

Finding a home for OpenAMP

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Goals

- > **Create a vendor neutral ground for collaboration among different companies and individuals**
- > **Formalize the structure and jointly to decide how formal do we need to be**
- > **Define the project leadership structure, its responsibilities, and transparent processes to join the leadership team**

Current Status

- > **No governance**
- > **No mailing lists**
 - >> It should not be owned by any one company
- > **No CI loop and testing infrastructure**
 - >> Same as the mailing list: it shouldn't be owned by any one company
 - >> Lava CI provides just an infrastructure
- > **No financial support possible**
 - >> Not possible to expense anything on behalf of the project
 - Example: TravisCI, conference venues, internships, mailing list, web site
 - >> Members cannot help the project by donating money to it
- > **No easy way for non-Linaro members to participate**

Leadership Team and Project Governance

- > **Responsible for the overall oversight and coordination efforts**
- > **Establish transparent procedures to:**
 - >> join the leadership team
 - >> add or remove maintainers
 - contributor – anyone who contributes code, documentation or any other technical effort
 - maintainer – contributor who has the ability to accept code and docs changes
 - >> define a release process
 - >> define a security process
- > **Budget planning**
 - >> do we need a budget for OpenAMP?
- > **Coordinating events and marketing**
 - >> do we need it?
- > **Code of Conduct**

Linaro community division

> Offers

- >> Code hosting, wiki, docs hosting, authentication, code reviews, tracker, front page website, mailing list, IRC

> Pros

- >> Many are already familiar with it
- >> It covers all our needs

> Cons

- >> More expensive than other options
- >> Tied to the services it offers
- >> \$2.5K per annum fee per company
- >> additional \$5K – \$80K for project resources

> Example projects

- >> DeviceTree.org
- >> ARM Trusted Firmware

Software Freedom Conservancy

A not-for-profit charity that helps promote, improve, develop, and defend Free, Libre, and Open Source Software projects

> Offers

- >> Limited (some form of) legal and financial management for the open source project
- >> Help in writing governance documents for a vendor-neutral project

> Pros

- >> Cheaper, as cheap as '0'
- >> Project governance, legal and open-source finance experts
- >> Bring your own services: code hosting, wiki, website all up to us
- >> Tax free donations

> Cons

- >> Tax free donations
- >> Cost: 10% of donations

> Example Projects:

- >> QEMU
- >> CircleCI

Detailed break down

| resources | projects | Linaro community division | Software Freedom Conservancy |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Face to face meetings | | Linaro members can use Linaro connect | TBD |
| Other Services? | | \$5K - \$80K | TBD |
| Membership | | \$2.5K per company | \$10% of donations |
| Intangibles: visibility, social media | | \$5K | TBD |
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Conclusion

- > **Decide how formal we want to be**
 - >> budget?
 - >> legal entity?

- > **Choose right option based on above:**
 - >> More comprehensive services -> Linaro (bigger budget, legal entity)
 - >> Fewer, targeted services -> Software Freedom Conservancy (smaller budget, legal entity)
 - >> ~~Minimal services -> Lightweight solution (no budget, no legal entity)~~

Backup

Linux Foundation

> We reached out but have never heard back

Lightweight, no foundation solution

- > Continue with current settings
 - >> use free resources as much as possible
 - >> reuse anything Linaro can offer
- > Create our own project governance
- > Establish leadership team
- > **Pros**
 - >> cheap
 - >> bring your own free services: code hosting, wiki, website all up to us
- > **Cons**
 - >> hard for non-Linaro members to participate
 - >> no legal entity
 - >> reliance on existing corporate resources
 - >> no budget
 - >> what about mailing list and CI loop?