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About the EUPL

The European Union Public Licence (EUPL)

is the first European Union Free Open Source Software licence. It was specifically designed to be fully compliant with the EU law. It enables the widest possible software dissemination while maintaining the source code open.

The EUPL protects the covered software from third party appropriation and has equal value in all Member States. It offers people the right to freely use and distribute software, including modified versions, with the stipulation that the same rights be preserved in all copies or adapted works.

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Who is the EUPL for?

In short, any software owner!

The EUPL enables public administrations, citizens and businesses to embrace the Free/Open Source model to leverage their software development potential. While it was first used by the European Institutions, the EUPL was created to also be usable by businesses, citizens, and national, regional or local public administrations.

The EUPL users

The EUPL was certified by the Open Source Initiative, and there are currently tens of thousands of projects licensed under the EUPL. It is widely used by public administrations in Spain, Germany, the Netherlands, Estonia, Bulgaria, and other Member States. Here are some examples of solutions under the EUPL:

 Oskari, the service platform for embedded maps and geoportals of the National Land Survey of Finland. Oskari is used for international projects, including Arctic SDI, involving Canada, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, USA, and Denmark.

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- <u>Sentilo</u> is an Internet of Things cross-platform designed to fit in the Smart City architecture of any city which looks for openness and easy interoperability; currently deployed at city level in Barcelona.
- <u>SDMX Reference Infrastructure</u>, a generalised service infrastructure from Eurostat for statistical data and metadata exchange.
- <u>AT4AM</u>, a web-based amendment authoring tool used at the European Parliament.
- <u>Tarîqa</u>, an intelligence platform used by the European Commission which provides real-time support for early warning and crisis response.
- <u>Client @firma</u>, the eSignature public service client of the Technology Transfer Centre of Spain.
- Re3gistry, a tool to manage and share reference codes.

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