



Open
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The CRA is Here! Now What?

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Agenda

- Welcome Message
- Presentation
- Panel Discussion
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Welcome



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1. CRA Fundamentals: *Why? Who? What? How? When?*
2. CRA innovation: ***full supply chain compliance***
3. How ORC WG steps in

CRA fundamentals

The “Why”

In the European Commission's own words*

“Hardware and software products are increasingly subject to successful cyberattacks, leading to an estimated global annual cost of cybercrime of €5.5 trillion by 2021.”

*Source: <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/cyber-resilience-act>

CRA fundamentals

The “Why”

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*“From baby-monitors to smart-watches, products and software that contain a digital component are **omnipresent in our daily lives**. Less apparent to many users is the **security risk** such products and software may present.”*

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CRA fundamentals

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In the European Commission's own words*

“The Cyber Resilience Act (CRA) aims to safeguard consumers and businesses buying or using products or software with a digital component.”

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CRA fundamentals

The “Who”

“Manufacturers”

Anyone “placing a product” on the European market.

“Open Source Stewards”

Essentially code-hosting foundations.

For-profits can be stewards too if they’re *not monetizing* the project.

Open source maintainers

“Hobbyist” projects aren’t in scope, but any widely adopted project will be *indirectly impacted*.

CRA fundamentals

The “What”

Manufacturers

Cybersecurity risk assessment.

Cybersecurity requirements governing planning, design, development and maintenance **across supply chain** and **throughout product lifecycle.**

Vulnerability management, reporting, and upstreaming of fixes.

Etc.

*Perform due diligence of
open source dependencies!*

CRA fundamentals

The “What”

Open source stewards (*light-touch regime*)
Cybersecurity policy.
Vulnerability handling.

Both

Additional requirements for *important* and *critical* products.

Cooperation with market surveillance authorities.

CRA fundamentals

The “How”

“Harmonized standards”

44(!) standards requested to the European Standards Organisations (ESOs). Provide *presumption of conformity*.

Additional “Implementing Acts”

E.g. to set up an attestation program

Best practices

Formalized best practices help manufacturers perform due diligence

CRA fundamentals

The “When”

CRA

Entry into force: November 11, 2024

Vulnerability reporting: September 11, 2026

All other obligations: December 11, 2027

Harmonized standards

Horizontal (type A): August 30, 2026

Vertical (type C): October 30, 2026

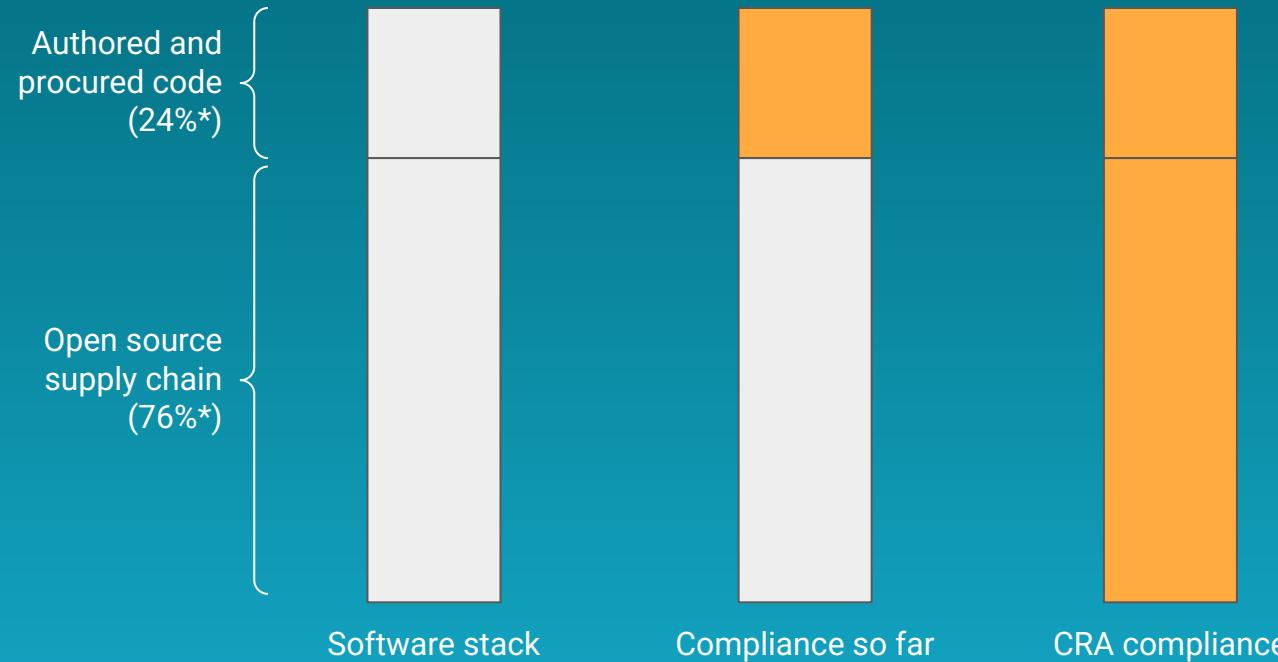
Horizontal (type B): October 30, 2027





***“We know how to do compliance already.
How is this different?”***

CRA innovation: full supply chain compliance



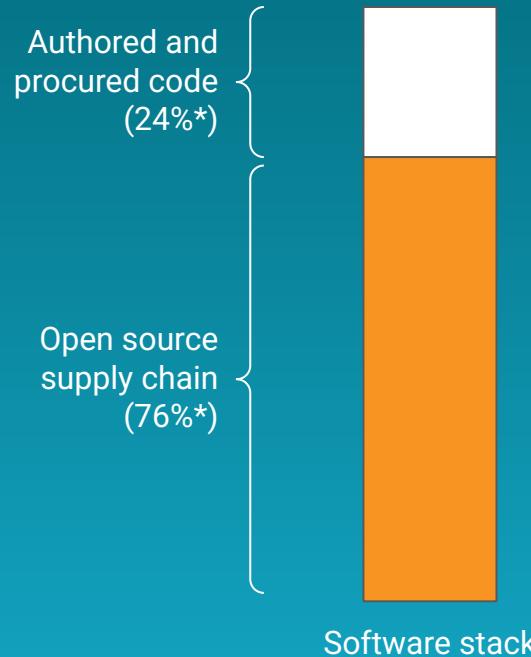
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Impact of full supply chain compliance



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Open source supply chain

Compliance has to be **brokered** with open source community. Compliance requirements stay with manufacturers.



This is new!

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ORC WG

**Neutral forum where community and industry can work
out supply chain compliance together**

ORG WG focus

Education & Thought Leadership

Close the knowledge gap!

Technical Development

Formalize best practices into specifications.
Channel community and industry input to
formal standardization bodies.

Institutional Engagement

Coordinate community and industry
collaboration with the institutions.

Representation

The more we are, the stronger our voice is!

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Closing



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