RESOLUTIONS
OF THE CNCF GOVERNING BOARD

Approved February 26, 2024

CNCF Values Update

WHEREAS, the Governing Board and TOC have collaborated on proposed amendments to the CNCF Values.

RESOLVED, that the updated CNCF Values attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> are hereby approved and adopted, and that Section 3 of the CNCF Charter be amended and restated with such updated CNCF Values.

Cloud Native Definition Update

WHEREAS, the Governing Board and TOC have collaborated on proposed amendments to the CNCF Cloud Native Definition.

RESOLVED, that the updated CNCF Cloud Native Definition attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> is hereby approved and adopted.

Falco use of a kernel module under GPL-2.0-only OR MIT

WHEREAS, the Falco project is requesting approval of a license exception to enable its use of a kernel module which is licensed under *GPL-2.0-only OR MIT.*

WHEREAS, the CNCF Legal Committee recommends approving a license exception to permit the Falco project to use its kernel module under *GPL-2.0-only OR MIT.*

RESOLVED, that the Governing Board hereby approves a license exception to permit the Falco project to use its kernel module under *GPL-2.0-only OR MIT.*

Cloud Native Computing Foundation Values

Proposed: The CNCF and its projects will strive to adhere to the following principles:

- (a) Trusted. We guide projects to build trust with adopters and users, balancing quality and sustainability with velocity.
- (b) Open. Openness and transparency are foundational: our technical work must be available to all according to these values. Our community, processes, and decisions are transparent, visible, and discoverable.
- (c) Neutral. We avoid influence, biased behavior, "pay-to-play" decision-making, and other activities that favor one project, individual, or organization over another. We operate independently of specific partisan interests and biases, considerate of global and international interests.
- (d) Platform agnostic. We have an explicit bias toward projects and specifications developed to be platform agnostic such that they can be implemented on a variety of platforms, architectures, clouds, and operating systems.
- (e) Accelerated adoption. We enable progress at high velocity to support aggressive adoption of quality, sustainable, and secure projects by users.
- (f) Project diversity and scalability. We support diverse projects, from experimentation and small developer-centric environments to the scale of enterprises and service providers, with robust maturity.
- (g) Experimentation and innovation. We support projects that address new and existing problem spaces in keeping with the cloud native definition, fostering project innovation for a variety of solutions to meet the diverse needs of adopters and users. We remain aware of innovation in the space and may invite projects to become a part of the CNCF ecosystem, to succeed or to learn.
- (h) Sustainability. We encourage sustainability, growth, and health of maintainers, contributors, and byproducts to foster succession and support of the CNCF vision for the long term, with focus to reduce additional burden and toil on maintainers. We consider the future needs of cloud native impact on a global scale, to use resources efficiently for all projects.
- (i) Inclusive unity. Whether operating the Foundation, serving on a board or committee, contributing to a review, or managing a project, we are unified in the advancement of cloud native inclusivity, enabling our collective technical vision to be achievable. We accept all contributors based on the merit of their contributions and conduct.

Cloud Native Definition

Cloud native practices empower organizations to develop, build, and deploy workloads in computing environments (public, private, hybrid cloud) to meet their organizational needs at scale in a programmatic and repeatable manner. It **is characterized by loosely coupled systems that interoperate in a manner that is secure, resilient, manageable, sustainable, and observable.**

Cloud native technologies and architectures typically consist of some combination of containers, service meshes, multi-tenancy, microservices, immutable infrastructure, serverless, and declarative APIs — this list is non-exhaustive.

Benefits of Cloud Native

Combined with robust automation, cloud native practices allow organizations to make high-impact changes frequently, predictably, with minimal toil and clear separation of concerns.

Focus of CNCF

The Cloud Native Computing Foundation seeks to drive adoption of this paradigm by fostering and sustaining an ecosystem of open source, vendor-neutral projects. We democratize state-of-the-art patterns to make these innovations accessible for everyone.