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Lessons Learned from Organizing Community Workshops for Open-Source Tools

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We'll explore the key lessons learned from planning and running several community workshops aimed at fostering the adoption and use of open-source tools, in this case the models REMIND and MAgPIE and their encompassing open source ecosystem. Our goals were to educate interested people who had no prior experience, deepen the understanding and capabilities of users already familiar with the tools, gather feedback, and build a stronger community around our tools. Throughout the planning and the event itself, we encountered numerous logistical and technical challenges, as well as difficulties related to tailored knowledge transfer in heterogeneous groups, which led to valuable insights that can help improve future similar workshops. Further we provide some guidance how others can organize a community workshop centered around their open source tool, and what key questions have to be considered.

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