

Title of Session	Open Source Development (1): What does it mean to be 'open source'?
SESSION 27	
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Key words	open source, OSSWatch, development, project impact.
Aims and objectives	<p>Open Parallel Sessions.</p> <p>OSSWatch is a JISC funded pilot service to inform and advise the UK HE and FE community about free and open source software and open standards. JISC is increasingly expecting all project software outputs to be formally released as open source software. This session will provide an overview of the impact that an open source development route can have on project development and management.</p> <p>Objectives, intended outcomes and activities for participants</p> <p>The objectives are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give an overview of what it means to develop software as open source. • Explain the different approaches to open source development. • Give a brief overview of open source licensing. <p>The intended outcomes are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that all projects understand the impact that an open source development plan can have on project management. • Ensure that projects know where to find advice and guidance as they develop open source software. • Ensure that all projects understand the requirements and responsibilities of using / developing open source.
Audience	This session is open to all projects attending the joint programme meeting, and is the first of two sessions on open source at the event. The focus of this session will be non-technical, and is intended for all project staff to understand the impact that an open source development plan can have across all aspects of a project.
Style of session	Presentation and Discussion.