

# Sovereign Cloud Stack: Entirely Open Source for Cloud Technology & Standards




# There was a dream... (Marcus Aurelius)



Quelle: Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Technologie 2010

# ...but reality shows:

- >80 % of companies in Europe feel technologically dependent.<sup>1</sup>
- Amazon, Microsoft, Alphabet (Google) dominate the market.<sup>2</sup>
- Vendor lock-in.<sup>3</sup>
- Infrastructures, platforms and applications are incompatible.
- US Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA)  EU GDPR
- Dynamic, distributed platforms are highly complex to operate.
- Shortage of skilled labour.

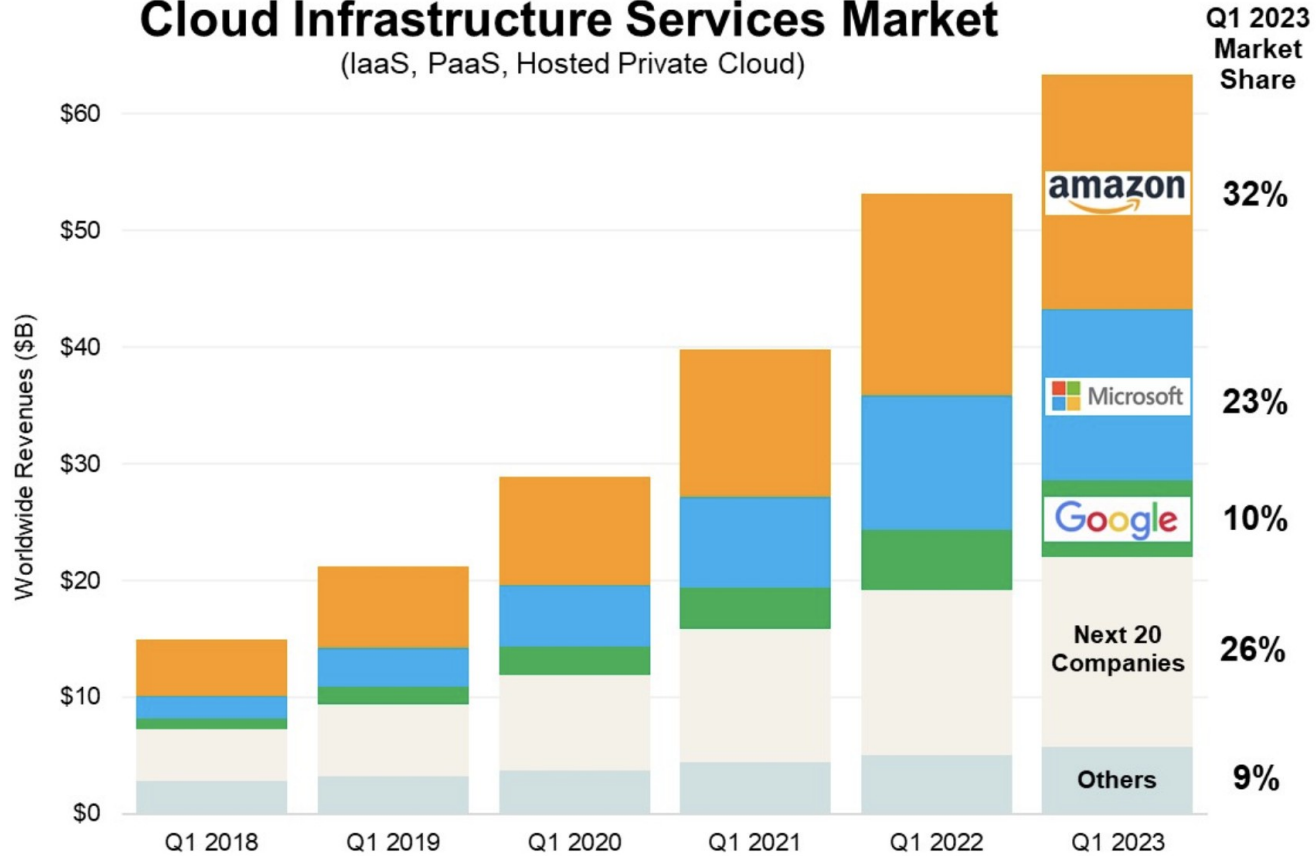
1 ZEW – Leibniz-Zentrum für Europäische Wirtschaftsforschung: „Schwerpunktstudie Digitale Souveränität 2021“ Hrsg.: Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Energie (Oktober 2021)

2 <https://www.srgresearch.com/articles/huge-cloud-market-is-still-growing-at-34-per-year-amazon-microsoft-and-google-now-account-for-65-of-all-cloud-revenues>

3 [https://www.cio.bund.de/SharedDocs/downloads/Webs/CIO/DE/digitale-loesungen/marktanalyse-reduzierung-abhaengigkeit-software-anbieter.pdf?\\_\\_blob=publicationFile&v=1](https://www.cio.bund.de/SharedDocs/downloads/Webs/CIO/DE/digitale-loesungen/marktanalyse-reduzierung-abhaengigkeit-software-anbieter.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=1)

# Cloud Infrastructure Services Market

(IaaS, PaaS, Hosted Private Cloud)



Source: Synergy Research Group














# Digital Value Creation & Market Power

Die Top100 größten börsennotierten Unternehmen der Welt

Nach Marktkapitalisierung

By comparison (Market Cap):  
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	Name	Land 	Umsatz (EUR)	Gewinn (EUR)	↓ Market Cap (EUR)
# 1	 Microsoft Corp. Registered Shares DL-,00000625		192,4 Mrd.	65,7 Mrd.	3,0 Bio.
# 2	 Apple		355,6 Mrd.	90,0 Mrd.	2,7 Bio.
# 3	 Alphabet Inc. Reg. Shs Cl. A DL-,001		282,5 Mrd.	67,9 Mrd.	1,9 Bio.
# 4	 Amazon.com		533,2 Mrd.	28,2 Mrd.	1,8 Bio.
# 5	 Meta Platforms Inc. Reg.Shares Cl.A DL-,000006		125,1 Mrd.	36,3 Mrd.	1,0 Bio.

Source: Finanzen 100, June 2024

# Why do we think that Open Source makes a difference?



Competence (esp. Operations)

Ability to shape technology

Choice / Switching / Interoperability

Legal Compliance (GDPR ...)



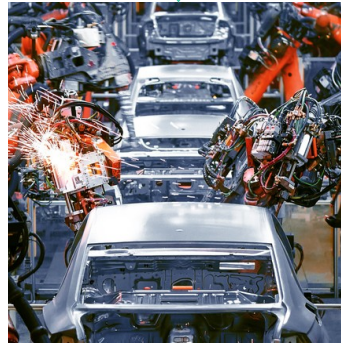
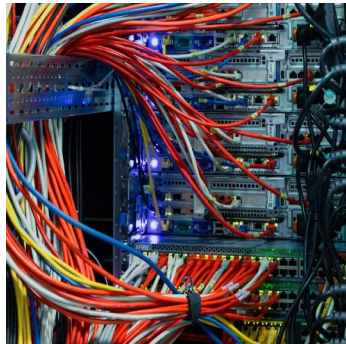
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(in German)

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(in English)

# imagine a Cloud Platform...

... where users can easily switch between  
different cloud service providers without being  
locked in.

**Sovereign Cloud Stack:** An open community that develops and standardises cloud technology and shares operational knowledge across all sectors.





# Sovereign Cloud Stack Deliverables



Certifiable Standards



Modular Open Source  
Reference Implementation

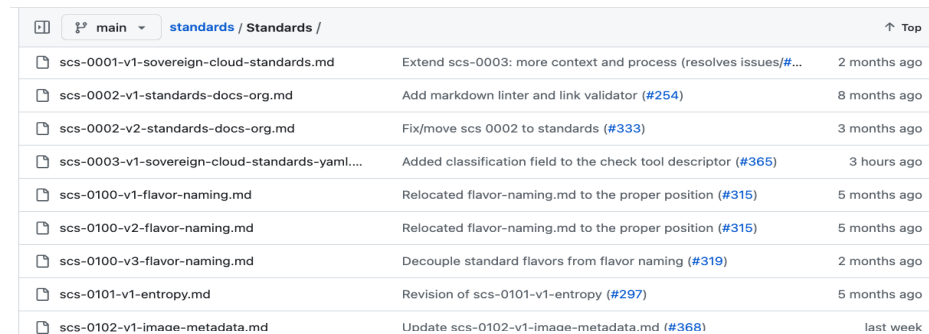


Operational Knowledge



# Open, certifiable Standards

- ✓ Portability
- ✓ Interoperability
- ✓ Scalability
- ✓ Collaboration between CSPs, technology providers, service companies, software vendors made easy.
- ✓ SaaS providers can develop and offer platform-independent services.



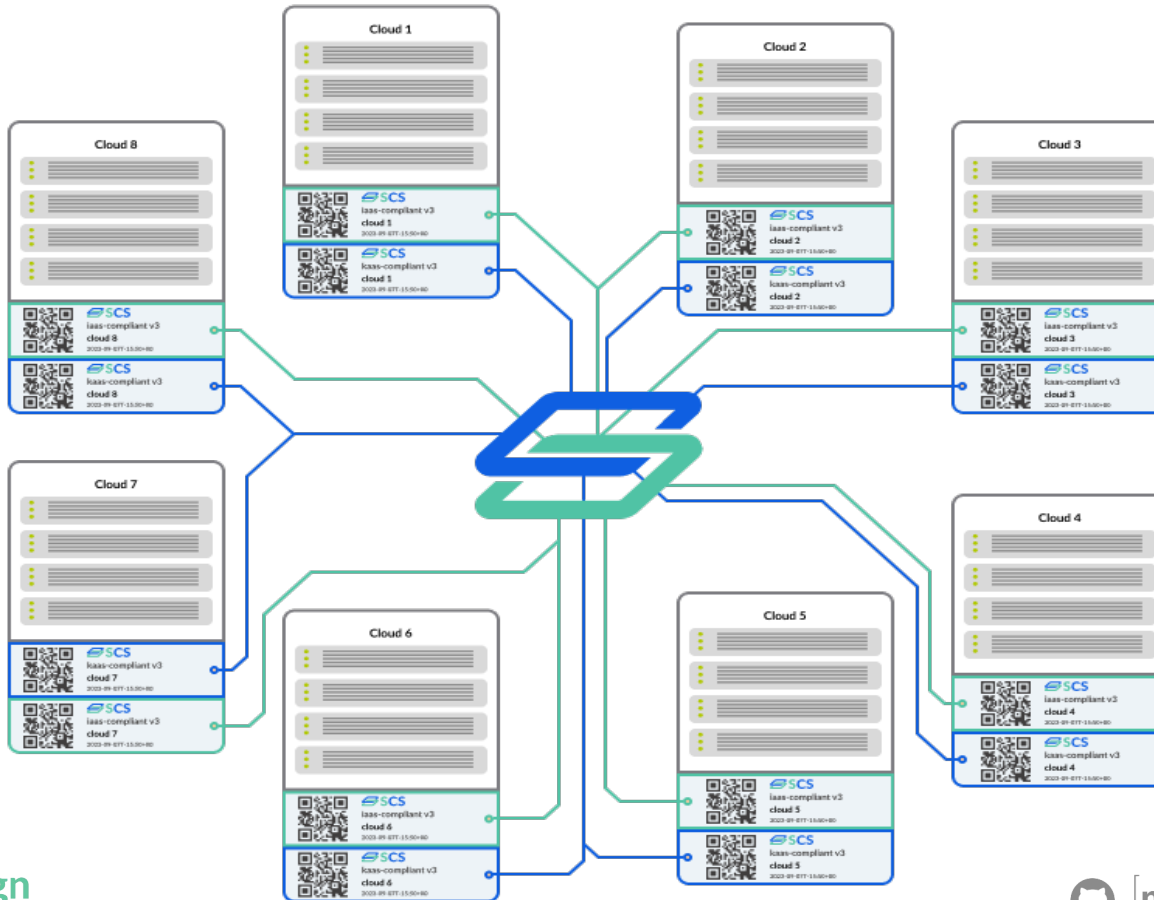
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Extend scs-0003: more context and process (resolves issues/#...		2 months ago
Add markdown linter and link validator (#254)		8 months ago
Fix/move scs 0002 to standards (#333)		3 months ago
Added classification field to the check tool descriptor (#365)		3 hours ago
Relocated flavor-naming.md to the proper position (#315)		5 months ago
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Decouple standard flavors from flavor naming (#319)		2 months ago
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## SCS compatible clouds

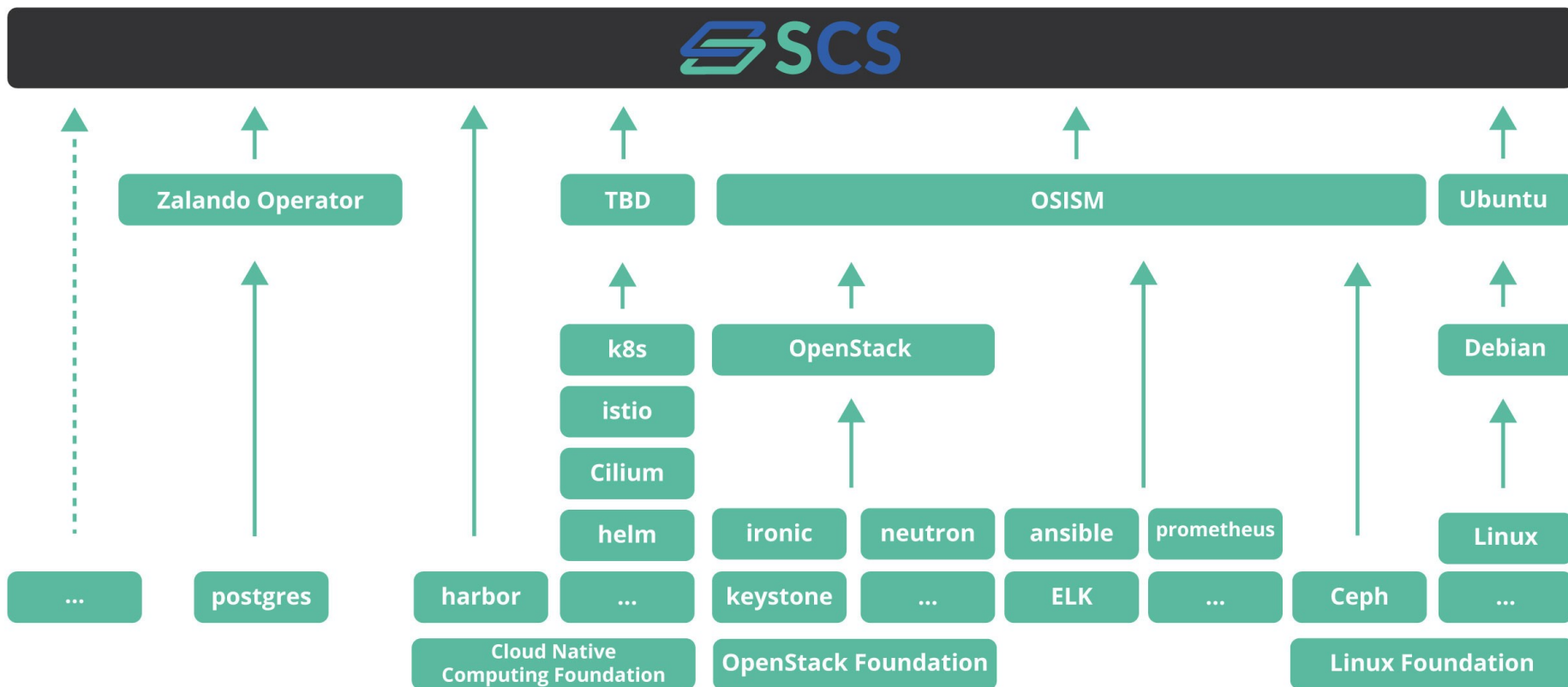
This is a list of clouds that we test on a nightly basis against our [scs-compatible](#) certification level.

Name	Description	Operator	IaaS Compliance Check	HealthMon
gx-scs	Dev environment provided for SCS & GAIA-X context	plusserver GmbH	compliant passing	HM
pluscloud open - prod1	Public cloud for customers	plusserver GmbH	compliant passing	HM
pluscloud open - prod2	Public cloud for customers	plusserver GmbH	compliant passing	HM
Wavestack	Public cloud for customers	noris network AG/Wavecon GmbH	compliant passing	HM
REGIO.cloud	Public cloud for customers	OSISM GmbH	compliant passing	Dashboard

# Sovereign Cloud Grid: Build a virtual hyperscaler!



# SCS integrates, standardizes and complements proven building blocks



# Open Knowledge



## Welcome to the SCS Documentation

Find user guides, code samples, deployment examples, reference, community pages and more.

### Introduction to SCS

Get to know SCS better and learn about the background.

[Get Started](#)

### Releases

SCS is currently in Release 5. Check out the latest Release Notes.

[Learn More](#)

### Frequently Asked Questions

You are curious what SCS is all about, what it can do and what it can't?

[Get Answers](#)

### Existing Public Clouds

There are SCS compliant public clouds in production.

[Test Them](#)

## Architectural Layers

### Ops Layer

Tooling and infrastructure design for easy, efficient and transparent ways to operate an SCS Cloud.

### Container Layer

SCS offers a robust solution for managing container workloads on a Kubernetes infrastructure.

[Learn More](#)

### IAM Layer

Working on Keycloak federated identity provider within our Team IAM.

# Cloud Offerings based on SCS



<https://scs.community>





# BayernCloud Schule

Die Plattform für eine moderne digitale Bildung

→ Informationen für Schulleitungen zur Freischaltung



...runs on **SCS** infrastructure.

powered by **plusserver**

# SH setzt auf SCS im Cloud-Computing

Schleswig-Holstein. Der echte Norden.

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Sovereign  
Cloud Stack

one  
platform ...

Sovereign  
Cloud Stack

... built  
by many

SCS Summit  
14.5.2024  
Berlin



# Public Money – Public Code



Über Open CoDE Software Wiki Diskussionen Gitlab

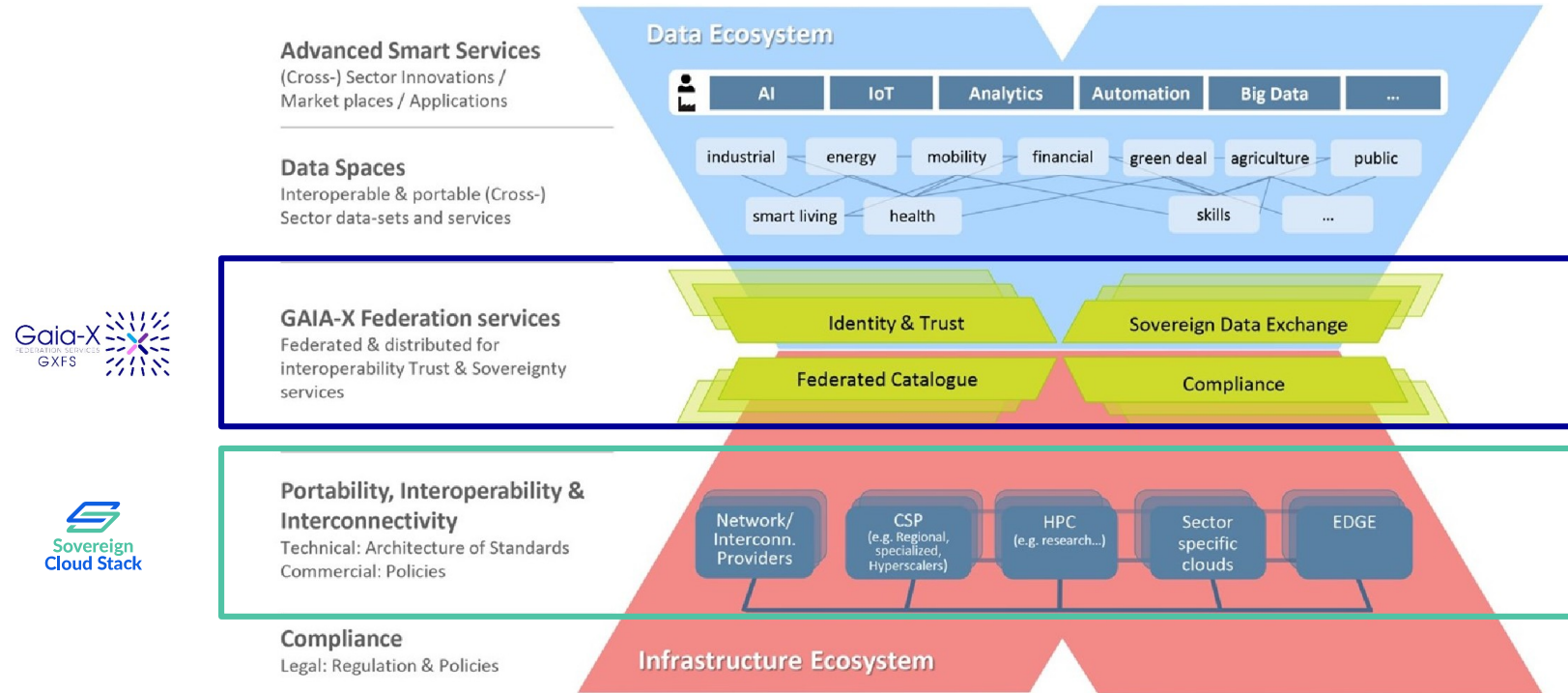
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Below you will find all the groups that are public.  
You can easily contribute to them by requesting to join these groups.

- > **S** **Smarte.Land.Regionen**
- S** **SopraSteria**
- Sovereign Cloud Stack** Owner  
 Eine Plattform — standardisiert, entwickelt und betrieben von Vielen.  
Sovereign Cloud Stack (SCS) ist ein vom BMWK gefördertes Projekt der OSB Alliance e.V.  
SCS stellt Standards, Software und Wissen für Cloudinfra bereit. <https://scs.community/>
- S** **Stadt Detmold**
- > **Stadt Soest**
- Stadt Wolfsburg**   
This is the official group of the city of Wolfsburg, Germany. Here you can find the open source projects that the city is working on or supporting.
- T** **Testgruppe**
- T** **Thüringer Landesverwaltung**   
Open Source Initiative der Thüringer Landesverwaltung

# SCS provides an Infrastructure Layer for Gaia-X



# SCS contributes to GovStack

GovStack harnesses the power of a global network and is led by:



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## GovSpecs

We work with governments to identify real-life scenarios for digital...

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We provide an open demonstration environment for...

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## GovLearn

We collaborate to provide capacity building, trainings, and support designing...

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## GovExchange

We offer a platform to research the market of digital services and find...

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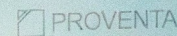
# Herzlich willkommen zum 2. Sovereign Cloud Stack Summit 14. Mai 2024 in Berlin

<https://www.youtube.com/@sovereigncloudstack>

Programme and presentations (in German only):  
<https://scs.community/de/summit2024/>



plusserver



one  
platform ...

... built  
by many

Ihr führender deutscher  
Cloud Provider mit der  
Plattform für die Digitalität  
„Made in Germany“

- Souveräne Cloud-Lösungen
- DSGVO-konforme Datenhaltung
- Zertifizierte plusserver-Rechenzentren in Deutschland
- 24/7-Support & Beratung





— An OSB ALLIANCE project —



<https://scs.community>

Supported by:



on the basis of a decision  
by the German Bundestag

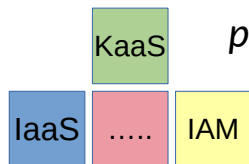


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One platform – standardised, built and operated by many.

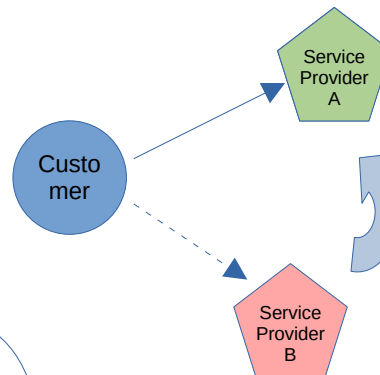
# SCS Certified Standards provide...

Modularity



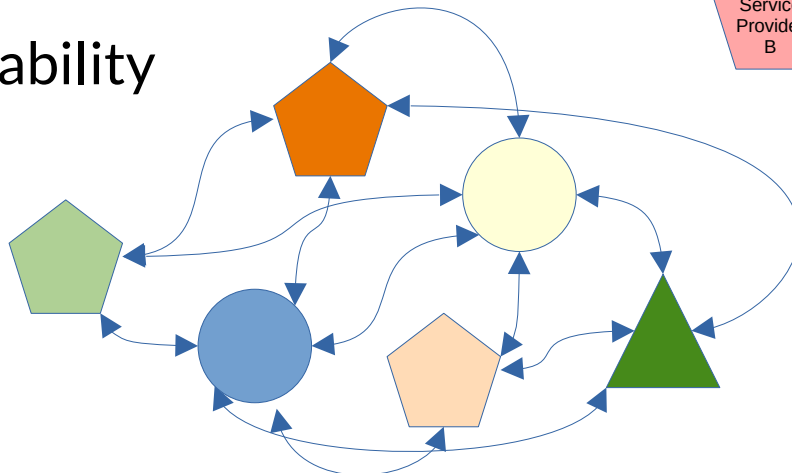
*All pieces can be used independently or put together to build a complete stack.*

Interoperability, Portability



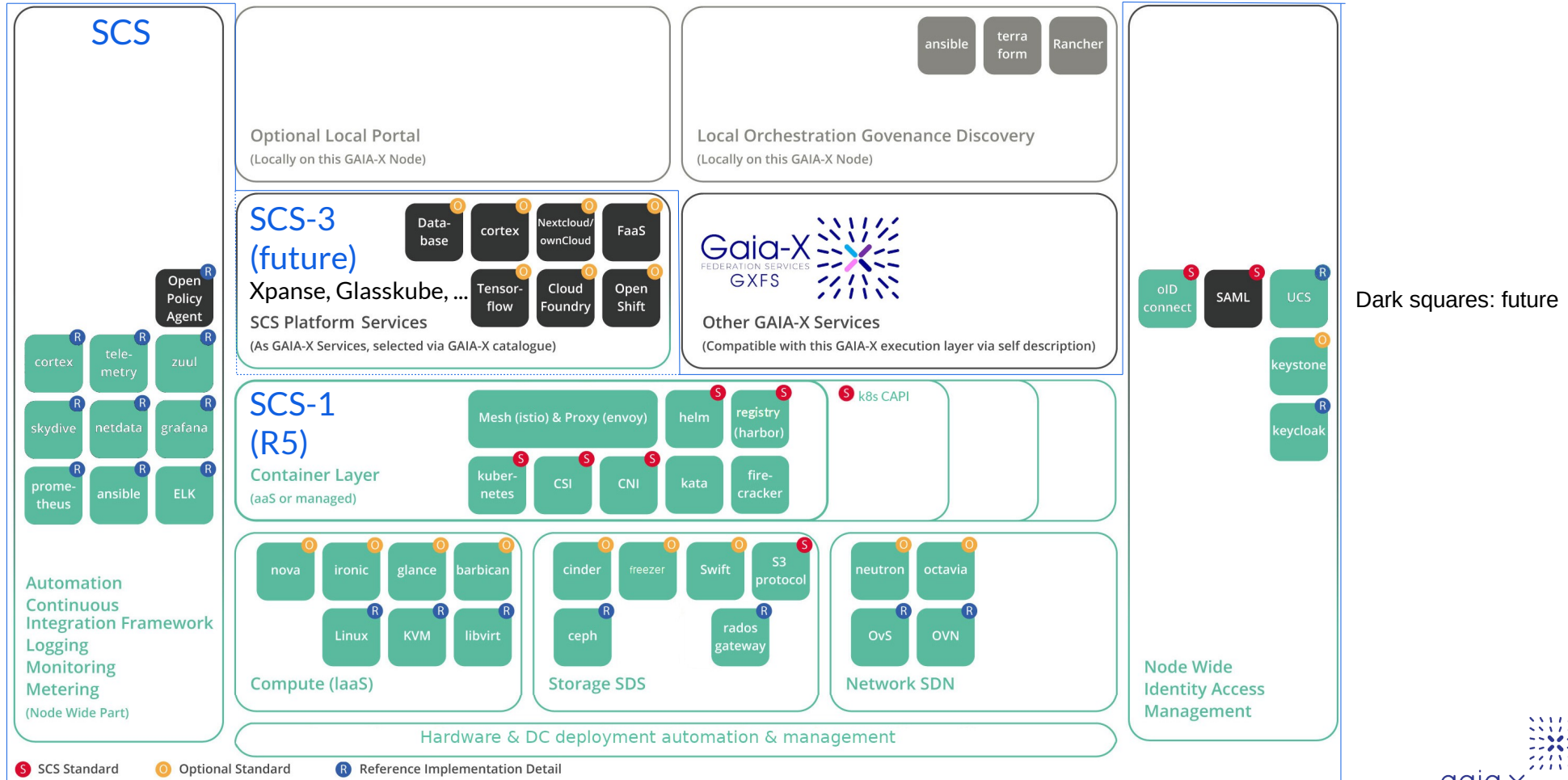
*Choose your service provider freely, transfer your data & applications easily and safely.*

Federability, Scalability



*Build a virtual hyperscaler.*

# SCS Reference Architecture (current status)





# SCS is involved in the German Federal Public Admin Cloud (Deutsche VerwaltungscLOUD DVC)

**Deutsche VerwaltungscLOUD-Strategie**  
Übergreifende Etablierung und Nutzung von Standards für bestehende föderale Cloud-Lösungen der Öffentlichen Verwaltung

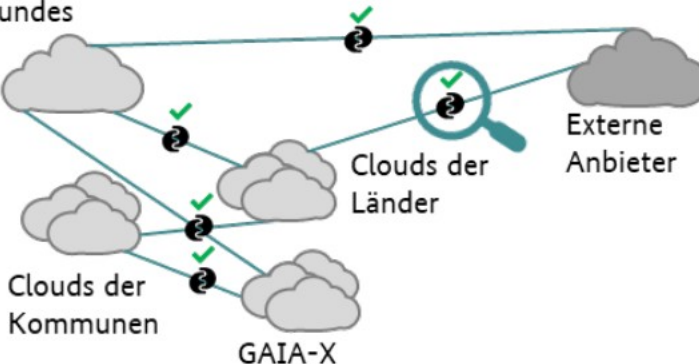
Clouds des Bundes

Clouds der Länder

Clouds der Kommunen

GAIA-X

Externe Anbieter



## Bereiche zur Standardisierung föderaler Cloud-Lösungen

- 1 Entwicklung und Entwicklungsplattform**  
Plattformen, Prozesse und Architekturvorgaben zur Entwicklung von Anwendungen
- 2 Anwendungsbereitstellung und -management**  
Bereitstellung und Betreuung von Anwendungen über gesamten Lebenszyklus
- 3 Code Repository**  
Verwaltungsumgebung zur Versionierung von Anwendungs-Code
- 4 Infrastruktur-Service und technologischer Stack**  
Hard- und Software zur Erbringung von IT-Leistungen
- 5 Betriebsstandards und Betriebsmodell**  
Zusammenarbeit IT-Dienstleister/Service-Bereitstellung





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Sendung verpasst? 



Cloud-Anwendungen

## Hacker-Angriff auf Microsoft war gravierend

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# OPEN OPERATIONS MANIFESTO

Building a community of practice and transparency for operations

<https://openoperations.org>

## We build a community of practice

Open Operations builds a community of practice to keep the barrier to entry low and create a thriving environment for comfortable exchange.

## We share knowledge

The availability of knowledge and skilled engineers is the limiting factor for many organizations to adopt, leverage, and successfully operate complex technology.

## We're transparent about our incidents

We firmly believe that failures make us experts. The way we handle mistakes is how we become better.

## We're transparent about our operational processes

We share our internal processes for the sake of transparency. We firmly believe that transparency leads to better and more reliable processes.

# SCS Open Development in Practice

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# SCS Supporting Organisations

23|Technologies



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GONICUS  
PIONEERS OF OPEN SOURCE

gridscale

LEITWERK  
Die Zukunft Ihrer IT

noris network

Open  
Infrastructure  
FOUNDATION

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Bundesverband für digitale Souveränität e.V.



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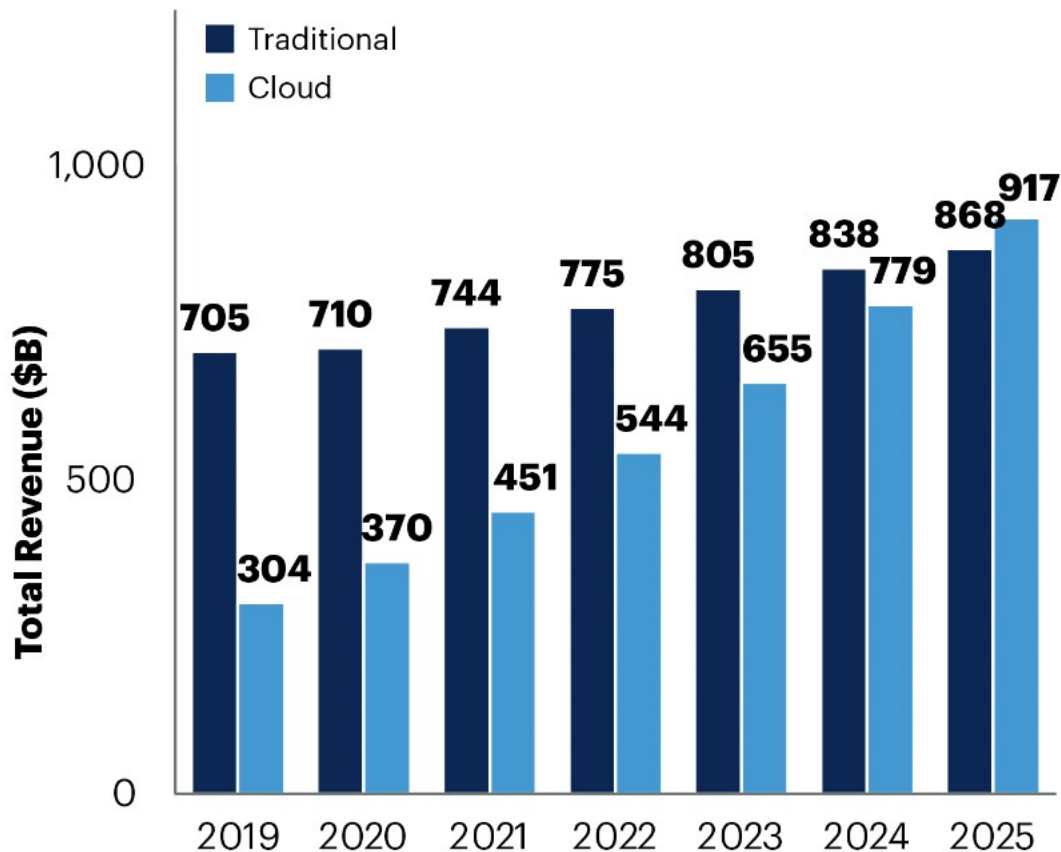
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# "Cloud-Shift": Enterprise IT Spending Worldwide



Source: [Gartner 2022](#)

<https://openinfra.dev/four-opens/>

# The Four Opens

Our Philosophy on Open Source

The Four Opens are a set of principles guidelines that were created by the OpenStack community as a way to guarantee that the users get all the benefits associated with open source software, including the ability to engage with the community and influence future evolution of the software.

Under these guidelines, the OpenStack community grew from tens of contributors to thousands, creating one of the top three most active open source projects in the world behind the Linux Kernel and Chromium. The Four Opens were instrumental not only in this success but also in building a thriving, global community.

We at OpenInfra Foundation consider The Four Opens our guiding principles in everything we do.

- [Open Source](#)
- [Open Design](#)
- [Open Development](#)
- [Open Community](#)



# The Open Source Definition

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## Introduction

Open source doesn't just mean access to the source code. The distribution terms of open source software must comply with the following criteria:

### 1. Free Redistribution

The license shall not restrict any party from selling or giving away the software as a component of an aggregate software distribution containing programs from several different sources. The license shall not require a royalty or other fee for such sale.

### 2. Source Code

The program must include source code, and must allow distribution in source code as well as compiled form. Where some form of a product is not distributed

# Zur Bedeutung von Open Source

## EU-Studie: Open Source stärkt die Wirtschaft und die technologische Unabhängigkeit

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<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/study-about-impact-open-source-software-and-hardware-technological-independence-competitiveness-and>

<https://www.acatech.de/publikation/open-source-i40-innovationstreiber/>



# SCS: Why entirely Open?

- Highly innovative.
- Best possible quality.
- Efficiency and reduced complexity.
- Trust through transparency.
- Ensures digital sovereignty.
- *We believe that basic cloud technology and know-how should be common property.*

