9 Lessons to Become a Leader in the Digitalization of Energy

**Find common problems.**
Companies are often going “in the same direction and facing the same problems.” Work together to solve them.

**Start small, but start!**
Open source requires a change in culture. When initial investments are small, so too are the risks.

**Take time to set up good practices.**
Open source requires more communication than typical siloed software development.

**Set up an Open Source Program Office.**
Use an OSPO to coordinate the open source collaboration with internal and external stakeholders.

**Add governance.**
Transparent governance helps vendors, utilities, even regulators make the best investment and development decisions time after time.

**Release control.**
By accepting external viewpoints that come through open collaboration, the risk of taking the wrong path is reduced.

**Educate.**
Share insights with enterprises and regulators on the economic and efficiency benefits of open source.

**Attract talent.**
Enterprises leading in open source innovation find their ability to recruit is enhanced.

**Develop teams with collaborative skills.**
Hire people with diverse skill sets who can interact well with others and make decisions in a constructive and inclusive manner.