



Movie Recommender - Sustainability Evaluation

This software evaluation report is for your software: **Movie Recommender**. It is a list of recommendations that are based on the survey questions to which you answered "no".

If no text appears below this paragraph, it means you must already be following all of the recommendations made in our evaluation. That's fantastic! We'd love to hear from you, because your project would make a perfect case study. Please get in touch (info@software.ac.uk)!

Question 14.4: Do contributors keep the copyright/IP of their contributions?

Asking contributors to sign over their copyright and intellectual property to your project or organisation can put off users from contributing. It, in effect, asks them to give away ownership of something that may be novel and which may represent a key aspect of their research. Allowing contributors to keep their own copyright and intellectual property removes this barrier, thereby making contribution a more attractive option. It also contributes to promoting a community round your software – everyone sharing their outputs rather than handing them over to a select group. For information on how to manage contributions, see OSS Watch's Contributor Licence Agreements (<http://oss-watch.ac.uk/resources/cla>).

Question 15.7: Do you have a recommended citation for your software?

Asking that users cite your software, either directly or via its associated publications, provides you with credit for develop your software. It also provides a means, via harvesting of citations, of gathering evidence of the uptake and exploitation of your software. See, for example, Citing R (<https://cran.r-project.org/doc/FAQ/R-FAQ.html#Citing-R>) and Citing Taverna (<http://www.taverna.org.uk/cite/>).

See our guide on How to cite and describe software

(<http://software.ac.uk/so-exactly-what-software-did-you-use>) and examples of the citations recommended by various software packages

(<http://www.software.ac.uk/blog/2014-07-30-oh-research-software-how-shalt-i-cite-thee>).