

# FSFE Legal & the Legal Network

What we do

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How we can help you

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# What is FSFE Legal

- FSFE Legal = team of experts
  - legal
  - technical
- Legal Network
  - global network of lawyers who specialise in Free Software
  - facilitated by FSFE Legal

# What do we do

- support compliance
- support best practice
- support governance
- support procurement
- network experts → Legal Network
- share knowledge
- Fiduciary License Agreement & Program
- promoting constructive dialogue
- facilitating constructive discussions
- providing a space to resolve conflicts without loss of face
- talk to people

# What we do not do

- commercial compliance
- interpretation of licenses
- license enforcement

# What is the Legal Network

- neutral non-partisan private network
- professionals in Free Software law
- over 270 participants across 27 countries spanning 4 continents

# Why the Legal Network

- sharing and creation of best practices
- advancing together the knowledge
- creating a common neutral ground

for an altogether greater understanding and  
better cooperation in the Free Software  
ecosystem

# Products of the Legal Network

- Risk Grid
- Legal Network conference
- “by products”:
  - International FOSS Law Review
  - International FOSS Law Book
  - ...

# What we can do for you:

- answer licensing questions
- offer expertise on Free Software legal issues
- put you in touch with specialists if necessary
- help you resolve conflicts without loss of face

# Future

## Legal Network

- white paper for Free Software–compliant app stores
- IT Procurement white paper

## FSFE Legal

- Legal conference for Free Software developers



# Where to find us

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# Free Software in Korea

the Desirable relationship between the Free  
Software community and Korea



# Korea already uses Free Software

- companies (in alphabetical order)
  - KT, LG Electronics, Samsung Electronics, ...
- projects
  - Android, Bada, Boyoo, CUBRID, GNU/Linux, Tizen, uCloud ...

# Free Software benefits

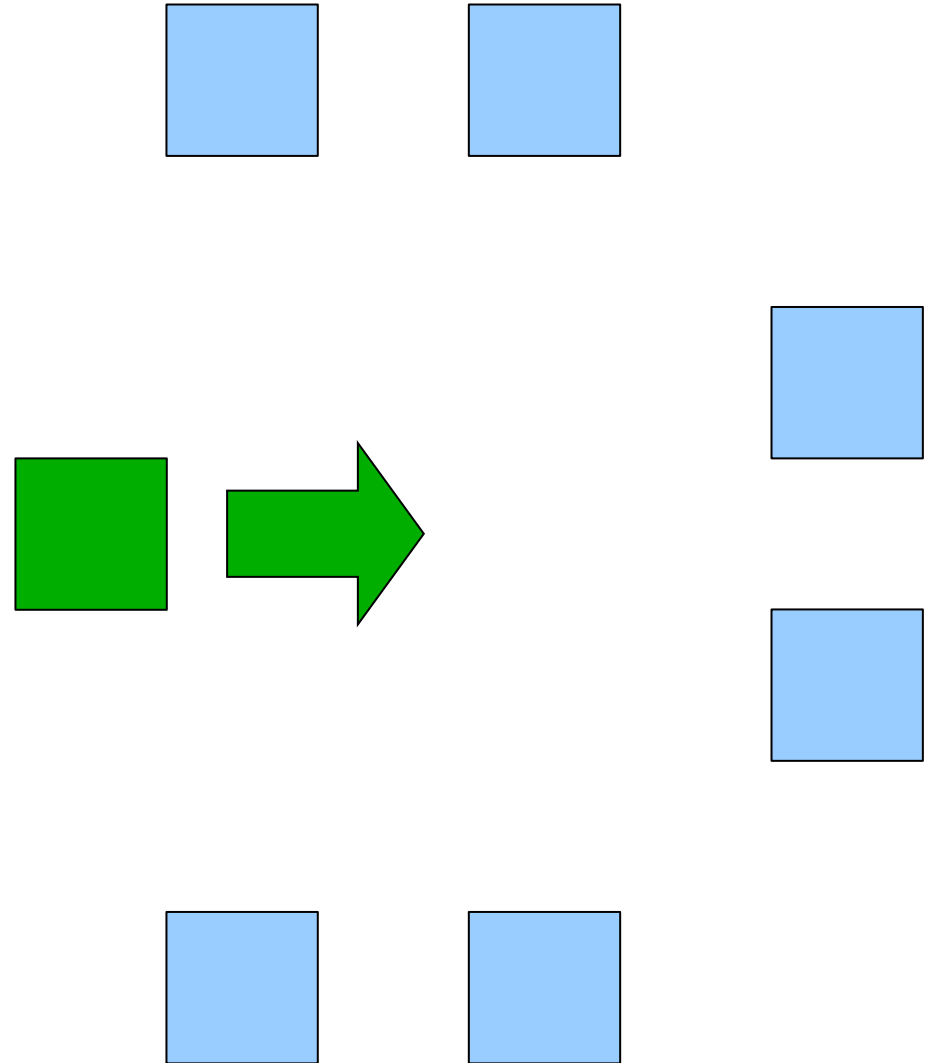
- use
- study
- share
- improve

# Benefits for business

- flexibility
- lower total cost
- reusing already tried and tested technology
- copyleft protects your investment
- ...

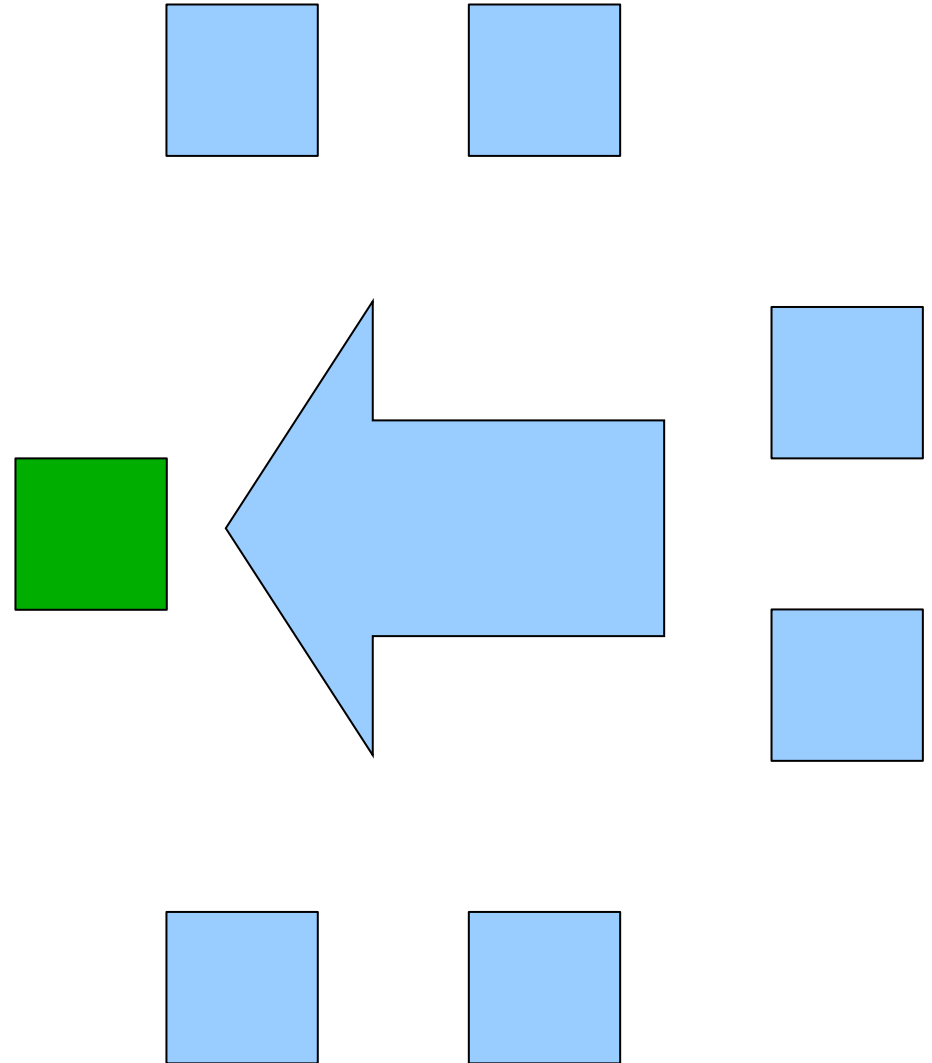
# Protects your investment

- while your company gives away some of its innovation



# Protects your investment

- it receives the innovation of all other companies as well
- the end sum is in your benefit



# Benefits for Korea

- the sum of all of the above benefits the whole industry and the country itself
- supports local business
- license fees can stay in country
- healthy competition
- helps to increase local high-tech skills

# Involve community more

- use standard licenses
  - GPL, AGPL, Apache 2.0
- involve upstream
  - lower costs, lower risks, better support, better reliability, ...
- involve community
  - shared R&D, feedback, bug fixes, ideas, ...

# Thank you for your attention

The slides to this talk will be available in an open format (ODF and PDF); contact me for details.

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