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CC Legal Tools Recognized as Digital Public Goods

CC legal tools are digital public infrastructure that make the legal sharing of DPGs possible. Writes Cable Green, Director of Open knowledge.

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“Power Grid” by Ram Joshi is licensed via CC BY-NC-ND 2.0. We’re proud to announce Creative Commons’ Legal Tools have been reviewed and accepted into the Digital Public Goods Alliance (DPGA) DPG Registry.

The DPGA is a multi-stakeholder initiative, endorsed by the United Nations Secretary-General, that is working to accelerate the attainment of the UN Sustainable Development Goals in low- and middle-income countries. DPGA does this by facilitating the discovery, development, use of, and investment in digital public goods (DPGs) in order to create a more equitable world. Being recognized as a DPG increases the visibility, support for, and prominence of open projects that have the potential to tackle global challenges.

To become a digital public good, all projects are required to meet the DPG Standard to ensure that projects truly encapsulate open source principles. Creative Commons provides and stewards the CC licenses and public domain tools that give every person and organization in the world a free, simple, and standardized way to grant copyright permissions for creative and academic works. In addition, the licenses support proper attribution and enable others to copy, distribute, and make use of those works. CC legal tools are digital public infrastructure that make the legal sharing of DPGs possible.

At Creative Commons, we are thrilled to have our Legal Tools recognised as DPGs as they can empower people to dramatically improve access to open content. By advocating for the use and implementation of DPGs, global communities can work together in prioritizing and mobilizing resources to help solve global challenges. CC’s legal tools and our programs play a critical role in helping to advance the DPG ecosystem.

For any inquiries about CC’s involvement in the Digital Public

Goods Alliance, please reach out to Cable Green. For more information on the Digital Public Goods Alliance please reach out to hello@digitalpublicgoods.net.

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