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European funding for Free Software research

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FP6: 2002-2006, 17.8 bn EUR

FP7: 2007-2013, 50.5 bn EUR

FP8 ("Horizon 2020"): 2014-2020, ca. 80 bn EUR



How did it go so far?

Some Free Software-related projects in FP6&7:

- Mancoosi (build better package managers)
- SELF (learning materials about Free Software)
- FLOSSImpact (impact of Free Software on the European market)





Basic structure of FP8

"increase business-driven research and innovation"

- Basic research
- From research to market
- Leverage private sector R&D investment



What's the process

- August 30 / Sept. 2: European Parliament will vote on basic outlines of FP8
- November 30: European Commission to decide on legislative draft proposal
- From then to 2019: Bug Commission officials



Your turn.

