

Some More Attacks on the GPL and Latest Compliance Story

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- [GPL Cooperation Commitment: Promise of Collaborative Interpretation](#) [3] [Ed: IP Kat perpetuates the Microsoft-connected (and funded) lie that GPL "popularity has dropped dramatically during the past decade," citing Jono Bacon and Microsoft-funded 'analysts', [proxies like Black Duck](#) [4]. To this date, in light of the GitHub takeover, Microsoft managers are badmouthing the GPL and many anti-GPL 'studies' are based on this Microsoft site alone.]

GNU General Public Licence version 2 (GPLv2) was written in the early nineties to ensure compliant distribution of copyleft-licensed software. Even though its popularity has dropped dramatically during the past decade, it nevertheless continues to be one of the most widely used and important open source licences.

Notably, GPLv2 was drafted by non-legal free (as in ?free speech,? not as in ?free beer?) software enthusiasts and yet it has necessitated legal interpretation and application in accordance with IP and contract law principles. For nearly two decades, compliance and enforceability of the licence by its users has had to deal with ambiguity and uncertainty with respect to its terms.

- [HMD releases source code for Nokia 8 Sirocco](#) [5]

HMD has released the source code for Nokia 8 Sirocco and it is now available for download on the official Nokia website.

Source URL: <http://www.tuxmachines.org/node/119617>

Links:

- [1] <http://www.tuxmachines.org/taxonomy/term/144>
- [2] <http://www.tuxmachines.org/taxonomy/term/106>
- [3] <http://ipkitten.blogspot.com/2019/01/gpl-cooperation-commitment-promise-of.html>
- [4] http://techrights.org/wiki/index.php/Black_Duck
- [5] <https://nokiapoweruser.com/hmd-releases-source-code-for-nokia-8-sirocco/>