

Directorate General Informatics Directorate B – Digital Services DIGIT B2 - Interoperability

Introduction to open software licensing

Course information and storyboard







Course information		
Course Provider	European Commission	
Course Title	Introduction to open software licensing	
Course Topic	Introduction to Open Licensing in the context of interoperability, and the EUPL.	
Course Type	Articulate micro-learning	
Course tags	Interoperable Europe, Interoperable Europe Academy, Open licensing, open-source, EUPL, eGovernment, Digital skills in the public sector, Interoperability, Public Sector Innovation, Innovative Public Services.	
Course summary	To provide a solid understanding about software licensing and licence types, before looking in detail at open license types, their benefits and how they contribute to software and data interoperability.	
Target audience	This course has a broad audience, from IT professionals to public servants working in the field of digitalisation and in the domain of integration of public services, i.e. IT developers, lawyers, Policy makers, Civil Servants. The current course provides an extreme added-value to IT professionals in particular, as it gives insights on how to select the proper licence for ICT products and solutions.	
Language	English	
Level	Novice	
Learning Objectives	At the end of this course the learner will: 1. Understand what a licence is, why we need it, and what different models of licence exist 2. Understand Open-Source rights 3. Distinguish between the various types of open licences 4. Recognise the benefits of open-source licences 5. Understand the concept of licence reciprocity, software compatibility and interoperability. 6. Understand how open licences contribute to software interoperability	
Course format	Micro-learning course, linear with interactive elements.	
Course structure	 Course introduction What is a licence? 	





	3. Open-source software
	4. Benefits of open licences
	5. Open source rights and models
	6. Derivatives and licence compatibility
	7. Software interoperability
	8. Knowledge assessment - quiz
Course launch date	March 2023
Course end date	None assigned
Pre-requisite	Recommended:
	Interoperability: An introductory course;
Course duration	12 minutes
Course Image	Introduction to Open Software Licenses
Course banner	N/A
Select a course type	Open and listed