

CNCF Project Harbor

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Agenda

Me and Open-Source

The CNCF Community & Project Harbor

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O Unpopular opinion: You likely don't need an artifact repository at all!

Me

- Software Engineering Background
- 20+ years of IT industry experience
 - -~1991 first Computer 386 SX 33
- Ex Siemens employee
 - Cloud Enablement
 - Contributed to Siemens ID

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My Current Focus

- Cloud and SaaS
 - Enablement
 - Transformation
- SaaS Factory
- Partner at 56K.Cloud GmbH



About Me

Hobby

- Snowboarding, Sports
- Professionalism and professionalization in IT Eg. International Conference for Software Craft and Testing
 - socrates-ch.org
 - socrates-day.ch





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Open Source and Me

- Open-Source Software plays an important role in my professional career
 - User
 - Maintainer
 - Founder
- I earn my money with and through Open-Source Software

Why Am I Here?

- Contributor to Project Harbor
- We run and operate multiple Harbor based container registries
 - SaaS
 - OnPrem
 - Consulting and Commercial Support
 - Container management and distribution solutions
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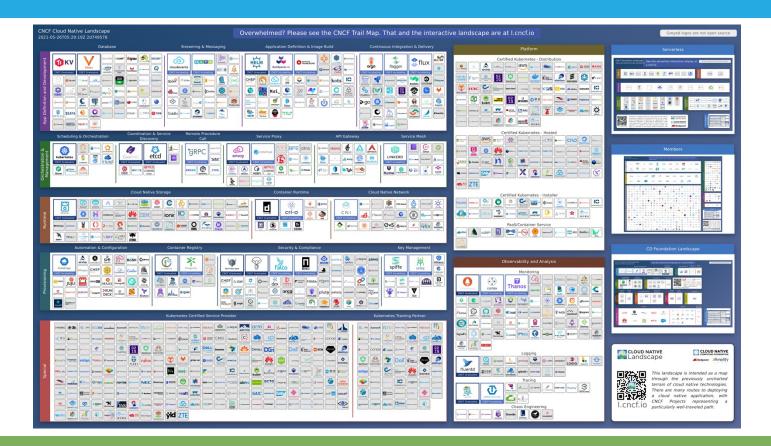
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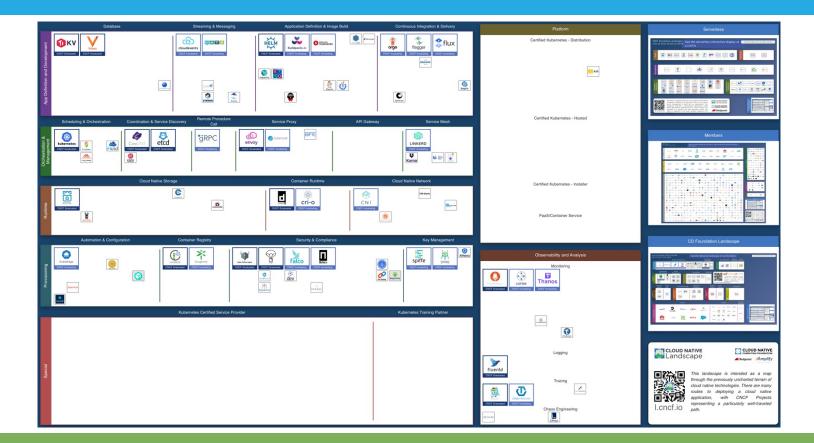
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CNCF Cloud Native Landscape



CNCF Projects - Graduated/Incubating/Sandbox



Kubernetes Code Diversity



Kubernetes Commiters/Contributors

1	Google	622
2	Red Hat	523
3	Independent	493
4	VMware Inc.	205
5	Microsoft Corporation	183
6	IBM	150
7	Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd.	82
8	Intel	65
9	Amazon	63
10	SAP	60
11	Pivotal	57
12	Cisco	56
13	SUSELLC	53
14	Mirantis Inc.	47
15	ZTE	46
16	CNCF	44
17	Alibaba	43
18	DaoCloud (Shanghai DaoCloud Network Technology Co LTD)	36
19	Fujitsu	34
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15	CNCF	64
16	Mirantis Inc.	58
17	Docker Inc.	56
18	NetEase Inc	55
19	ZTE	53
20	Mesosphere	48

My Open Source Observation

Big Open Source Projects have 2 type of Contributors

- 1. Direction/Steering
 - Team effort
 - Full time employees funded by large Stakeholder
- 2. Improvements
 - Bug Fixing
 - Small Improvements
 - Individual Contributor or small Organizations

Situation with Harbor

- VMWare is the main Contributor to Harbor
- VMWare ships their VMWare Stack together with Harbor
- ~ 16 Full time developer are working on Harbor
- 4th Project that graduated from CNCF
- ~ 255 Contributors over 5 years

Conclusion

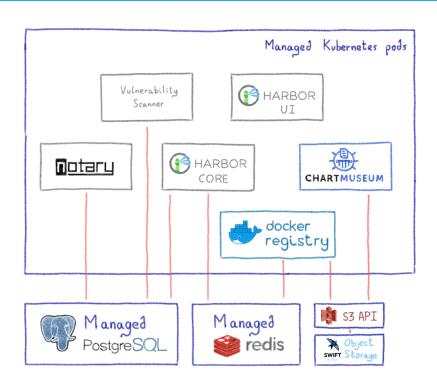
- Majority of CNCF Projects are well funded
- Many CNCF Projects have one main contributor
- Maintaining and Contributing to Open Source is not a hobby!
- The developer community needs to part away from the idealistic view on open source software

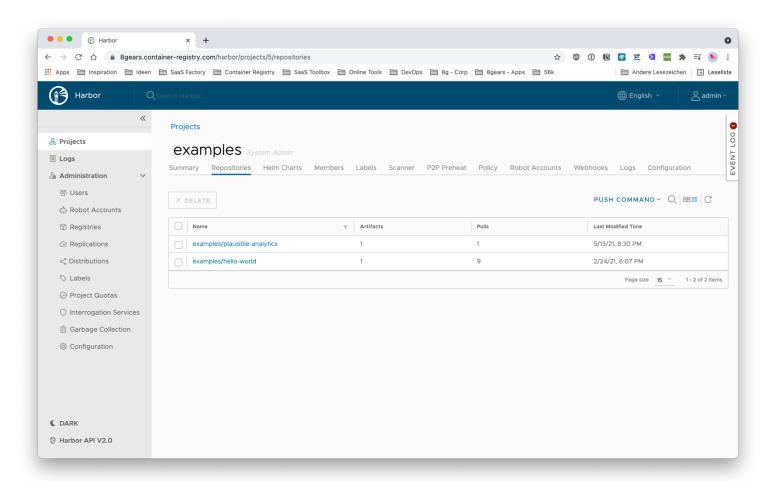
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Harbor Component Overview





Why Harbor over X

- Container Registries is a commodity service
 - Every Cloud Provider has a Container Registries
 - Every SCM has a container registry
 - Hub.docker.com is basically free or very low priced
- There is no need to switch if you don't know why
- For 80% of users the "default" is enough.
- Harbor shines when it comes to containerized workflows and pipelines
- Muli-Cloud Rollout
- Customers and partner image access

What is special about Harbor

- Flexibility
 - Well suited for different environments K8s, Docker, Native
- Role based access control Users access different repositories through 'projects' and a user can have different permission for images or Helm charts under a project
- Policy based replication Images and charts can be replicated (synchronized) between multiple registry
- Vulnerability Scanning
- Additional Security Layer
- Retention Policies Image deletion & garbage collection
- Graphical user portal
- RESTful API



Use Cases

CONTAINER REGISTRIES THAT CAN DO MORE

Typical Enterprise Use Cases for Harbor

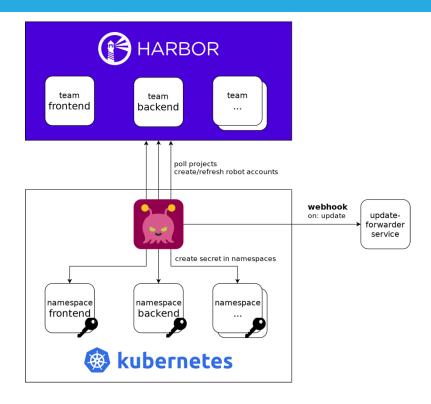
- Image distribution to K8s clusters around the globe
 - P2P Image Distribution with Kraken or Dragonfly
- Ship images to restricted regions
- Data Residency
- Integration with inhouse IAM Systems
- Multi Cloud Rollout

Everything in one place

- Additional Security Layer
- Force all users to only user internal container registry
- Proxy images from Docker Hub, GitLab, gcr and ghcr etc.
- Total Visibility
 - Control and Monitor every image used in your organization

Deep K8s Integration

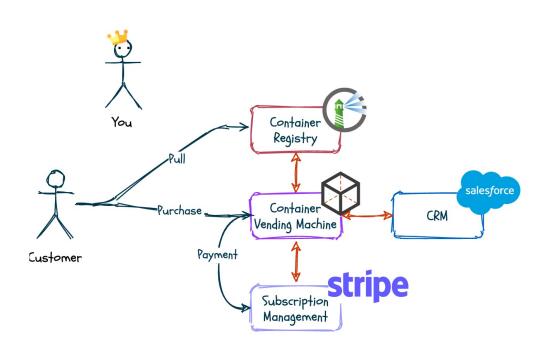
- Synchronize Harbor with K8s instances to automatically issue
 - Pull/Push Secrets
 - Create Harbor Projects from K8s
 Namespaces and visa versa
- Only allow images from your registry
- Only allow scanned and vulnerable free container images



Distributing Commercial Software Through Container Images

- ISVs can distribute container images to customers/partners
- No need for downloadable binaries, ZIPs, or other type of compressed delivery

Sell Container Images



See who is using your software

- Analytics on software usage and adoption
 - See who is pulling your software
 - Which Version
 - How often

OCI Registry as a Storage

 Push any artifact to an OCI compliant Container Registry



Unpopular Opinion

- Most Companies that build software don't need an artifact repository
 - Trend toward Git as the source of truth
 - Trend towards GitOps
 - PaaS
- The only reason to have an artifact repository is when you want to internally distribute and reshare internally used libraries.

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