

Distributed Governance with Loomio

Secure Tools & Democratic Governance
for Open Communities

Governance

- OpenSSL is everywhere — that reach creates responsibility
- Trust depends on how decisions are made, not just code
- Security isn't only in code

The problem



Why Loomio?

- Open source
- Adaptable
- Built for participation, designed to build trust and collaboration
- Loomio aligned with our values and experience
- Able to talk directly with Loomio developers and customize the solution

– *“Making it easy for communities to deliberate is more important than just reaching decisions.”*

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Loomio's origin





Loomio the app



A place for groups to have discussions and make decisions together

Gather



Discuss



Propose



Decide & act



Who uses Loomio?

- Cooperatives & collectives
- Self-managing companies
- Ecovillages & Co-housing communities
- Political parties
- Worker Unions
- Governance & boards

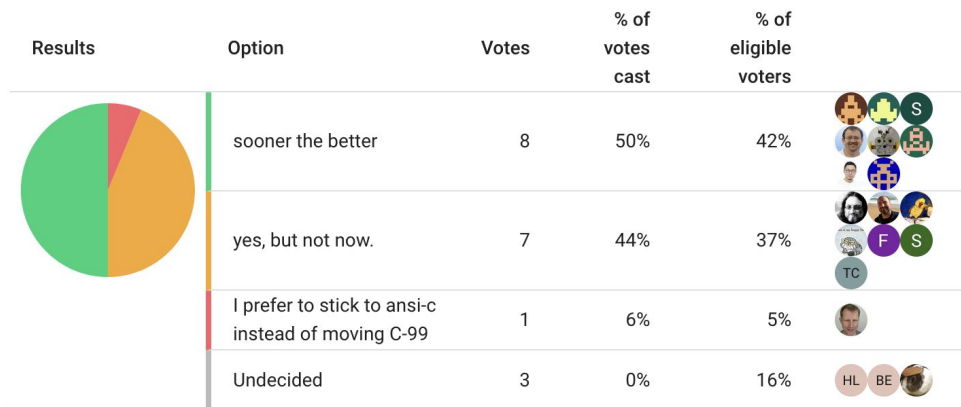
Use cases

- General assemblies
- Stakeholder engagement
- AGMs
- Organization OS - remove middle management
- Financial decisions
- HR decisions
- Strategy
- Governance

In practice

- Elections and nominations run openly on Loomio
 - Technical and policy outcomes influenced by communities
 - Decision threads remain searchable for transparency
 - This is distributed governance in action
- *“Using Loomio doesn’t just build decisions - it builds democratic capacity.”*

Recent example



16 of 19 votes cast (84% participation)

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Dmitry Belyavsky May 19

I presume that

- "Yes but not now" implies 4.0 (no later than spring 2026)
- The voices for (1) and (2) will be summarized making the decision whether we do this step at all



Paul Dale May 19

We're using plenty of C99 features already, might as well formalise it.



Tomas Mraz May 19

I am fine with starting the conversation but IMO to be able to decide we have to evaluate which are those legacy platforms (in the list of build targets) that have just C-90 compilers. Then, if we are ready to drop them, we can move to C-99.

Community is established

Successful elections

A clear, transparent process to engage the whole community.

Future of the OpenSSL Library is decided on the platform.

Everyone is welcome to **join the community** and participate.

Thank you

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Questions?