Does EU Regulation care about ethics?

European Regulation with Open Source in focus: is it all bad? And how did it come about?

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COSS
Centre for Open Systems and Solutions

CNLL
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OSB Open Source Business ALLIANCE
Bundesverband für digitale Souveränität e.V.

DOSBA Dutch Open Source Business Alliance
Vereniging Open Source Nederland

DOSL | Danske Open Source Leverandører

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I mean Free as in Freedom (libertà)

I use them as synonyms

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foreign affairs, human rights, security and defence, development, budgets, budgetary control, economic and monetary affairs, tax matters, employment and social, public health, transport and tourism, regional development, agriculture, fisheries, culture and education, legal affairs, constitutional affairs, women's rights and gender equality, petititions

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Open Source in focus

connect tech and policy debates

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conclusion?

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