



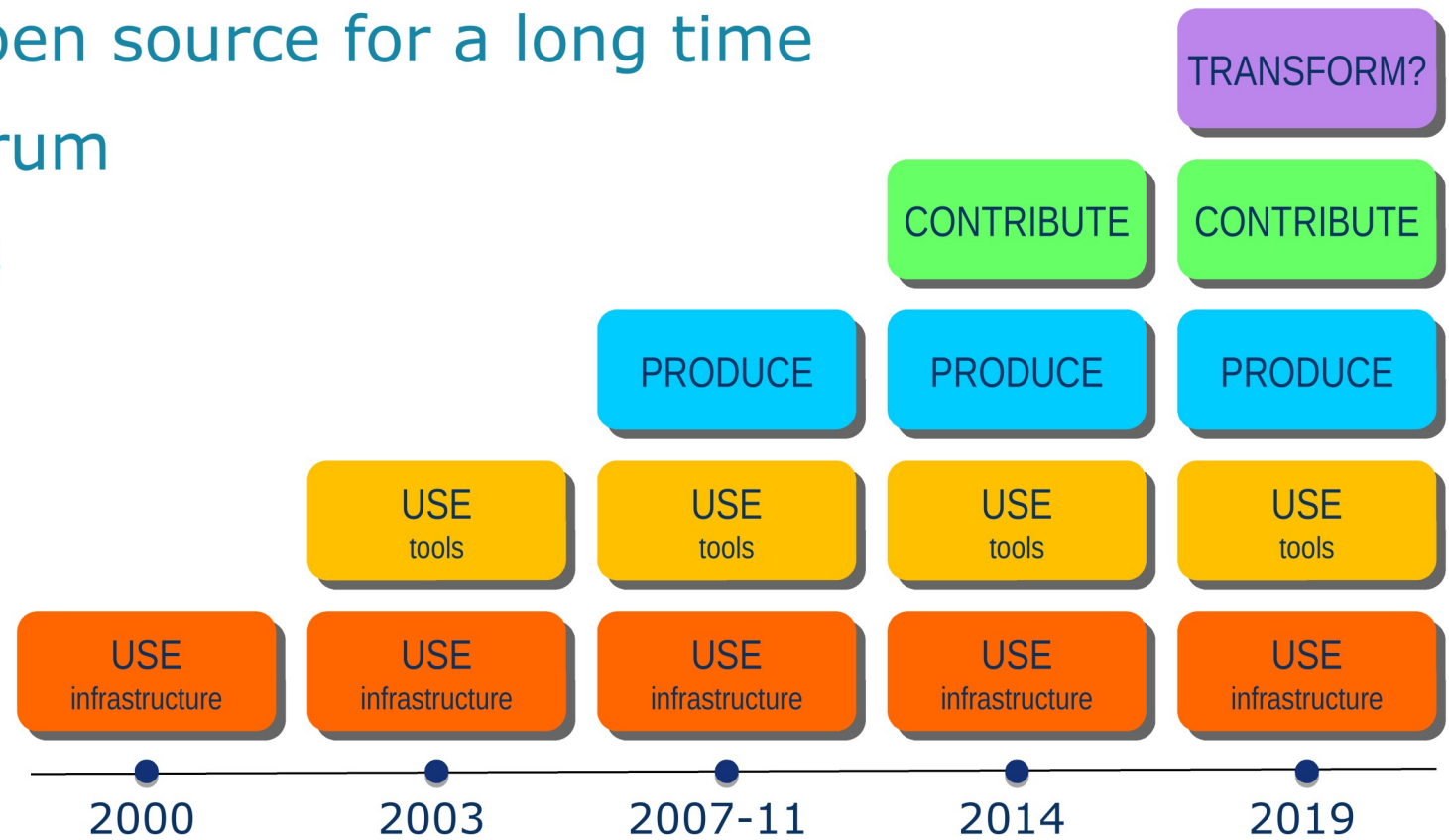
Open source software strategy of the European Commission



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Open source @ the European institutions

- Enthusiastic user of open source for a long time
- Used across the spectrum
- Publicly available tools



Why do we use open source at the EC?

1. Quality

2.
Freedom
to modify

3. Cost
effectiveness

4.
Security

5. To lead by
example

Current strategy (2015-2017)

- Equal treatment in procurement
- Contribution to communities
- Clarification of legal aspects
- Open source and interoperable Commission-developed software
- Openness and improved communication

Renewed strategy – the goal



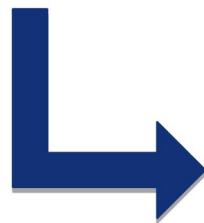
To
transform:



the organisation



working methods



Crucial role of
open source



Co-creation



Collaboration



Renewed strategy – goals



More pronounced voice to open source software in the European Commission's approaches to IT security



Contribute to achieve **digital sovereignty**

Renewed strategy – not limited to IT

- Apply “inner sourcing” approach to:
 - methods of working together
 - information sharing
 - sharing and reuse





"Open Source Competence Centre"



One-stop shop to assist and guide teams wishing to engage closer with this way of working



Helping to remove technical and legal barriers.



Promoting and encouraging this approach

Renewed strategy – How?

By transforming the strategy into a **Communication** to the Commission.



European project?

Other EU institutions are interested in making their approach towards open source software explicit by joining forces with the Commission.

A common open source software policy for all EU institutions, with sufficient top-level support, should be achievable within two years.

Thank you



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