

SPDX™ Beta Orientation

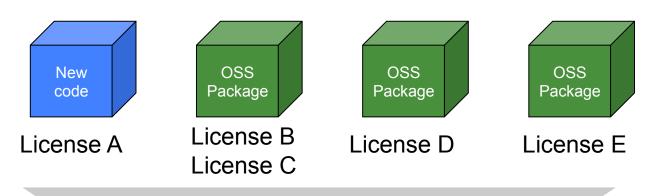
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- Overview of SPDX
- About the Beta Program
- Tools to Help



Open Source Compliance: The Challenge



One OSS Package = Many Licenses

License info for OSS is not provided in a consistent, easy-to-use format



License A
License B
License C
License D
License E



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Your code

OSS Package

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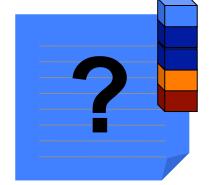
Outsourced SW

> 3rd party SW



Companies combine OSS with other software

Software
Bill of Materials
(BOM)



Creating an accurate bill of materials requires effort & research



Open Source Compliance: The Challenge

Customers Supplier 1 The effort is repeated at each step in the supply chain Supplier 2



Software Package Data Exchange™ (SPDX™)

 SPDX[™] - A standard format for communicating the components, licenses and copyrights associated with a software package.



Key pillar in Linux
 Foundation's Open
 Compliance Program





 Reduce burden of providing information in different formats for different consumers

- Avoids due diligence redundancy where packages are re-analyzed
- Enable better compliance with open source licenses



The SPDX™ Specification

Describes the format for the file and the data to be included

2. Identification Information

One instance of the Identification Information is required per package instance.

Fields:

2.1 SPDX Specification Version Number

- 2.1.1 Purpose: Provide a reference number that can be used to understand how to parse and interpret the rest of the file. It will enable both future changes to the specification and to support backward compatibility. The version number consists of a Major and Minor version indicator. The Major field will be incramented when one or more sections are created, modified or deleted. The Minor field will be incremented when either only the fields within a section are modified or standard recognized licenses are added to appendix.
- 2.1.2 Intent: Here, parties exchanging Identification Information in accordance with SPDX specification need to provide 100% transparency as to which SPDX specification such Identification Information is conforming to.
- 2.1.3 Cardinality: Mandatory, single instance
- 2.1.4 Tag: SPDXVersion
- 2.1.5 RDF: /RDF/SPDXDoc/SPDXVersion
- 2.1.6 Data Format: SPDX-M.N where: M is Major version number, N is minor version number.
- 2.1.7 Example: SPDXVersion: SPDX-1.0



The SPDX™ File

SPDX™ file

Identification Info

Package Info

Non-Standard Licenses

Per File Info

Info about source of this SPDX™ file

Associates SPDX[™] file with a software package (tarball, zip, archive)

Text of licenses that are not in SPDX™ standard list

License associated with each file. Refers to standard license list on SPDX[™] or a non-standard license included with the file



The SPDX™ List of "Standard Licenses"

SPDX™ license repo

License Identifier	Recognized Exceptions	Full name of License
AFL-3.0		Academic Free License 3.0
AGPL-3.0		(GNU) Affero General Public License v3
APL		Adaptive Public License
ASL-2.0		Apache License, 2.0
APSL-2.0		Apple Public Source License 2.0
Artistic-2.0		Artistic license 2.0
AAL		Attribution Assurance License
BSD-4-Clause		BSD 4-clause "Original" or "Old" License
BSD-3-Clause		BSD 3-clause "New" or "Revised" License
BSD-2-Clause		BSD 2-clause "Simplified" or "FreeBSD" License
BSL-1.0		Boost Software License 1.0
CATOSL-1.1		Computer Associates Trusted Open Source License 1.1
CC-BY-1.0		Creative Commons Attribution 1.0
CC-BY-NC-1.0		Creative Commons Attribution Non Commercial 1.0
CC-BY-ND-1.0		Creative Commons Attribution No Derivatives 1.0
CC-BY-SA-1.0		Creative Commons Attribution Share Alike 1.0
CC-BY-NC-ND-1.0		Creative Commons Attribution Non Commercial No Derivatives 1.0
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CC-BY-NC-2.0		Creative Commons Attribution Non Commercial 2.0
CC-BY-ND-2.0		Creative Commons Attribution No Derivatives 2.0
CC-BY-SA-2.0		Creative Commons Attribution Share Alike 2.0
CC-BY-NC-ND-2.0		Creative Commons Attribution Non Commercial No Derivatives 2.0
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List of most common licenses

Include common exceptions

Standardized license names

Exact text of licenses Available on SPDX™ website – URLs won't change



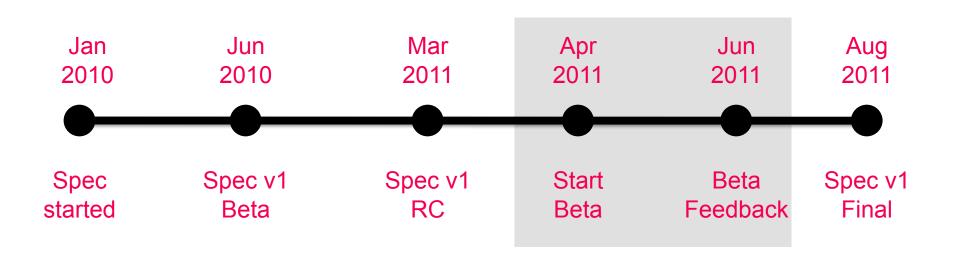
SPDX™ BETA PROGRAM



The SPDX Beta Program is designed to ensure the SPDX specification meets your needs



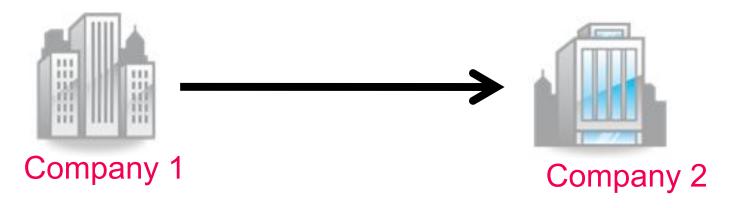




Beta Testing between Apr and Jun 2011







- Create your SW BOM
- Convert to an SPDX file

- Convert from SPDX
- Review SW BOM

Tools will be provided to convert to/from SPDX



Feedback We Need

- How well did the SPDX format cover information you need to exchange?
- What was effort involved in converting to/from SPDX format?
- Did the SPDX format help you understand what was in the software?
- How did the standard license information work for you?
- Can you see how using SPDX could save your organization time/money?
- Are any changes needed to make SPDX meet your needs?
- What other tooling is needed for SPDX?



How We Will Help

Beta Coordinator

- Designated SPDX community member to work with you to define and manage the beta plan
- Regular calls with your team throughout Beta process to address your issues and provide feedback

Beta Support Team

 Technical, business and legal group ready to respond quickly to questions and issues

Training

 Web meeting based training to familiarize you with SPDX spec and tools

Documentation

How-to guide for creating and reading SPDX and using tools



Sample Beta Project Plan

Week 1

- Beta Kickoff & Training (2 hrs)
 - Meeting with your team and trading partner team to identify project and define plan, schedule, tasks etc
 - Training via web conference

Weeks 2-3

- Supplier to create SPDX from BOM
- Resolve any issues
- Weekly check-ins with Beta coordinator

Weeks 4-5

- Receiver to review SPDX
- Resolve any issues
- Weekly check-ins with Beta coordinator

Week 6

Debrief with entire team right Linux Foundation 2010

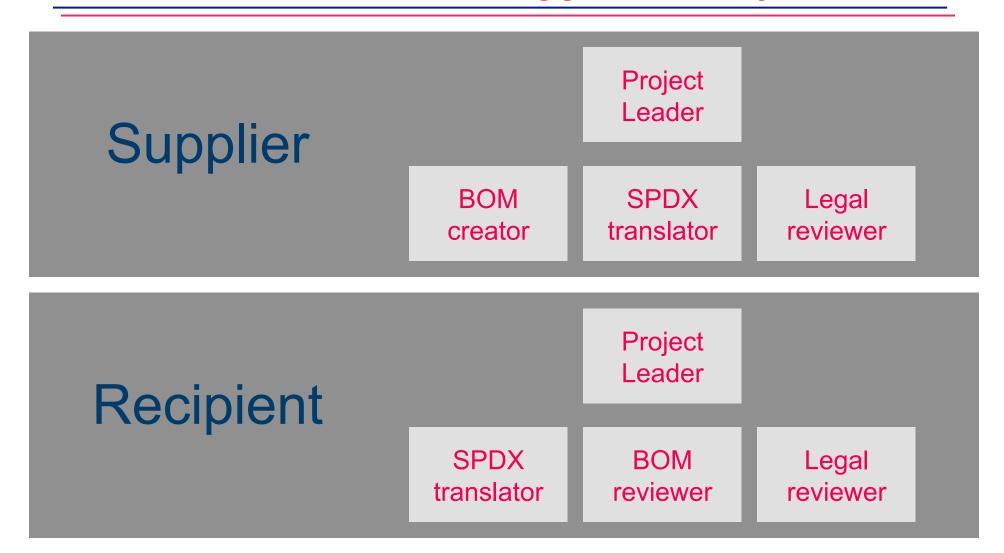




- Project Leader
 - Person responsible for coordinating Beta program
- BOM creator
 - Person using your normal processes to create BOM
- SPDX translator
 - Person that will use tools to turn spreadsheet BOM into SPDX file and vice versa. Should be technical.
- Legal (Supplier & Recipient)
 - To review SPDX info



Suggested Project Roles





Marketing Requests

- Ability to name company as a SPDX Beta site
- Include quotes on SPDX web site or in press releases
- Possible reference for press or analysts



- Spec
 - Creative Commons Attribution License 3.0
- Data
 - TBD
- Tools
 - Primary License MIT
 - Libraries BSD 3 Clause and Apache 2.0



Next Steps

- Confirm participation
- Identify a trading partner
- Identify a project
- Review SPDX specification
- Questions?





Objectives:

- Reduce the effort of creating, consuming and validating SPDX Documents
- Provide a translation from the technical document (e.g. RDF/XML or tag-value format) and a more readable format
- Provide a mechanism for validating SPDX documents
- Enable contributions and review of the tool implementation by the broader technical community through open source licensing





- Command line driven Java application which formats a valid SPDX document into a text file
- Validates the SPDX document and provides somewhat detailed error messages when there are parsing errors
- Status: Currently being updated to the latest specifications. Will be available for Beta.





- Converts a spreadsheet containing SPDX information into a valid SPDX/RDF file
- Converts a valid SPDX/RDF file into a spreadsheet
- Java based command line tool
- Requires the spreadsheet be in a very specific format
- A spreadsheet template with the specific column names and order will be provided as part of the tool
- Status: In development. Will be available for Beta.



Technical Info in the SPDX Spec

- OWL Document
 - Specifies the RDF for the SPDX document
 - Can be used to generate your own RDF parsers and tools
- Tag-Value Grammar
 - Specifies the grammar for the SPDX tag value format
 - Can be used to generate your own tag-value parsers and tools



Contributing to SPDX Tools

- A GIT repository for SPDX tools can be found at: http://git.linuxfoundation.org/pretty-printer.git/
- Contributions and suggestions are welcome.
 - Report any defects or suggest any improvements to bugs.linux-foundation.org product:spdx (you can sign up for a bugzilla account at bugs.linux-foundation.org)
 - Email spdx-tech@fossbazaar.com