**Amendment to Internal Rules regarding choice of open source license**

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The Steering Committee agreed at the 2015 meeting, Melbourne, that projects operating within the OpenWIS governance framework shall each declare the license under which the software is to be made available. Further, projects were permitted to choose *any* license accepted by the Open Source Initiative (OSI).

The list of available license are found at: <https://opensource.org/licenses/>

Note that the current OpenWIS® software project shall continue to use GNU General Public License, version 3.0 (GPL3).

Excerpt from Internal Rules (key- Additions and Deletions):

**TITLE 9:**

**Rule 9.1**

**SOFTWARE LICENSING**

For the purpose of Article 9.6 of the Articles of Association, the Open Source License approved by the Association is the GNU General Public License, version 3.0, or any subsequent version of that license each OpenWIS® Project shall declare which open source license under which the software artefacts are to be made available.

The set of permissible open source licenses is maintained by the Open Source Initiative (OSI) at: [https://opensource.org/licenses/.](https://opensource.org/licenses/)

 [The Steering Committee shall be required to approve the license selected by each OpenWIS® Project](https://opensource.org/licenses/).

Excerpt from Articles of Association (no change):

**ARTICLE 9:**

**9.6**

**Organizational Partners and Relationship with Other Third Parties**

Rules regarding the use of the software shall be determined by the Open Source license approved by the Organization from time to time.