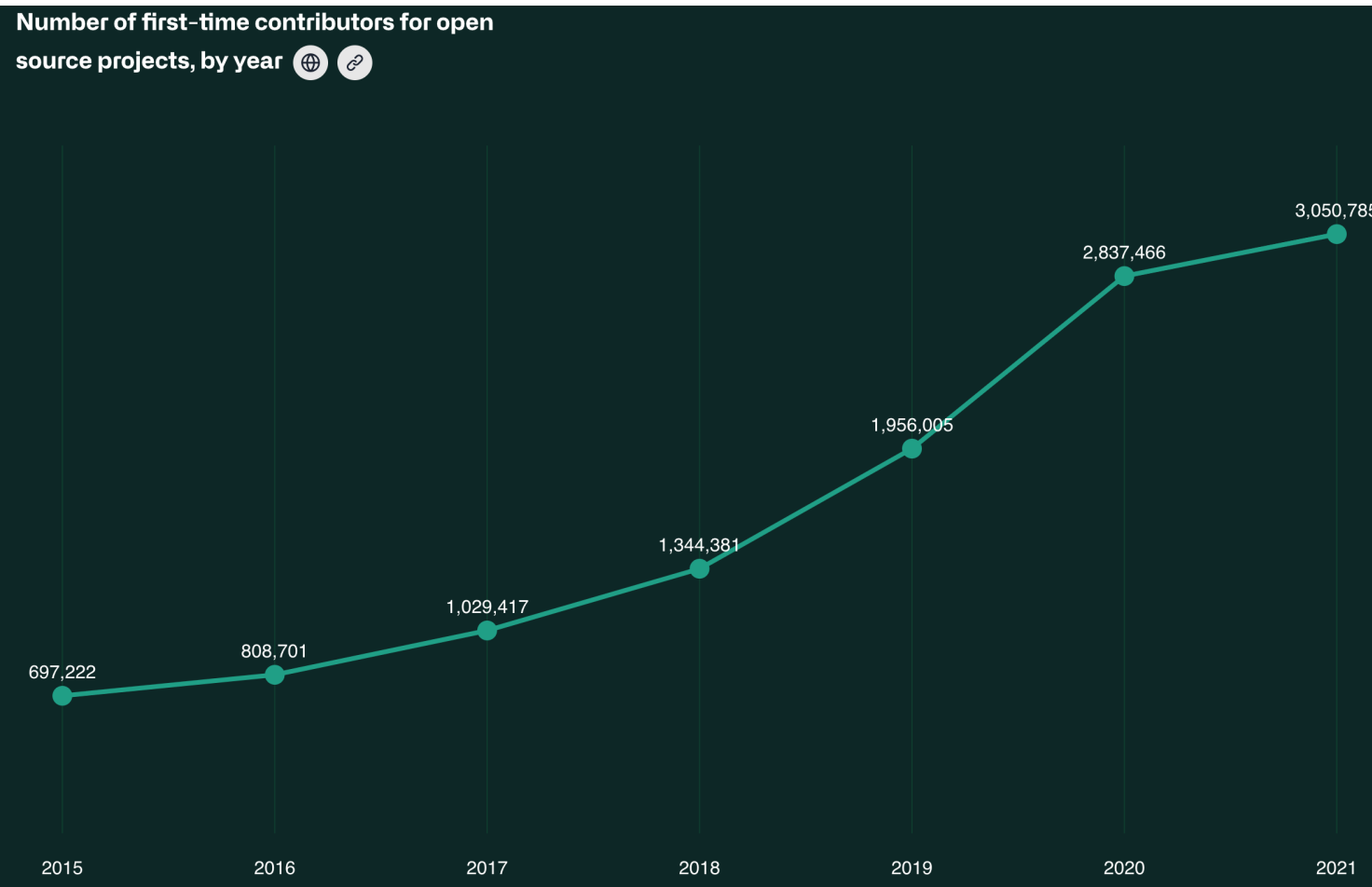
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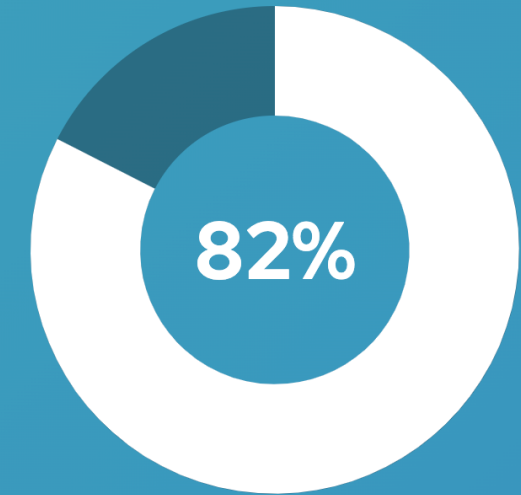
Backup Slides

Open Source is everywhere



Source: Octoverse, Github

IT leaders are choosing to work with enterprise open source vendors



82% are more likely to select a vendor who contributes to the open source community

Source: RedHat Open Source Report

What makes Open Source Software (OSS) so great?

- OSS can **reduce software development costs** by up to **90%**¹
- OSS can **support Diversity, Equity and Inclusion** by making software and training barrier free¹
- **82%** of IT Leaders **more likely to select a vendor** that contributes to OSS²
- **80%** of IT Leaders expect to **increase their use of enterprise open source software** for emerging technologies²
- **89%** of IT Leaders see enterprise **open source as more secure** or as secure as proprietary software²

1:Source: Roads and Bridges:
The Unseen Labor Behind Our Digital Infrastructure

2:Source: Redhat the state of enterprise open source (2022)

Open Source is great but . . .

Projects need maintenance

Search or jump to... / Pull requests Issues Codespaces Marketplace Explore

IEA-Task-43 / digital_wra_data_standard Public Edit Pins Unwatch 13

<> Code **Issues 30** Pull requests Discussions Actions Projects 1 Wiki Se

Label issues and pull requests for new contributors
Now, GitHub will help potential first-time contributors discover issues labeled with good first is

Filters is:issue is:open Labels 10

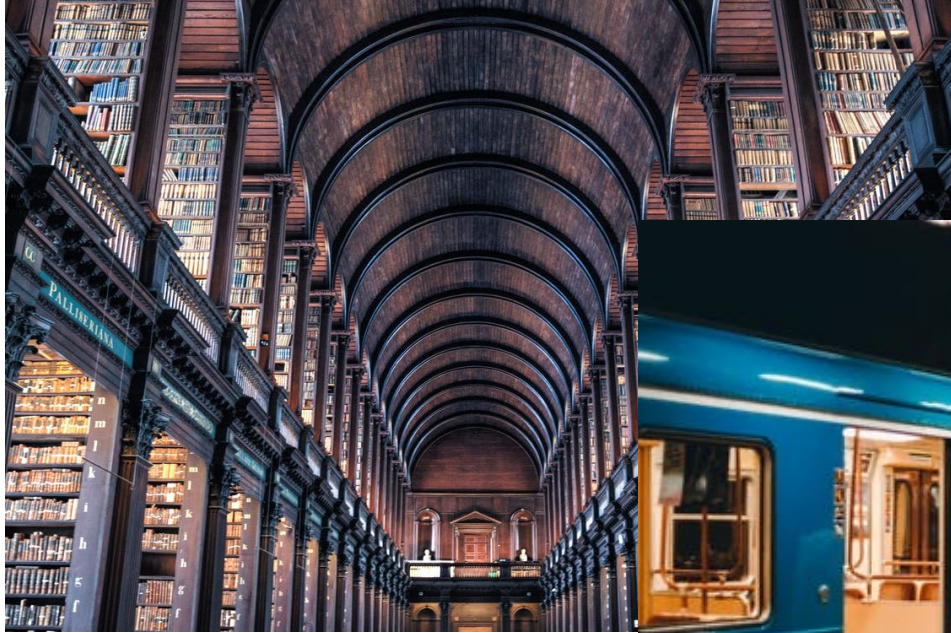
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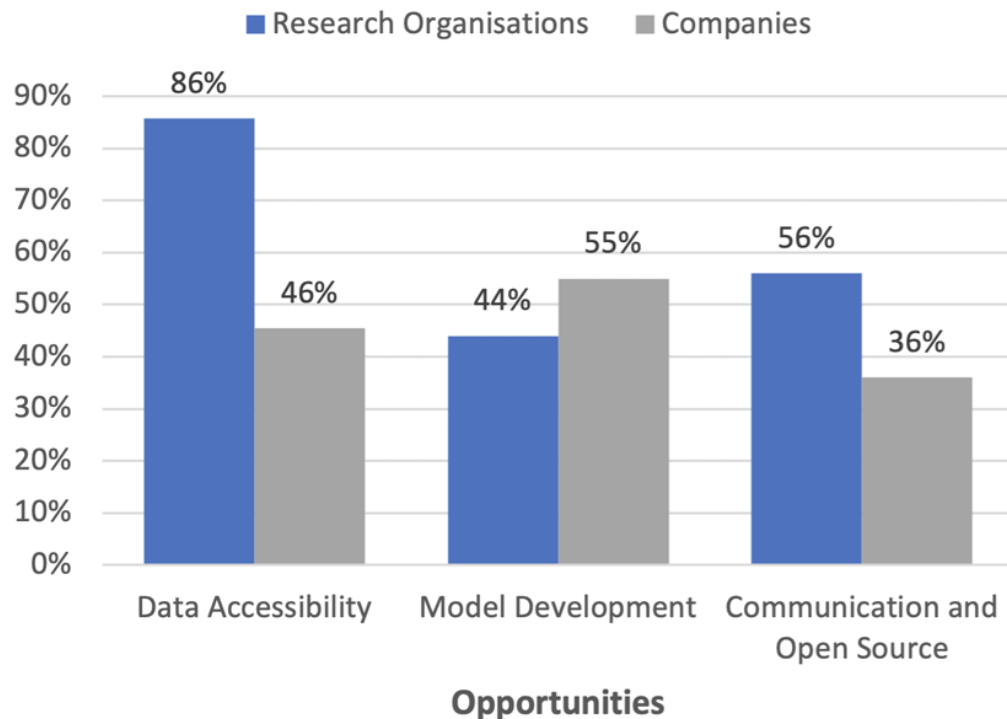
Project maintainers often suffer from burnout . . . Is this sustainable?



Open source infrastructure as a public good



Standards & Data



Source: Grand Challenges in Wind Energy Digitalization Clifton, et al

By 2023, organizations with shared ontology, semantics, governance and stewardship processes to enable inter-enterprise data sharing will outperform those that don't.

Through 2025, **80% of organizations** seeking to scale digital business **will fail** because they **do not take a modern approach to data and analytics governance.**

Source: Gartner 2021

Standards & Data

Pre-construction data standards



IEA Wind Task 43: WRA Data Model

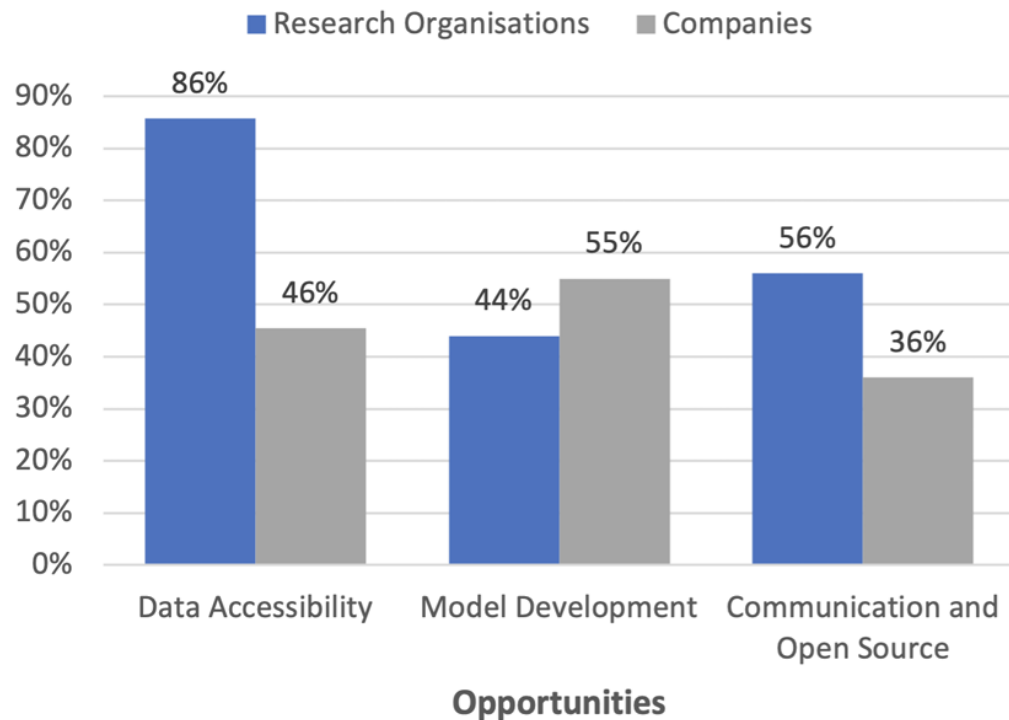
IEA Wind Task 37: Wind Plant Ontologies

IEC 61400-15-1: Site Suitability
Input Conditions



IEC 61400-15-1: Energy Yield
Assessment Reporting

IEC 61400-16: Data format for
power curves



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ENTR Technology Stack

ENTR Runtime

ENTR Containerized Software Stack



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Data Analysis

Data Engineering

Reference Implementations of Data Standards

Tag Naming (IEC 61400-25 compliant)

Status Codes and Alarms (IEC 61400-26 compliant)

Reference Plant Hierarchy (RDS-PP compliant)

Data and Use Case Examples
(e.g., wind, solar, storage)

Interface to innovative 3rd-party
data analytics apps