The 6th OpenChain Japan Work Group meeting

Date:   14:00 – 16:50   October 31, 2018
Venue:  Toshiba / Lazona Kawasaki Toshiba Building meeting room
Attendees: (at the end of text)

Meeting memo:

(1) OpenChain project update (S. Coughlan (OpenChain))
   ● What we are doing is incredibly important.
   ● Japan WG has a huge influence and let’s be brave and active in 2019!

(2) Our motivations to get involve into OpenChain (Y. Kobayashi (Toshiba))
   ● It is important to get a trust as a result of proper OSS usage over software supply chain.
   ● A candidate method to get a trust is to trust each other like “web of trust” model

(3) OpenChain and Japan Work Group reviews (N. Imada (Hitachi))
   ● A brief history of OpenChain
     ● Objectives, three main activities: Specification, Conformance, Curriculum
   ● Current activities of Japan Work Group
     ● Sub Work Groups to create some outputs for the project
     ● Cyber-space to share and revise up the outputs on GitHub
     ● Mailing list to discussion or announce among participates

(4) Sub WG1: Planning Sub WG status report (H. Fukuchi, A. Yamaoka (Sony))
   ● Started on September, with 15 members, held 3 F2F meetings
   ● Arranging bi-monthly Work Group meeting, planning strategy of our activities
   ● Discussing “business flow model” of OSS supply chain: ie. Consumer Electronics or Information Technology industry
   ● Focusing on the necessity of the targeted curriculum: ie. for engineer, release inspector, management, sale person or procurement division

Q: How about the contribution methods for the communities?
A: Those are out of scope of this discussion. Some of them are discussed at TODO group of Linux Foundation

(5) Sub WG2: Proposal to publish a leaflet for upper supply chain (S. Ueda (Sony))
   ● Node analyzing of OSS supply chain: Community/Distributor/B2B/B2C...
   ● Red alarm at upper supply chain is influenced to sale person or layer seriously
   ● If sale persons understand their situation, they solve issues ASAP
   ● It is good to publish a leaflet for upper sales persons in Japanese/Asian Lang.
C: Red alarms are often remained around executive and not known by required
C: It is quite important to inform the understanding of OSS for upper stream

(6) Sub WG3: Proposal to publish FAQ (Y. Ouchi (Fujitsu))
- FAQ team will be publishing our outputs by CC0. Private attendee are welcome
- We collaborate with “OSS license laboratory” in Japan
- Discussing FAQs for beginners. We do not choose ambiguous Q/A
- Using “Slack” tool for discussion. It is plan to have F2F a quarter of year

Q: How do you think the business IP when we want to put our company’s Q&A?
A: Cyboze published the guideline of employee’s OSS activities in last September.
It would be worth reading for people like us.

10 minutes break

(7) Case study: “Question sheet about OSS usage” (S. Koizumi (Olympus))
- Opened the form
- Introduced the sample contract statement
- Explained the scope of confirmation sheet

Q: Is it required to record another type of evidence ie. FOSSology output?
A: That case will cause another issue because of its cost to a vendor.

Q: How much did you get the answers of question sheets?
A: Almost vendors returned the answers.

C: It is better to specify an obligation of answering the sheet. Our company has a template of contract text with such obligation.

C: Bad case is occasionally in HW devices. I sometime ask a question: is this device controlled by a processor? The answer might be yes.

C: We should go a long way to educate contact persons by e-learning or such like one

(8) Proposal of our next plan and new Sub WGs (H. Fukuchi (Sony))
- Prop. 1: Interface guideline of OSS license between companies
  - It is not a specification because it is out of scope of OpenChain. Guideline will be good for this purpose.
- Prop. 2: Special education curriculum for each role of business

(9) Report: OpenChain workshop at ELC-E (S. Tokumoto (Fujitsu), S. Kato (Panasonic))
- Presented about FOSSology/SPDX activities by Fujitsu Computer Technology
- Comments: need for easy SPDX format, want to share activities more often
- Proposal of leaflet sub WG is agreed with some German companies

(10) Short notice: KANSAI Open Forum (Oct. 11) (T. Dote (micware))

(11) Next meeting announcement and OCJ 2018 announcement

Closing
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  Shuichi Awaji
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