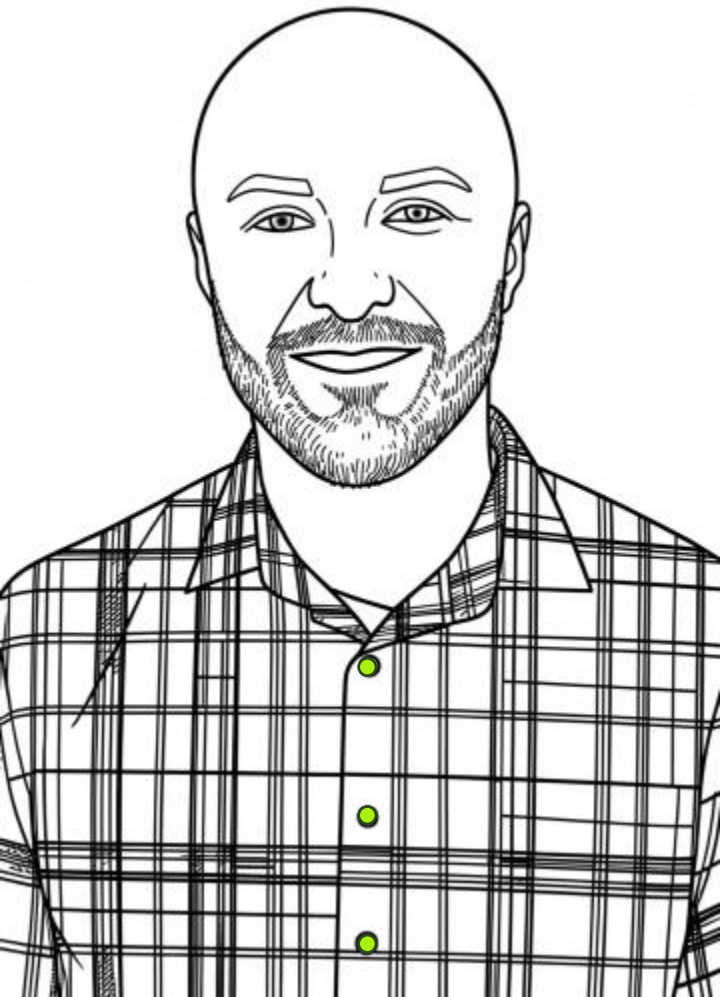


Architecting Secure Open Source Contributions in the Enterprise

The Git-Proxy Approach — A framework for controlled, compliant, and scalable OSS contribution

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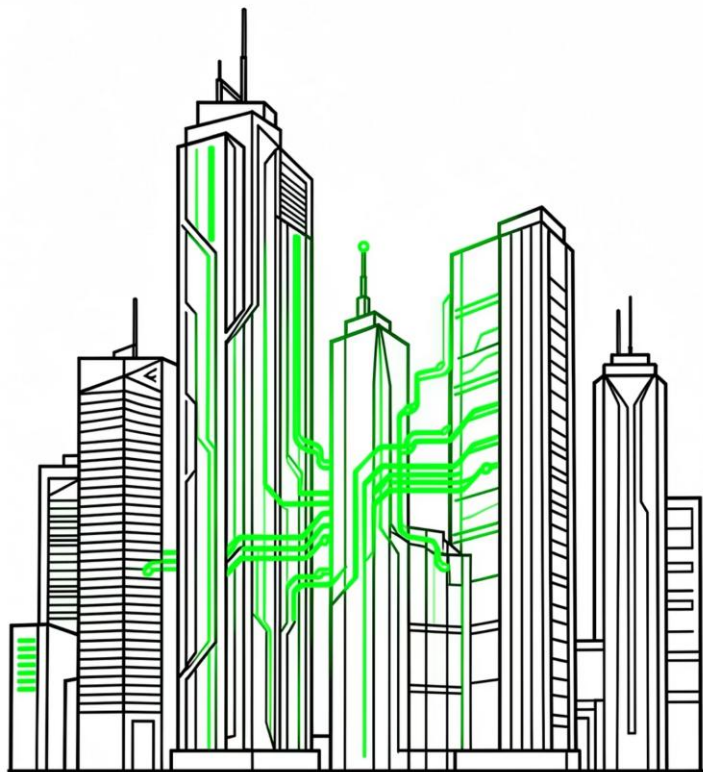
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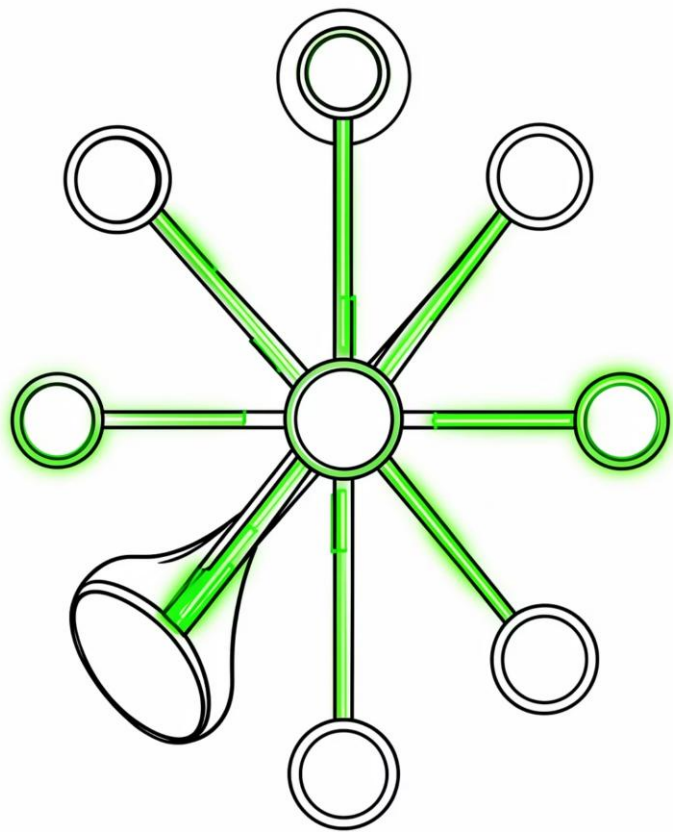
Why This Matters

Open source is no longer just developer tooling..

Organizations rely on open source to:

- accelerate software delivery
- reduce platform costs
- drive innovation
- build cloud-native systems
- participate in industry ecosystems

As enterprise dependency on OSS grows, governance and ecosystem stewardship become business-critical capabilities.



Why This Matters Now

AI is accelerating software creation and upstream contributions.

At the same time:

- Open-source maintainers are overloaded
- Supply chain risks are increasing
- Security expectations are growing
- Enterprises need stronger governance

Open source is no longer just a dependency.

It must be a strategic relationship.

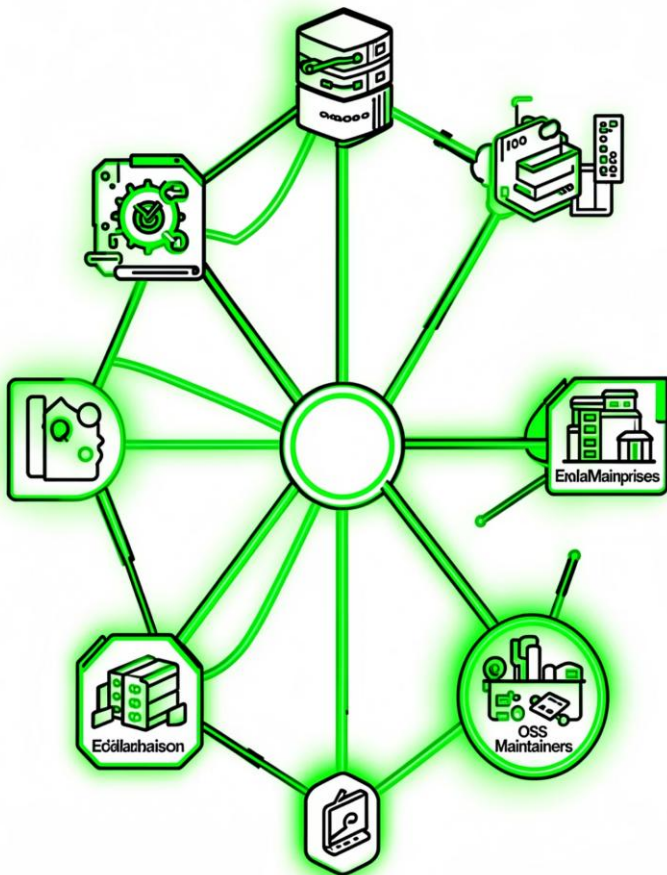
Why This Matters for the OSS Ecosystem

Open source maintainers are increasingly overloaded.

Meanwhile enterprises already operate:

- Security tooling
- Policy engines
- Dependency intelligence
- AI-assisted analysis
- Supply chain controls

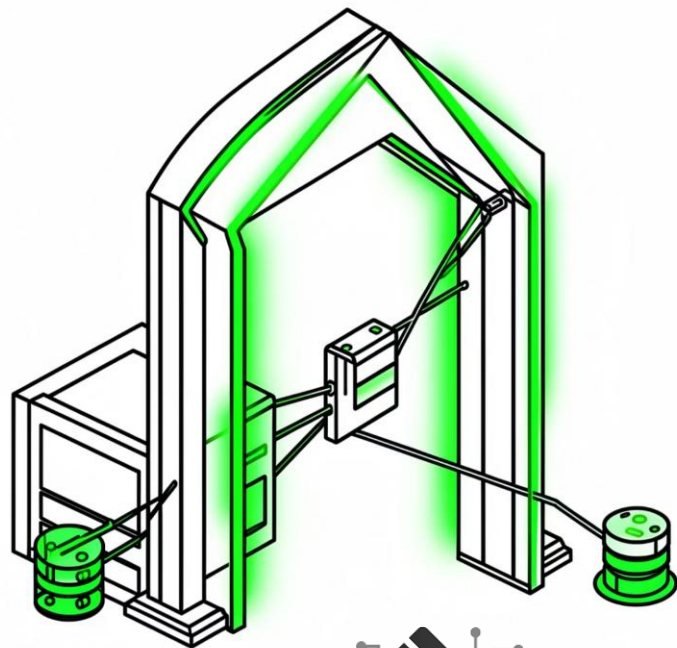
Git-proxy could help enterprises contribute governance intelligence back to the ecosystem.



What is Git-proxy?

GitProxy is an application that stands between developers and a Git remote endpoint (e.g., github.com). It applies rules and workflows (configurable as plugins) to all outgoing git push operations to ensure they are compliant.

The platform provides developers with clear remediation instructions directly in the terminal to minimize workflow disruption. It is especially useful for regulated industries like financial services, where companies need secure and auditable open-source contribution processes.



GITPROXY



A Better Developer Experience

Compliance shouldn't slow engineers down. Git-Proxy is designed to get out of the way and let developers focus on what they do best.



Simple, Familiar Workflows

Git-Proxy works with standard `git push` commands. No new tools to learn, no process overhead.



CLI & IDE Integration

Native integration with popular development environments means feedback surfaces exactly where engineers work.



Instant Feedback

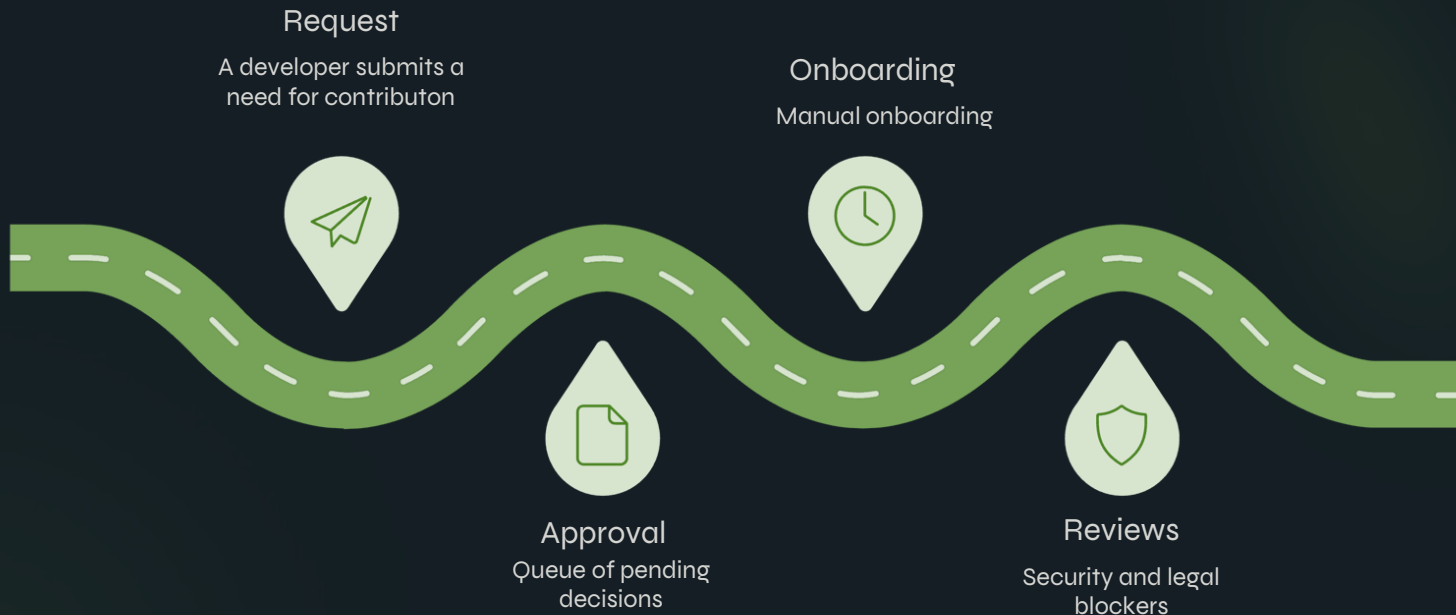
Policy violations surface in seconds — not days — giving developers clear, actionable guidance before a contribution stalls.

Demo



Enterprise Problem: Today's Contribution Flow

Manual management does not scale The typical OSS contribution process in a large organization is a maze of manual approvals that frustrates developers and slows innovation.



Slow Feedback Loops
Weeks waiting for approval

Tool Fragmentation
Different tools than internal processes

High Operational Costs
Manual work multiplied across hundreds of projects

Process Bypassing
Frustrated developers bypass the rules

The Shift: From Manual to Automated Governance

Enterprises are moving from manual, approval-heavy governance to policy-driven automation that embeds security and compliance directly into the development workflow.



From Manual to Policy-Driven

Policy-driven systems replace manual governance.



From Human to Automated

Automated enforcement replaces human approvals.



From Reactive to Embedded Security

Security is embedded in the workflow, not bolted on at the end.

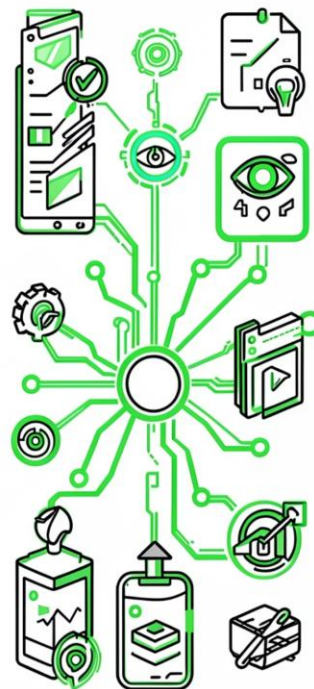


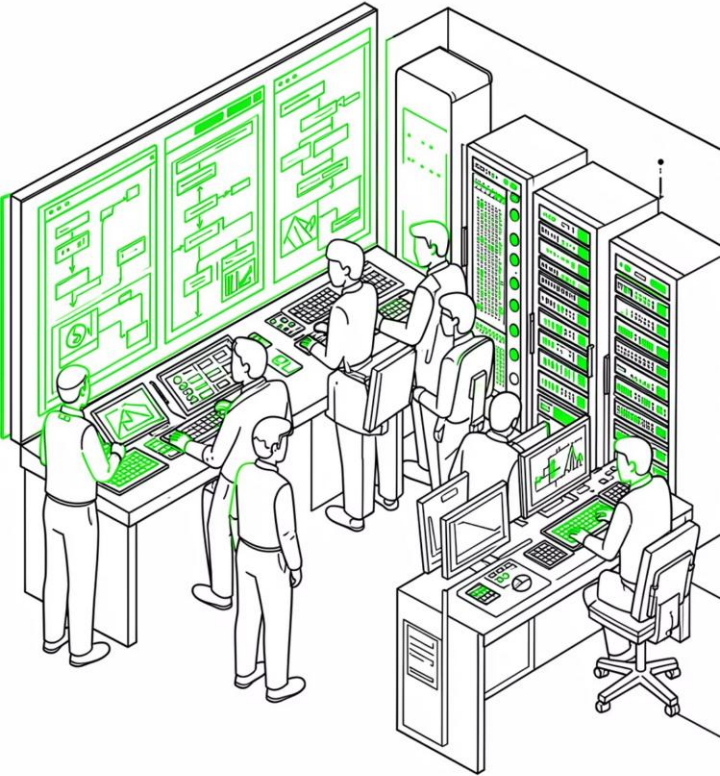
From Periodic to Continuous Governance

Continuous compliance replaces reactive audits.



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Strategic Pillar #1: Streamlining OSPO Operations

Git-proxy helps OSPO teams automate governance workflows:



Automated onboarding



Standardized workflows



Contribution tracking



Audit trails

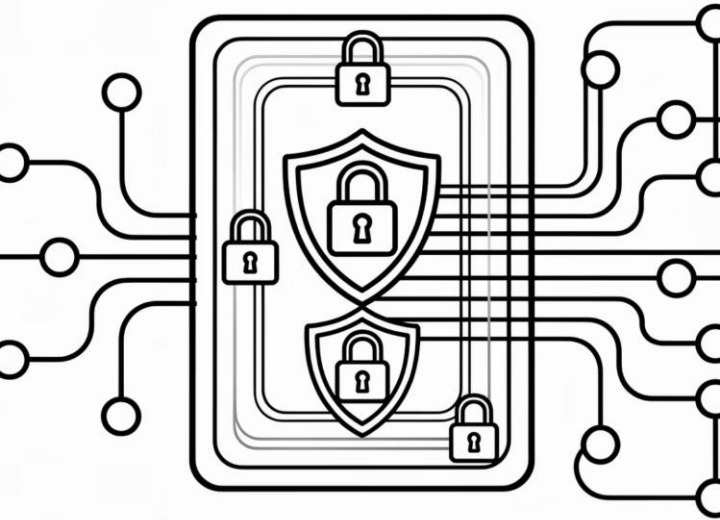


Workflow orchestration



Reduced manual approvals

By own mechanism and integration with corporate tools



Strategic Pillar #2: Security & Compliance

Security becomes part of the workflow itself.

Git-proxy can enforce:



Policy enforcement



Compliance checks



Security scanning

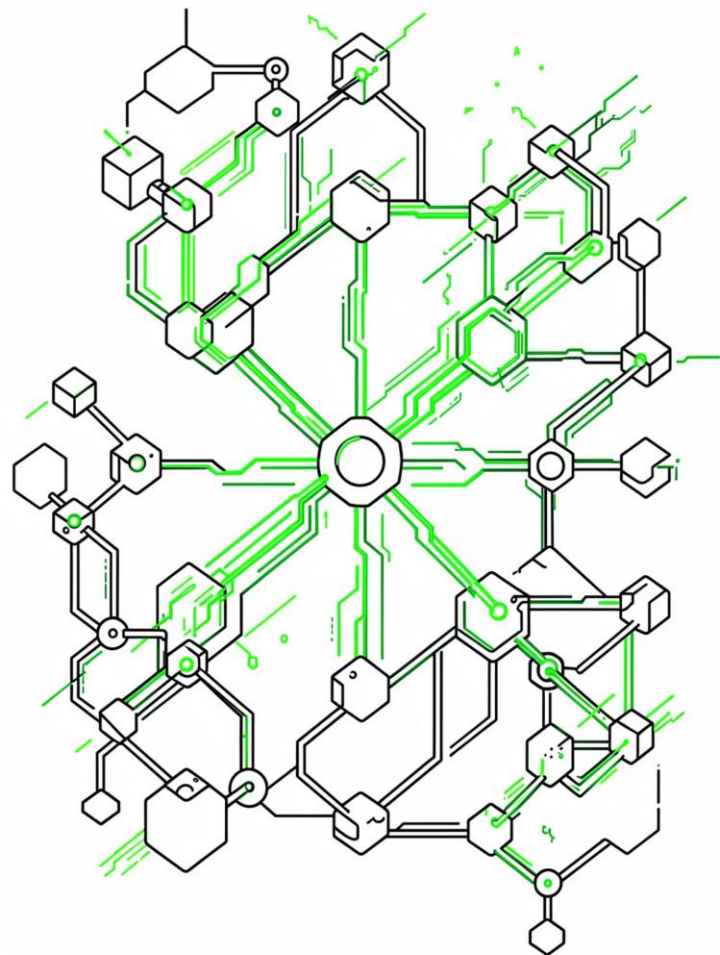


License validation



Supply chain
controls

By own mechanism and integration with corporate tools



Beyond Contributions: OSS Decision Intelligence

Governance should begin at the onboarding stage. Git-proxy has the potential to evolve beyond contribution management — becoming an intelligence platform for all open source-related decisions in the organization.



OSS Onboarding Assessments

Automatic evaluation of each new open source project before adoption — eliminating manual reviews



Policy Fit Validation

Continuous verification of project alignment with evolving enterprise policies and requirements



Project Health Scoring

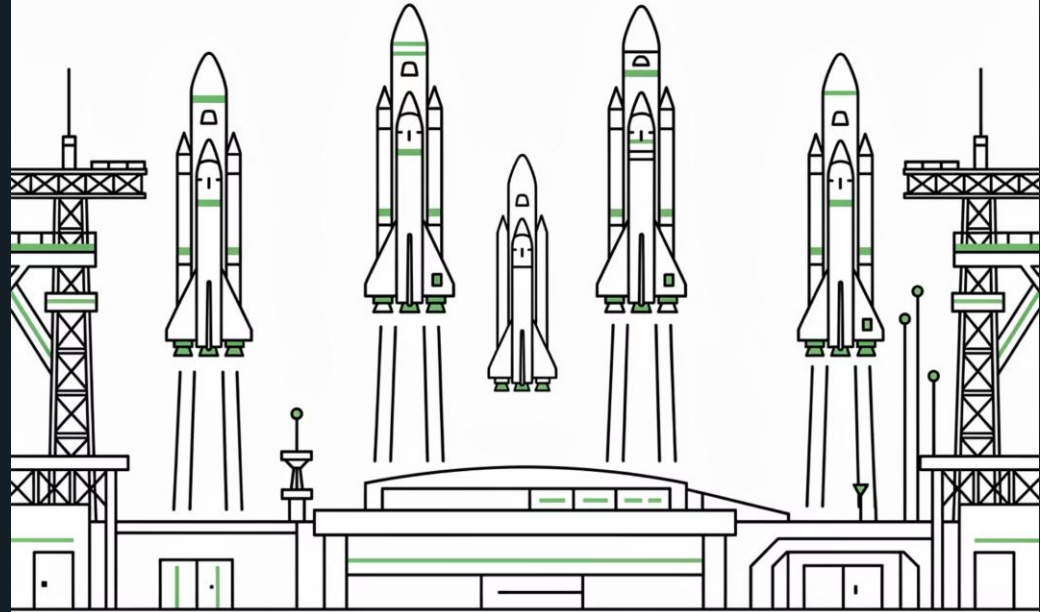
A quantifiable quality and risk indicator for every OSS project in the organization's portfolio

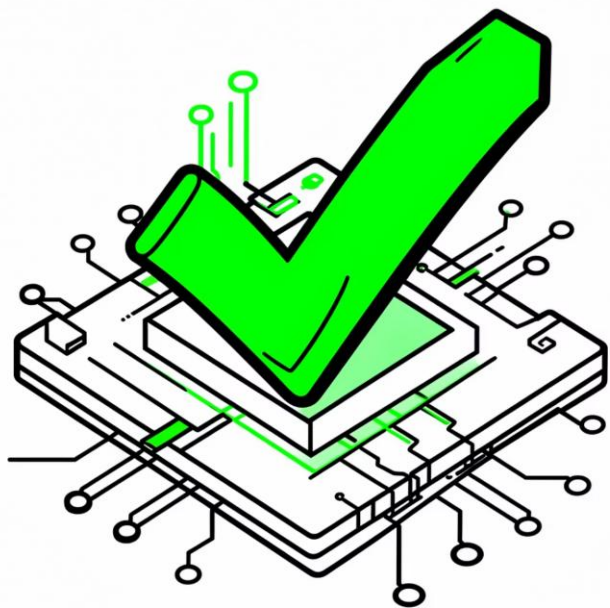


Supply Chain Risk Assessment

Proactive identification of threats in dependencies before they are exploited

OSS Project Onboarding Demo





Approved Project Example

✓ License approved (**Apache-2.0**)

🌱 Repository active

📄 Signed releases detected

🛡️ SECURITY.md present

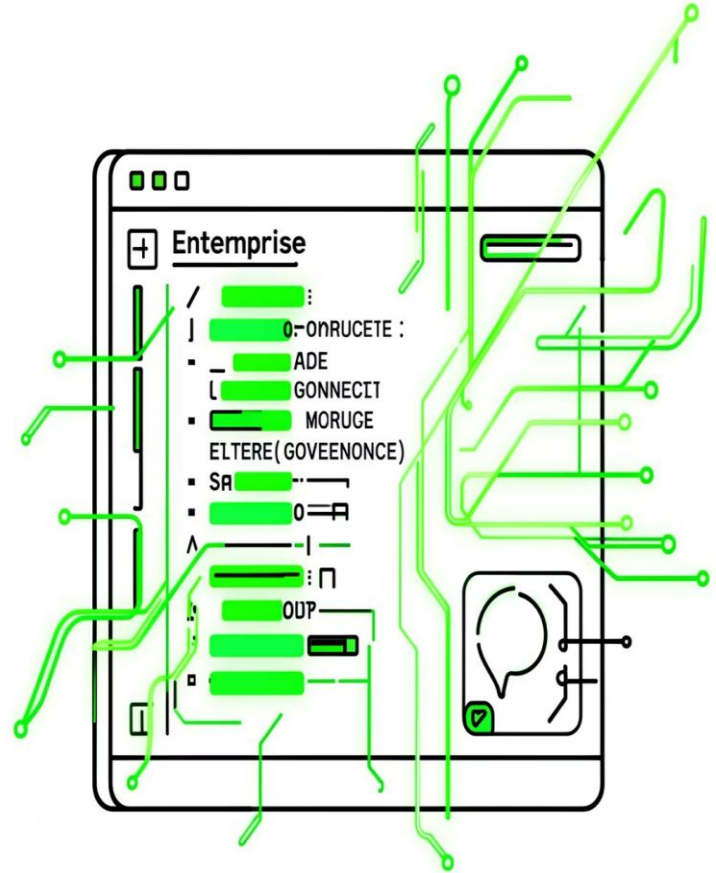
🛡️ Policy fit approved

✓ Governance Status: **READY_FOR_ADOPTION**

Blocked Project Example

- ✓ **GPL-3.0 restricted**
- ✚ **Repository archived**
- ✚ **Maintainer activity low**
- ✚ **Strategic alignment failed**

✖ **Governance Status: BLOCKED**



AI Assessment Demo

[Git-proxy] Running AI project quality assessment...

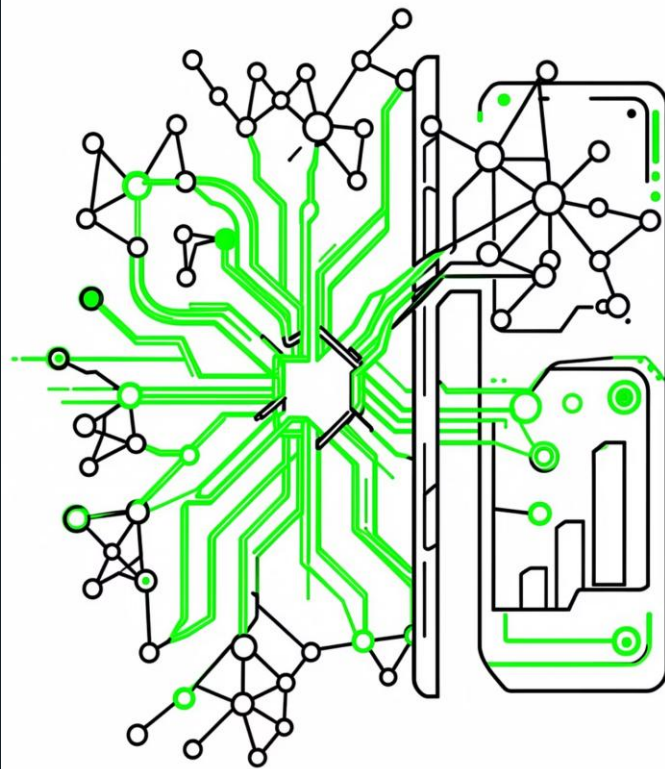
Documentation quality: GOOD

Maintainer responsiveness: MEDIUM

Bus factor risk: POSSIBLE

Enterprise fit: STRONG

AI Recommendation: APPROVE WITH OSPO REVIEW



Future Direction: AI-Assisted OSS Assessment

AI could help evaluate these items shown as icon+text:



Documentation quality



Maintainer responsiveness



Project maturity



Community health



Enterprise fit





ORGANIZATIONAL IMPACT

Impact Across the Organization



OSPO

Lower operational overhead, better visibility, standardized governance



Developers

Faster workflows, better feedback loops, reduced friction



Security

Earlier risk detection, better supply chain control, embedded compliance

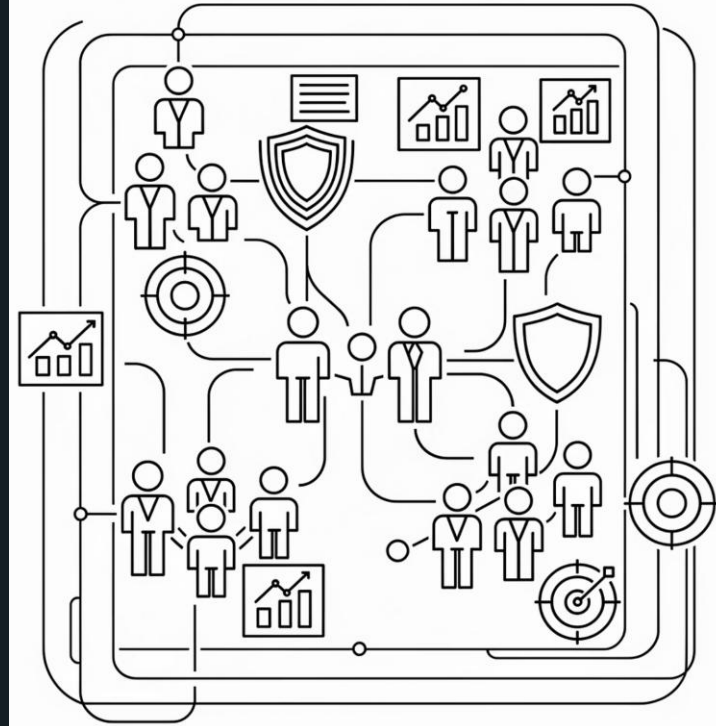


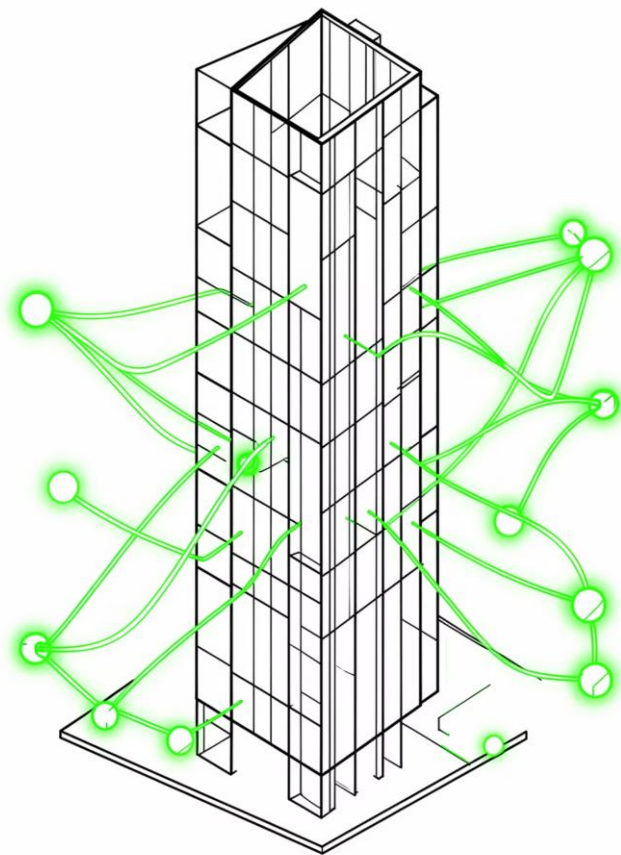
Enterprise

Scalable OSS governance, better strategic decisions

Key Takeaways

- 1 Automate governance
- 2 Embed security into workflows
- 3 Reduce developer friction
- 4 Start governance at onboarding
- 5 Use AI as an advisory layer





Q&A

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