

OsmoTRX - Bug #3515

license confusion in OsmoTRX

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<p>OsmoTRX is a fork of the OpenBTS transceiver. OpenBTS was licensed under AGPLv3-or-later by the FSF.</p> <p>This is also what COPYING indicates, and what most source code files state.</p> <p>However, I see the following deviations from this:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AUTHORS (we better remove that completely as we don't maintain it)• CommonLibs/trx_vty.c where it is a mistake. Should be fixed.• Transceiver52M/Transceiver.cpp (states GPLv3 even in upstream)• Transceiver52M/Transceiver.h (states GPLv3 even in upstream) <p>As for the Transceiver.{h,cpp} it seems like an oversight by the original creators. However, as GPLv3 is compatible with AGPLv3, the entire work of osmo-trx consisting of GPLv3-or-later and AGPLv3-or-later becomes AGPLv3-or-later.</p> <p>We could change Transceiver.{h,cpp} to AGPLv3-or-later to avoid confusion among users... however, this would then mean people couldn't merge any fixes we'd make back into OpenBTS as you can only import GPLv3-or-later code in an AGPLv3-or-later project, but not the other way around.</p> <p>So let's keep Transceiver.* as-is but fix trx_vty and remove AUTHORS.</p>	