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Community

- 63 Projects
- 29 Incubating Podlings
- 1800 Committers
- 2700 Contributors
- 270 Members

Community Hats

- Technical
 - User
 - Contributor
 - Committer
 - PMC Member
- Management
 - PMC Member
 - PMC Chair
 - Special Committees
 - JCP
 - Legal Affairs
 - Infrastructure
 - Board Member
 - Apache Member

Decision-Making

- Do-ocracy: decisions are made by those willing to do the work
- Day-to-day decisions are made by Committers
- Conflicts resolved by discussion, vote

Decision-Making

- Formal decisions are made by Project Management Committees
- Consensus-style (discuss until exhaustion)
- Voting
 - +1 (in favor, will work to implement)
 - -1 (opposed)
 - +0, -0, ++1, +.1, -.1 and variants

Decision-Making

- Commit Code
 - CTR (Commit-then-review)
 - RTC (Review-then-commit)
- Release Plans (consensus)
- Release (no veto)
- New Committer (consensus)
- New PMC Member (consensus)

Incubator

- Import Code and Community
- Learn "The Apache Way"
- Releases are Not Official
 - but are subject to intense scrutiny
- Public Relations are Constrained
- Mentors Guide Podlings
- Graduation to Top Level Project or sub-project

Apache 2.0 License

- Applies to Code
- "Commerce Friendly"
 - may be incorporated into any project/product
 - no requirement for contributing patches
- Not Copy-Left
 - attribution is required
 - no removal of license header

Individual Contributor License Agreement (ICLA)

- Applies to all Contributors who are Persons
 - Copyright License Grant
 - prepare derivative works
 - sublicense
 - distribute, etc.
 - Patent License Grant
 - for infringing contributions
 - Original Creation

Corporate Contributor License Agreement (CCLA)

- Applies to Corporations
- Same Grants as Individual
- List of Employees
- Description of Contribution

License Policy

- Distribution under Apache 2.0 License
 - Distributed dependencies may have compatible licenses
 - BSD, Mozilla, MIT/X11, NCSA, W3C, etc.
 - Not GPL, LGPL, etc.
 - Non-distributed dependencies may have more restrictive licenses:
 - LGPL (not GPL)
- Each Original File has License Header

Organizational Structure

- 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit Public Charity
 - incorporated in Delaware, USA
- Members
 - elect the Board and new Members
- The Apache Board of Directors
 - elected to one-year terms
 - no term limits
- Project Management Committees

History

- Incorporated June 1999 not-for-profit
 - Contributions are tax-deductable
- Named for Apache Native American tribe
- First project: Apache httpd
 - Still most popular Web server
- Apache has never been sued

Questions?

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