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Keep edx-documentation for User-facing Docs  
Developer-facing Docs ONLY

Note: 52 projects get published to RTD.

| PROS for using open-edx-proposals repo                                                                                                                           | PROS for a separate edx-developer-docs                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Central place for discovering cross-cutting docs</li><li>• Fewer repos to maintain</li><li>• Publishing to RTD</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ownership boundaries are separated<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ decision-making vs how-tos</li></ul></li><li>• Will need to restructure open-edx-proposals,</li></ul> |

### Proposed decision

- **Rename open-edx-proposals -> open-edx-developer-docs**

### OEP-19

- Clarify that MD is more than acceptable.
- developer-docs repo usage ->
- Clarify How-Tos for features - remain with extensions/features; cross-cutting go into developer-docs.

Note: Document copied from [original Legacy docs and new outline](#) so it would be owned by edX.

Copy over glossary to our repo. HOWEVER: who maintains? How useful is it if there aren't links out from running text to glossary terms? [Added link](#).

- **Robert Raposa** : Start conversation with Ned and Nimisha on Slack about Glossary.

Section 1, Browser support - either "Information for all developers" or "Technical reference".  
[Added reference to technical reference section](#).

Entirety of section 2 defaults to New to edX. [Added reference](#). **Needs to be copied**.

Contributing -> Contributing (new) [Added reference](#).

Integrating XBlocks -> Extending the Core Platform [Added reference](#).

Custom JS apps. [Added reference](#). There's a standalone topic about a JS course template that really should be an "Example" subtopic of Custom JS Apps. Leaving it out for now.

Testing -> Contributing. NOTE: some of this content is edX specific. Do NOT point out to testing.rst (internal info). Added a reference.

Analytics: Common tech. HOWEVER, this is a mix of ops and dev information and needs low-level review. Added reference to all\_development\common\_tech\index.rst.

Deploy - candidate for non-inclusion.

Writing good code - dev principles Added to contributing section instead

I18n - dev principles Added to contributing section instead

Security (XSS) - dev principles Added to contributing section instead

Language style guidelines - candidate for non-inclusion.

Micro-frontends: common tech. Added reference to all\_development\common\_tech\index.rst.

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- [1. General Information](#)
    - [1.1. Read Me](#)
      - Somewhere in the new docs, include similar content about where to find the source and how to update the docs.
      - Replace the link to <https://github.com/edx/edx-documentation#contribute-to-edx-documentation> with a similar section duplicated in the edx-developer-docs README.rst.
      - We can leave this in legacy docs until we kill the whole book.
    - [1.2. Other edX Resources](#)
      - DECISION (AEB & RP): point to docs.edx.org for now.
      - Some of this already exists in “Information for other user groups”.
        - If we can, I’d keep “Information for other user groups” to a table format with external links. For example:
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| <a href="https://docs.edx.org/">https://docs.edx.org/</a> | For Learners, Course Teams,<br>... |
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- Note: this page has a lot more info for different use cases than the current docs home page, but I don’t think we should duplicate anything that isn’t developer-centric.

- Short-term: You could also point to [this same section from a different legacy book that isn't moving](#).
  - Longer-term: I think this information should live on the docs site.
    - We can discuss with Nimisha/Ned, but let's not get hung up on this.
- 1.2.7. Resources for Developers
  - 1.2.7.1. Documentation
    - This should be the only content left in edx-documentation, because it points back to edx-developer-docs.
  - 1.2.7.2 Github
    - Amy: Skip this.
    - In new docs you mentioned having something like this. The current version is very out-of-date.
    - This should be removed from legacy docs.
  - 1.2.7.3. Getting Help
    - This content should move to new docs and be removed from legacy docs.
  - 1.2.7.4. Wikis and Web Sites
    - This content should move.
    - However, it looks like [edx-tools](#) wiki is not maintained. Last updated in 2017. Let's not include this link.
- 1.2.8. Resources for Open edX
  - Could duplicate this link where it makes sense.
  - We can leave this in the legacy docs.
- [1.3. edX Browser Support](#)
  - Could include this list of browsers somewhere. Replace “for best performance” (which was written for learners), with the fact that all code must support the latest versions of the browsers listed, and the list can be a single list. Not sure where to include it. It isn't important to read up front.
  - Since this shared legacy doc is used in other books, we'll just leave it.
- [2. Open edX Architecture](#)
  - Amy: Skip
- (Ned and Nim no copy; rebuild) [3. Contributing to Open edX](#)
  - [3.1. Process for Contributing Code](#)
  - [3.2. Contributor](#)
  - [3.3. Pull Request Cover Letter](#)
  - [3.4. Community Manager](#)
  - [3.5. Product Owner](#)
  - [3.6. Core Committer](#)
  - [3.7. Code Considerations](#)
- (Braden review please) [4. Extending the edX Platform](#)
  - [4.1. Options for Extending the edX Platform](#)
  - [4.2. Integrating XBlocks with edx-platform](#)

- [4.3. Custom JavaScript Applications](#)
  - [4.4. The Custom JavaScript Display and Grading Example Template](#)
- [\(Amy: delete: consider mentioning quality/testing\) 5. Testing](#)
  - [5.1. Jenkins](#)
  - [5.2. Code Coverage](#)
  - [5.3. Code Quality](#)
  - [5.4. Testing Open edX Features](#)
- [\(Amy: write paragraph, ignore most\) 6. Analytics](#)
  - Create a paragraphs with some combo of the following text and links:

## ■ 6. Analytics

- The edX LMS and Studio are instrumented to enable tracking of metrics and events of interest. These data can be used for educational research, decision support, and operational monitoring.
- The primary mechanism for tracking events is the Event Tracking API. It should be used for the vast majority of cases.

### ■ 6.1. Event Tracking

- The [event-tracking](#) library aims to provide a simple API for tracking point-in-time events. The [event-tracking documentation](#) summarizes the features and primary use cases of the library as well as the current and future design intent.
  - We will ignore the rest of this section for now.
  - [6.1. Event Tracking](#)
  - [6.2. Other Tracking Systems](#)
- [\(Amy: we are dropping this\) 7. Deploy a New Service](#)
  - [7.1. Intro](#)
  - [7.2. Considerations](#)
- [\(Robert: review still in progress\) 8. Writing Good Code](#)
  - [\(delegate to Jeff\) 8.1. edX Accessibility Guidelines](#)
  - [\(Amy: we are dropping this section\) 8.2. Django Good Practices](#)
- [\(Amy: this can move, see notes\) 9. Writing Code for Internationalization](#)
  - High-level Notes:
    - 1. Generally ok to bring in.
    - 2. CoffeeScript is no longer applicable and should be deleted.
    - 3. “9.1.3 Coverage Testing” docs should be moved to edx-platform. (We can discuss who does this.)
    - 4. React (for our MFEs) should be added, and you can point to [https://github.com/edx/frontend-platform/blob/master/docs/how\\_tos/i18n.rst](https://github.com/edx/frontend-platform/blob/master/docs/how_tos/i18n.rst)
    - Additional details can be reviewed on the PR.
  - [9.1. Internationalization Coding Guidelines](#)
  - [9.2. Guidelines for Translating the Open edX Platform](#)
- [\(Amy: PR exists for this\) 10. Preventing Cross Site Scripting Vulnerabilities](#)
  - [10.1. Preventing Cross Site Scripting Vulnerabilities](#)

- [10.2. Preventing XSS by Stripping HTML Tags](#)
  - [10.3. Preventing XSS in Django Templates](#)
  - [10.4. Preventing XSS in React](#)
- [\(Amy: Please move\) 11. Language Style Guidelines](#)
  - [11.1. EdX JavaScript Style Guide](#)
  - [11.2. EdX Objective-C Style Guide](#)
  - [11.3. EdX Python Style Guide](#)
  - [11.4. EdX Sass Style Guide](#)
- [\(Amy: ??? Started thread with Nimisha/Ned, but no answer\) 12. Glossary](#)