Introduction

Open source software (OSS) is a way of developing and distributing software. The code is often written

collaboratively and it can be downloaded, used and changed by anyone.

OSS tends to use and help define open standards and publicly available specifications. OSS are, by their nature,

publicly available specifications, and the availability of their source code promotes open, democratic debate around

their specifications, making them both more robust and interoperable. From a design standpoint, interoperability and

OSS are clearly separate, as are OSS and open standards. From a cultural and historical standpoint, however, there

are strong ties between these concepts. This can be explained by the “community of values” - due to their open

nature, OSS economic models are based less on strategies to lock in the user and more on interoperability to benefit

the user.

Project

This Project is a continuation of the work you did for the Risk Assignment. Based on your Risk Assessment

knowledge (including: Threat Assessment and Vulnerability Assessment), prepare a report on the use of Open

Source Software (OSS) for your company or organization. Describe any and all risks that you believe are

appropriate. In your analyses, decide as to the overall risk of using OSS and whether you would recommend OSS for

your organization and why