

EOLE (European Open source & free software Law Event)

International annual conference cycle, the European Open Source & Free Software Law Event (EOLE) aims to promote the share and dissemination of legal knowledge related to free software, as well as the development and promotion of good practices.

Initiative born in 2008 from practitioners' needs, EOLE has for purpose to develop a legal doctrine dedicated to open models, with particular attention to the dissemination of neutral and qualitative information.

13th Edition

Legal aspects of free software in public administrations : hands on

10 years on, we are back in Torino to discuss about the same topic: Free software in public administrations.

For a long time, Free and Open Source Software has been more a "potential" rather than a reality in Public Administration, dominated by large private sector IT contracts. Although internally many administrations have been using free and open source software quite happily, and in fact quite a lot of software has been released by administrations such as ESA, NASA, CERN, and several national and local governments. In the last few years, however, Public Administrations around the world have really started to take FOSS seriously on a formal basis, with significant initiatives (such as laws fostering free software adoption or distribution by Public Administrations, and the EU "Join-Up" programme).

Even more important, things start to happen practically, through the administrations' own software projects being opened to the public, tenders where FOSS has been mandated or given a preference, and the building of competence centres focussing on technical, organisational and legal aspects of creating, implementing and managing public IT systems based on free and open source software.

This year's EOLE conference, held in association with CSI Piemonte, in the frame of Merge-IT, in Torino on 2nd April 2020, will **focus on the current legal issues of creating and using free and open source software in public administration, from a practical perspective** :

- what is really being done in practice,
- what legal issues are posing challenges,
- how are these being dealt with,
- what are the practical recommendations for administrations and other stakeholders (open source projects and private sector) for promoting FOSS as an efficient, trusted and legitimate solution.

The call for proposal is opened until March 1st

A few examples of subjects covered by this year's thematic :

- free and open source software in public tenders and bids and public contracts
- licensing of public administration code
- legal structures and processes for sustaining public FOSS projects and communities around them
- public sector collaborations around FOSS projects
- open source and research centers & Open Science
- warranties and liability for the public sector, using or distributing free and open source software
- legal skills for FOSS competence centres and training for the public sector

Interested by sharing your experience, a practical case or by proposing a workshop ?

Submit your project

What you need to know

The program of the event is under elaboration and will be published following the end of the call for proposal.

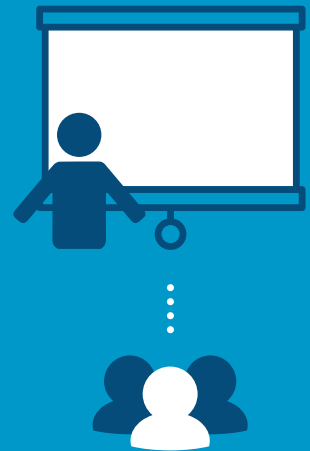
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Culture & digital freedom

This year, EOLE is organized in association with the event Merge-it : four days of talks, workshops and meetings around 3 main topics : Public Administration, Company & Community



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Turin

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