

TECH Rooms



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15h • ARG, BRA, URU, CHL

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OSPO & Open Source in LATAM: Community and OpenTelemetry Contributions

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Meet the Panel



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Agenda

1. Open Source
Program Office (OSPO)

2. Open Source in
LATAM

3. Debate (Panel):
The Contributor Experience

4. Q&A with the
Audience

OSPO

Open Source Program Office

OSPO - Open Source Program Office

OSPO: What is it?

The center of the Open Source strategy Source

- Center of Competence
- Strategic Function
- Organizational Bridge

The OSPO in Day-to-Day

The center of the Open Source strategy

- Documentation, Training, and Education.
- Direct Support.
- Risk Management.
- Internal Coordination.
- Community Support.

Distribution of contributions in CNCF projects (2025)



- **Europe:** 38%
- **NAM:** 30%
- **APAC:** 26%
- **LATAM:** 4%
- **Africa:** 2%

In LATAM:

Brasil: 42%	Nicaragua: 22%
Argentina: 9%	México: 8%
Colombia: 5%	Chile: 4%
Perú: 1,5%	Uruguay: 1,5%

QUESTION

The map shows 4% in LATAM.

What are the biggest barriers a dev from LATAM faces to start contributing?



The Contributor Experience

QUESTION

**What was your first contact with the
OpenTelemetry community like?**

QUESTION

**And the first contribution?
What was it like? (Doubts?
Concerns?)**

QUESTION

What can Open Source offer to someone starting today?

Learning? Networking? Impact?

ASK THE PANEL!

Q&A with the Audience

Conclusion

How to change the game?

What can you do to strengthen OSS in LATAM?

1.

JOIN THE COMMUNITY

Join the CNCF Slack and look for the [#opentelemetry-new-contributors](#) channel.

2.

MENTORSHIP

Don't be afraid to ask. There is always someone who can support you.

3.

START SMALL

Look for issues with the "**good first issue**" label.

You can start by helping with **documentation**, **translation**, or **code** components in languages you already know.

4.

KEEP GOING

Share your learnings, support other people who are starting, and share your experience in the community.

Thank you!

Special Thank You!

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Pamela Rosales Sedano



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