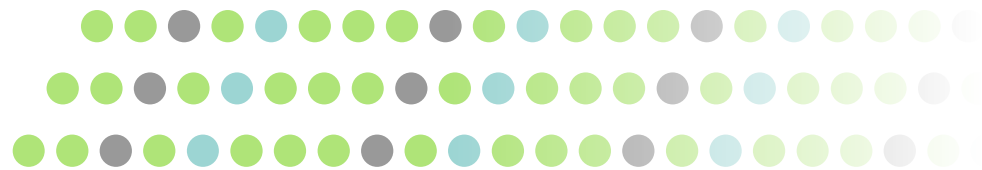


# Companies, Free Software & You

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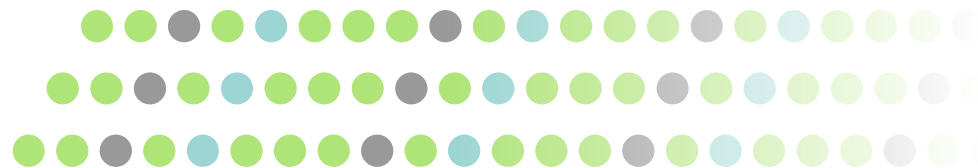
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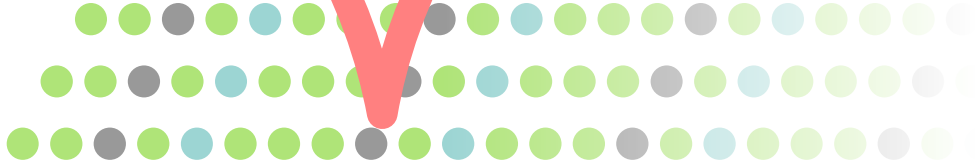




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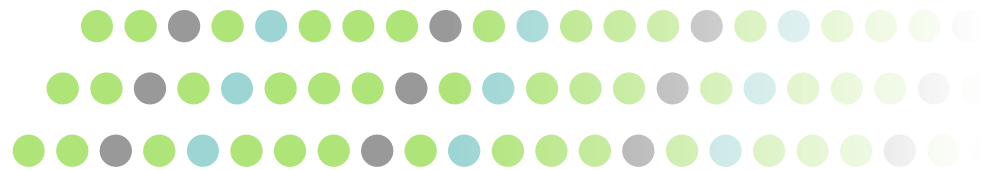
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**Company interest in free software is awesome!**





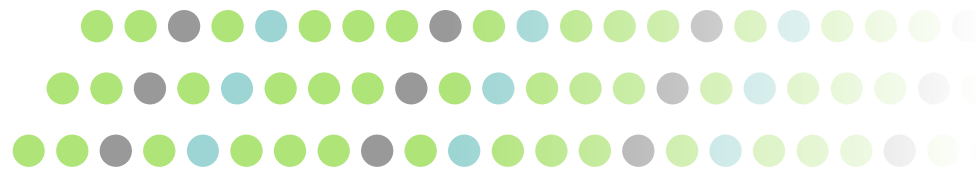
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**This works out some of the time.**



9 out of 10 of the world's supercomputers run on Linux



1.3 Million Android phones running Linux are activated daily



Google, Twitter, Facebook, and Amazon are all powered by Linux



Most of the nearly 600,000 TVs sold every day run on Linux



8 out of 10 financial trades are powered by Linux



Linux powers the International Space Station



Linux powers air traffic control systems



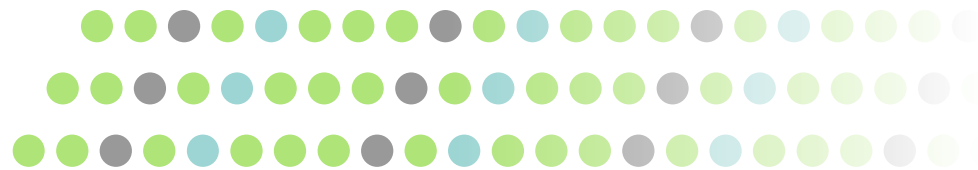
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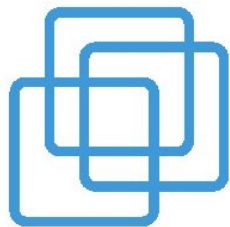


Linux powers the technology in new cars like Tesla and Cadillac



**“While sometimes corporations are on our side and sometimes stand up for the public interest...we should not have to rely on them”  
- Edward Snowden, yesterday**

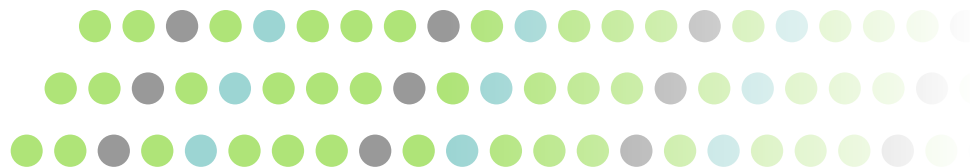




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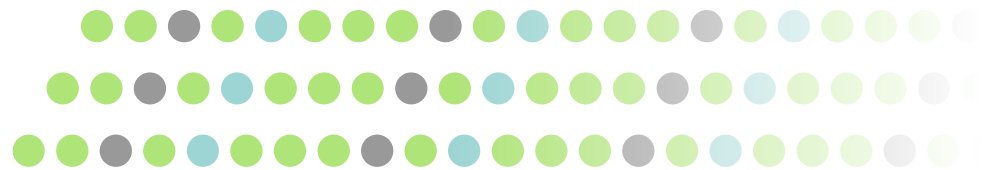


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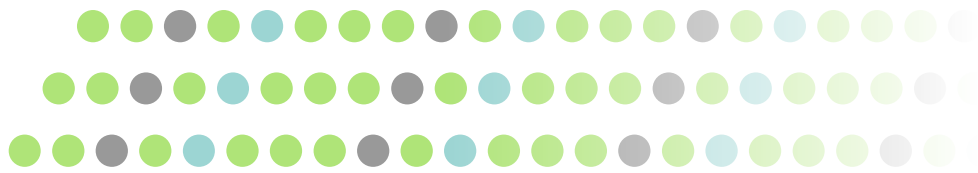
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# Long term vs. Quarterly results



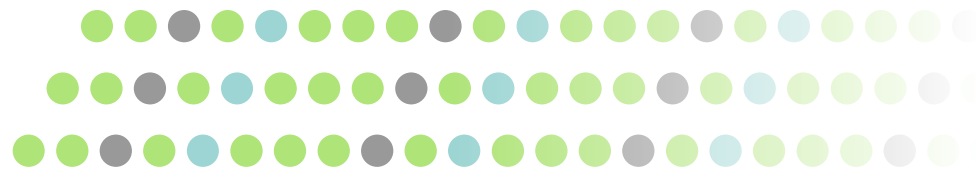


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# free vs. open



A man with dark hair, wearing a black jacket, is leaning forward and looking out of a window. The background shows a blurred cityscape. The image is framed by a dark grey border with a light green horizontal stripe at the top and bottom.

**“HOOLI IS ABOUT MAKING  
THE WORLD A BETTER  
PLACE, THROUGH MINIMAL  
MESSAGE-ORIENTED  
TRANSPORT LAYERS.”**

*HOOLI CEO, GAVIN BELSON*

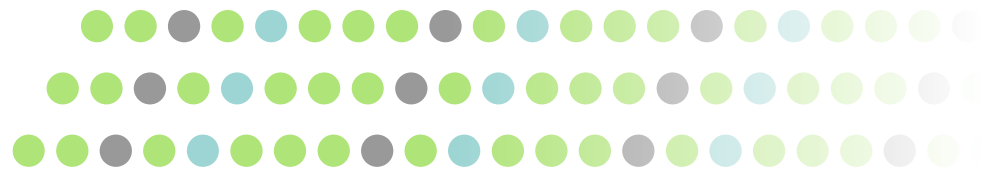


**SILICON VALLEY** | **HBO**



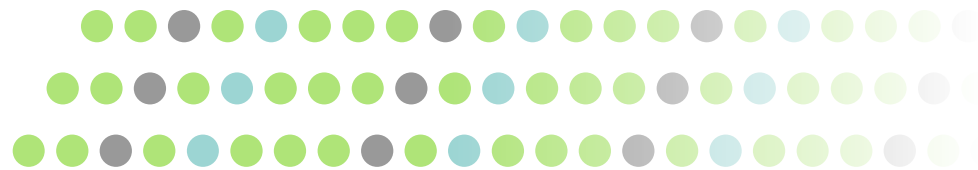
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**Undertaking GPL enforcement is an eye opening exercise.**



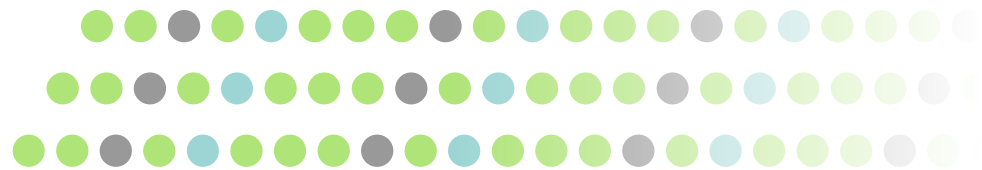
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**We need and want to work with  
companies... but on our own terms.**



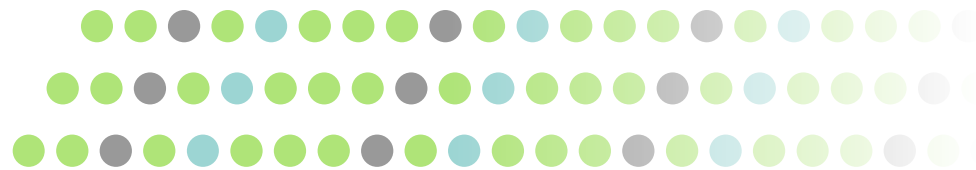
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**As a lawyer I am a trained pessimist.**



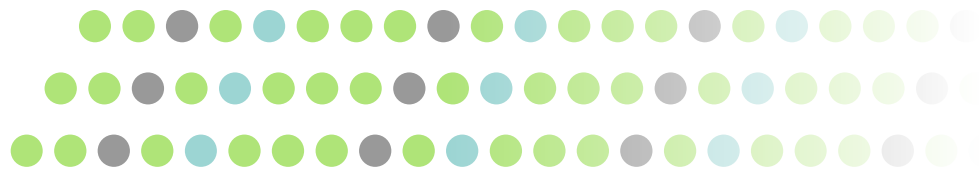
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**It's about power balance.**





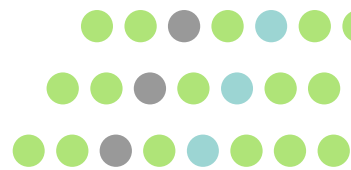
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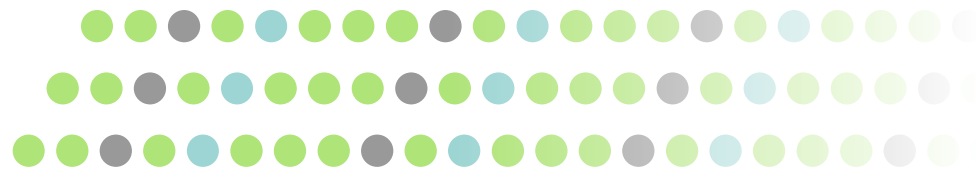
**“Change  
the default”**



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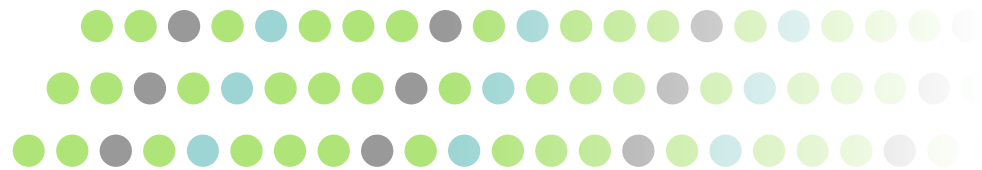


**“Resist monopolies and other centralized power structures”  
-Shauna Gordon-McKeon, today**



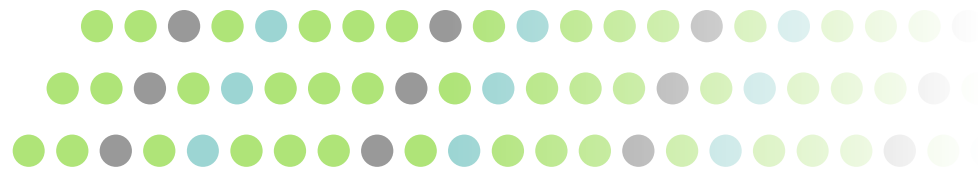
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# Employment agreements



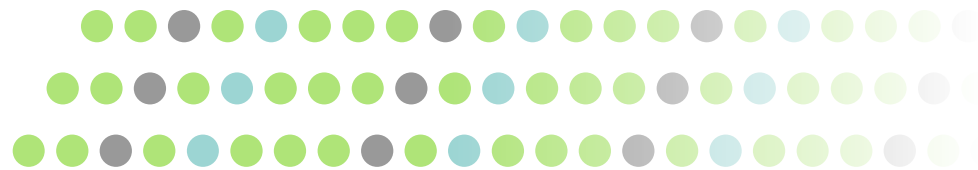


**“At will employment fundamentally misunderstands the dynamic between employer and employee.”  
-overheard today**



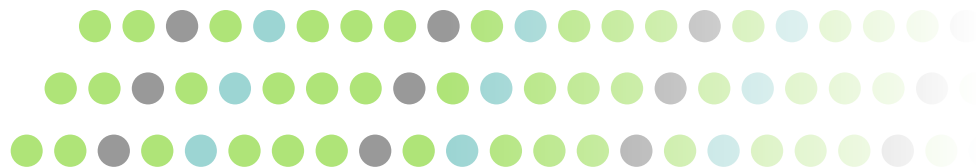
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