



Wi-SUN Alliance

Policy on Open Source Implementations of Technical Profile Specifications

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Background

The Wi-SUN Alliance stakeholder members seek to broadly encourage Certified implementations of the Wi-SUN Technical Profile Specifications in order to enable large, interoperable, multi-vendor ecosystems for Industrial IoT applications. A key to achieving this goal is openness. From the start, the Wi-SUN Alliance creates its Technical Profile Specifications based on open, readily available, consensus-based industry standards. It follows that the Alliance would embrace the creation and distribution of Open Source implementations of these specifications.

In order to provide clarity to interested market participants as well as to provide protection of the interests of the Wi-SUN Alliance and its stakeholder members, the Alliance Board of Directors has adopted and published the following policy.

Policy

The Wi-SUN Alliance, and its stakeholder members, encourage the creation and distribution of Open Source versions of the Wi-SUN Technical Profile Specifications by our members. Moreover, the Alliance encourages Certification of platforms incorporating open source stacks. It is important to note that neither the Alliance, its staff, Directors or members make any assertions with regards to:

- Suitability for purpose of any implementation, including open source, beyond that which is conveyed by way of successful platform or end-device Certification, or;
- Suitability for purpose of any implementation derived from a Certified open source-based platform, or;
- Intellectual Property Rights, including licensing arrangements, of Open Source implementation developers, or;
- Intellectual Property Rights, including licensing arrangements, of possible essential claims in the underlying industry standards, including but not limited to IEEE, IETF and TIA, upon which Wi-SUN Technical Profile Specifications are built.