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IoTivity Overview

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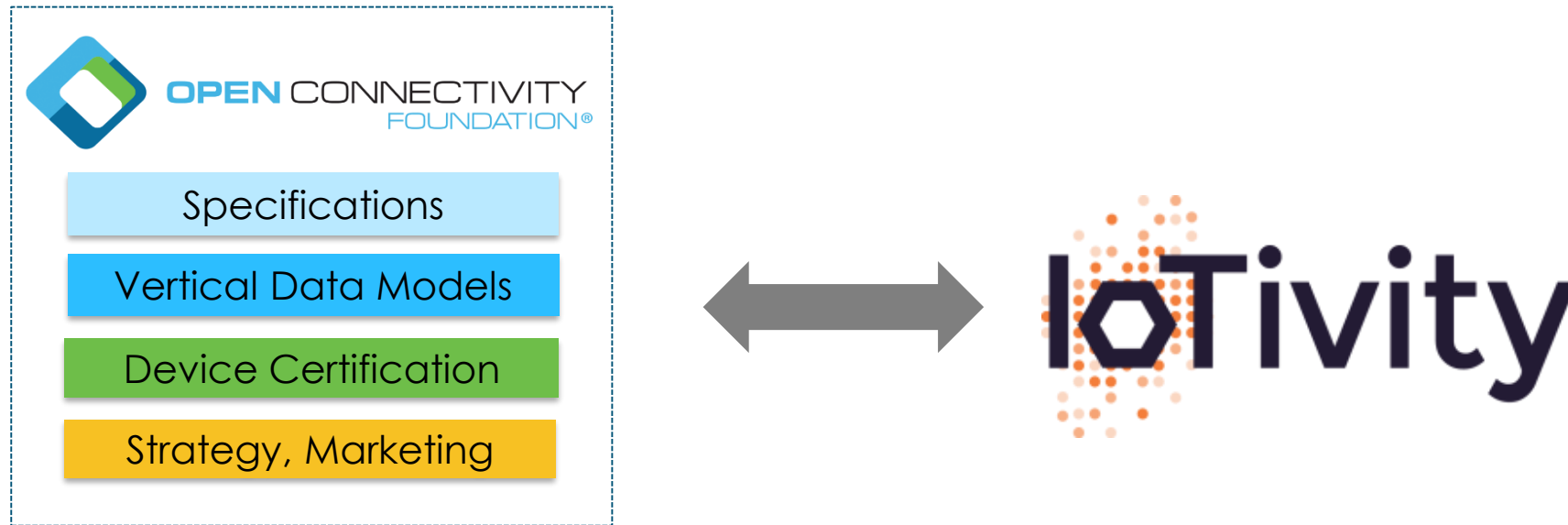
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What is IoTivity?

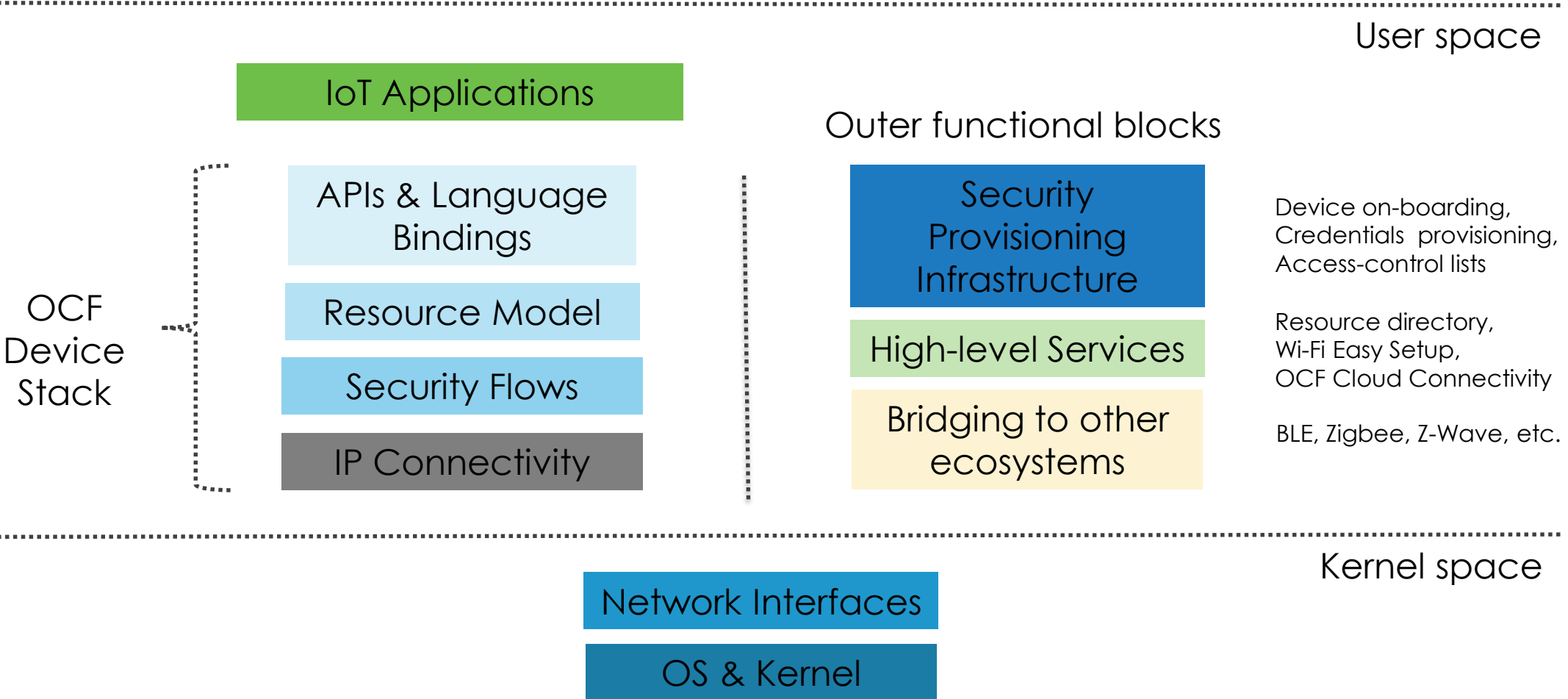
- Umbrella of projects for building IoT devices
- Open-source, reference implementations of OCF specifications
- Serve as starting point for developing and certifying OCF products



Independent governance with coordinated efforts



Structure of an OCF implementation





IoTivity-Lite

- Lightweight implementation of OCF specifications
- Suitable for all device classes (including few constrained devices)
- Port to any target by implementing a thin platform abstraction layer
- Runs on Linux, Windows, Android¹, macOS², and multiple RTOSes
- C and Java³ APIs

1, 3: Working Android adaptation with Java binding currently on “swig” branch

2: Work-in-progress

3: Java bindings may be used to build Java applications for platforms with the Java runtime (Eg. Linux, Windows, etc.)



Protocols and payloads

- Constrained Application Protocol (RFC 7252)
 - Lightweight protocol for constrained nodes and networks
- Security
 - DTLS-based authentication, encryption and access control
 - Leverages mbedTLS <https://github.com/ARMmbed/mbedtls>
- Concise Binary Object Representation (RFC 7049)
 - Handle OCF request/response payloads using simple C APIs
 - Payloads typically consist of key-value pairs
 - Leverages tinyCBOR <https://github.com/intel/tinycbor>



Support for OCF roles

- REST architectural style; "things" modeled as resources
- Servers
 - Expose resources to Clients
- Clients
 - Access resources hosted in Servers
- Onboarding Tools (OBT)
 - Takes on the Client role
 - Manage security context across a network of OCF Devices
 - APIs for creating OBTs



Porting

- OS-agnostic core
- Abstract interfaces hook into platform-specific components
- Bounded definitions, elicit specific contract from implementations
- Platform-specific blocks
 - Clock
 - Connectivity
 - PRNG
 - Storage



Directory structure – <IoTivity-Lite root>/*

api
include
messaging
port
tests
tools
LICENSE.md
README.rst

apps
onboarding_tool
deps
security
patches
util
IoTivityConstrained-Arch.png



Directory structure - <IoTivity-Lite root>/port/*

oc_connectivity.h

oc_random.h

oc_log.h

oc_assert.h

linux

android

...

oc_clock.h

oc_storage.h

oc_network_events_mutex.h

windows

zephyr



IoTivity-Lite resources

- IoTivity-Lite repository
 - <https://github.com/iotivity/iotivity-lite>
- IoTivity-Lite build instructions
 - <https://github.com/iotivity/iotivity-lite/blob/master/README.rst>
 - Each OS adaptation (port) employs a build system native to its environment (E.g. Linux uses make, Windows uses VS projects, etc.)
- IoTivity Wiki
 - <https://wiki.iotivity.org/>
- OCF Specification documents
 - <https://openconnectivity.org/developer/specifications>



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