

Open Source Adoption: What Your Peers Are Up To

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**“Never waste the
opportunities offered
by a good crisis...”**

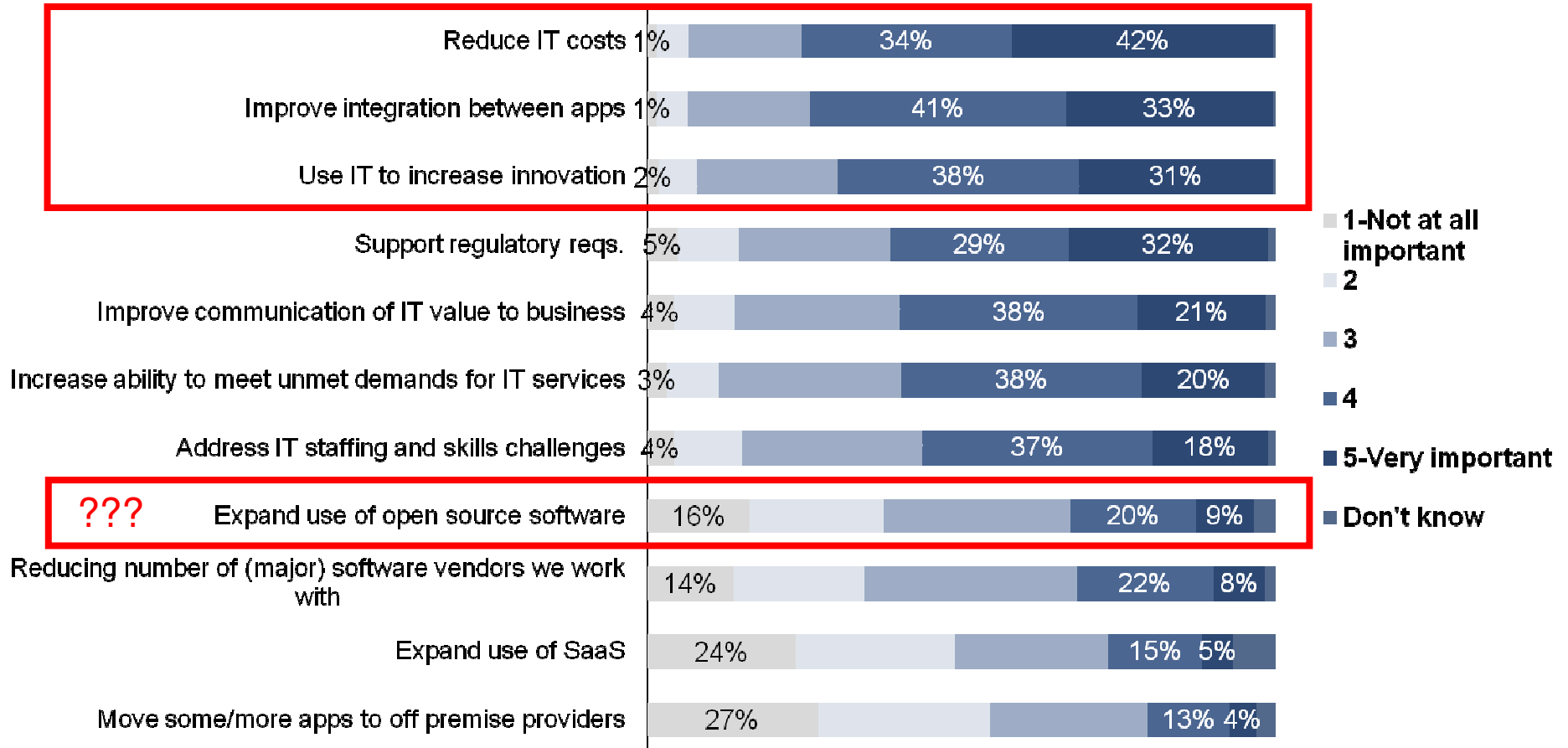
Niccolo Machiavelli

Agenda

- **Market Trends And OSS Evolution**
- Adoption Best Practices
- An OSS Assessment Model

In 2009, costs, integration and innovation are all top of mind for execs

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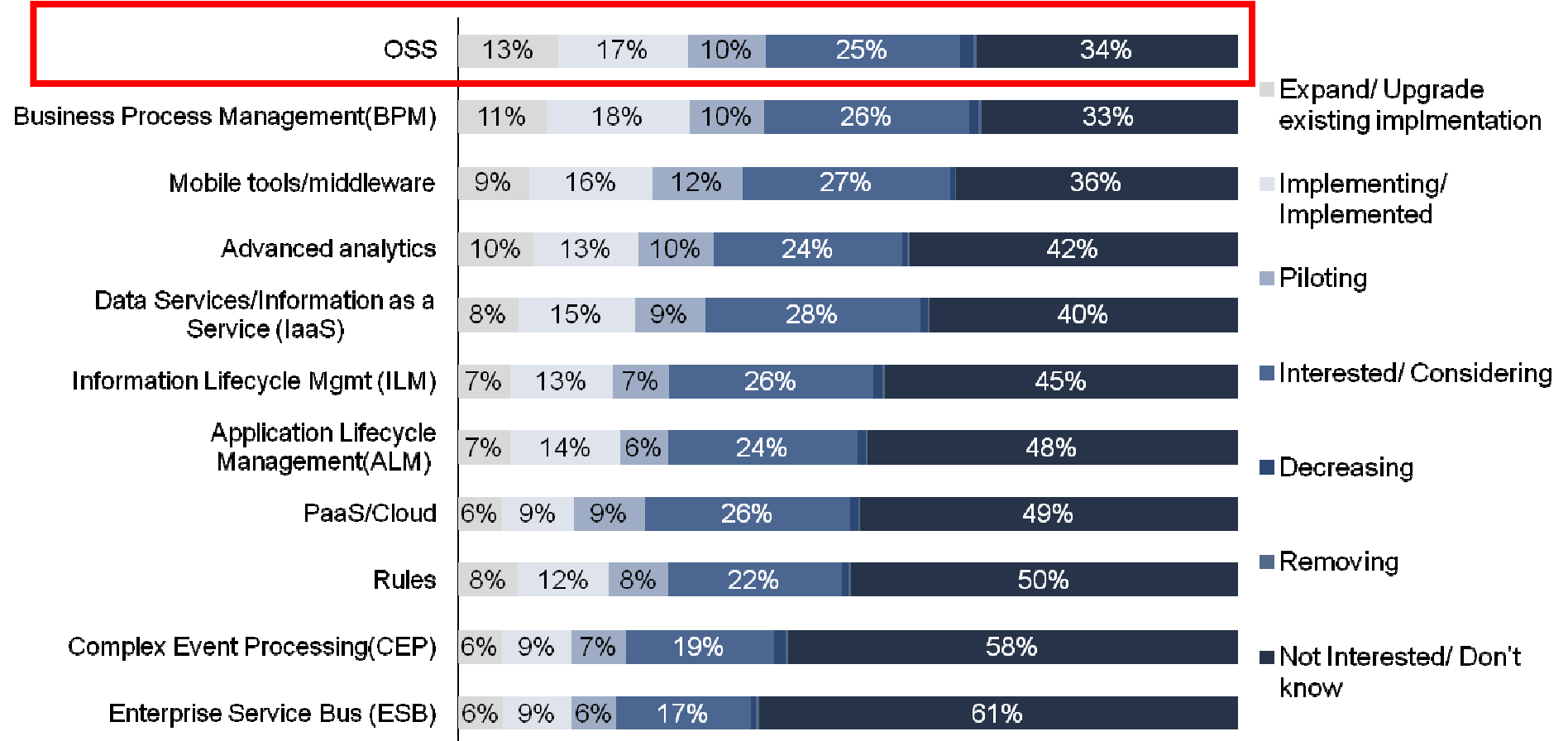


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Interest in OSS is growing as a result of IT cost pressures

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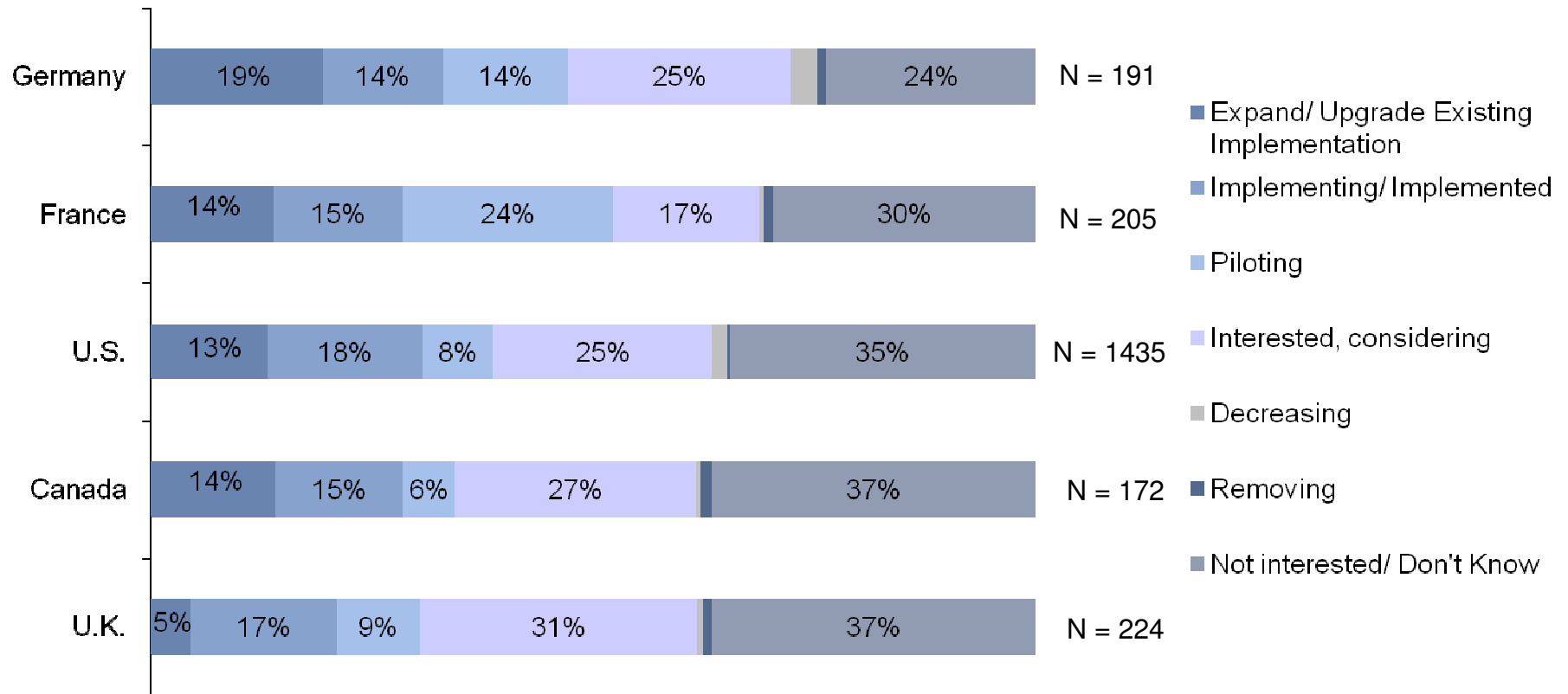


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Germany, France lead OSS adoption

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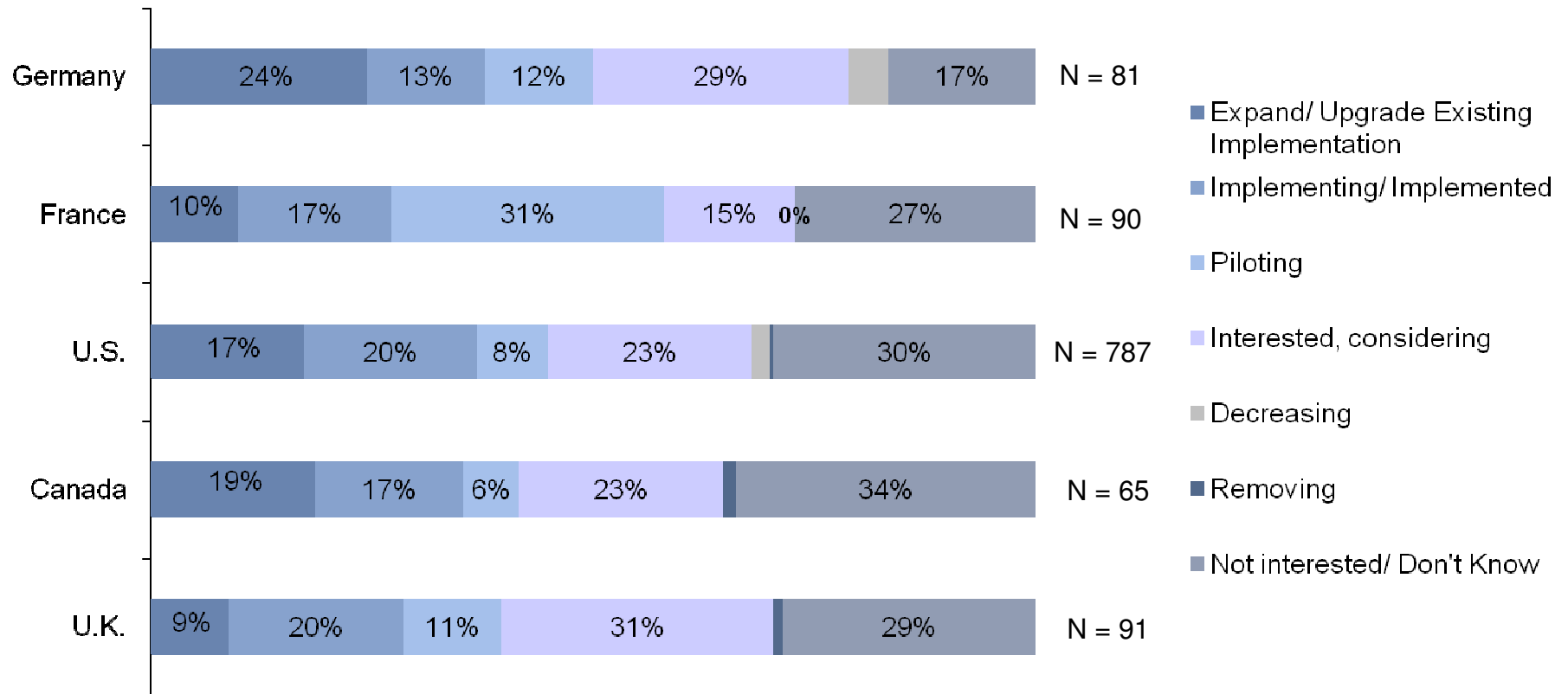


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OSS Adoption Is Accelerated In Software Dev.

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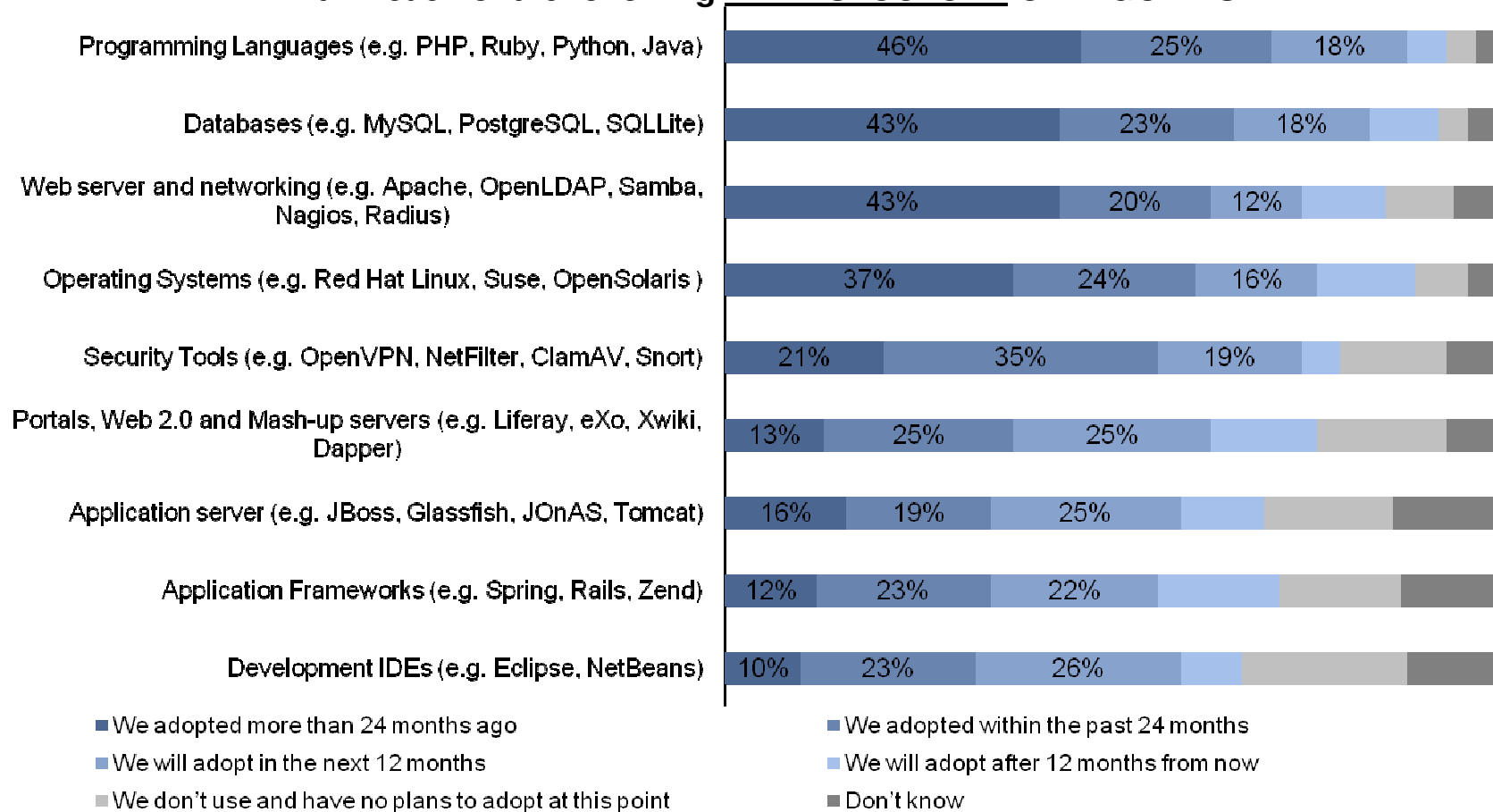


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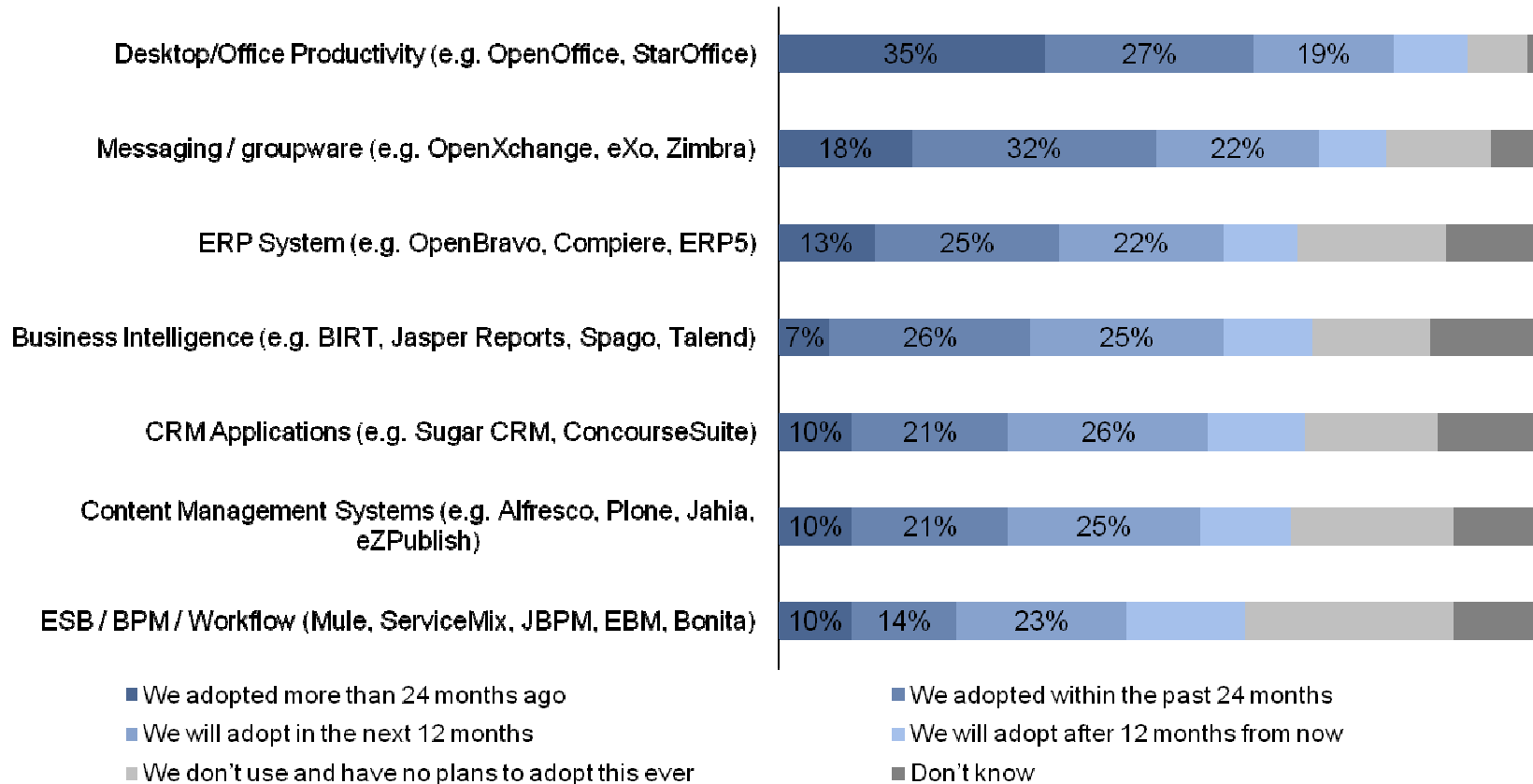
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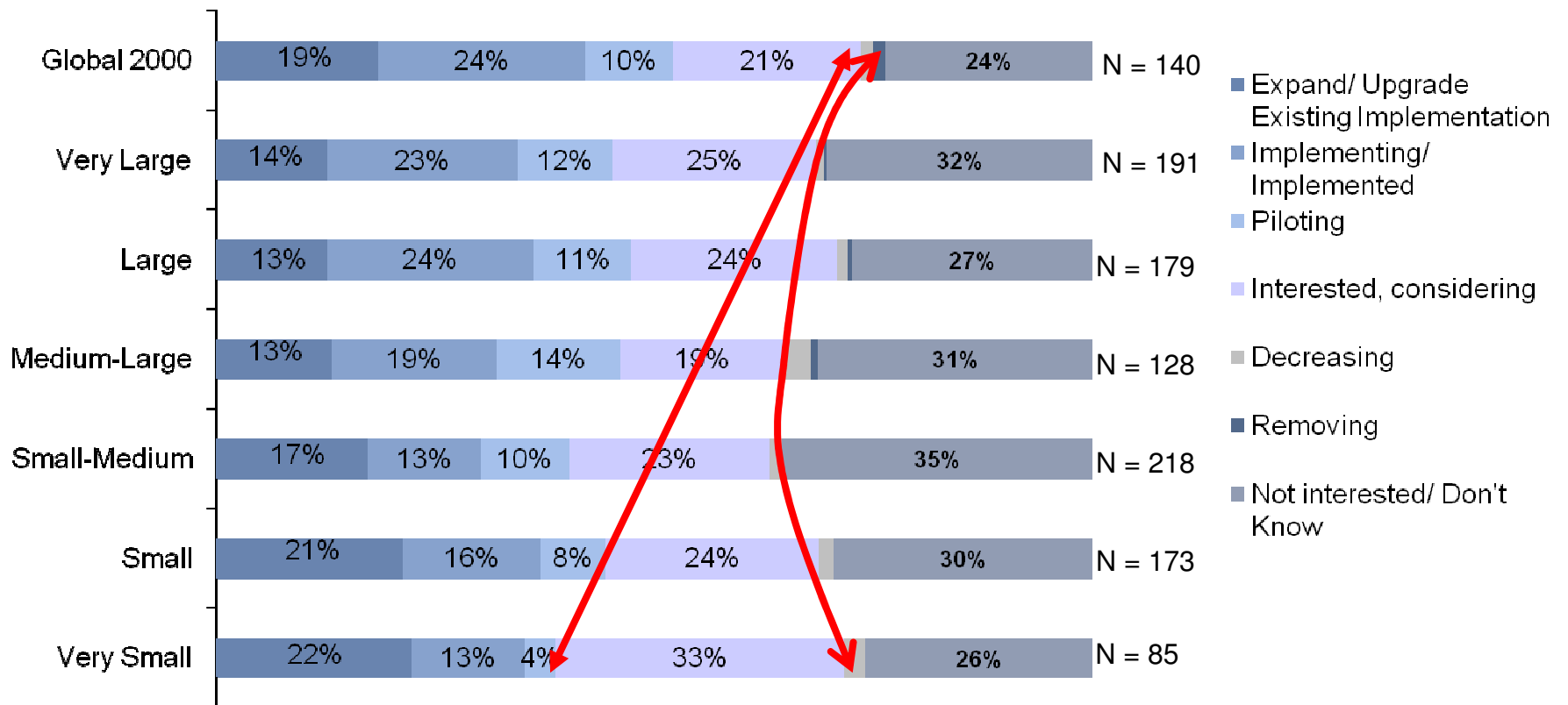
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OSS adoption is strongest at very large and very small firms

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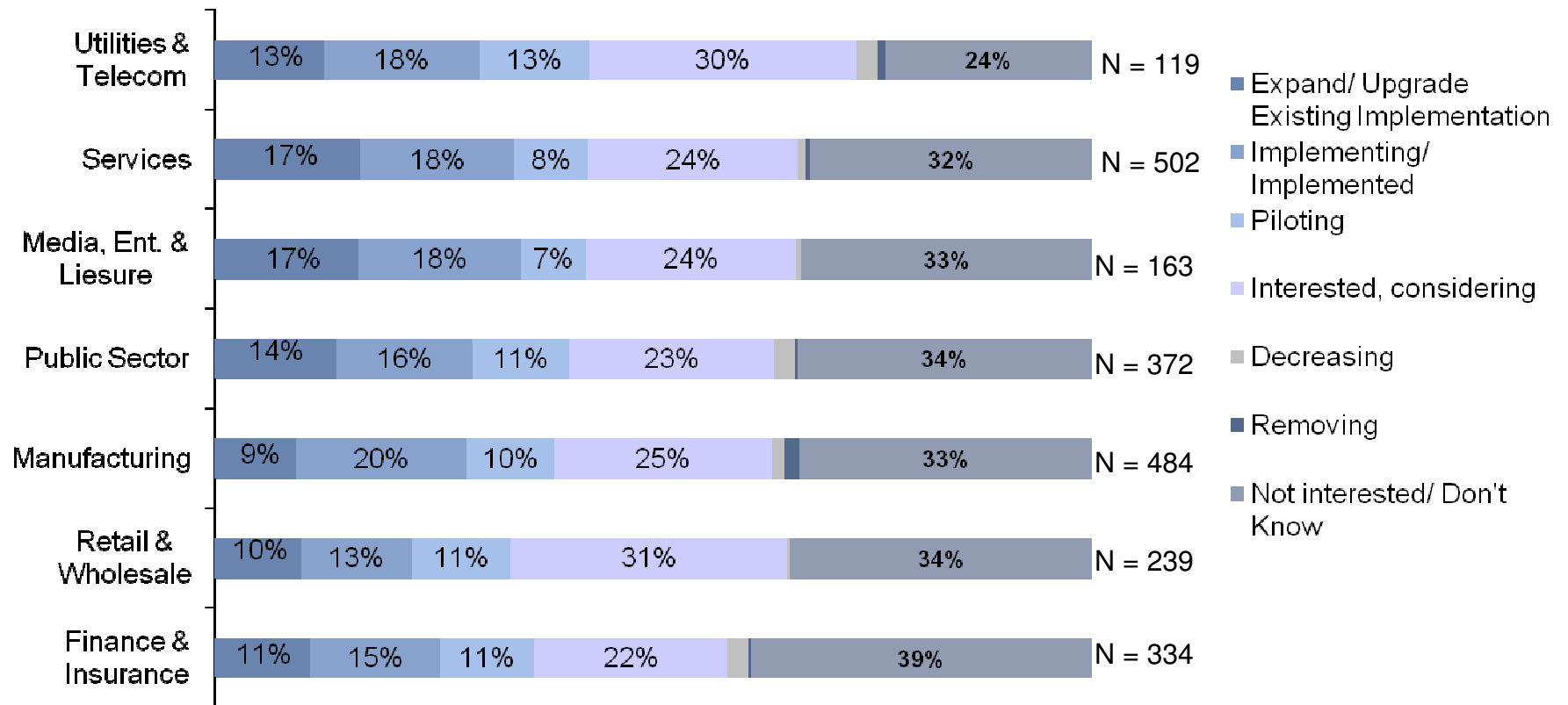


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Telecom, Business Services drive OSS adoption

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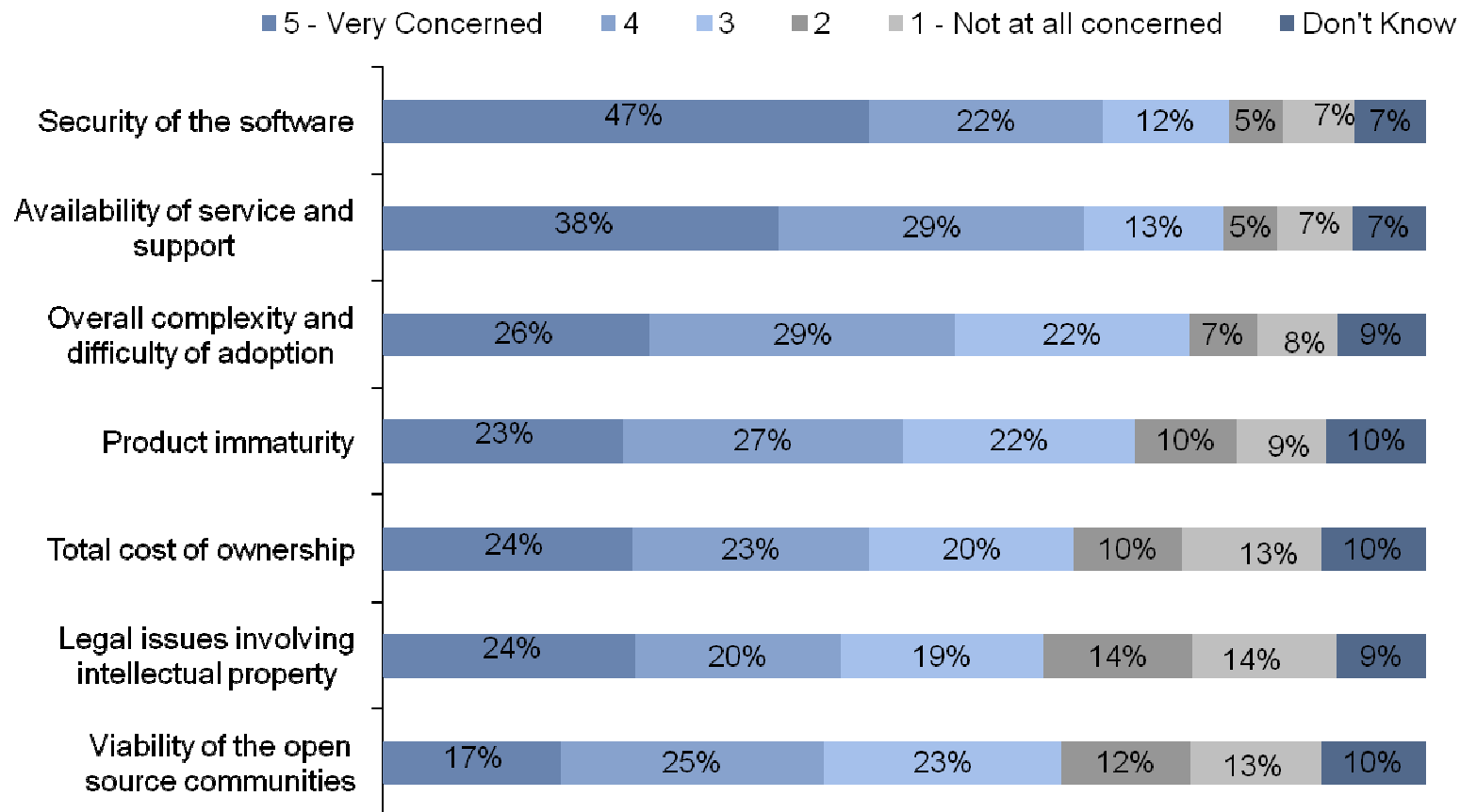


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Security and availability of service and support top non-adopters' "very important" concerns with open source

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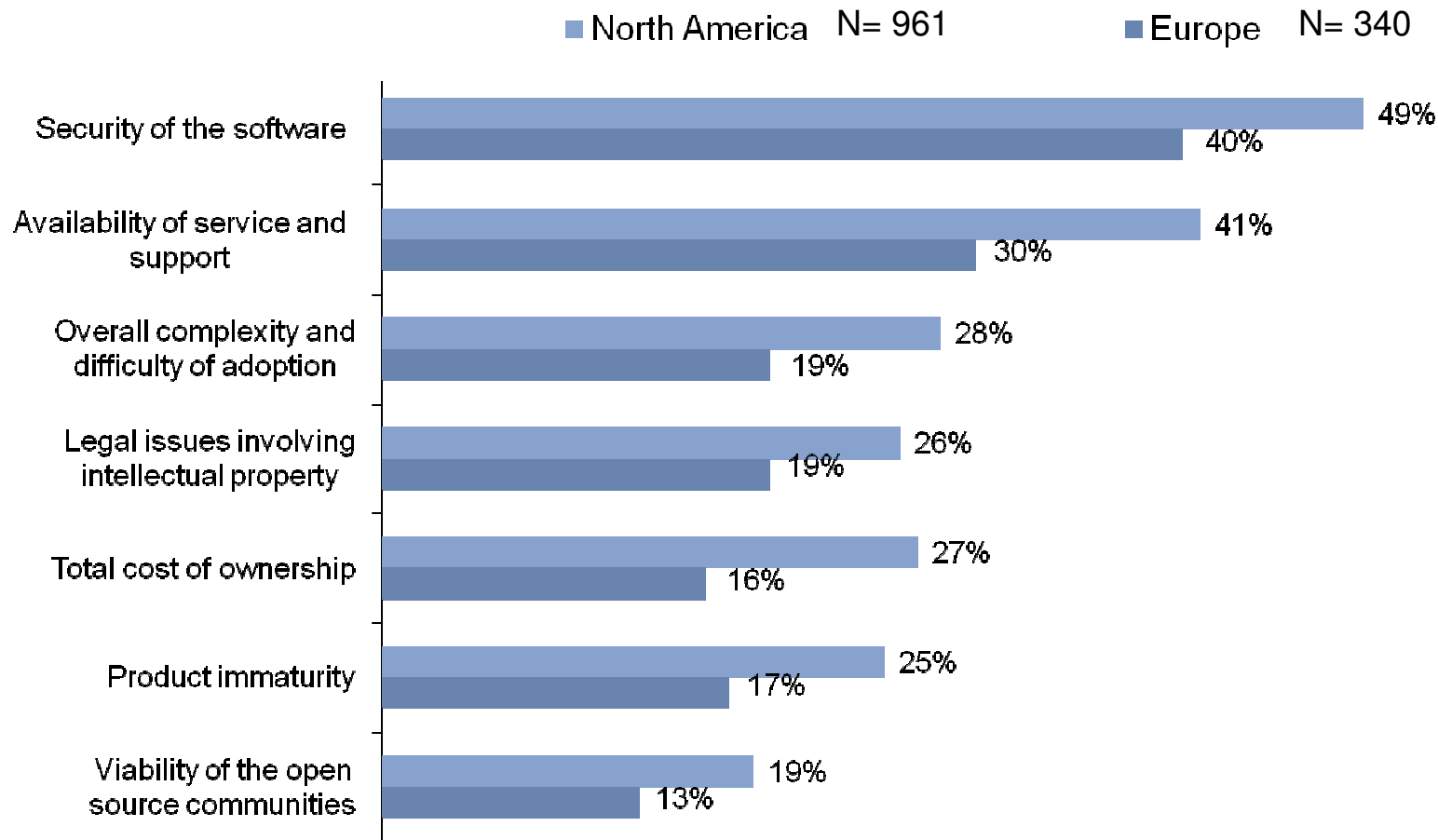


Base: 1,322 software decision makers not using OSS at North American and European enterprises.

Source: Enterprise And SMB Software Survey, North America And Europe, Q4 2008

Europeans Express Lower Anxiety With OSS

“How concerned is your firm about the following aspects of open source software?”

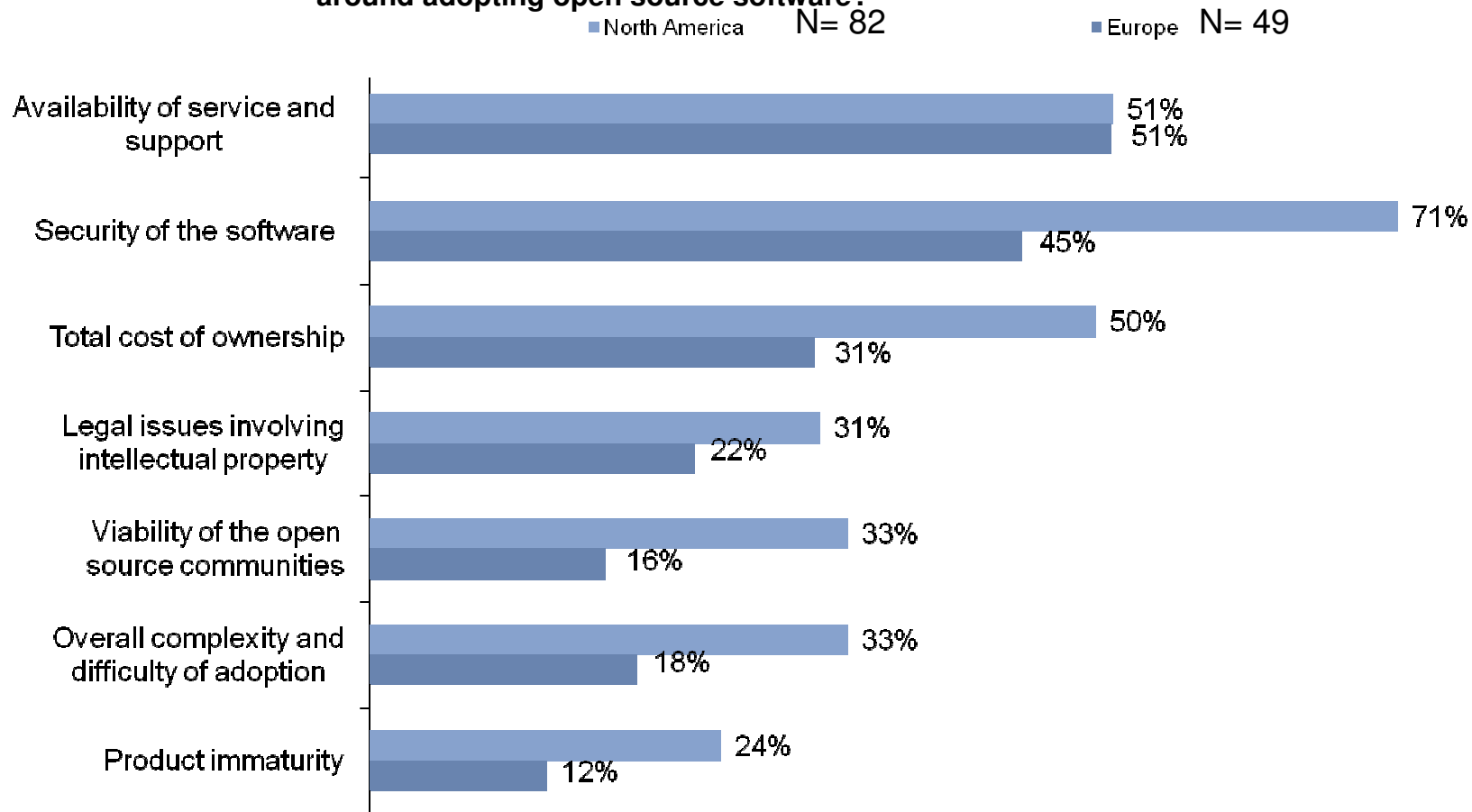


Base: 1301 software decision makers at North American and European enterprises who were not using open source and ranked the concern as “Very Important”.

Source: Enterprise And SMB Software Survey, North America And Europe, Q4 2008

OSS Concerns in 2007

“How important to your organization are each of the following concerns around adopting open source software?”



Base: 131 decision makers at North American and European enterprises who were either currently piloting or planning to pilot open source and ranked the concern as “Very Important”.

Source: Enterprise And SMB Software Survey, North America And Europe, Q3 2007

We started with cathedrals and bazaars

The background image shows a vibrant street market scene. In the foreground, there are many people, some holding colorful umbrellas (yellow, red, blue), suggesting it might be raining or recently rained. The street is filled with various goods and stalls. In the background, a large, ornate cathedral with multiple spires and a clock tower dominates the skyline. The overall atmosphere is one of a bustling, traditional marketplace.

Cathedrals

- Organization and Planning
- Design
- Directed Innovation
- Stability
- Hierarchy

Bazaars

- Trade
- Economic Darwinism
- Necessity as the mother of invention
- Exchange of ideas
- Class reform



But We've Moved On To Guilds

Guilds combine

- Organization with Class Reform
- Directed and Accidental Innovation
- Stability with Exchange of Ideas

And now to shopping malls...



The “Mall of Eclipse”

What It Means

- Economic uncertainty and cost pressures create OSS adoption opportunity
- Continental Europeans lead in adoption of and comfort with OSS software
- Very small and very large organizations have “more time than money”
- As OSS business models evolve, concerns over viability and IP are receding
- The enterprise software market and the OSS market are set for an inevitable collision

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The 5 stages of OSS acceptance

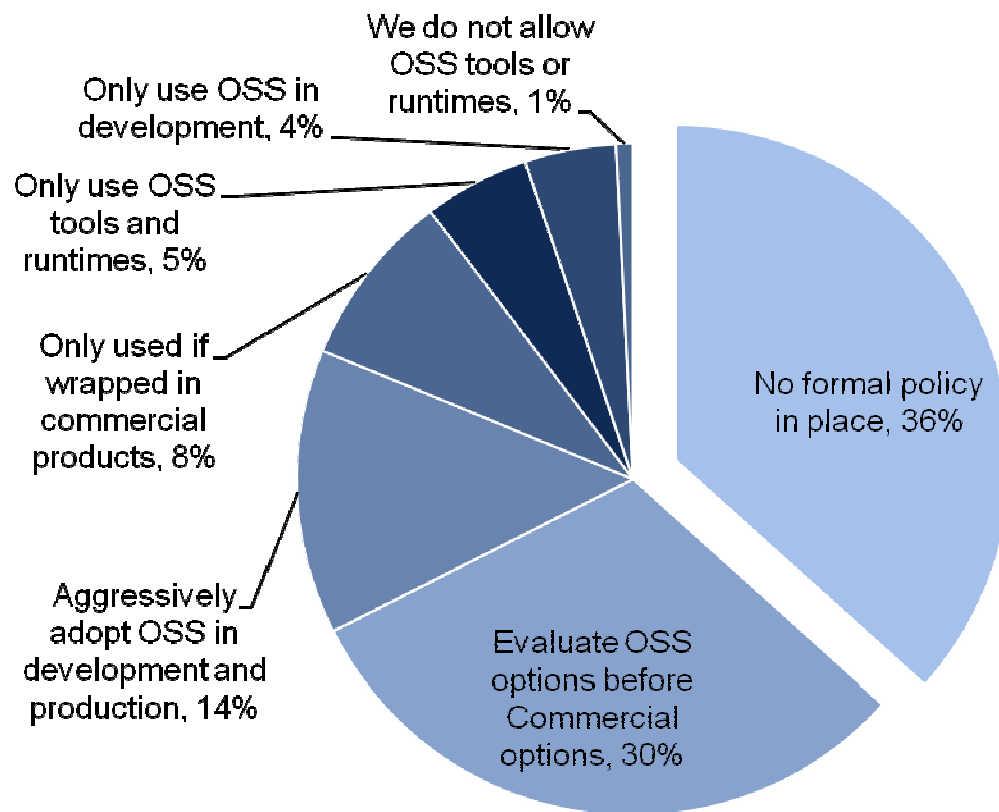
| Stage | Symptoms of progression |
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| Denial that open source is already in use | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No recent audits of custom software• Low awareness of popular OSS components• No official company policy for OSS usage |
| Anger over a surprise loss of control | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Software in use with no record of adoption• Management looks to assign accountability.• Developers practice "don't ask, don't tell." |
| Bargaining to re-establish existing controls and processes | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crash program to identify total exposure• Program put in place to remove existing OSS• Lawyers spend hours meeting with application development teams. |
| Depression on realizing the point of no return has been reached | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Realization that extracting open source would bring IT to a halt• Recognition that the expense involved in extracting OSS would be prohibitive |
| Acceptance of open source software | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implementation of a formal OSS strategy• Adjustments to policies and processes• An attitude shift from tolerance to exploitation |

OSS Adoption Best Practices

1. Create a concise OSS policy
2. Re-engineer your software acquisition process
3. Make adjustments to people, processes and tools
4. Join and contribute to OSS communities
5. Vary support sourcing by measured value

Many firms still don't have a policy in place

“Which of the following best describes your firm’s formal policy towards OSS software?”



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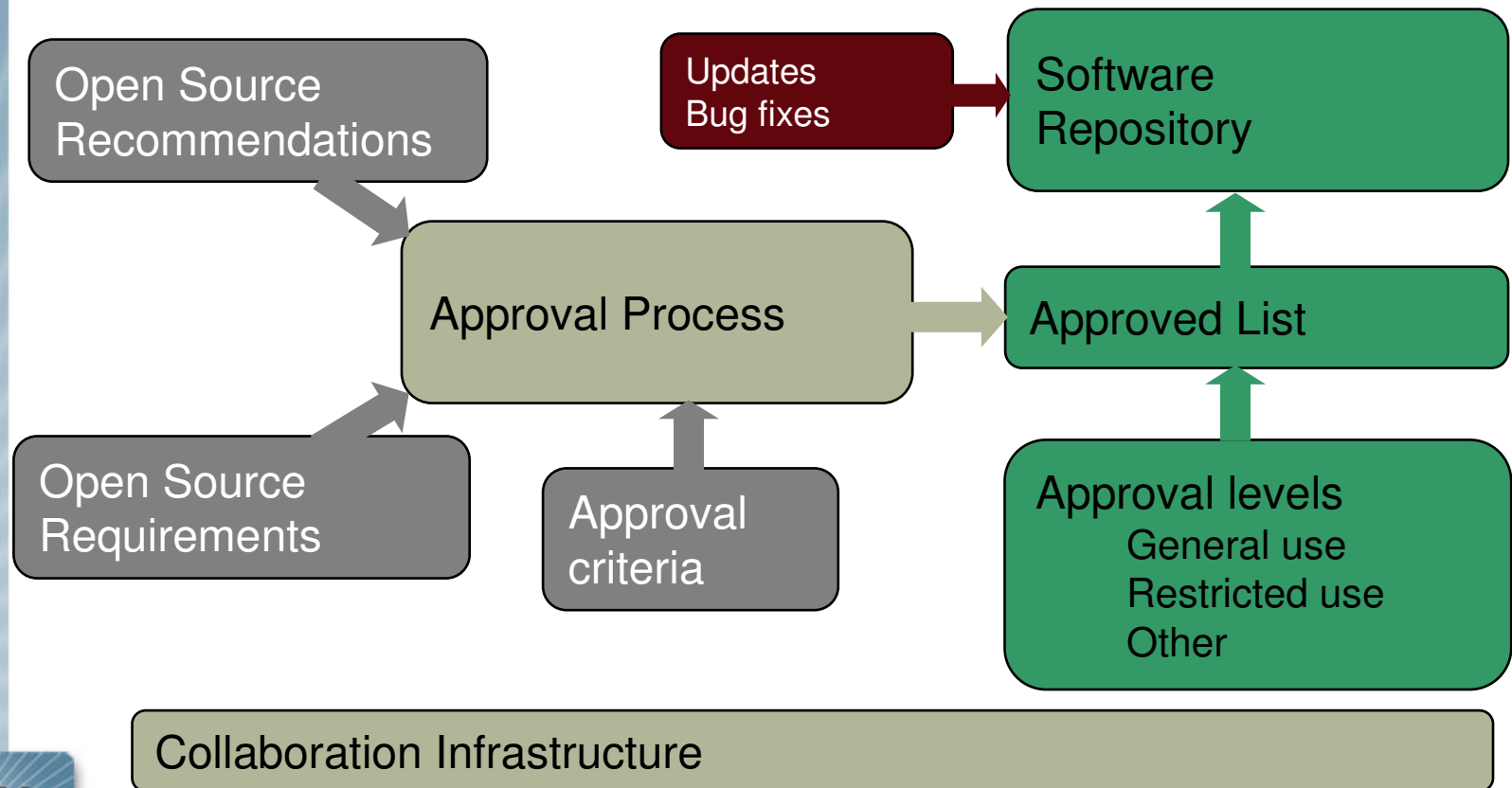
OSS Policy To Dos:

- Make it short!
- Make it developer consumable
- Involve general counsel early and often
- Classify OSS license types
- Revisit and revise on a regular basis
- Take control of the process
- Measure implementation

Sample Policy Contents

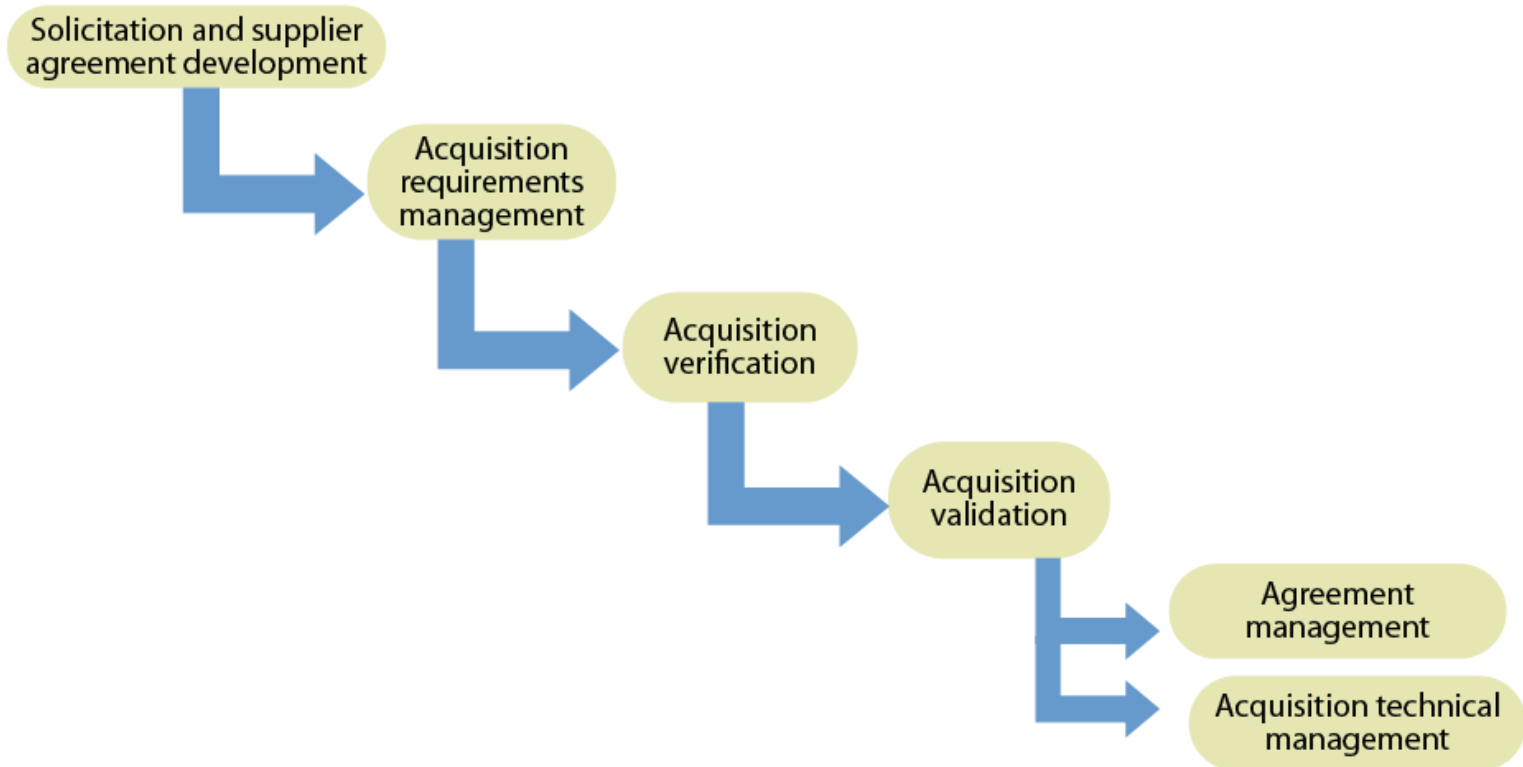
| Policy component | What it should specify |
|--|---|
| Goals of OSS adoption | Justification for using OSS (e.g., cost avoidance, speed, performance, quality) |
| Acquisition processes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Method of procurement• Distribution policies• Support policies• RACI matrix | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How will you acquire OSS components?• Where are they downloaded from?• How is dependent code made available?• What's the strategy for providing support?• Who is responsible, accountable, consulted, informed? |
| Rubric for business case | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How will you determine the total cost of ownership?• What performance service-level agreements are needed? |
| Guidelines for appropriate use including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• License classification• Usage restrictions• Reporting requirements• Derivative use• Remediation policies | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the specific guidelines for developers?• What OSS licenses can be used and where?• When should OSS not be used?• How do projects report their use?• How are modifications handled?• What is done when unreported use is detected? |

Bridging from policy to acquisition

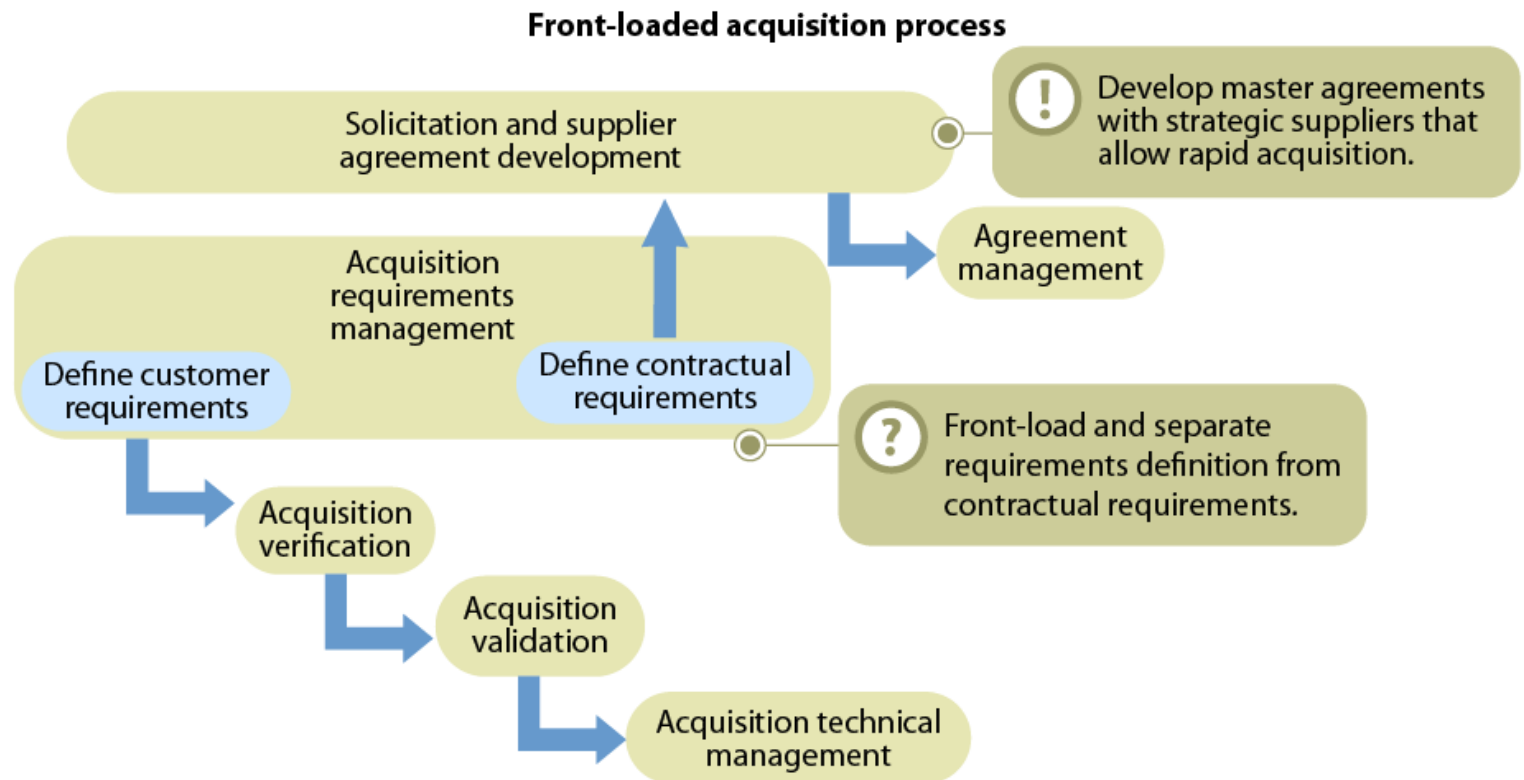


Traditional processes are too slow

Traditional acquisition process



Front-load the process instead



COOs are an easy way to start

CERTIFICATE OF ORIGINALITY (SAMPLE)

1. Basic project information

Project name: _____

Version/release: _____

Brief functional description: _____

2. Details on any portion of the software written by any party other than those listed above:

| Name of software from above | Name of portion | Author names | Author affiliation | Ownership details |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

3. Did you obtain any content from any party or source not listed above?

4. Who owns copyrights in the content?

5. Does anyone charge for the content?

6. Does anyone consider the content to be confidential?

7. What copyright notice is on the content?

Name of submitter: _____

Date: _____

Source: National University Of Ireland Maynooth (research.nuim.ie/enterprise/commercialisation_forms/documents/CertificateofOriginality.doc) and IBM (<http://www.vm.ibm.com/download/thirdagr.iagree>)



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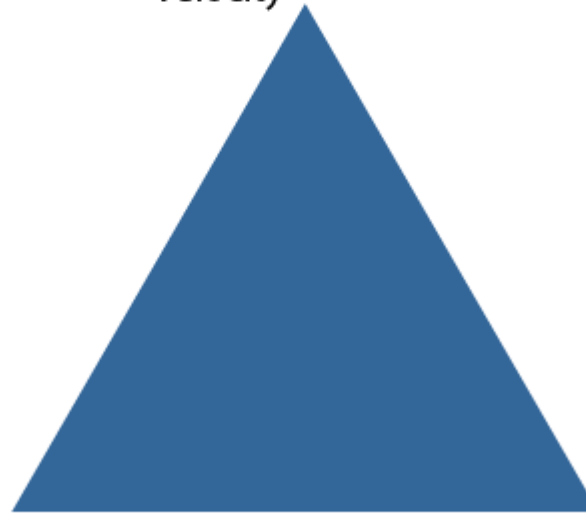
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A general rubric for assessing OSS

The software “iron triangle”

Schedule

- Acquisition period
- Development cycle
- Velocity



Costs

- Capital expenses
- Operational expenses
- Labor expenses

Capability

- Features
- Quality and “ilities” risks

Evaluate Commercial And Open Source Software Options Using A Multiyear Cost Profile

Example of a simple three-year formula for annualized total cost of ownership (TCO)*

$$\text{TCO} = (\text{capital expenses} + 3(\text{operational expenses}))/3$$

Capital expenses =
hardware acquisition + software license acquisition

CAPEX considerations:

- Can commodity hardware suffice, or is specialized hardware required?
- Are license costs a lump sum, or do they increase as deployment scales?
- Are software licenses perpetual or fixed-term?

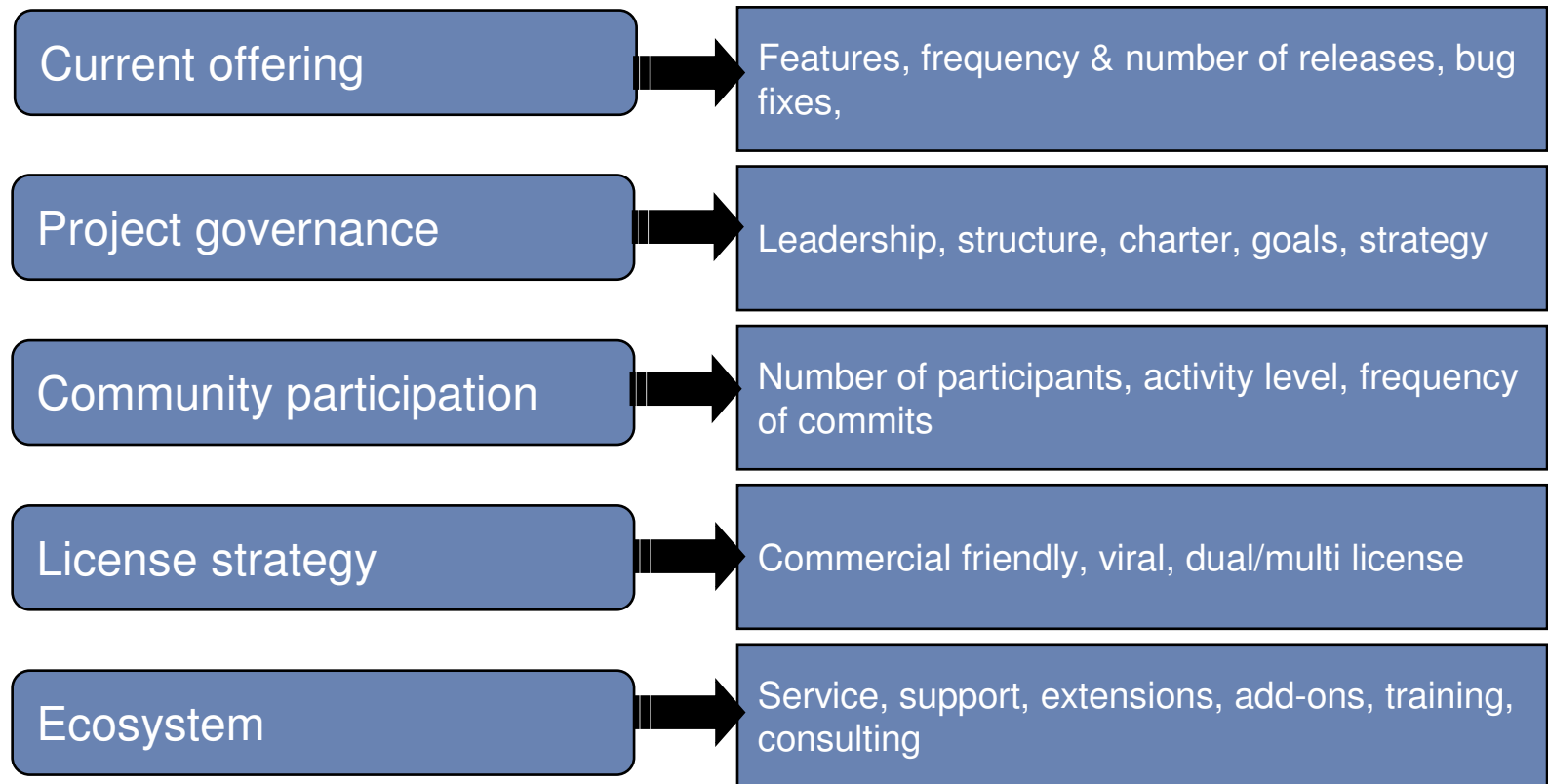
Operational expenses =
maintenance + power + labor + indirect costs

OPEX considerations:

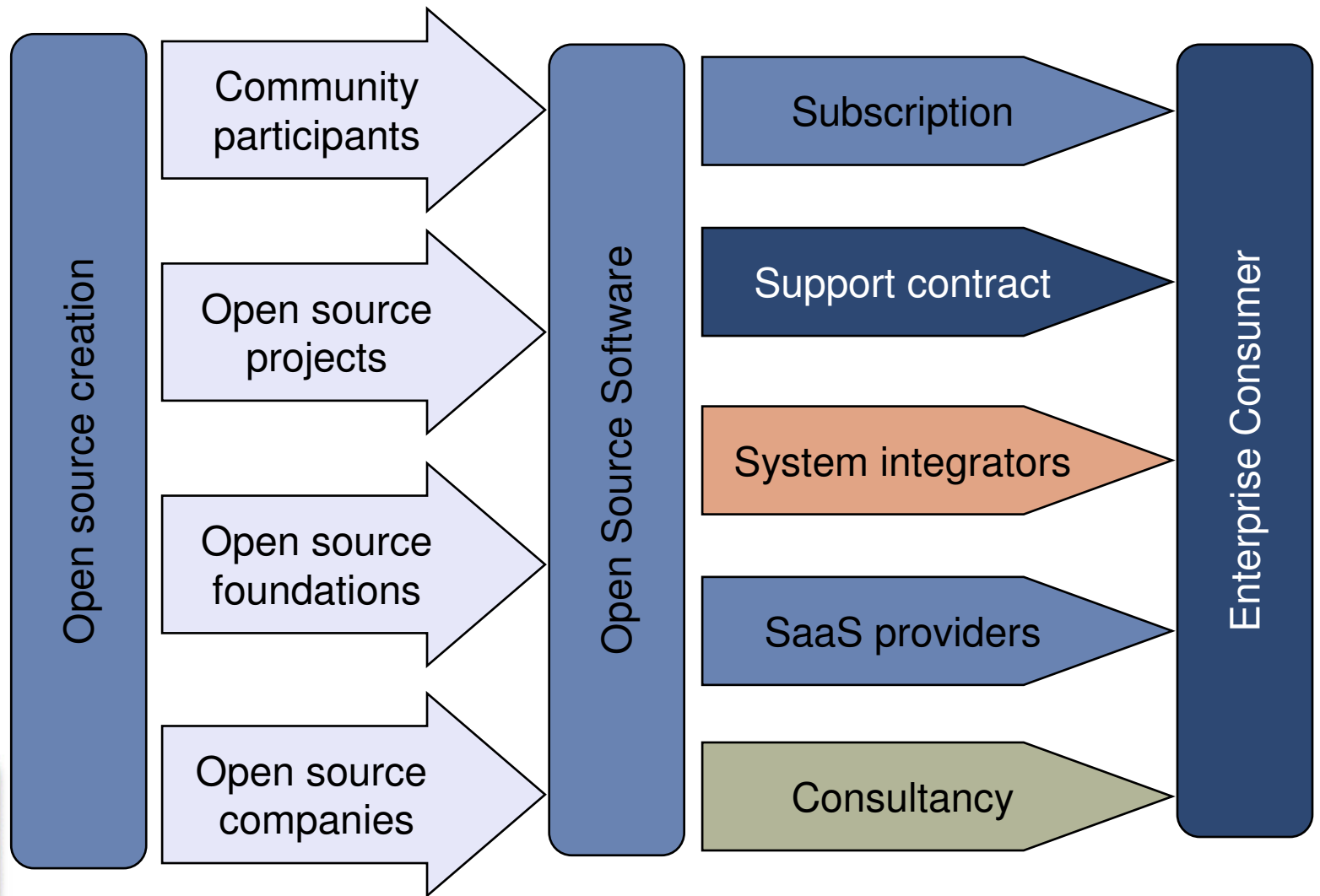
- Are recurring costs optional or mandatory: How much flexibility is there?
- Labor costs include developer and administrator salaries and training fully loaded costs.
- Indirect costs include vendor management, software configuration and administration tools, and the cost of migrating to new platforms.

*For greater precision, use net present value (NPV) calculations for OPEX and break out indirect costs on a separate, annualized basis.

Evaluating OSS project capability



Evaluate the entire ecosystem



Setting priorities for an OSS rollout

Priorities based on technical merits

| | Situation Analysis | Example |
|---|--------------------------------|---|
| 1 | OSS is de facto standard | PHP, Apache Web server Apache Tomcat |
| 2 | OSS fills a gap | Ant, Junit, Subversion, Apache Axis |
| 3 | OSS is adequate | MySQL, PostgreSQL |
| 4 | OSS is better, more innovative | Spring, Hibernate |

Setting priorities for an OSS rollout

Priorities based on application type

| | Application | Examples |
|---|------------------------|---|
| 1 | Infrastructure | Linux, virtualization, network |
| 2 | Development | IDE, version control, testing |
| 3 | Middleware | Application server, messaging, database |
| 4 | Application frameworks | Struts, Spring, Hibernate |
| 5 | Horizontal business | ETL, BI, CRM |

Setting priorities for an OSS rollout

Priorities based on skills and platform context

| | Skills/Technology | Rationale |
|---|------------------------|--|
| 1 | Java / JEE programmers | Many OSS java projects; seamless skills transfer |
| 2 | Dynamic languages | PHP, Python, Ruby, etc. are open source now |
| 3 | App dev is outsourced | Appropriate skills can be hired |
| 4 | C, C++, Fortran | Fewer relevant open source projects |
| 5 | .NET, C#, Visual Basic | Steepest learning curve, fewer choices |

Recommendations

- Look to projects with strong committer communities – guilds and malls
- Prioritize projects with commercial support or dual use options
- Start at the base of the application platform and move up
- Be realistic about support for alternative commercial products

Thank you

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