Open Source Everything: Plan for a Global Convergence

Talk (15 minutes plenary, break-out session gladly done if desired)

The Term open source everything builds on the term open everything as used by Mark Surman (Mozilla) and others many years ago. It was recently popularized by the book *The Open Source Everything Manifesto: Transparency, Truth, & Trust* published in 2012. In 2014 Nafeez Ahmed, then a top journalist on ecology for ''The Guardian'', wrote an article, The open source revolution is coming and it will conquer the 1% - ex CIA spy. 33,000 "likes" resulted in the first three days, and over time have climbed to 67,000 likes (as of 3 June 2015). Clearly a nerve has been touched, one that juxtaposes the pre-conditions of revolution and the urgent need to find affordable, inter-operable, scalable solutions to the challenges facing the 99% inclusive of the five billion poorest.

Three people have come together to contemplate the value of a shared P2P Foundation Wiki with nine open source subcategories listed below: Robert Steele, the author of the above book; Marcin Jakubowsky of Open Source Ecology and the Global Village Construction Set; and Michel Bauwens, founder of P2P Foundation. Their intent is to create an Open Source Everything "board of facilitators" who arrange for the distributed curation of a massive cross-fertilizing wiki and an annual meta-conference (and many local meta-conferences) in which all the open silos within the nine open sub-categories, converge and cross-fertilize faster and more efficiently than now is the case.

The starting page is http://p2pfoundation.net/Category:Open_Source_Everything.

1. Open Data
2. Open Governance
3. Open Health
4. Open Infrastructures
5. Open Intelligence
6. Open Manufacturing
7. Open Provisioning
8. Open Software
9. Open Space

In the Open Manufacturing sub-category are included 3D printing, circuits, cores, DIY, hardware, maker, materials, and other "hard" opens. The term manufacturing has been chosen for the parent to help expand public appreciation of the reality that this goes far beyond the software-hardware juxtaposition commonly understood in the information technology arena, and explicitly includes open manufacturing and open materials associated with energy, food, shelter, and water, among other essentials.

The process of building out the wiki has begun. The purpose of the talk is to offer the P2P Foundation wiki (individual author accounts easily established) as a common home to all who wish to assure public knowledge of key people, projects, technologies, and other elements within their particular open, and to pave the way for cross-fertilization across all boundaries. A convergence conference is desired but secondary to this primordial objective focused on community building and convergence.