

## **Neat OS: A Secure and Reliable Meeting Platform**

The Neat OS running on Neat devices is based on the Android Open Source Project (AOSP). Neat OS is a hardened and secure operating system specifically designed to support multiple audio and video meeting collaboration applications to ensure a reliable and consistent meeting experience.

To safeguard user privacy and system integrity, Neat OS employs a multi-layered security approach. This includes hardware-backed secure boot and verified boot for a tamper-proof startup, user data encryption to protect sensitive information, anti-rollback protection to prevent downgrades to vulnerable software, and a hardware-backed keystore for secure storage of cryptographic keys. Furthermore, SELinux, a robust MAC system, adds another layer of security by defining detailed access rules, effectively sandboxing processes, and limiting what system resources they can access.

The development of Neat OS is a result of close collaboration between highly skilled hardware and software engineers in the Neat R&D organization. This ensures the best possible combination of compatibility, functionality, reliability, and security for our embedded system appliances in any environment.

## **Android Versions**

Neat OS has been continuously upgraded from Android 8.1 to Android 10 (Neat OS for Neat Center is based on Android 13). Demonstrating our commitment to continuous improvement, the Neat R&D team is actively working on upgrading Neat OS to Android 13<sup>1</sup>. Neat OS based on Android 13 can be expected as part of a regular software release.

Moving to newer Android versions is utilizing advancements in the underlying Linux kernel which future-proofs the device and makes it capable of receiving security updates for a longer period. It also helps in keeping devices in use longer as part of our contribution to a sustainable future.

Neat is committed to further upgrading our Neat OS to future Android versions, and the current product line can be expected to be further developed beyond Android 13<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NeatOS for Generation 1 Platform devices (Neat Bar, Neat Board) will remain on Android 10