

# Profile: SugarLabs/OLPC

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## Rationale

There are **so** many subjects you could choose to profile, so why did you choose this one? What drew you into wanting to know more about the organization? How did you/your group decide on and agree?

## Organizational Details

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- NGO and Non Profit Organization
  - Founded May 15th, 2008

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- Marco Presenti Gritti
  - Bert Freudenberg
  - Simon Schampijer
  - Bernardo Innocenti
  - Aaron Kaplan
  - Christoph Derndorfer
  - Tomeu Vizoso

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- Not on Stock Market
  - 0 Acquisitions
  - 0 Investments

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- Walter Bender (President)
  - 100+ Volunteers
  - Boston, MA

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- [SugarLabs.org](http://SugarLabs.org)
  - [Wikipedia: SugarLabs](http://Wikipedia: SugarLabs)

## Communications

### Social media for Sugar Labs

- [IRC] (Freenode, #sugar)
- [Twitter: @sugarlabs](<https://twitter.com/sugarlabs>) - 287 Followers.

### Communications channels for Sugar Labs

- Sugar has a press page that shows wherever the company or the product is mentioned in the news.
  - <http://sugarlabs.org/index.php?template=press>

## Sugar Labs Conference Participation

- Sugar does not host any conferences but they do maintain a page where they show a bunch of talks by various people in the Sugar community.
  - [http://wiki.sugarlabs.org/go/Marketing\\_Team/Presentations](http://wiki.sugarlabs.org/go/Marketing_Team/Presentations)

## Community Architecture

Your subject likely runs or contributes to one or more Open Source products or projects. Choose one (or more) of these and answer the following questions:

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- If applicable, list and provide links to:
    - <irc://irc.freenode.net/#sugar> or <irc://irc.freenode.net/#fedora-olpc>
    - [Source Code repository](#)
    - [Mail list - Developers](#)
    - [Documentation](#)
    - [Sugar Labs website](#)
    - [Blog](#)
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- Sugar is the core component of a worldwide effort to provide every child with equal opportunity for a quality education.
  - The first commit was Apr 16, 2006. The latest commit was Apr 28, 2015.
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- Each core module and activity has it's own project lead and co-maintainers.
  - There are 62 people who have had commits accepted into the main project.
  - The core committers have changed over time. At the beggining there were 3 major committers who haven't added anything in awhile.
  - Daniel Varvaez is the Lead maintainer for the core sugar project.
  - There are different people working on the frontend and the backend.
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- Participation seems to be trending down recently but there was a big push between October 2014 and January 2015.

- The project would pass the raptor test as there are multiple people running each team.
- I don't think this project would pass the bus test. The documentations isn't as detailed as it could be.

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- Contributing to both the main process and adding new activities has a well documented getting started guide.
  - The documentation is well broken up so you only need to look at the things for the particular thing you're doing, such as the main project or an activity.
  - I would contact the maintainers for whichever portion of the project I was working on, either by email or hopping into IRC.
  - Each individual portion of Sugar has it's own ruling group.

## Technology/Product

- Sugar Labs helped produce the operating system and environment that runs on the One Laptop Per Child laptops.
- Sugar OS is based off of Fedora and includes the "Sugar software."
- Sugar software is typically written in Python which is then turned into a Sugar activity that can be installed on OLPC laptops.
- Also provide "Sugar-on-a-stick" which is a live USB based off Fedora that can be booted on any computer to use the Sugar environment.