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Telefonica is committed to Open Source and SDN and is actively involved in OpenFlow, ONOS, CORD and other activities such as ETSI OSM and the Telecom Infra Project. This commitment ranges from developing, contributing and deploying solutions in our networks. I have been involved in SDN and open source for 6 years, first as an industry analyst, now, deploying and innovating as a network operator. I am fortunate at Telefonica Innovation to support a team composed of developers, network hackers, data scientists and UX specialist where it is possible to push the limits of how to deploy next generation software defined and virtualized networks.

I believe that creating open, programmable, elastic networks is key to our industry and I frequently present this viewpoint at industry forums. There is still much work to be done for our industry to adopt and profit from open source and SDN, and I think that my experience as a vendor of technologies, an industry analyst and a network operator gives me an original viewpoint that could help frame the priorities of ONF.