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# From Projects to Ecosystems: Lessons from the eBPF Foundation

The eBPF Foundation is rethinking what an open source foundation can be by shifting from simply stewarding projects to actively building an ecosystem around a powerful enabling technology like eBPF.

This session will highlight investments like security audits, research grants, funding for directed development, face to face meeting sponsorship, and documenting the ecosystem's evolution like the eBPF Documentary strengthen both upstream kernel development and downstream adoption. Lessons learned from balancing upstream needs with enterprise adoption will be shared to spark discussion on where foundation led efforts can have the greatest impact and what we should focus on next.

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