

**OPEN SOURCE IS A MECHANISM** FOR EUROPEAN INNOVATION AND VALUE CREATION across industry sectors, with the creation of standards and interoperability being the most widely cited benefits.

#### WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



Across Europe, personal contributions are **MOTIVATED BY LEARNING AND FUN** rather than by a desire to further career advancement.

#### WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE

**OPEN SOURCE IS** THE APOLITICAL KEY

to fostering a digital commons while enabling European nations to plot their own courses in the digital world.



WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE

**CLEAR LEADERSHIP**—via a structured OSPO or dedicated employees contributing to open source—PAYS DIVIDENDS, with micro- and enterprisescale organisations leading the way.

#### WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



57% of respondents have POLICIES THAT OPENLY **ENCOURAGE OPEN SOURCE** (OS) CONSUMPTION. However, the imbalance between consumption and contribution challenges OS sustainability.

# WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE

During the last 12 months, 47% of survey respondents said that THE VALUE THAT THEY DERIVE FROM OPEN SOURCE IS CONTINUING TO GROW.

## WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE

realise its value.

WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



In addition to cost savings, **INDEPENDENCE** FROM CLOSED-SOURCE **SOLUTIONS** drives open source adoption.

### WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



**CLEARER OS CONTRIBUTION POLICIES WERE REPORTED BY RESPONDENTS WORKING FOR** THE LARGEST ORGANISATIONS (>10,000 employees), than those working for mid-sized organisations.

WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE

**THERE IS A POLICY IMBALANCE**, with 35% reporting a lack of a clear contribution policy compared with 17% reporting a lack of a clear consumption policy.





WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



# THE PUBLIC SECTOR IS FAILING **TO FULLY CAPITALISE ON OPEN**

**SOURCE.** Contribution is encouraged for only 29% of public sector respondents (versus the survey mean of 46%), and there is a notable lack of a clear policy.

While 63% of respondents agree

consume OSS to improve security,

**IMPROVED GOVERNANCE OF** 

**OSS CONSUMPTION AND BEST** 

**PRACTICES IS NEEDED** to safely

that organisations should

WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE



# SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL **DIFFERENCES EXIST** in

the perceived value of open source and permissive consumption and contribution policies.

WORLD OF OPEN SOURCE: EUROPE





Copyright © 2022 The Linux Foundation | September 2022 This report is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-NoDerivatives 4.0 International Public License