LF Stewards+Manufacturers - Standardization stream notes

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- Welcome new friends/introductions
- Is someone willing to scribe for the meeting?
- Statement of group purpose
- Sean provides us an overview of moving community specs into ISO standards leveraging the JDF experience and resources
  Need to have WG member on-boarding materials + CRA explainers to reduce time/pain for newcomers and existing contributors

Joint Development Foundation (JDF) is the expert partner.
OpenSSF and LF Europe acting as facilitators to make it all work.
Not pay to play - anyone can be involved.
Steering committee members (paying) can set strategy, etc.. Money pays a chest of money to pay for experts, etc.
Eclipse Foundation ORC work is expected to be complementary. Other work (e.g. OASIS) happening. The plan is to keep coordinating, remove duplication and redundancy as we go forward. Create MOUs to help with that. There may still be gaps!

What's the strategy: to get an ISO (for example) standard created, and then referenced by the CRA? **Yes!**

Is there an existing relationship between the LF and CEN/CENELEC? Ask Mirko and Fukami to provide details. This is considered important to ensure that the standard created is adopted and relevant. Request from C/C representative for input and engagement. What about liaison status with other national EU groups? Both of those approaches useful, and need consideration. Part of the scope of the WG?

Time is short (we have ~12 months). Is ISO process fast enough? It can be 6 months extra. CEN/CENELEC looking for a strong draft by April/May 2025. Suggestion to get in touch with

CEN/CENELEC in very short order to get them ready and prepped. Communicate this to Mirko/Fukami.

Likely that best practices - even if not *yet* standardised - will be well-regarded for early conformance submissions (particularly those which are not class I, class II or "important").

Scoping questions that we, as a group, get to discuss and decide:
- Is this a standard for manufacturers?
- Is this a standard for stewards?
- Is this a standard for maintainers?
- Is this a standard for contributors?
- A combination of the above?

- Does this relate only to open source PDEs?
- Mixed proprietary/open source PDEs?
- Will it be relevant at all to proprietary-only PDEs?
- Will this cover hardware, software and firmware?

- What stages of life-cycle are we planning to cover?
    - Development
    - Testing
    - Documentation
    - Conformance testing (where relevant)
    - Self-conformance
    - Vulnerability disclosure
    - Incident disclosure
    - Patching and updates
    - Substantive changes
    - End of Life

Can the same legal entity be a steward in one context and not in another? The CRA text suggests not, are we reading that too strictly?

Look at [Annex I](#) as a reference.

LF perspective, the focus will be upstream to the manufacturer NOT standards for manufacturers to their customers.
- Focus on process and formats
- Focus on those where we have a community-based starting point

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- Recap of yesterday

- Is someone willing to scribe for the meeting?
- Call for opens (list new items below)
- Prepare final group presentation of next steps and actions