



# GOOD GOVERNANCE INITIATIVE

A PROJECT FROM THE OSPO ALLIANCE

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# Free & Open Source Software (FOSS)

## Freedom + Opportunities

- Everywhere, unavoidable, fuels innovation : FOSS is the bedrock of all modern and successful initiatives.
- The freedom to use, modify, execute and share software brings tremendous opportunities

## + Obligations

- FOSS also comes with legal obligations, IP restrictions.
- Making the most out of FOSS requires deep knowledge of the ecosystems and a clear strategy.

# Open Source Program Office (OSPO)

FOSS is now part of most organizations' **software supply chain**

**OSPOs** are structures that organise and promote good use of FOSS inside an organization

Most companies are only starting to realise they need an OSPO

... do not know where to start, where to go, or get lost along the way !

=> Introducing the **Good Governance Initiative & OSPO Alliance**

# The Good Governance Initiative (GGI)



## The GGI Handbook

- A Framework to create a full blown OSPO

## The Resource Center

- Collect existing relevant material to address all open source challenges

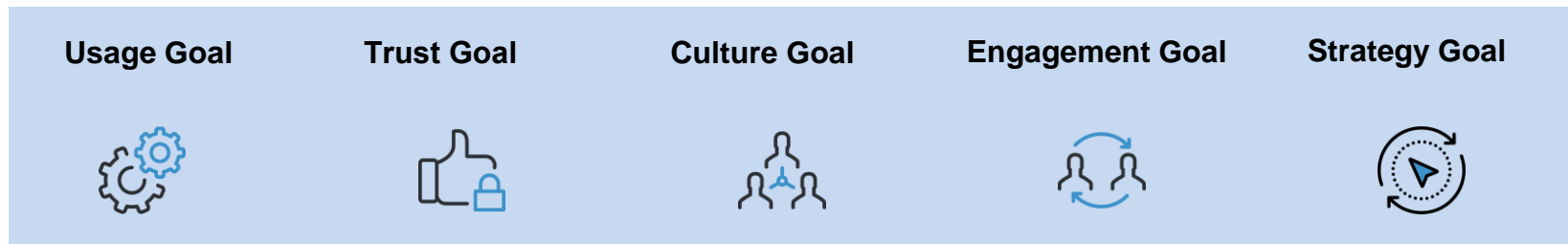
## OSPO Alliance & OnRamp Meetings

- A space to share and promote OSPOs, and good implementation of the GGI.

# GGI Framework - Goals

Proposes a **path to a successful OSPO**, with a proven method and practical guidance:

- Lists **25 Activities**, from Software Composition Analysis and development best practices, to training, HR and executives' education.
- Activities are organized into **Goals**, from discovery to engagement and strategy.



# GGI Methodology - Five Goals

## Breaking down the OSPO objectives into 5 goals



**Usage Goal** : Basic Skills in Using Open Source Software



**Trust Goal** : Secure and Appropriate Usage of Open Source Software



**Culture Goal** : Belonging to the Open Source Community at Large



**Engagement Goal** : Engaging with the OSS Ecosystem



**Strategy Goal** : Open Source as a Corporate Strategy

# GGI Framework - Activities

- **Activities** have the following structure:
  - Description
  - Opportunity Assessment
  - Progress Assessment
  - Recommendations
  - Tools & Resources
- Activities are meant as templates, and need to be translated to the local context through **Scorecards**, which enable **full adaptation**.

The screenshot shows a digital scorecard for a 'Culture Goal'. It lists five activities with their respective roles and progress status:

- Contribute to open source projects**: Roles: Developer, Done, Team Leader. ID: #162
- Belong to the open source community**: Roles: Decision Maker, In Progress, Team Leader. ID: #163
- HR perspective**: Roles: Decision Maker, In Progress. ID: #164
- Promote open source development best practices**: Roles: Developer, Not Started, Team Leader. ID: #186
- Contribute to open source projects**: Roles: Developer, Not Started, Team Leader. ID: #187

# GGI Methodology - Scorecards

## Scorecards

To describe and assess how each activity is implemented in a company.

Two flavours:

- Full detailed document
- Light version, integrated to the GGI Board

OW2 OSS Good Governance Initiative		THE GOOD EXAMPLE COMPANY		Customized Activity Scorecard	
<b>Goal / Activity</b>	Culture 1	Promote open source development best practices		Last update: 07/28/21	
<b>Customized Description</b> Scope of what has to be done within the company. Actively promoting and implementing OSS best practices for THE GOOD EXAMPLE COMPANY promoting open source development best practices means ensuring best practices in team Alpha first. • We can start by trying to adopt open source best practices from OW2 MRL OMM Form • We can also start by concentrating on Documentation for Developers, third-party contributions.		<b>Opportunity Assessment</b> Why is this activity relevant? • We claim to be developing open source software but lack excellence in how to make the project properly open. As a result our open source software attracts no downloads nor third party contributors • Particular needs on Documentation and Licenses@ • It doesn't make it easy to promote the project on the open source scene. • Once we have done the job with team Alpha it will serve as an example for the rest of the IT department.			
<b>Objectives</b> What we aim to achieve in this iteration • Implement state-of-art Licenses and Documentation first in our project AAA. • Improve our score on OW2 OMM		<b>Tools</b> Technologies, tools and products used in the Activity • We will work with REUSE in a first stage to add licenses on all files: <a href="#">https://reuse.software</a> • Check GitHub guidance at: "Insights" > "Community", • Check the Eclipse XXX project for example as a benchmark.		<b>Operational Notes</b> Approach, method to progress in the Activity • Proceed with internal training of Team AAA using existing expertise • Regular updates at weekly meetings	
<b>Key Result</b> How we will measure success in this iteration			<b>Progress</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Personal Assessment</b>
1. All project AAA files have proper licenses.			70%	.9	We are almost done here
2. Documentation is restructured and completed			30%	.5	Progressing but slow
3. Information on how to contribute to the project is clearly formulated and displayed			50%	.5	We now have a clear way to complete this
4. We improve the MRL score			0%	.0	
				.475	
<b>Timeline</b> Start-End dates, Milestones • To be completed by end December 2021		<b>Efforts</b> Time and material budget • 1/2 Day per week over the next three months		<b>Assignees</b> Who participates? Leads? • XX to prepare internal presentation	
<b>Issues</b> Difficulties, uncertainties, roadblocks, points of attention, Dependencies • This Activity depends on significant progress made on Activity XX			<b>Status</b> How the Activity is doing • As of [DATE] the Activity is on hold, waiting for Activity XX		
			<b>Overall Progress Rating</b>		50%
<b>Notes</b> Need to check progress on Activity XX so as to unlock progress on this Activity.					

## Scorecard

▼ Click to expand

### Customized description

Scope of what has to be done.

### Opportunity assessment

Why is this activity relevant?

### Objectives

What we aim to achieve in this iteration.

### Tools

Technologies, tools and products used in the Activity.

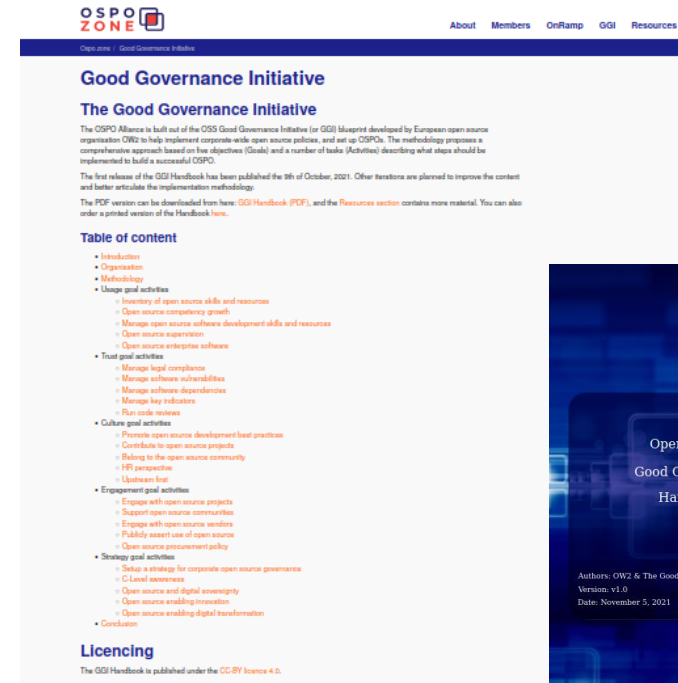
### Operational Notes

Approach, method to progress in the Activity



## The GGI Handbook comes as a Website and Book

- Under the CC-BY licence 4.0.
- Hard copies are available for [purchase](#)
- Translated into German, and being translated into French, Portuguese, Italian and Spanish
- Openly developed on Git repositories



**OSPO ZONE** About Members OnRamp GGI Resources

### Good Governance Initiative

#### The Good Governance Initiative

The OSPO Alliance is built out of the OSS Good Governance Initiative (or GGI) blueprint developed by European open source organisation OW2 to help implement corporate-wide open source policies, and set up OSPOs. The methodology proposes a comprehensive approach based on five objectives (Goals) and a number of tasks (Activities) describing what steps should be implemented to build a successful OSPO.

The first release of the GGI Handbook has been published the 9th of October, 2021. Other iterations are planned to improve the content and better articulate the implementation methodology.

The PDF version can be downloaded from here: [GGI Handbook \(PDF\)](#), and the [Resources section](#) contains more material. You can also order a printed version of the Handbook [here](#).

#### Table of content

- Introduction
- Organization
- Methodology
- Usage goal activities
  - Inventory of open source skills and resources
    - Open source competency growth
    - Manage open source software development skills and resources
    - Open source supervision
    - Open source enterprise software
- Trust goal activities
  - Manage legal compliance
  - Manage software vulnerabilities
  - Manage software dependencies
  - Manage key indicators
  - Plan code reviews
- Culture goal activities
  - Promote open source development best practices
  - Contribute to open source projects
  - Belong to the open source community
  - HR perspective
  - Customer level
- Engagement goal activities
  - Engage with open source projects
  - Support open source communities
  - Engage with open source vendors
  - Publicly assert use of open source
  - Open source procurement policy
- Strategy goal activities
  - Setup a strategy for corporate open source governance
    - C-Level awareness
    - Open source and digital sovereignty
    - Open source enabling innovation
    - Open source enabling digital transformation
- Conclusion

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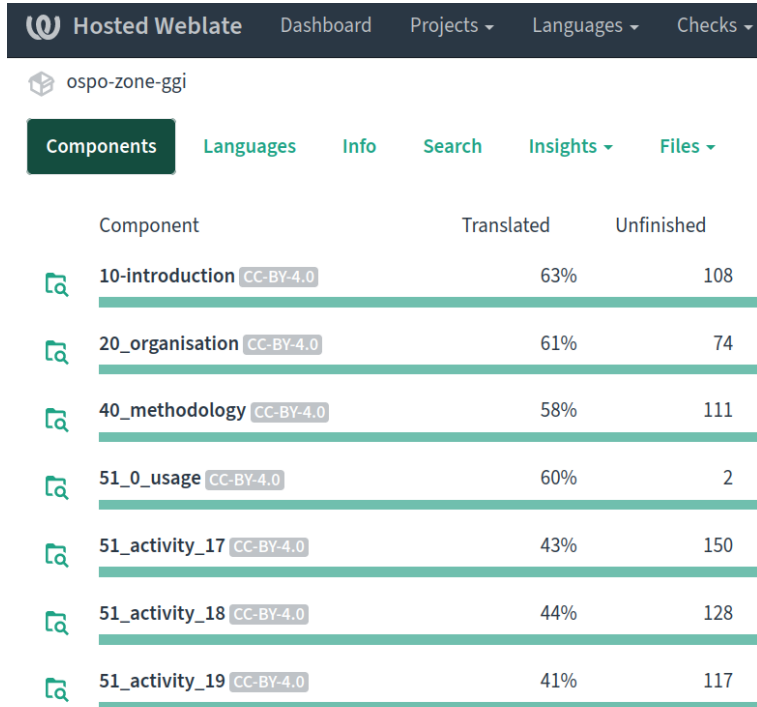
# GGI – Translations Principles & Tools

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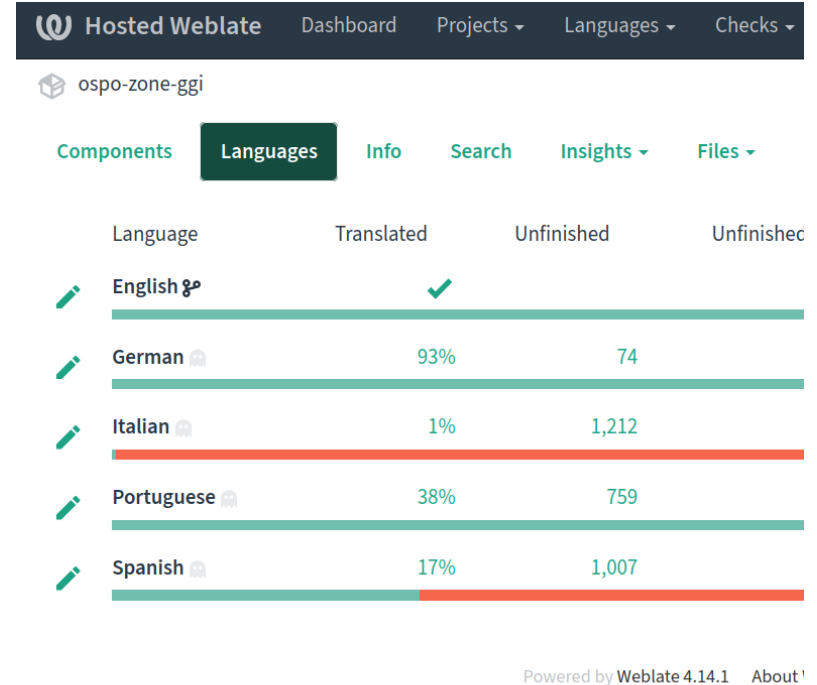
- A libre (GNU GPLv3) translation software
- Free service hosting for open source projects
- Used for 2,500+ libre software projects and companies in over 165 countries (eg. Debian Handbook, LibreOffice, OpenSuse, F-Droid)
- Allows anyone to suggest new translations
- Linked with GitLab repository
- Easy to interface through local Bash scripts

# GGI –Translations Principles & Tools

## GGI Handbook Project on Weblate web site



## Languages and progression of translated text



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## A GitLab Board to kick-start GGI Implementation

### Simple setup :

- 1) Fork repository
- 2) Create API token
- 3) Add it in CI/CD variable
- 4) Initial run of pipeline

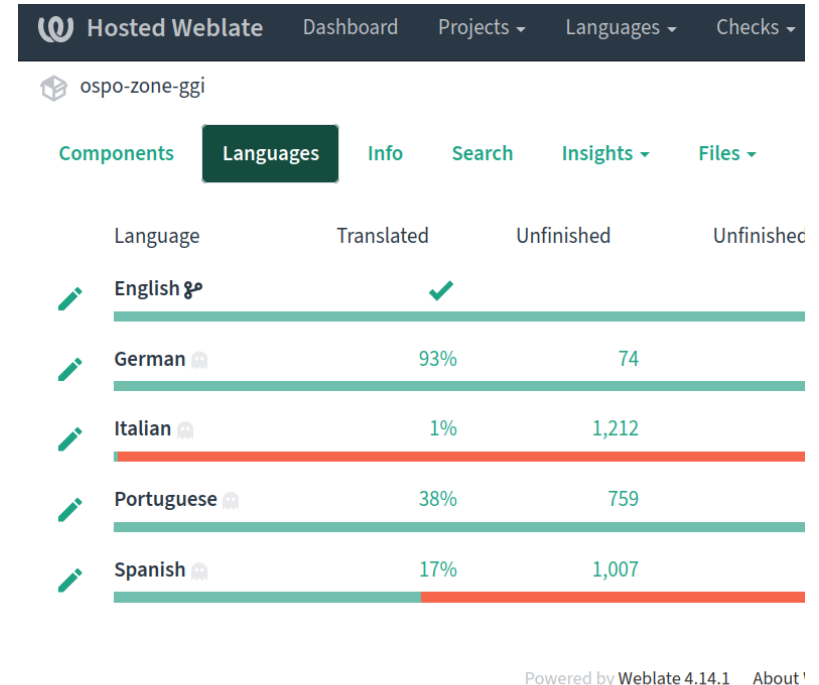
### What you get :

- 1) A space to track the implementation of the Activities
- 2) One Issue / Activity with Role, Status and Goal labels
- 3) A GitLab Board to organise Activities
- 4) A Web Dashboard to track and share your progression
- 5) A nightly Pipeline to refresh the Dashboard

# GGI v1.1 - Translations

Translations of the Handbook are available!

- We are using Weblate (an OSS project) to crowdsource the translations.
- **German and French versions already available**, with others on their way: Portuguese, Spanish, Italian.
- And more to come!



# GGI – My GGI Board

## GitLab Board with Activities

The screenshot displays a GitLab Board interface for 'My GGI Board Demo'. The board is organized into five columns, each representing a goal: Usage Goal, Trust Goal, Culture Goal, Engagement Goal, and Strategy Goal. Each goal column contains a list of activities with their status (e.g., Not Started, In Progress, Done) and assigned team members (e.g., Team Leader, Decision Maker). The left sidebar shows navigation options like Project information, Repository, Issues, and Boards. The top navigation bar includes a search bar and user profile information.

## Dashboard website

My Good Governance Initiative Dashboard My Board

### My Dashboard

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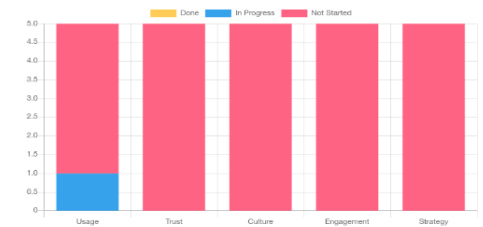
### General progress

Activities:

- 24 activities **not\_started**
- 1 activities **in\_progress**
- 0 activities **done**



### Goals



# GGI v1.1 - Deployment

- Easy to deploy: 10mn setup on any GitLab instance.
- Provides complete access to all GGI features: activities, boards, and a customized dashboard to track and share progress.

The screenshot displays the GGI dashboard interface. On the left is a sidebar menu with categories like Project information, Repository, Issues (25), Boards, Service Desk, Milestones, Merge requests (0), CI/CD, Security & Compliance, Deployments, Packages and registries, Infrastructure, Monitor, Analytics, and Settings. The main area shows a search bar for 'GGI Activities/Go...' and a grid of goal cards. Each card has a title, a status bar (e.g., 'Developer', 'In Progress', 'Team Leader'), and a number. The cards include: 'Inventory of open source skills and resources' (#1), 'Open source competency growth' (#2), 'Open source supervision' (#3), 'Open source enterprise software' (#4), 'Manage legal compliance' (#6), 'Manage software vulnerabilities' (#7), 'Manage software dependencies' (#8), 'Manage key indicators' (#9), 'Promote open source development best practices' (#11), 'Contribute to open source projects' (#12), 'Belong to the open source community' (#13), and 'HR perspective' (#14).

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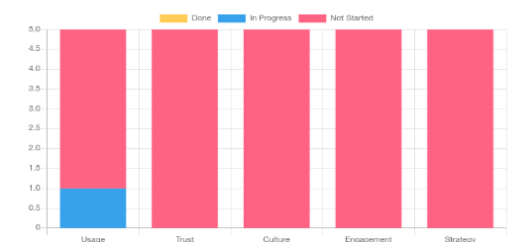
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### General progress



### Goals



# The OSPO Alliance



- Launched in 2021 by **European nonprofit organizations** to promote an approach to **excellence in open source software management**.
- **Governed by open source principles:** open, collaborative, meritocratic. Everybody is welcome, and we respect members privacy (no collection of details, no spamming).
- Provides:
  - The OSPO Alliance website and community mailing list.
  - The OSPO OnRamp monthly webinars.
  - The Good Governance Initiative and its associated resources.
- Yearly releases: v1.0 (Nov 2021), v1.1 (Nov 2022)



# Who?

The **OSPO Alliance** in a few words:

- A **vendor-neutral** space, founded by European nonprofit organizations.
- **Participation is open to all.**
- **Low barrier:**  
No fees, no commitment.  
Just a statement of support.

Our members include **organizations of all sizes & types**: SMEs and large companies, academics, administrations.

## Founders



## Supporters



## The OSPO Alliance : Action & Collaboration

Organisations join<sup>(1)</sup> the OSPO Alliance to exchange and learn about the basics on how to set up an OSPO and get started into open source.

[OnRamp meetings](#): 90 minutes, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 10:30 to 12:00

Two moments :

Presentations to share experiences, lessons learned  
– recorded sessions

Openly share and discuss challenges, problems or other topics around establishing Open Source in your organisation  
– Chatham House Rules, not recorded.

(1) Only a signature of a statement of support required

## OSPO Alliance & OnRamp meetings

- Visit the OSPO Alliance page : <https://ospo.zone/contribute/>
- Subscribe to mailing list: <https://accounts.eclipse.org/mailling-list/ospo.zone>

## Good Governance Initiative

- Visit main page: [https://www.ow2.org/view/OSS\\_Governance/](https://www.ow2.org/view/OSS_Governance/)
- Subscribe to dedicated mailing list: <https://mail.ow2.org/www/info/ossgovernance>
- Visit the GitLab GGI project: <https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi>

# GGI - Contributing

## We are open!

All of our work is public and accessible, and we welcome contributions.

- OSPO Alliance website: <https://ospo-alliance.org>
- GGI Workplace: <https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi>
- Mailing lists:
  - OSPO Alliance: [ospo.zone@eclipse.org](mailto:ospo.zone@eclipse.org)
  - GGI: [oss-governance@ow2.org](mailto:oss-governance@ow2.org)
- Contributing guide: <https://gitlab.ow2.org/ggi/ggi/-/blob/main/CONTRIBUTING.md>

# GGI Features & Roadmap

The GGI Handbook has received an enthusiastic reception.

- It has **already been deployed** at various organizations (corps, administrations).
- **Feedback is great.** We want to continue improving its content and dissemination.

Possible next steps for the roadmap:

- Improving and enriching the handbook with more, and better content.
- More translations, Better deployment on multiple platforms.
- Lack of measurement:
  - Integration of metrics to better track progress and success!

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THANK YOU!

