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About the European Open Source Academy

The European Open Source Academy (EOSA) was established to unite distinguished individuals and organisations who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to advancing Open Source Software and Hardware across Europe. By recognising and celebrating excellence, the Academy serves as a platform for thought leadership, policy engagement, and community development in the Open Source Software and Hardware domains.

The Academy's mission is centred on Public Recognition, elevating and acknowledging outstanding contributions to Open Source Software and Hardware through a transparent, merit-based selection process led by its Members. The Academy promotes excellence, fosters collaboration, and advocates for the societal and economic value of open technologies, playing a central role in fostering recognition, impact, and visibility for Europe's open source leaders across industry, policy, and society.

In its work, the Academy pursues four strategic goals:

- **Excellence and Achievement:** Celebrating outstanding contributions within the European Open Source Software and Hardware communities.
- **Business and Impact:** Supporting entrepreneurship and sustainable ecosystems grounded in Open Source Software and Hardware principles.
- **Advocacy and Awareness:** Representing European interests in global Open Source Software and Hardware dialogue and policy.
- **Skills and Education:** Empowering future generations through education, training, and outreach around Open Source Software and Hardware.



EOSA Partner Community

The Academy and its Partner Community advance shared interests, build the open source community, and collaborate on activities of shared interest. Becoming part of the EOSA Partner Community allows interested organisations to contribute to and support its activities on an ongoing basis.

There are two types of Academy Partners: Subscribers and Knowledge Partners.

Subscribers

Subscribers are for-profit and commercial organisations who work with EOSA on projects of mutual interest. Specific touch points for collaboration will be defined jointly in a Subscriber agreement. Subscribers are acknowledged through:

- Invitations to the biannual EOSA Partner Forum, and any additional EOSA Partner related events.
- Inclusion on the EOSA Partner mailing list.
- Logo visibility in all online and print communications related to the EOSA.
- Invitations to presentations by Academy members, subject to availability and topic.
- A free subscription to the EOSA magazine.
- EOSA communications, publications, and events, underscoring their role in sustaining and strengthening the open source ecosystem.

Knowledge Partners

Knowledge Partners are academic, non-profit, public interest, and civil society organisations who support its activities while gaining valuable engagement opportunities with Europe's leading open source community. Knowledge Partners are acknowledged through:

- Invitations to the biannual EOSA Partner Forum, and any additional EOSA Partner related events.
- Inclusion on the EOSA Partner mailing list.
- Being featured on the EOSA Website.

Reach out to partnership@europeanopensource.academy for more information.

Subscriber Tiers

Bronze - €2,500/year

Includes all other benefits prescribed in the general terms, as well as:

- One (1) guaranteed invitation to the European Open Source Awards
- One (1) dedicated social media post on a topic of joint interest (lower-effort format, e.g., a highlight or short insight)
- One (1) joint content piece co-produced with the partner – e.g., Q&A, short interview, or editorial format – featured across Academy channels
- Feature in the Academy's ongoing sponsor series

Silver - €5,000/year

Includes all other benefits prescribed in the general terms, as well as:

- Two (2) guaranteed invitations to the European Open Source Awards
- Two (2) dedicated social media posts per year (more developed format)
- Two (2) joint content pieces co-produced with the partner – e.g., Q&A, short interview, or editorial – featured across Academy channels
- Feature in the Academy's ongoing sponsor series
- Expanded content collaboration opportunities

Gold – €10,000/year

Includes all other benefits prescribed in the general terms, as well as:

- Three (3) guaranteed invitations to the European Open Source Awards
- Four (4) dedicated social media features across all active Academy channels
- Three (3) joint content pieces co-produced with the partner – e.g., Q&A, short interview, or editorial – featured across Academy channels
- Feature in the Academy's ongoing sponsor series
- Expanded content collaboration opportunities
- Dedicated long-form interview with joint promotion on all channels
- Priority placement in the “EOSA Magazine”

EOSA Partner Forums

The biannual EOSA Partner Forums provide opportunities to discuss potential strategies and actions, convening leading voices on open source policy and strategy in Europe, including representatives from the **European Commission**. EOSA Partner Forums are structured dialogue spaces where European Open Source Academy members and partners convene to exchange insights, align on shared priorities, and shape the strategic direction of open source education and policy across Europe. (Note: EOSA is not a trade association. Being a Partner does not grant any influence over the Academy's governance, awards, or membership.)



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