

Floss Compliance through the supply chain

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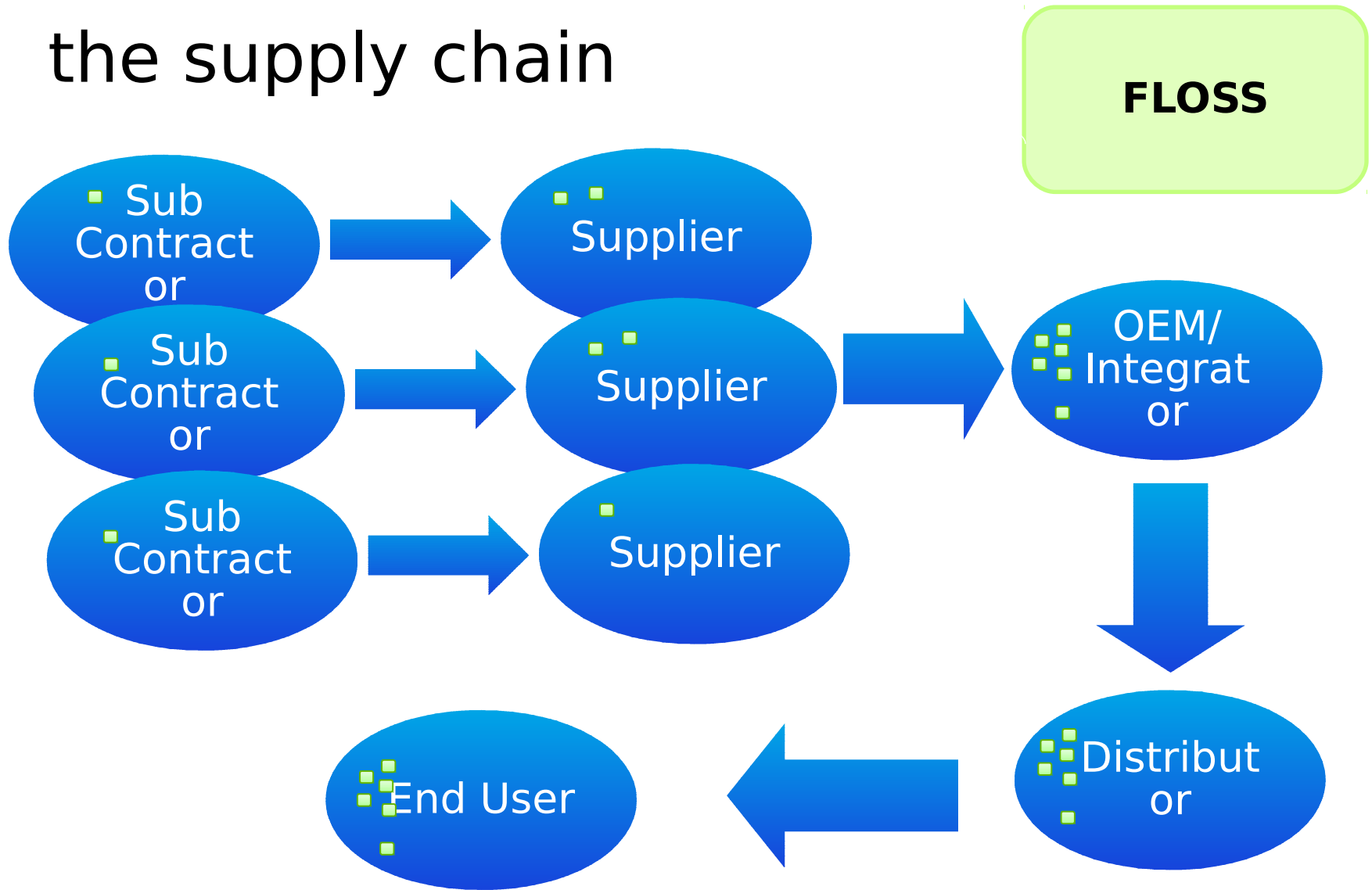
FLOSS in the Enterprises

Addressing various needs

- Internal use
- Products
- Customers' requirements/interests
- Suppliers' uses



the supply chain



Concerns

- Legal Analysis of FLOSS licenses & Compliance challenges
- Many parties
- Lack of common norms when handling FLOSS



Are the concerns real?

- Telestra is in discussion with one of its partners, Sagem, over claims that its T-Hub tablet violates terms of GNU-GPL and other open source software licenses.
- Verizon settled a copyright infringement lawsuit alleging that its distribution of the MI424WR wireless router, supplied by Actiontec Electronics, Inc., violates the terms of GNU-GPL.
<http://www.softwarefreedom.org/news/2008/mar/17/busybox-veriz>



A need for norms for collaboration?

- Setting same expectations for all parties:
businesses, developers, open source
community
 - Efficient communication of information
 - Avoid repetition of analysis and compliance



What has been done

- Launch of FOSS Bazar <https://fossbazaar.org/>
community for sharing best practices, education and tools
- Launch of FOSSology <http://www.fossology.org/>
web tool recognizing 600+ open source licenses
- Participation in Software Package Data eXchange (SPDX) project
<http://spdx.org/content/spdx-and-lfs-open-compliance-program>
specification for sharing license and component info



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