

# About openSUSE



## We are..

...the **openSUSE project**. A worldwide effort that promotes the use of Linux everywhere. We create one of the world's best Linux distributions, working together in an open, transparent and friendly manner as part of the worldwide Free and Open Source Software community.

## We want to...

create the world's best Linux distribution and foster the success of Linux and innovation in general. We strive to make our users happy while being open and working transparently together with upstream projects and other communities. Most of all we want to have a lot of fun!

## We value...

openness, transparency, choice, standards and quality. Therefore, Free Software and an open development process. We also value our users and the respect for others and their work.

## Governance

The project is controlled by its community and relies on the contributions of individuals. The project embraces a wide variety of technology, people with different levels of expertise, speaking different languages and having different cultural backgrounds.

The openSUSE community is guided by a common philosophy and organized into many teams that concentrate on different areas of interest within the project.

- The **openSUSE Guiding principles** describe the philosophy that guides openSUSE in all circumstances, irrespective of changes in goals, strategies or people.
- The **openSUSE Board** is the guardian of the *Guiding Principles*. They provide guidance, document decisions and act as a central point of contact within the community and between the Project's sponsors.
- **openSUSE Members** are acknowledged contributors who have brought a continued and substantial contribution to the project. They elect the openSUSE Board and can give their vote on other matters.
- There are numerous **openSUSE Teams** that lead different areas of the project. Each of the teams has their own way of working together.

## Contact

If you are a member of the media and need anything further please contact our media team at [press@opensuse.org](mailto:press@opensuse.org)

We also have a public mailing list where everyone is encouraged to talk about matters of the openSUSE Project. You can write to it at [opensuse-project@opensuse.org](mailto:opensuse-project@opensuse.org)

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