Open Source for First Timers

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Cloud Native Computing Foundation

Nonprofit, part of the Linux Foundation; founded Dec 2015

Graduated







Service Proxy









Incubating

















Messaging





Management







Platinum members:





































Agenda

1. How do you get into open source?

2. How do you get paid to work on open source?

3. What should you watch out for?



What is open source software?

Software where source code is made freely available and may be redistributed and modified.

Contributing helps you improve your skills, grow your public reputation, and be part of a community.



How do you get into open source?



Unscientific poll

Meeting people in university lab, meetups, conferences, online

On the job

Dumping personal projects



Ways to contribute

- Run events
- Speak
- Help people
- Help people to code

- Design
- Code
- Write
- Organize

https://opensource.guide/how-to-contribute/



Meetups - Cloud Native London



Cloud Native Computing Foundation (CNCF)
46 countries • 177 groups • 99500 members







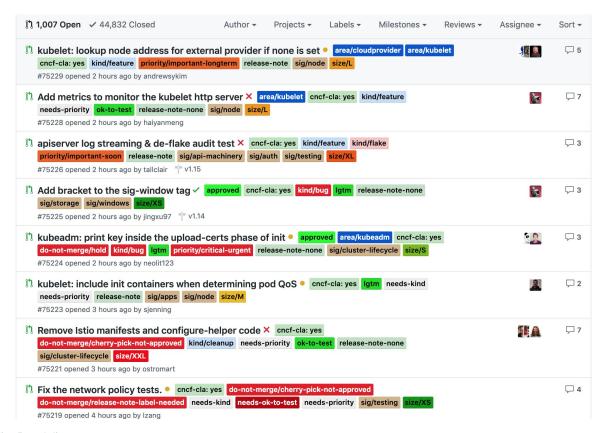
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Kubernetes pull requests





Building your career in tech

Exploit 1-2 dimensions, explore 1-2.

Role

Communication methods

Technology

Domain

https://medium.com/@gwenshapira/building-a-career-exploring-vs-exploiting-eee071408c24



Find your speciality - then do more of it





How do you paid to work on open source?



Understand the incentives

1. Building company brand

2. Recruiting

3. Open source projects in line with company strategy



If your company doesn't support OS contributions

Go elsewhere

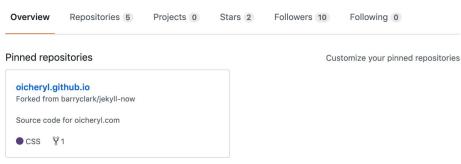
Crowdfunding, sponsorship or grants

Start your own company

https://opensource.guide/getting-paid/

Be visible!





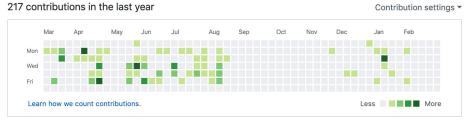
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What should you watch out for?



Pitfalls

 A lot of unspoken rules in open source and on Github

High barrier to entry and inertia in large projects

Very few independent maintainers



Solution: Find a sponsor



https://inclusion.slac.stanford.edu/sites/inclusion.slac.stanford.edu/files/The_Key_Role_of_a_S ponsorship_for_Diverse_Talent.pdf

Summary

Contribute in ways you are strong at.

 Every community has unspoken rules. Find someone to help you navigate them!



Thanks! Slides at oicheryl.com

