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# GROWING KIDS WITH BREAD AND FREE SOFTWARE

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# Agenda

- Why investing in young generations?
  - False myths about digital natives
  - Awareness using social media
  - Free software as freedom
  - Free Software as beer
- 5 reasons for investing in schools
- Outcomes
- The future

# Why investing in young generations?



They are digital natives, but ...  
they often don't know LibreOffice  
and FreeSoftware

# Why investing in young generations?



➔ make them aware of the risks of social media and of the advantages using LibreOffice and Open Formats

# Why investing in young generations?



➔ Introducing Libreoffice to  
choose the right productivity  
tools: free as freedom

# Why investing in young generations?



➔ Understand the economical advantages of LibreOffice and FreeSoftware for young people: free as beer

# 1- Sharing values

# 5 reasons for investing in schools



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## 2- Collaboration

# 5 reasons for investing in schools



## 3 - Respect

# 5 reasons for investing in schools



## 4 – Finding alternatives

# 5 reasons for investing in schools



# 5 – Digital inclusion

# 5 reasons for investing in schools



# Outcomes

- Teachers are motivated: they use LibreOffice and start new didactic projects based on it
- They understand the ethical and the economical values
- They start promoting Free Software, and LibreOffice in particular, among students and colleagues
- They often organize events on LibreOffice ecosystem
- In several cases LibreOffice courses become part of the official study programs

# The future

- Reinforce the group of teachers since the demand from schools is really massive
- Increase LibreOffice courses devoted to teachers
- Use the “Alternanza Scuola Lavoro” which is an initiative of the Italian Ministry of Education addressed to all secondary schools to promote activities related to LibreOffice
  - Improve translation of documentation
  - Q&A activities
  - If skilled on C++ → Development

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