

ETSI SUMMIT ON
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CONCLUSIONS

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Conclusions 1

- ❏ OS will not replace standards
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- ❏ But we can work together
- ❏ There is a gap but it can be bridged and we can join up alongside each other
- ❏ But needs commitment from both sides
- ❏ There are issues around legalities that we need to work through



Conclusions 2

- ❏ ICT Standards have a clear need to respond to the mega trend towards ubiquitous open source activities
- ❏ A lot of previous ICT hardware is now moving into software, this is a clear business driver for standards to work with OS
- ❏ SDOs need to react fast. Need concrete actions today to begin to use OS concepts
- ❏ Standards development needs to move towards approaches used by OS community
- ❏ Will not easily happen the other way round



Conclusions 3

- ETSI is well-placed to move in this direction, building on our current position and experience
- The different timescales and approval cycles of standards and OS are quite different and one of the main points where agreement is needed in joining up

Conclusions 4



- ❏ Complementary strengths - not competitive
 - ❏ Standards facilitate interoperability
 - ❏ OS encourages innovation
 - ❏ Standards can provide stability that in which OS can more readily be used
 - ❏ OS can provide building blocks allowing product suppliers to get to market quicker in product ranges defined by standards. Thus providing a more clear business model for OS packages
 - ❏ OS reference models provide proof that ideas work

Conclusions 5



- There are a number of examples today where the standards community has used software concepts and the OS community has used standards concepts
- This suggests that we can build on these realisations to create real link ups between packages of standards and OS software



Conclusions 6

- ❏ Good OS and standards development both have good, well defined processes
- ❏ There is not a “one-size fits all” answer for either standards production, OS development or for any linking up model either
- ❏ Standards work is likely to need changes to processes and tools, as will OS
- ❏ How the two are linked is likely to depend on the product package in question – different in each case

And the future



- ETSI and SDOs need to continue to talk with OS bodies and communities
- To create real life cases that we can build cooperative packages that come to market
- We can then move forward, learn and refresh how we work

And finally



- Thank you to the Programme Committee for bringing this together
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Finally, finally – please fill in the survey/feedback