

## The Far-Reaching Implications of Licence Violation

When we think about the implications of non-compliance with F/OSS licensing the considerations tend to be around legal exposure and concern that the conditions of a reciprocal license, e.g. the GPL, may propagate into proprietary code. When risk is assessed it is usually in terms of the possibility of litigation and the associated costs, and/or the weakening of business models that are based upon exercising exclusive rights in connection with associated proprietary IP.

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