



What was first, a big migration project or the local LibreOffice ecosystem ?

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The Discussion of a chicken or egg dilemma and its overwhelming solution"

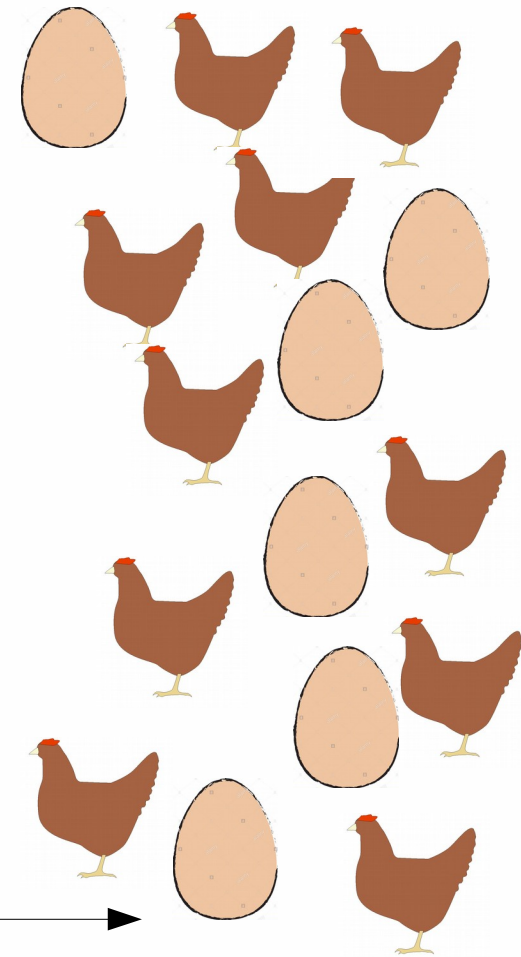
Abstract

I want to discuss this issue from both sides of the coin, what are the problems and needs?

Where are countries with experiences with this situation and how was it solved, which answer gives the Libreoffice certification program to this and why is the community the key solution?

The talk wants to bring together old hands or stagers and interested newbies from both sides all over the world and bringing help with the quality proven Certification program for Professionals in Migration and Training to their local environments.

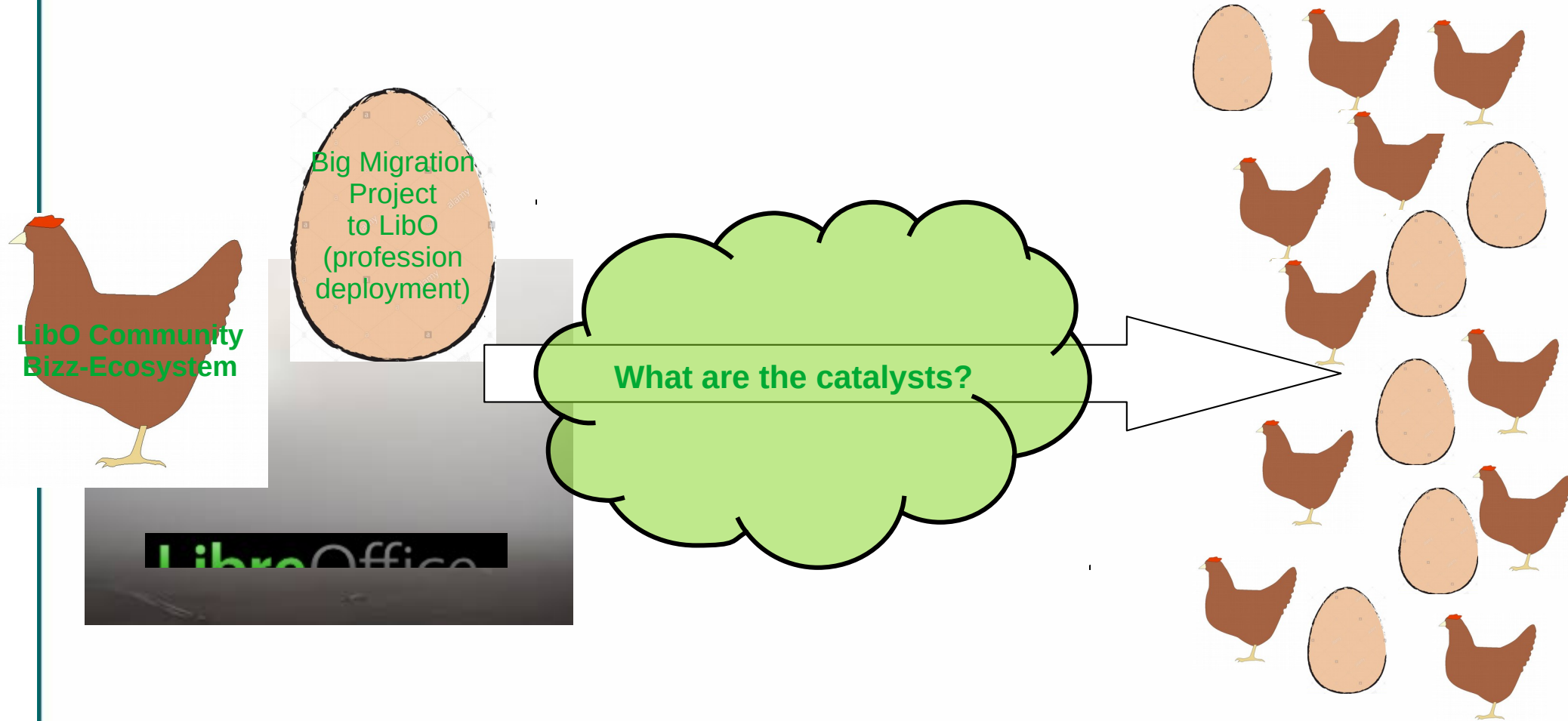
Genesis – from dust to chicken&eggs



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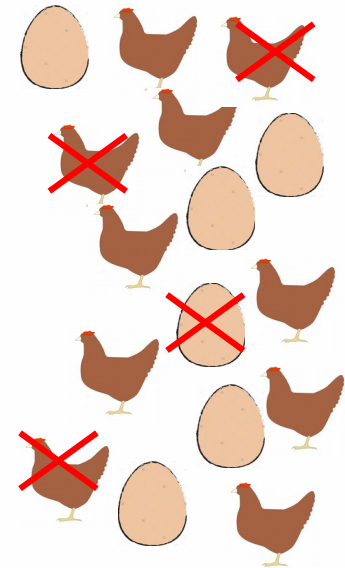
“... as time goes by”

Evolution: Market development – with no chicken or egg dilemma



Role models – learning from existing/vital markets (catalysts)

- Germany (me:-) since ~2000)
 - FrODev with a lot of honored com members (Thomas, Jacqueline, Florian, Thorsten et al.) (anchor persons, a local community organization)
 - Star Division, Sun Market Develop./Partner Mgmt. (anchor companies)
 - Lighthouse projects like “City of Munich”, Department of State ... (driver Public Affairs)
 - depression in the ecosystem, cost sensitivity, awareness of vendor lock in, ODF format
 - Now a days: a professional lobbyist , certified migrators, trainers, developers/support
 - Is Germany really still a role model?



The evolution never stops ... LOL

Role models – learning from existing/vital markets (catalysts)- (2)

- What about
 - ... Italy ? Marina
 - ... Taiwan ? Franklin
 - ... Albania ? Silva
 - ... Brasilia ? Gustavo/Olivier
- Questions are:
 - Please give a short history of the ecosystem in your country, how developed it, what is the situation now, and how do you think will it be the future?
(information about the community, the history of professional deployments of LibreOffice, the availability of migration/training and service partners in your country)
 - What do you think were the driving forces/catalysts for such a history, what were first community, ecosystem or professional migration projects?)
 - What do you think are the cultural aspects in this topic, what can we bring in from the worldwide ecosystem/community, what will help?
(and which role should the certification part have in it and what must be organized locally, what is needed for that?)
- Others? What can we do for your country/continent?

**And what is the
overwhelming solution you
mentioned?**

**It is YOU / ME /
ALL of US / “community”:
Do it!**

TDF certifications for LibreOffice - What is it?

Certification Procedures & PreRequisites - How to get it?

How to get such a certification?

- <https://www.documentfoundation.org/certification/>
- There are some CERTIFICATION PRE-REQUISITES
 - Involvement must be demonstrated with some documents
 - And/or testified by a certified TDF member in the same discipline
 - See: <https://www.documentfoundation.org/assets/Certification/tdf-certificationprerequisites.pdf>
- First: fill in an **application form** and deliver such documents
- Documents are checked if they are in with the prerequisites
- Pre-requisites are overseen by a small team
- There could be a first google hangout for clarifications
- Thereafter the candidate get an appointment for a Peer-to-peer session (hangout) with the review committee (lasting approx. 1h-2h),

Win/Win/Win
or
why we/you/them
should do it

Win / Win / Win - “customers”/user

- With a Certification program there is not just a Win for Community and applications,
- but also for customers of larger deployments who will need added value services to the product launch and use (migrations, trainings, support)
- Typical Win-elements:
- Deliverer-Contacts in the list for searching know-how
- Proven quality / experience of the certified people
- Working with such certified people they secure the contact/influence to the community/producer of the product
- Getting Ideas/solutions for challenges in LibO-deployments out of similar projects

Win / Win / Win - community

- Typical Win-elements:
- Knowing about projects and deployments around the world
- „bridge“ for getting informations about what is needed, what are pro's and con's , where are shortfalls
- „bridge“ as information channel the other way around: to spread word or messages to corporate users / deployments
- Influence on the quality of services delivered to LibreOffice
- Growing the ecosystem of LibreOffice
- Added value deliverer as a part of the community
- Getting valuable contributions / new core developer
- Proper handling of the „issue-tracking“ process
- Growing awareness in professional environments

Win / Win / Win - applicants

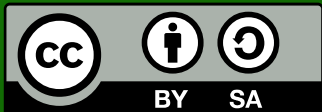
- Typical Win-elements:
- Knowing processes and Key-persons in the community
- Get an „official“ proof of a high quality of their know-how
- Reward for a track record with LibreOffice
- And in consequence a higher „market value“ and market share
- Are listed on the LibO-Website , are referenced from within the community
- Working with a awesome community like this event ;-))

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