

# FT: Open XR Futures

PART I — FORESIGHT SNAPSHOT | FT: Open XR Futures | Fixed Time-Stamped Synthesis

## 2026 FT: Open XR Futures

Card Type	Future Technology Possibility
Series	Immersive Futures Guild — Vision 2035
Layer	1 — Atomic Foresight Object
Status	Active
Confidence	Medium
Workshop	Circle of Scholars — January 2026
Facilitator	Circle of Scholars Workshop Team
Tags	open-XR   interoperability   standards   layer1   ft
Tally.so Form	<a href="https://tally.so/r/ilrn-if-ft-openxr-2026">https://tally.so/r/ilrn-if-ft-openxr-2026</a>

The trajectory of XR platforms is contested between proprietary, closed ecosystems controlled by large technology corporations and open, interoperable standards developed through community and standards-body governance. The outcome of this contest has significant implications for who can build immersive learning experiences, on what terms, with what portability, and with what accountability to learner communities.

Key Drivers / Contributing Conditions:

- OpenXR standards development
- WebXR maturation and browser-native XR
- Open-source XR platform community growth

Tensions Carried Forward to Part II:

- Can open XR platforms achieve sufficient quality and accessibility to compete with proprietary alternatives?
- How should educational institutions navigate the risk of platform lock-in versus the constraint of open platform capability limitations?

PART II — COMMUNITY EVIDENCE & DIALOGUE TRACK | FT: Open XR Futures | H2 2026 — Living

T	<p>COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION FORM — FT: Open XR Futures</p> <p>Submit case examples, methodological challenges, cultural perspectives, and proposed evidence criteria via: <a href="https://tally.so/r/ilrn-if-ft-openxr-2026">https://tally.so/r/ilrn-if-ft-openxr-2026</a></p>
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Part II — Scope and Instructions
This section collects community responses, case examples, and challenges to the Part I foresight snapshot above.
It opens July 1, 2026 and undergoes synthesis review in September 2026, November 2026, and January 2027.
Contributions are submitted via the Tally.so form above and appear in the registers below after editorial review.
The Part I text is not modified in response to Part II contributions; it is versioned at the Annual Handoff review.
Contribution categories: Case Example   Methodological Challenge   Cultural/Community Perspective   Proposed Evidence Criterion
Ways of Knowing accepted: Tree (evidence)   Garden (practice)   Lantern (futures)

Tensions Open for Community Response:

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Contributor / Date	Category	Way of Knowing	Contribution Summary
[ Awaiting contributions — form opens July 1, 2026 ]			

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