

Open Source Hardware Seminar – Class 3

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Introduction

Phases of OSH development

Openness can happen at different stages

Table 3. Summary of main outcomes of open technology readiness levels.

Level no.	Short level description	Main outcome
OTRL-1	Ideation / needs identification	Product idea, needs and initial specifications are defined
OTRL-2	Conception / definition of product architecture	Mature product concept has been formulated
OTRL-3	Design and modelling	Product model is developed
OTRL-4	Prototyping and testing	Full functional prototype is built and tested
OTRL-5	Manufacturing development	Fairly reliable processes identified and characterised
OTRL-6	Product qualification	Certificate marking conformity assessment or comparable

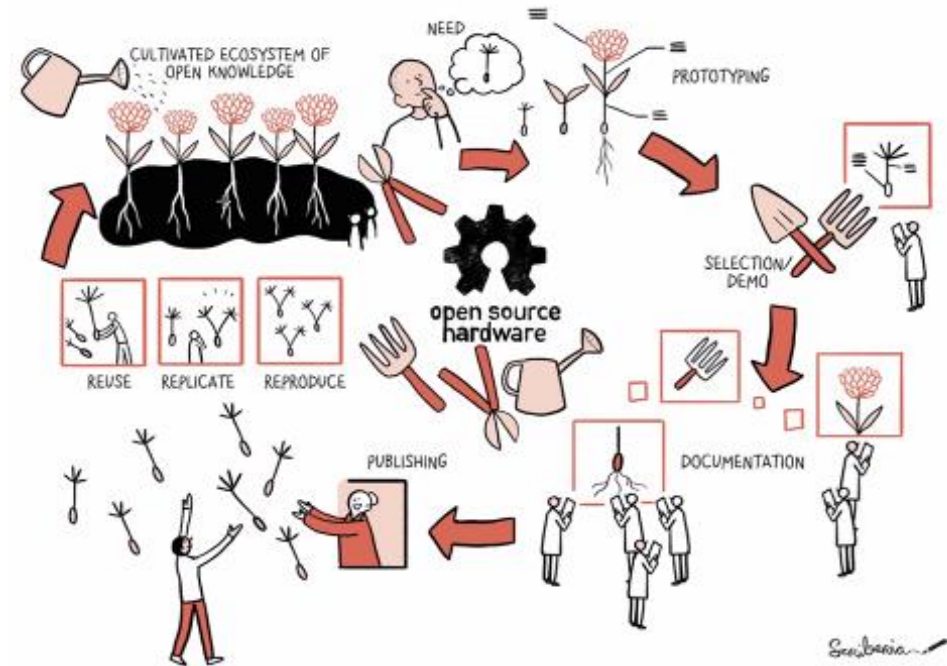


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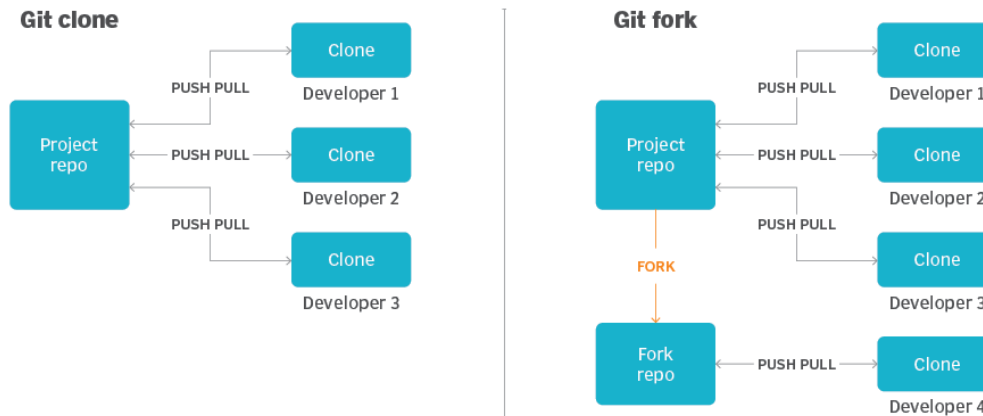
Staging a project

Understanding the community context

Original, contribution, fork...?

Git clone vs. fork

Developers who work on a common codebase will clone the repository and then perform push and pull operations to synchronize their changes. In contrast, a fork creates a new codebase and updates to the fork are not synchronized with the original repo.



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Staging a project

Core elements of OSH projects

Working with value propositions

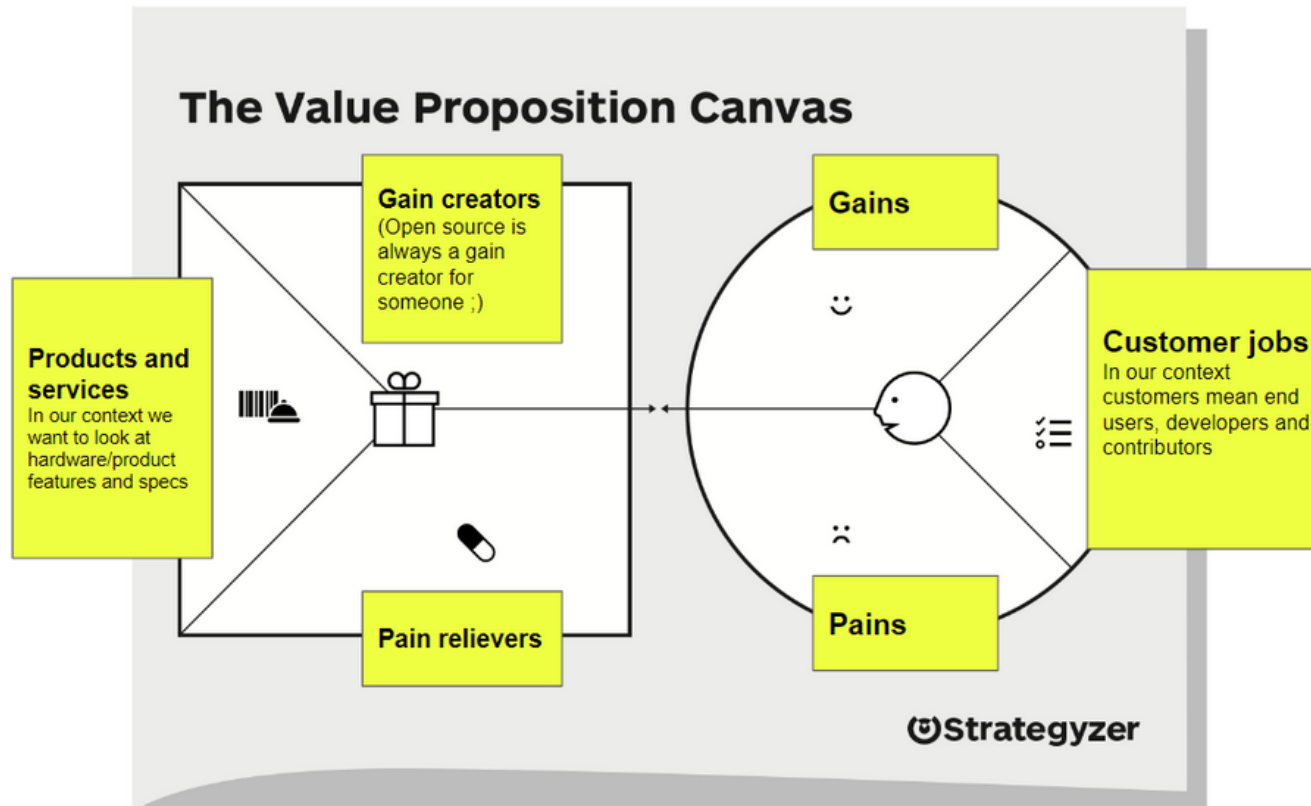



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Staging a project

The open hardware canvas

All project components at a glance


**Open Hardware Canvas**
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Project: _____

Assembly Instructions	Bill of Materials	Key Propositions	Your Contributors	Your Users
Source Files	Licenses and Standards		Contributor Channels	User Channel
		Project Components		
Resources Required		Similar Projects	Contributor Docs	User Docs

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Staging a project

The open hardware canvas

An example project

 Open Hardware Canvas		Project: JeanCloud	
This is a beta version, check github.com/ohmakers/ohcanvas for updates			
Assembly Instructions Instructions are required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Step-by-step instructions on GitHub #28 - Video instructions #27 	Bill of Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PCB - Case - Electronics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ESP - NeoPixel - Buzzer Create Full BOM: #16	Key Propositions This project combines a useful hardware build (alarm clock/wakeup light) with educational resources to teach 2D-Design (Inkscape), electronics and coding. It is mainly used in a workshop format where participants will be introduced into used technologies such as laser cutting, 3D-printing and CNC milling.	
Source Files Shared of GitHub: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KiCAD design files - FreeCAD design files - SVG files (laser cutting) 	Licenses and Standards Documentation and assembly instructions: CC-BY Software: GPL Hardware (3D-print, PCB etc): CERN OHL P	Contributor Channels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GitHub - Meetings 	Your Users Maker Spaces, Teachers, People who would like to learn about electronics and coding
Resources Require Laser cutter, 3D-Printer, PCB Mill, soldering equipment, computer, standard workshop tools and consumables. Platform for the educational resources Coding skills to develop a web server application for the ESP		Similar Projects Otto DIY: https://www.ottodiy.com/ DIY WakeUp Light: https://www.instructables.com/Wakeup-Lights/ DIY Alarm Clock: https://www.instructables.com/DIY-Electronic-Alarm-Clock-Kits/	User Channel GitHub Later: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wikifactory? - Small website?
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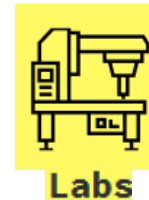
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<https://openhardware.space>

Opening up the ideation phase

Community-driven innovation

Connecting innovative communities and SMEs

1. Getting ready to begin
2. Understanding each other
3. Understanding the context
4. Developing a concept
5. Framing the collaboration
6. Learning and validating
7. Building a community
8. Creating a prototype
9. Setting up production
10. Launching to public
11. Analysing and evaluating



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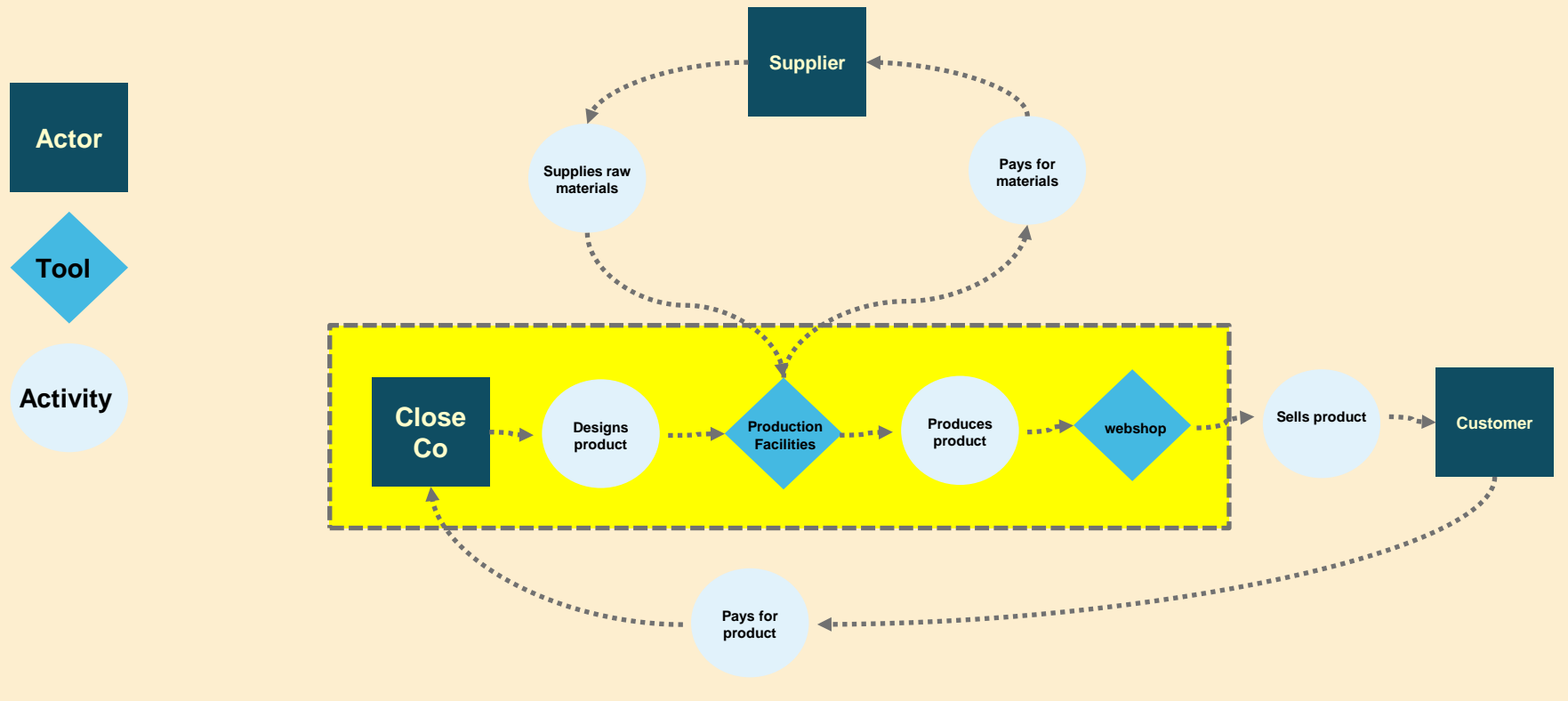
Community-driven innovation

Tools for success

Value system mapping

Example: Close Co.

Close Co. makes wooden closets they sell through their webshop



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Community-driven innovation

Tools for success

Assumptions mapping

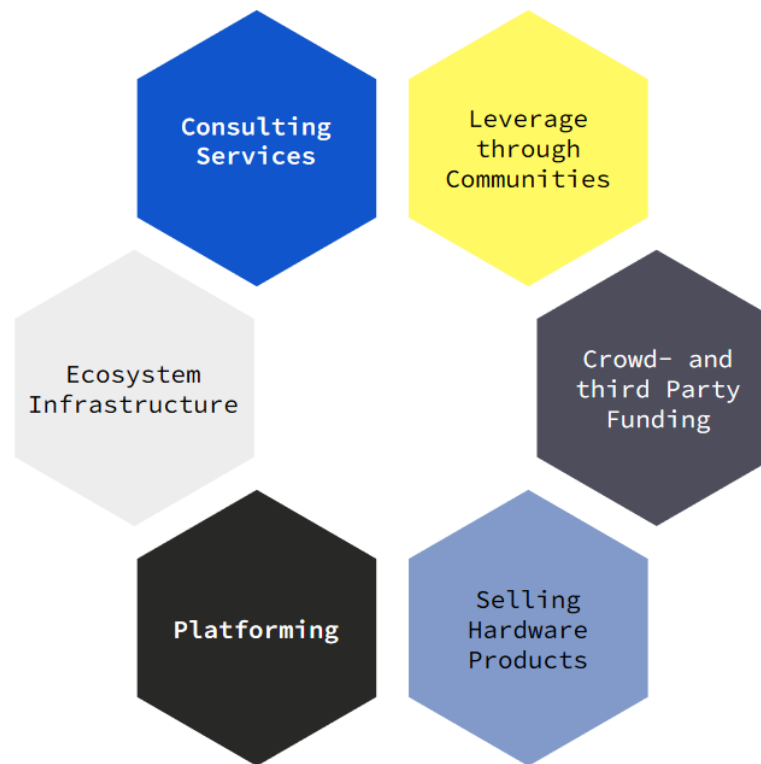
1) Launch pad Risks and opportunities to be mapped	2) Assumption mapping Move your identified risks and opportunities into the matrix below															
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3) Action points Note down how you are going to validate your most important assumptions																

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Business models

Strategic approaches model

Non-exclusive, complementary approach

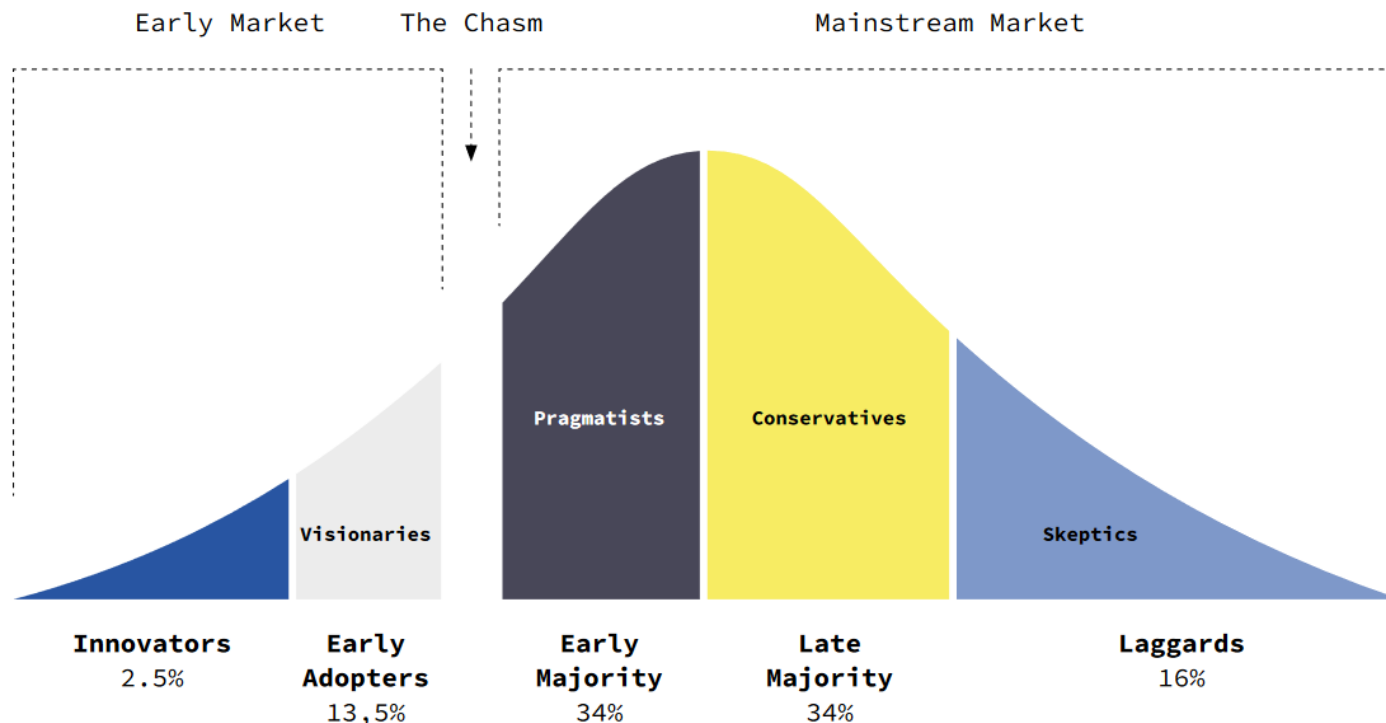


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Business models

Technology adoption life cycle (TALC)

Understand your users through life cycle of a project

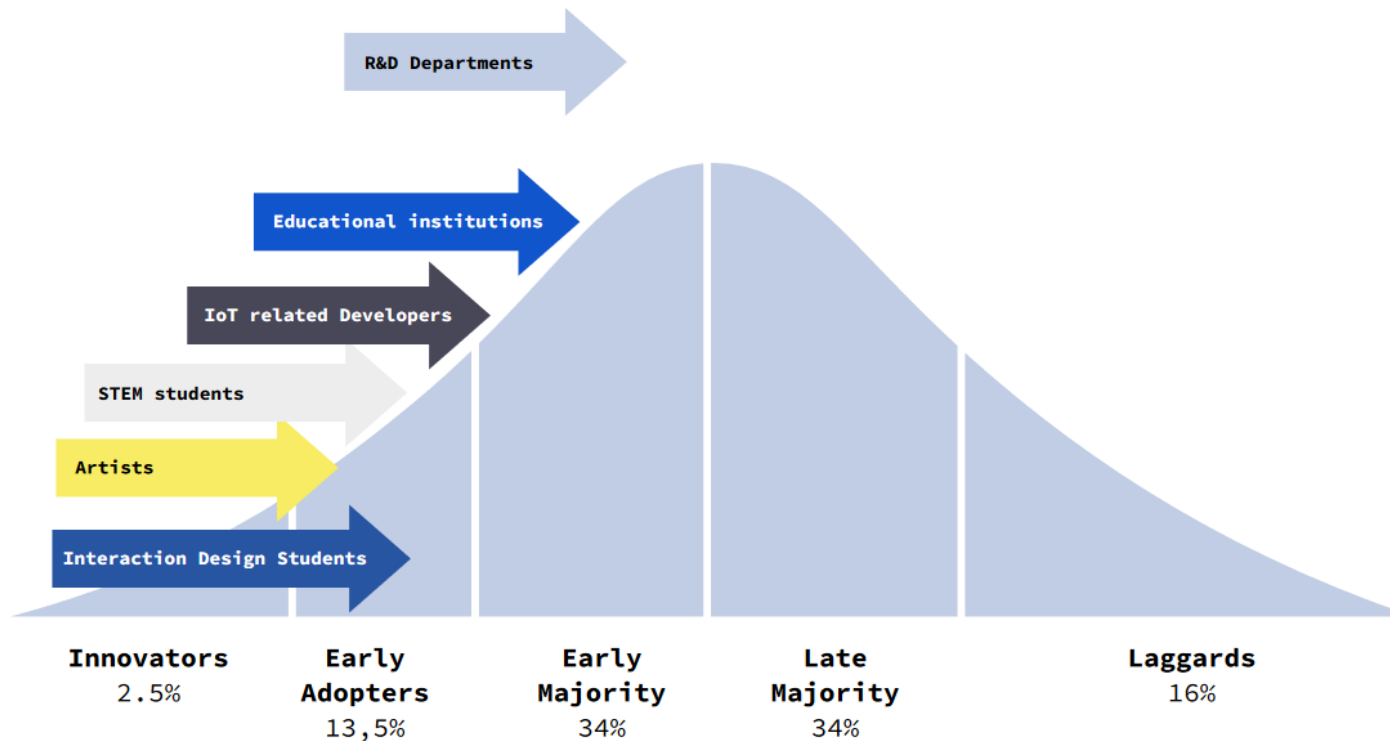


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Business models

Examples

Arduino

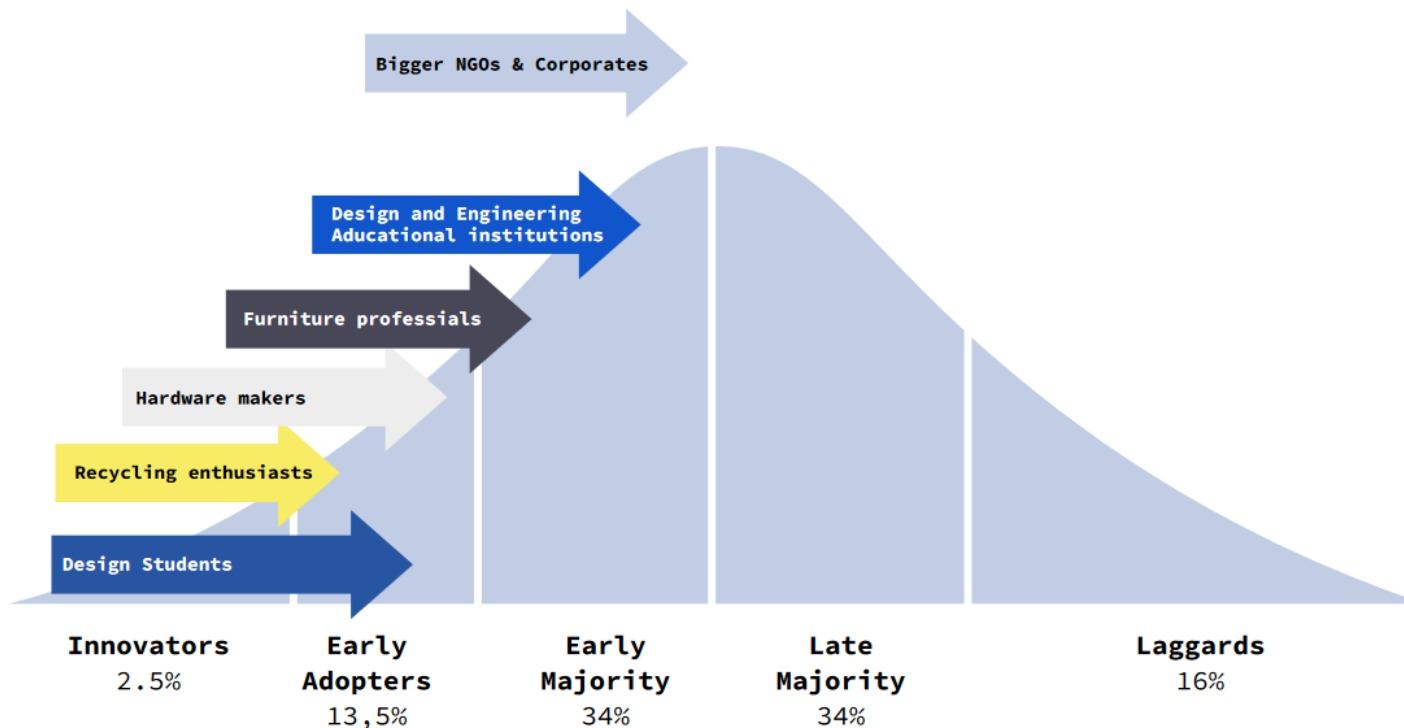


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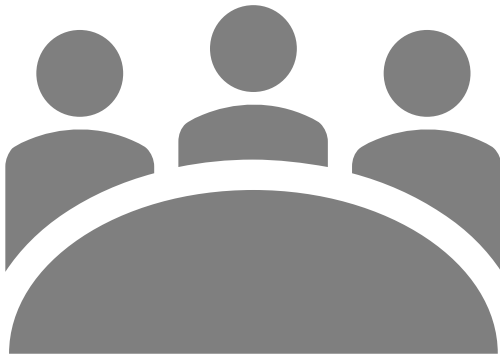
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Summary

- Openness can happen at different stages in OSH projects
- Not all projects go through all stages
- Projects can emerge from original design work or forks
- Understanding the project value proposition is key both as a strategy and communications tool
- The OH canvas summarizes all elements of an OSH strategy: technical, user/contribution side, and value propositions
- Community-driven innovation facilitated by OSH is a potential pathway towards more sustainable and responsible innovation
- Community-SMEs collaboration has to be carefully designed to avoid conflict and prepare the teams for success; values and assumptions mappings are useful tools in this process
- Business models for OSH are essential to guarantee dissemination and sustainability
- The strategic approach proposes a set of complementary business models for OSH companies
- TALC is a useful model for OSH companies aiming to understand the dynamics of user adoption



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