Navigating the Cloud Native Community for End Users

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Agenda

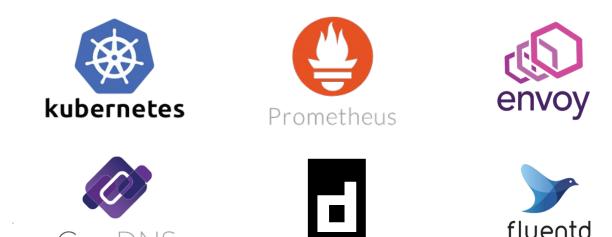
1. What is the End User Community?

2. How does it work?

3. How do you get involved?

CNCF mission

Foster and sustain open source, vendor-neutral projects around cloud native

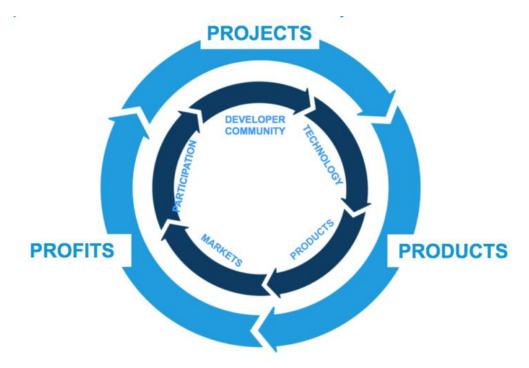


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CoreDNS

Non-profit, part of Linux Foundation, founded December 2015



400+ Members and Growing



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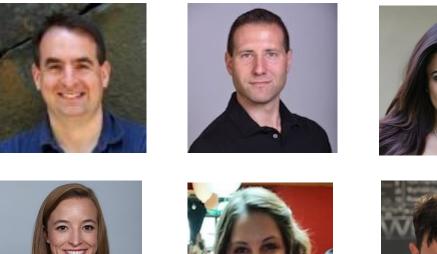


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8 staff















• Community



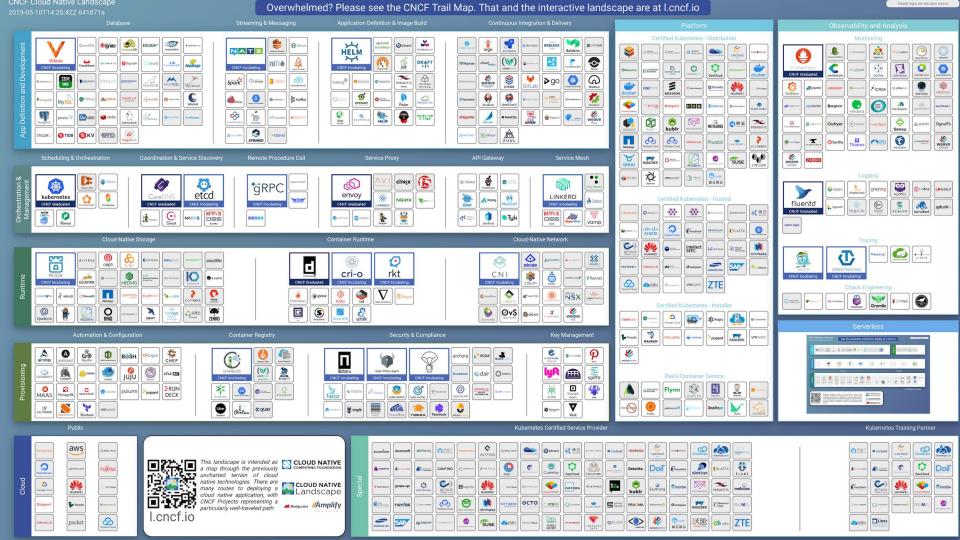
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- Marketing, PR and events



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• Consultancy



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- Support



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- Support
- Feature roadmaps



What is the End User Community?





Technical Oversight Committee

End User Community

Marketing Committee



End users

- use cloud native technologies internally
- do not sell any cloud native services externally

Excludes vendors, consulting and training partners.

CNCF End User Community

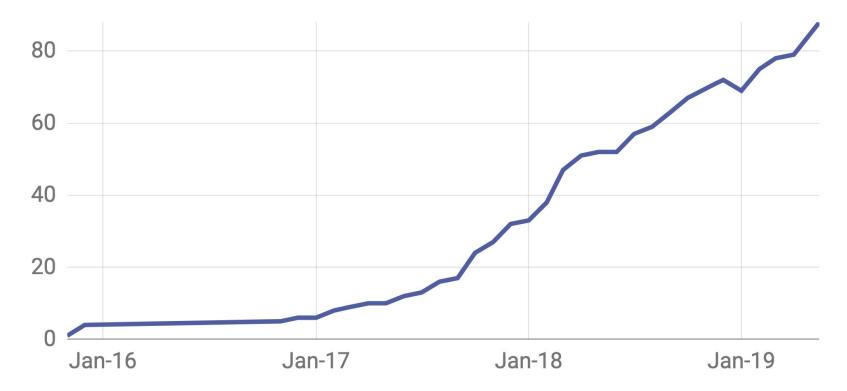


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Plus 9 non-public members



End User Community Membership Growth





Hired October 2018

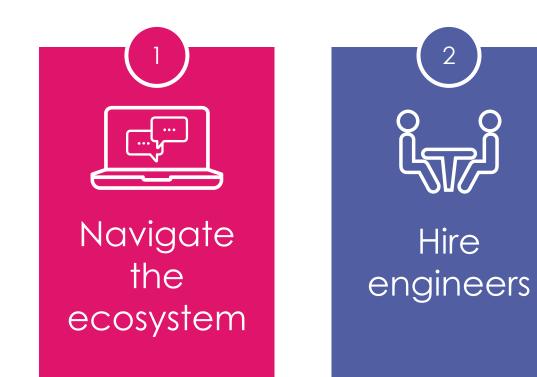


Understand end user needs

Ensure that end users are active and engaged in the community











Hire engineers





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You *don't* need to join to use or contribute!



"We actively engage in teaching and outreach of Cloud Native concepts within the Academic and Research communities. We are working on integrating those methods into student programs to get them learning them earlier in their education."







5 free tickets to KubeCon (2 if less than 300 employees)
Engage with peers
Developer Experience SIG
Finance, Telecom User Groups

Engage with projects End User Partner Summit



Hire engineers

"We've spoken at multiple conferences about our use of CNCF projects, including successes and our failures. We host meetups in New York and Stockholm, employ a CNCF ambassador, and are publishing a case study with CNCF on our Kubernetes use."





Awareness

- Increase number of KubeCon talks from end users
- Case studies
- End user booth at KubeCon
- Media and analyst meetings at KubeCon



"Joining CNCF as an end user community member gives us the ability to participate in conversations. Those lead to the ability to participate in the technical oversight committee which defines the future direction of the project and that's very important for us to have a voice."

Bloomberg





Run for Technical Oversight Committee and Governing Board Open Source Program Office • TODO Group Education

- Legal Summit
- Open Source Leadership Summit

"It's not an option to not do open source. If we don't get involved with cloud native and take the lead, we will fall behind our competitors."



How do you get involved?



Are you an end user?

End user use cloud native technologies internally, but **do not sell** any cloud native services externally

Excludes vendors, consulting and training partners.

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Annual cost	\$4500 / \$1800 (< 300 employees)	\$500 - \$370,000 (Silver, Gold, Platinum)

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Cheaper to be an End User Supporter (\$4500) than to buy 5 KubeCon tickets (\$5500)!

Be part of the CNCF End User Community



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Thanks! Slides at oicheryl.com

