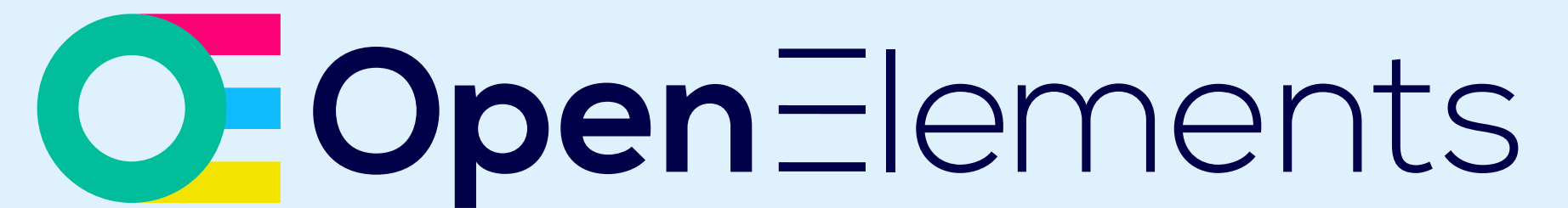# Support & Care

About
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Support & Care by Open Elements helps you to support critical open source software (OSS) and ensure its sustainable, transparent future.

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Open Elements, a German legal entity, advances Open Source sustainably and transparently through collaboration with foundations, universities, and industry partners.

Software Development Today

Custom Code

3rd Party Libraries

- Software projects **heavily rely on Open Source Software (OSS)**

- Around **70%** of a software product's code is OSS — and this share is **growing**

- The individual code of a software product is just the **tip of the iceberg**

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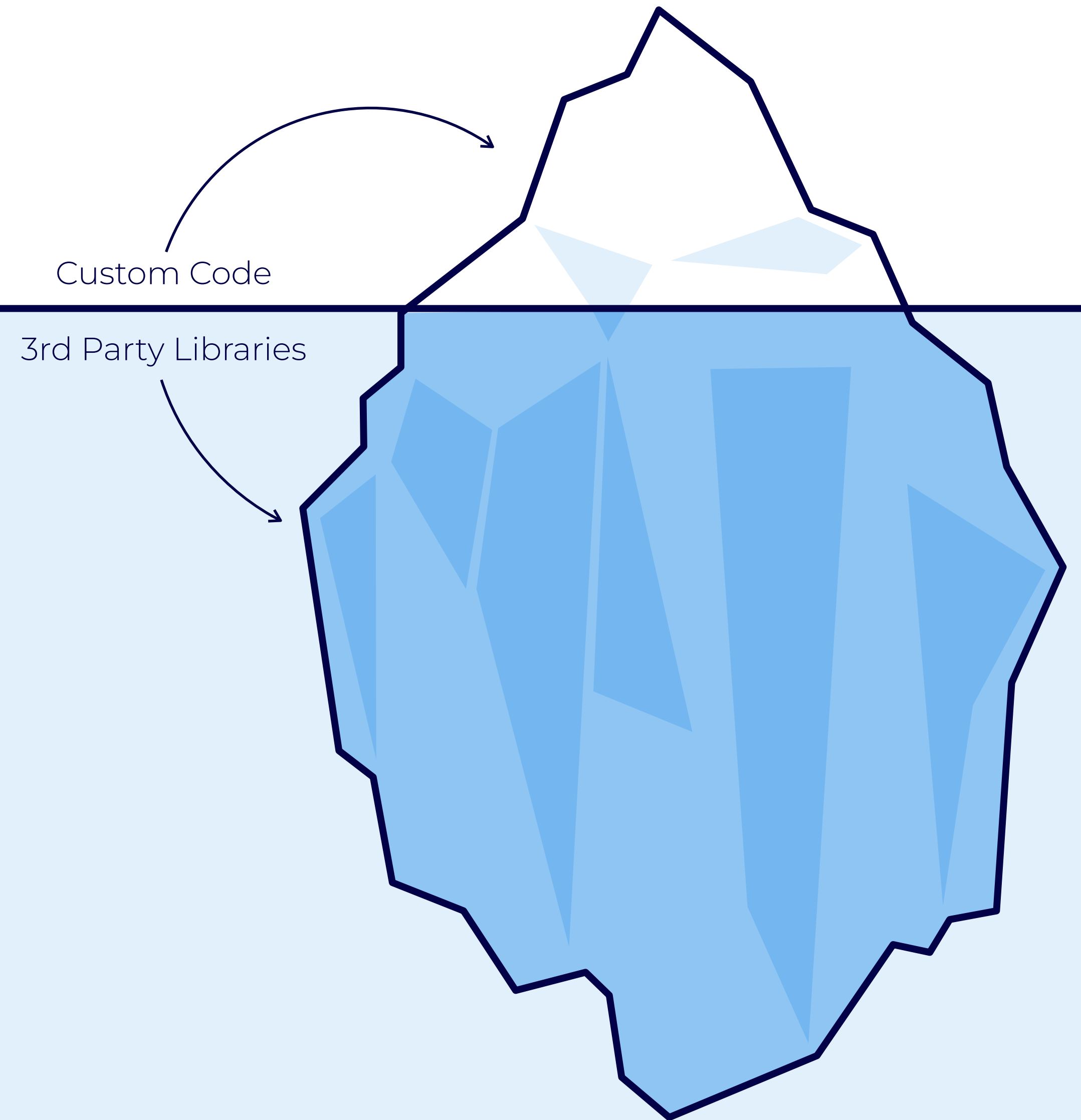
- Around **70%** of a software product **lies beyond direct** control of the maintainer

- Developers frequently **lack visibility** into dependency origins and maintainers

- Many critical software components are **maintained by a single developer** in their free time — far more common than expected.
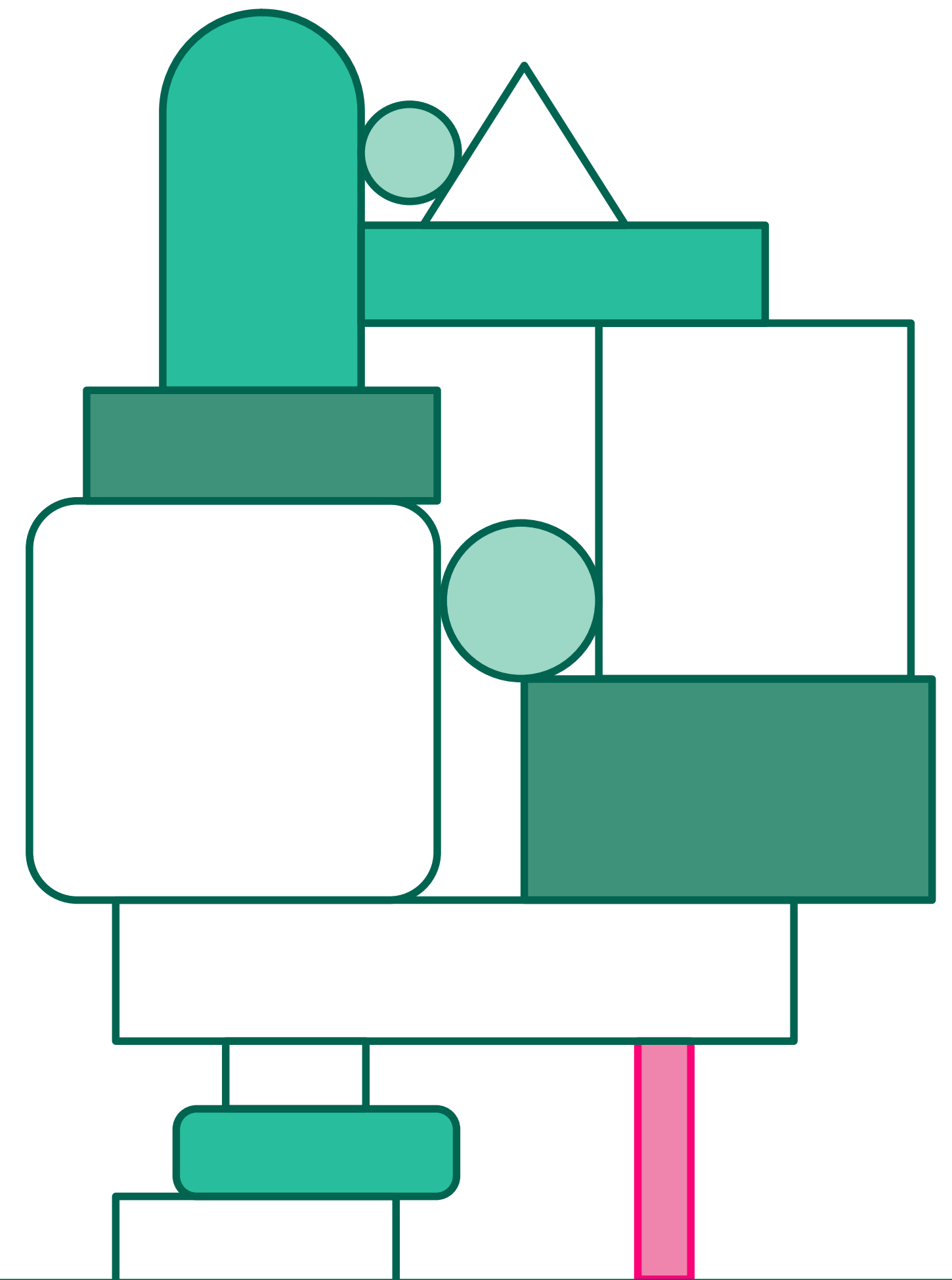
Risk of Software Development Today

"Beware of little expenses.
A small leak will sink a great ship."
Benjamin Franklin

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Open Elements as a Steward for OSS

- Open Source Foundations ensure OSS becomes sustainable, trustworthy, and secure.

- Open Elements is on the Board of the **Eclipse Foundation**, Europe's largest OSS foundation.

- Open Elements is on a Technical Advisory Board of the **Linux Foundation**, the world's largest OSS foundation.

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IBM Microsoft

ADOPTIUM

500M+

Downloads

Despite major partner support, funding of Adoptium remains critical due to its complexity and extensive test/build infrastructure.

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Open Elements @ Apache Maven

~75%

MARKET SHARE

2B+

DOWNLOADS

Top 100

CRITICAL OSS

Open Elements now sponsors and actively contributes to Apache Maven's development.

Essential for compliance with US Executive Order 14028 and the EU Cyber Resilience Act

Previously, no developers worked on Apache Maven full-time.

Support&Care
by OpenElements

Our partners support
OSS by enabling Open Elements to dedicate resources to these projects

Our partners care
about OSS through their contributions to the Support & Care program
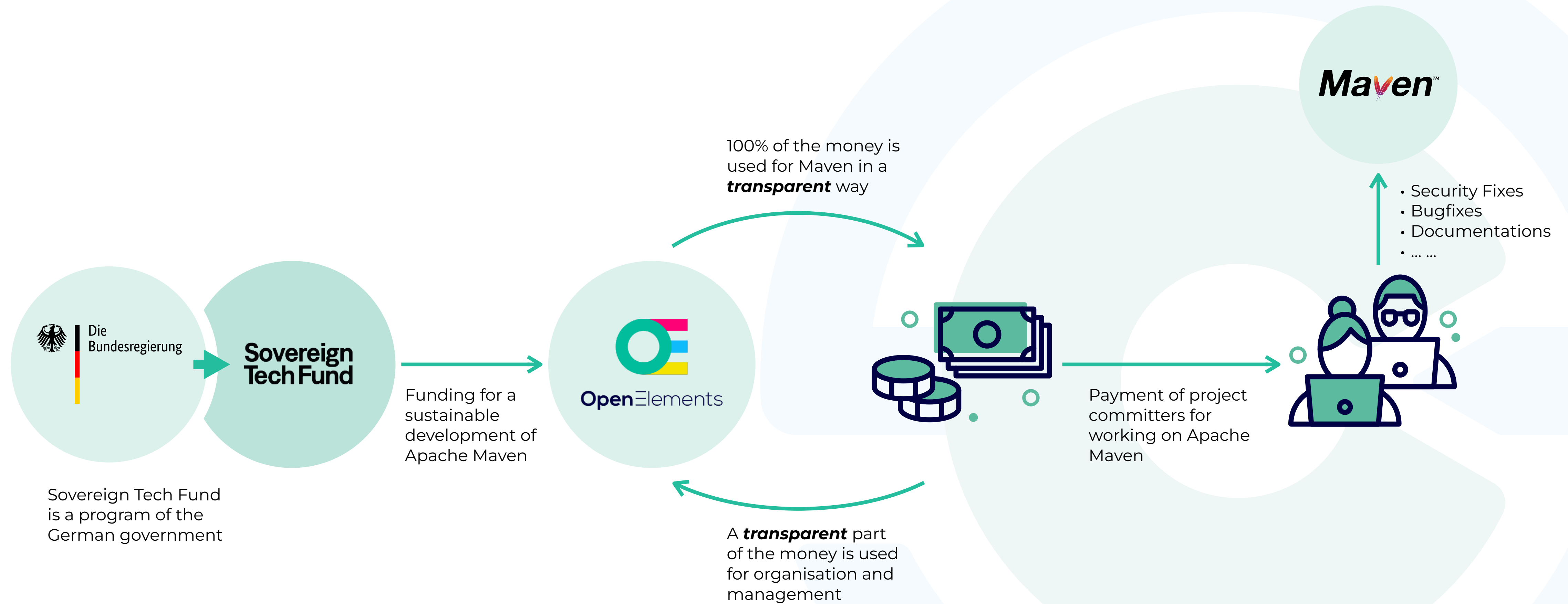
We support
critical OSS by contributing and directly funding maintainers

We care
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Die Bundesregierung

Sovereign Tech Fund

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Maven™

Funding for a sustainable development of Apache Maven

Sovereign Tech Fund is a program of the German government

100% of the money is used for Maven in a *transparent* way

A *transparent* part of the money is used for organisation and management

Payment of project committers for working on Apache Maven

• Security Fixes
• Bugfixes
• Documentations
• ... ...

The Initial Funding of Support & Care

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Less risks
Prepared for the future

Partners encourage
support and care of
Apache Maven

• Long Term Support (LTS) versions
• First hand updates on the projects
• Consulting by experts
• Prioritised issues
• Workshops

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Becoming
a Sustainable Program

What Projects does Support & Care include

Open Elements offers support for two of the **most critical** open source components in the Java Ecosystem

Support Fee is always used for the project.

Support&Care
for Apache Maven™

Support&Care
for Eclipse Temurin™

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Your Benefits of Support & Care

Long Term Support (LTS) for most important versions that let you organize your updates better and do not let you use unsecured and unmaintained versions.

Fast fixes for bugs and information about security issues and updates on the newest versions

Individual workshops and consulting for the products done directly by the committers

***Monthly Webinars*** on updates, the roadmap and important news and individual 1-on-1 Calls

Documentation, Support and Consulting in German and English by experts of the project

Custom builds and tools for the project done directly by the maintainers

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Open Elements enables you to **support** your critical open source dependencies and **care** about the future of those projects in a sustainable and transparent way.
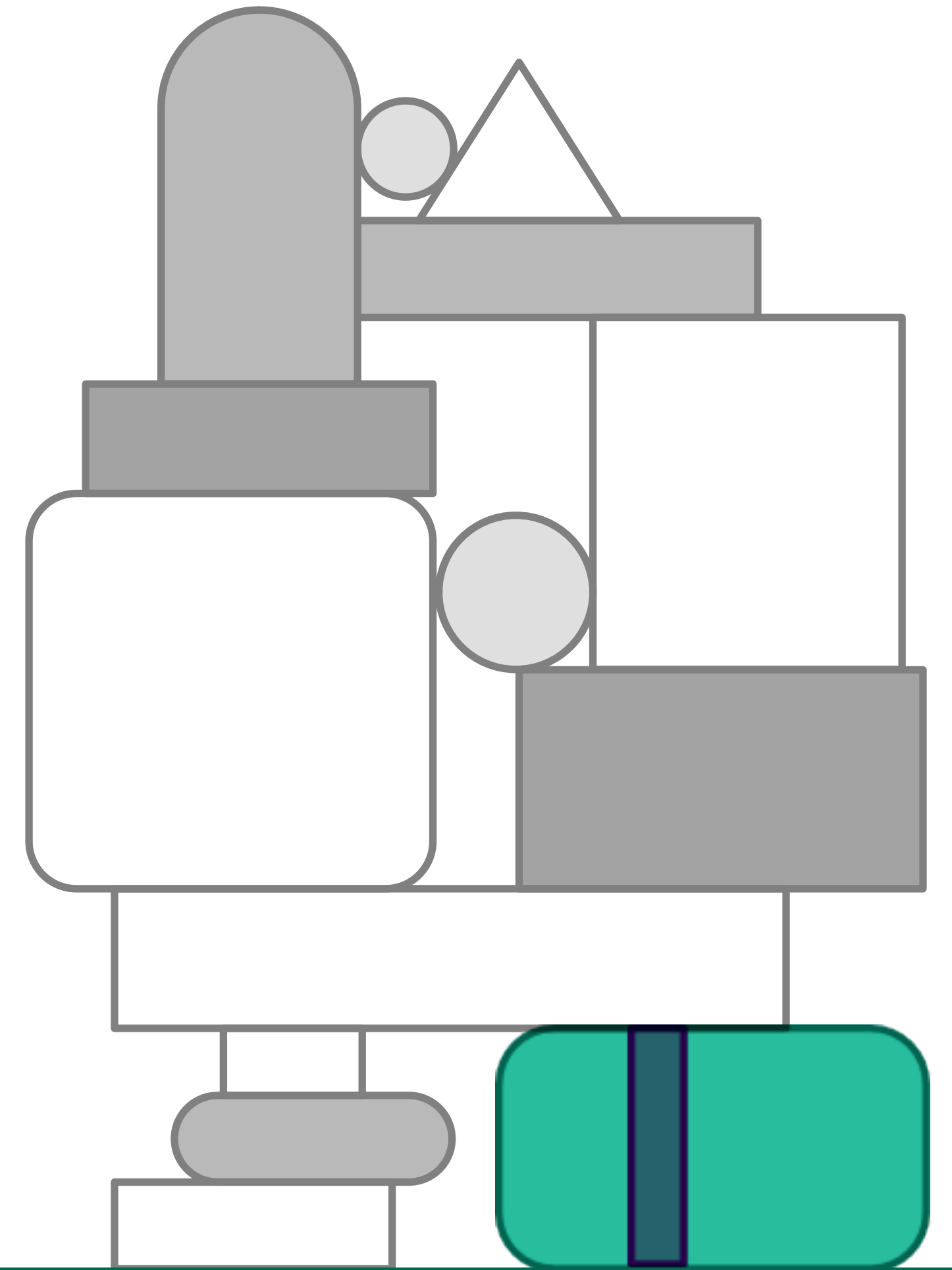
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Our Team,
Your Partners

Founded by Hendrik Ebbers, Open Elements specializes in Open Source and Java.

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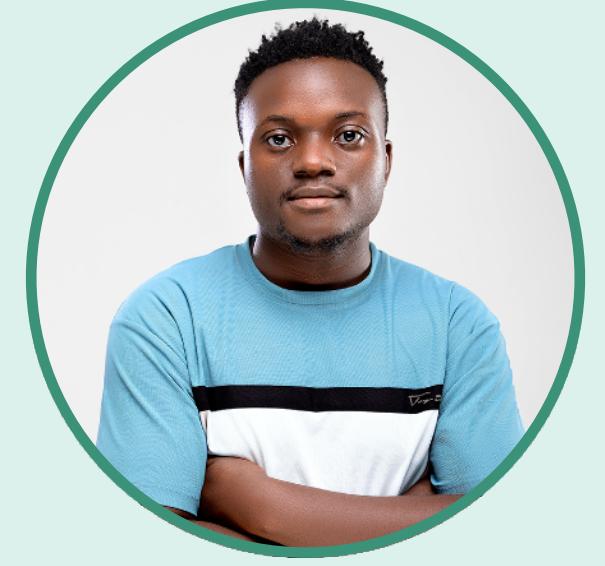
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