

Donating a project to LF AI

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 LF AI

Value Proposition to Projects



<https://lfai.foundation/blog/2019/10/10/a-guide-to-hosting-your-project-in-lf-ai/>

Technical Advisory Committee

- › The TAC serves a coordination role:
 - › Votes on approving new projects joining LF AI, as well as on promoting projects from incubation to graduation
 - › Facilitates communication and fosters collaboration across hosted technical projects
 - › Communicates needs and requirements of the projects to the Governing Board
 - › Onboards new projects, assists in progression of existing projects, and reviews projects annually
 - › Defines and maintains the technical vision for the LF AI Foundation
 - › Creates a conceptual architecture for the projects, aligning projects, promoting, removing or archiving projects
 - › Defines common practices to be implemented across LF AI projects
- › Meetings via conference calls take place every 2 weeks, are recorded and open to the general public
 - › <https://wiki.lfai.foundation/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=7733341>

LF AI Project Maturities

Incubation

Projects join LF AI as incubation by meeting the requirements set forth in the “Project Process and Lifecycle Document”.

TAC Vote

Graduation

Incubation requirements

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Additional requirements as set in the “Project Process Lifecycle Document”.

TAC Vote + GB Vote

Emerituis

Emeritus projects are projects which the maintainers feel have reached or are nearing end-of-life. Emeritus projects have contributed to the ecosystem, but are not necessarily recommended for modern development as there may be more actively maintained choices.

TAC Vote + GB Vote

Reference: [LF AI Project Process and Lifecycle](#)

TAC sponsor
TAC affirmative vote



Incubating

- › The Incubation Stage is designated for new or early-stage projects that are aligned with the LF AI mission and require help to foster adoption and contribution in order to sustain and grow the project

Acceptance Criteria - Incubation

1. Fits within the mission and scope of LF AI
2. Be supported by an LF AI member
3. Licensed under an OSI-approved open source license
4. No dependencies on code licensed under proprietary or non OSI-approved license
5. Submits a completed Project Contribution Proposal + presentation to the TAC
6. Has a neutral governance that allows anyone to participate in the technical community
7. Agrees to transfer any relevant trademarks and projects accounts to The Linux Foundation
8. Receives the affirmative vote of the TAC



- › The Graduation Stage is designated for projects that are aligned with the LF AI mission and have achieved significant growth of contributors and adopters, are important to the ecosystem, and are eligible for foundational financial support.

Acceptance Criteria - Graduation

In addition to the Incubation stage requirements, the project must meet these requirements:

1. Have a healthy number of committers from at least two organizations
2. Have achieved and maintained a Core Infrastructure Initiative Best Practices Badge
3. Demonstrated a substantial ongoing flow of commits and merged contributions
4. Documented current project owners and current and emeritus committers in OWNERS.md and COMMITTERS.md files; copy of the project's charter (or other governance document) shall be included or linked to in a GOVERNANCE.md or in a similar file
5. Have identified collaboration opportunities with other LF AI hosted projects
6. Received the two-thirds vote of the TAC and the affirmative vote of the GB

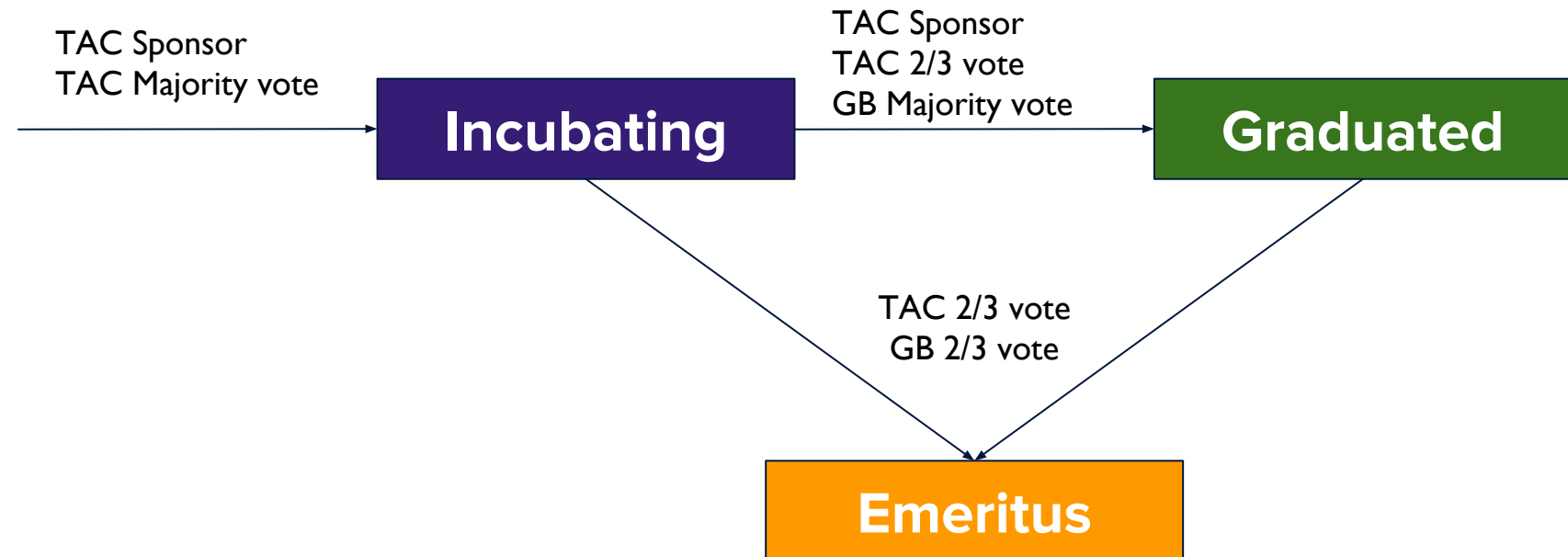
Transitioning from Incubation to Graduation

- › The TAC will undertake an annual review of all projects
- › Projects in the Incubation Stage are generally expected to move to Graduation within 12-18 months following an evaluation by the TAC committee
- › Projects can be provided with an extension of time in their stage (up to the discretion of the TAC)

Project Lifecycle

Any project may be moved to Emeritus stage provided that the transition has secured:

- › TAC affirmative $\frac{2}{3}$ vote
- › GB affirmative $\frac{2}{3}$ vote



Joining LF AI Foundation is easy!

Web site: <https://lfai.foundation>
Landscape: <https://l.lfai.foundation>
GitHub: <https://github.com/lfai>
Wiki: <https://wiki.lfai.foundation/>
[LF AI Project Process and Lifecycle](#)