FAQ

What is the ONF Ambassador Program?

The ONF Ambassador Program empowers anyone knowledgeable and passionate about ONF projects and initiatives to promote these in their part of the world. The program provides a simple framework and tools to help organize or attend events, recruit and mentor new contributors, and support a local developer community.

Who can be an Ambassador?

The Ambassador Program is open to anyone knowledgeable and passionate about the ONF projects (e.g., ONOS, CORD, etc.) Since becoming an Ambassador involves taking on a specific set of responsibilities, an interested individual will be asked to fill out an application form and be interviewed by a member of the Ambassador Program Steering Team (the A-team) before being accepted into the program.

What sort of responsibilities do Ambassadors have?

When joining the program, an Ambassador agrees to take on some or all of the following responsibilities:

- **Represent** ONF and its technologies in his/her region;
- **Promote** ONF projects and its mission;
- **Inspire**, **recruit**, and **support** new contributors;
- **Document** clearly all his/her activities for the benefit of the broader community.

What sort of activities do Ambassadors do?

There is a wide range of activities Ambassadors can drive, including:

- Organizing and running local events (e.g., meet-ups, hackathons);
- Attending and/or presenting at conferences;
- Conducting online tutorials and presentations;
- Speaking to local media/press.

How can I apply to become a Ambassador?

Applying to the program is very easy: all you need to do is fill out an application form and a member of the A-team will contact you shortly to guide you through the next steps.

What do I need to become an Ambassador?

In order to be accepted to the program we require a minimum level of knowledge of at least one ONF project, SDN technologies and networking in general. You can find here a list of concepts we expect an Ambassador to master when speaking in public.

Is there any material I can read before the interview to refresh my knowledge?

Yes! You can use this document as a starting point. Please keep in mind that this not an exam but more of a conversation to assess the candidate’s areas of strength.

What are the incentives for becoming an Ambassador?

There are many reasons why you should join the Ambassadors program:

- Being an official ONF representative and promoting the ONF’s projects in your country;
- Getting access to tools and resources to organize your own events and get financial assistance to attend others;
- Gaining valuable experience and learning new leadership skills;
- Making new friends and working closely with ONF contributors around the world;
- Building a reputation within the ONF community and expanding your professional network.

Do I get paid for being an Ambassador?

The Ambassadors program is based on 100% volunteer work. However, ONF does offer limited financial support to organize or attend industry events.

Where can I find and get in touch with other Ambassadors?

All Ambassadors maintain a profile page on the Ambassador Program website.

How can I get ONF SWAG?

Each year, all active Ambassadors will receive an Ambassador Program t-shirt along with some basic SWAG, mostly stickers. In addition, if a SWAG is requested for an event organized by an Ambassador, ONF provides limited financial support to create SWAG.

Can I request and manage my own budget for an event?
Ambassadors have access to a limited financial support for events they are organizing or attending. Each request is reviewed and approved or rejected by the A-team.

If an individual is already contributing to a specific area of an ONF project, can that individual also be an Ambassador?

Yes, absolutely, we highly encourage it! In fact, most Ambassadors are experienced ONF contributors who have been championing their respective projects for a long time.

Can there be several Ambassadors in the same country?

Yes, there is no limit to the number of Ambassadors in a particular geographic location. In fact, the more Ambassadors in a given location the better, since we are trying to grow our community in all parts of the world.