

SBOM Management at Mercedes-Benz

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Agenda

With the **FOSS Disclosure Portal** we aim at a more efficient, digital, and transparent software supply chain regarding open source



Mission

Free & Open Source Software (FOSS) brings innovation, efficiency and speed, but we need to make sure to play it save



FOSS Disclosure Portal

Software Bill of Materials (SBOM) provided by suppliers to our central inventory enables checking license conformance easier & faster



SBOM Management at Scale

FOSS SBOM consumption will intensify the collaboration with software suppliers and poses both opportunities and challenges

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Mercedes-Benz FOSS Manifesto

- Set of guidelines which proclaim the importance of FOSS for a modern tech organization
- Consists of three parts: Preamble, Company Principles, Employee Principles
- Goal: Facilitate the cultural change in Mercedes-Benz IT & our subsidiaries towards Inner Source and Open Source
- Sends our engineers on their FOSS Mission

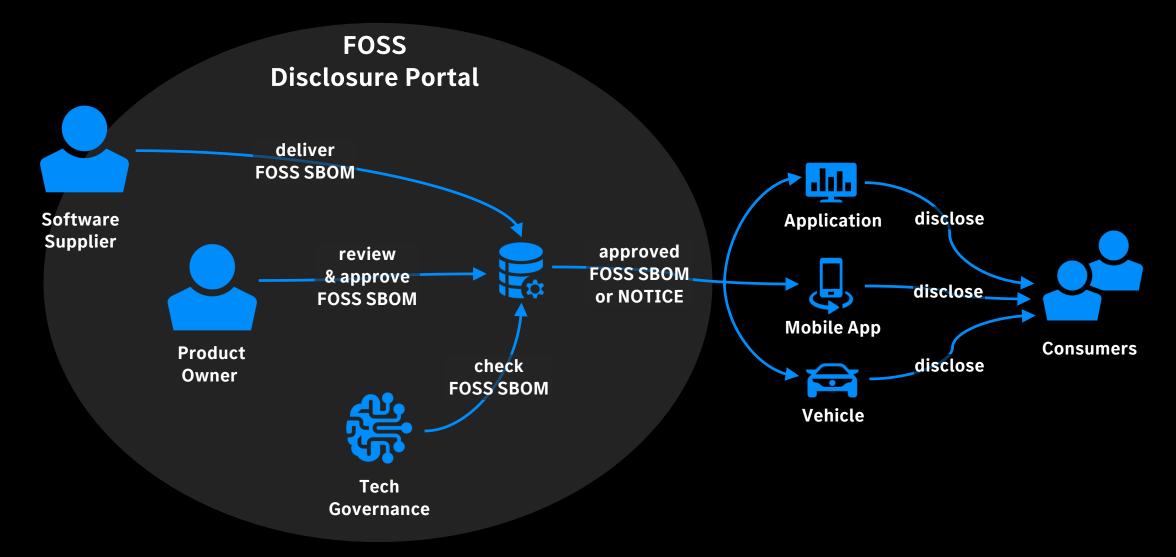




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FOSS SBOM in the Software Supply Chain



Open Source Options

Use one of these ...











... or build your own



FOSS Disclosure Portal

OUR VISION: WHAT IS IT?

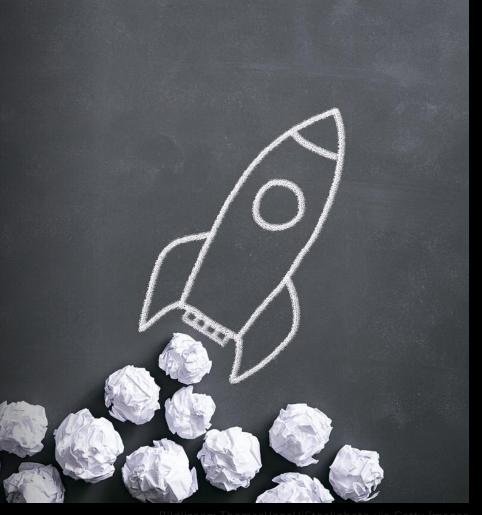
- A more efficient, transparent and digital software supply chain
- Digitized and automated FOSS Disclosure Process
- Increased transparency leads to better license compliance and security

OUR MISSION: HOW DO WE ACHIEVE IT?

- With the FOSS Disclosure Portal we automate the open source software supply chain
- Create a central worldwide inventory of FOSS Software Bill of Material (SBOM) from all Mercedes-Benz companies with legal information for license checks
- Provide automation for guided conformance checking and obligations management

OUR PURPOSE: WHY DO WE STRIVE FOR IT?

- Be compliant, secure, and developer-friendly
- Make life easier for developers, application owners, and software suppliers
- Follow the company's software compliance guidelines



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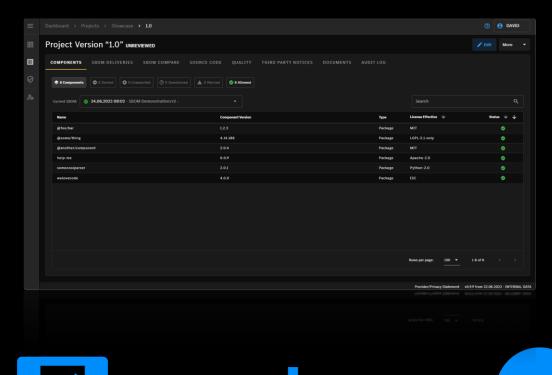
Benefits for Product Owners



ISO Format for SBOM Exchange



REST API & CLI for CI/CD Integration





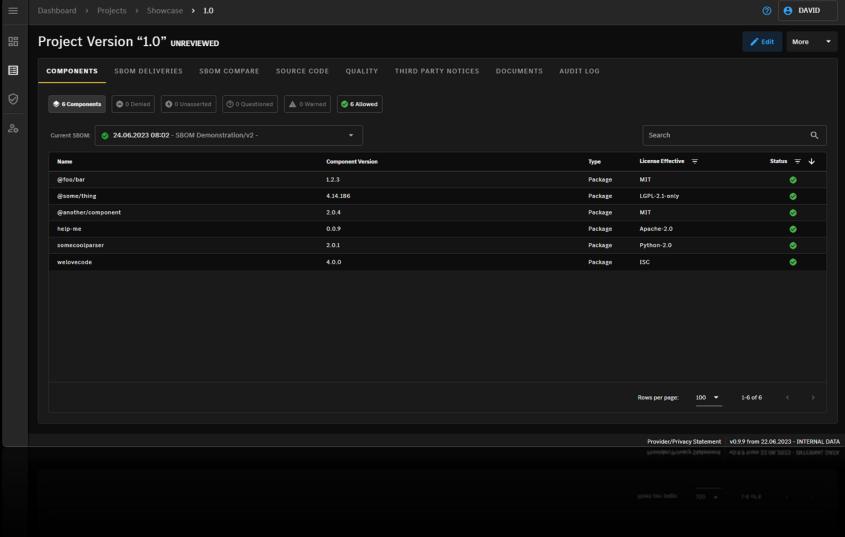






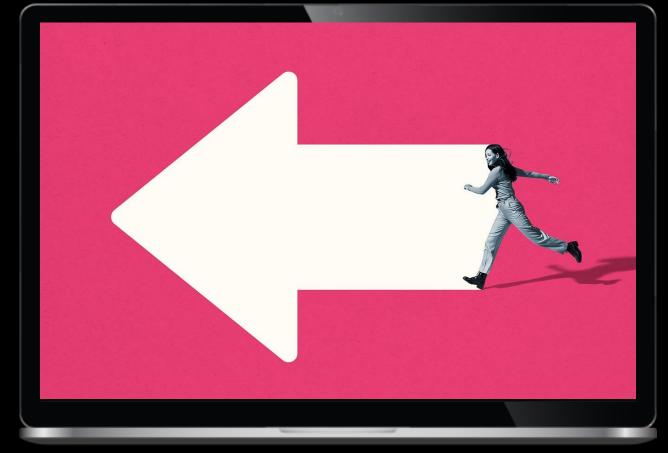
Quality Checks for Obligations Management

Demo



SBOM Challenges

- Common Identifiers
- Data Quality and Curating
- Required Attributes
- Obligations and Abstraction
- All Code of All Dependencies



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What's in it for Suppliers



Digitization

Submit the SBOMs for your apps & control units to FOSS Disclosure Portal instead of filling in a MS Word template



CI/CD integration

Connect to FOSS Disclosure Portal API from your build pipelines



Transparency

Full transparency and policy support enables you to align with your customer much earlier in development process



Contributions Welcome

Disclosure Portal CLI is FOSS so that you can change it to your own needs and submit upstream for continued support https://github.com/mercedes-benz/disclosure-cli