

# The OpenChain Project

Creating And Maintaining Standards For A Trusted Open Source Supply Chain



# Global Codebase Statistics

Over 93% use open source

53% have license compliance issues

81% have security issues

# Key News Around ISO/IEC 5230:2020



# OpenChain Has 108 ISO/IEC 5230 Conformant Orgs Listed On Our Website (totals are higher)



Total conformant numbers far higher.

Example: [PwC Survey shows 31% of large companies in Germany use or are planning to adopt ISO/IEC 5230.](#)

# Recent ISO/IEC 5230 Conformance



# 12%

decrease in open source license compliance issues  
since the year OpenChain ISO/IEC 5230 was published

# 31%

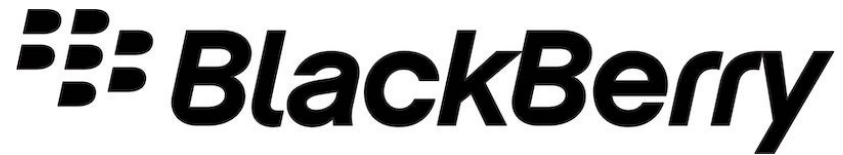
of large German companies already use or plan to adopt OpenChain ISO/IEC 5230

# Key News Around ISO/IEC 18974:2023





# Conformance Continues With De-Facto Standard



# Key Developments



- ISO/IEC 18974:2023 is scheduled to be published in November 2023
- A major Korean financial institute will be announcing adoption this month.

# What Else Is Happening?



# Continuing Our Educational Webinars



## *Maximizing the Opportunity While Managing the Risks*

A YouTube video player thumbnail for "OpenChain Webinar #56 - Generative AI and Your Code". The thumbnail has a blue background. At the top left is the OpenChain logo and the text "OpenChain Webinar #56 - Generative AI and Your Code". At the top right is a "Share" button. In the center, the title "Generative AI and Your Code" is displayed in large white text, with "OpenChain Webinar #56" below it. A red YouTube play button is to the right of the title. At the bottom left are logos for "THE LINUX FOUNDATION" and "OPENCHAIN". At the bottom right is an illustration of two penguins holding three interlocking rings (two orange, one blue). A black bar at the bottom left says "Watch on YouTube".

This webinar had a poll about areas of interest around AI and law. [Click here to access it.](https://www.openchainproject.org/featured/2023/09/14/webinar-56)

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# Building The Future



# The Headline



With the acceptance of ISO/IEC 18974 by ISO, we maintain two ISO standards:

- ISO/IEC 5230 – open source license compliance process management
- ISO/IEC 18974 – open source security assurance process management

The OpenChain Project has evolved from credibility in *open source licence compliance process standardization* into having the **ability** to do various types of *open source business process standardization project*.

This has strategic implications.

- What do we do with our influence and potential?
- How do we ensure value for our board members?

**Our mission remains building trust in the supply chain  
(reducing risk, saving money and time)**

# The Global Community Collaborates



- We are working on the ***proposals*** for:
  - OpenChain License Compliance 3.0 (ISO/IEC 5230:2020 next gen)
  - OpenChain Security Assurance 2.0 (ISO/IEC 18974:2023 next gen)
  - OpenChain Contribution Process Management 1.0 (name TBD)
  - OpenChain SBOM Quality Specification 1.0 (Telco Work Group)
- These will go before the OpenChain Steering Committee in early December for review.
- The Steering Committee will provide formal guidance on where to go next.

# Current Versions of OpenChain Standards



## **Licensing Specification (CURRENT VERSION, 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation):**

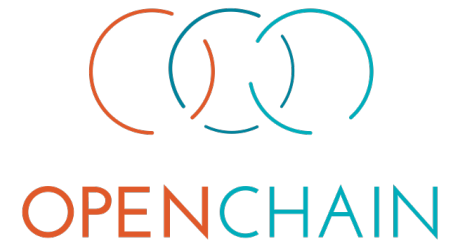
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/License-Compliance-Specification/blob/master/2.1/en/openchainspec-2.1.md>

## **Security Specification (CURRENT VERSION, 1<sup>st</sup> Generation):**

<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Security-Assurance-Specification/blob/main/Security-Assurance-Specification/1.1/en/openchain-security-specification-1.1.md>



# Draft Future Versions of Licensing / Security



## **Licensing Specification (3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Draft):**

<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/License-Compliance-Specification/blob/master/Official/en/3.0/openchain-license-compliance-3.0.md>

## **Security Specification (2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Draft):**

<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Security-Assurance-Specification/blob/main/Security-Assurance-Specification/2.0/en/openchain-security-specification-2.0.md>

# Next Steps: Licensing / Security



## Open Issues

Both the next generation License Compliance specification and the next generation Security Assurance specification have pre-existing open issues for review:

- **Licensing:**  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/License-Compliance-Specification/issues/>
- **Security:**  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Security-Assurance-Specification/issues/>

# Proposed OpenChain Contribution Specification



- Contribution process community proposal – community editing underway:  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Contribution-Process-Specification/blob/main/1.0/en/1.0.md>
- First GitHub Issue:  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Contribution-Process-Specification/issues/1>
- Kick-Off Call:  
<https://www.openchainproject.org/news/2023/08/23/contribution-spec-kick-off>

# SBOM Quality



- The OpenChain Telco Work Group has been working on a draft specification to describe a quality Software Bill of Materials:  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Telco-WG/blob/main/OpenChain%20Telco%20SBOM%20Specification.md>
- Everyone is welcome to open issues on GitHub for this:  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Telco-WG/issues>
- Please note: most of the discussion has happened on the Telco Work Group Mailing List, and they are currently discussing whether the draft spec should actually be an SPDX profile instead:  
<https://lists.openchainproject.org/g/telco/messages>

# Track All This Work



- You can join our monthly North America / Europe and North America / Asia calls every month (two meetings per month):  
<https://www.openchainproject.org/participate>
- We publish the slides used for every meeting:  
<https://github.com/OpenChain-Project/Meeting-Minutes/tree/main/Slides>
- We also publish a recording of every meeting:  
<https://www.openchainproject.org/news>
- You can also join our specification mailing list to follow everything by email:  
<https://lists.openchainproject.org/g/specification>

tl;dr:

Big Project, Big Community.  
Plenty Commercial Support Too.



# Global Impact January to October 2023



- Conformant Companies Listed: 89 > 108 (20.3% increase)
- Certifiers: 7 > 13 (85.7% increase)
- Service Providers: 24 > 29 (20.8% increase)
- Vendors: 11 > 13 (18.2% increase)
- Legal Providers: 21 > 24 (14.3% increase)
- Standards maintained: 1 > 2 (100% increase)
- New specifications under proposal: 1 > 3 (200% increase)

# Get Started With Your Adoption and Participation



<https://www.openchainproject.org/participate>