

OpenChain Germany - 2H 2025 and Beyond - A Strategy Discussion

Introduction:

We are gathering to discuss three things:

1. To identify what is happening in the country around open source process management
2. What we can usefully contribute to increase value in this area for local businesses, projects and government
3. Any areas of concern that might need global community assistance

Our current challenge is a lack of momentum in our meeting schedule and discussions. The challenge appears to be caused by two things:

- Lack of time on everyone's part
- A wide variety of activities making it difficult to focus energy

Identified Priorities for the German Market:

- Enable small and medium sized businesses (and large) to deal with license compliance
 - What is OpenChain's specific value proposition for them
- Supply Chain Risk Management:
 - License compliance - ISO/IEC 5230 value proposition
 - Security assurance - ISO/IEC 18974 value proposition (value with or apart from IEC 62443)
 - Japanese market solution(s) - why they made SPDX Lite
 - SBOM Quality (Ericsson + Nokia, interest from US government)
- Regulation:
 - Cyber Resilience Act (CRA):
<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/cyber-resilience-act>
Does ISO/IEC 18974 cover all of this - especially reporting
 - Product Liability Directive:
https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/single-market/goods/free-movement-sectors/liability-defective-products_en

- AI Act:
<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/topics/en/article/20230601STO93804/eu-ai-act-first-regulation-on-artificial-intelligence>
- Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA):
https://www.eiopa.europa.eu/digital-operational-resilience-act-dora_en

Suggested Next Steps:

Liaise with:

- Liaise with Bitkom to collaborate / contribute to their work (Marcel):
<https://www.bitkom.org>
- Liaise with Open Business Alliance to collaborate / contribute to their work (Jan):
<https://osb-alliance.de>
+
<https://eacg-gmbh.github.io/osba-regulatory-monitor/>
- Liaise with OSADL to collaborate / contribute to their work (Shane will talk):
<https://www.osadl.org>