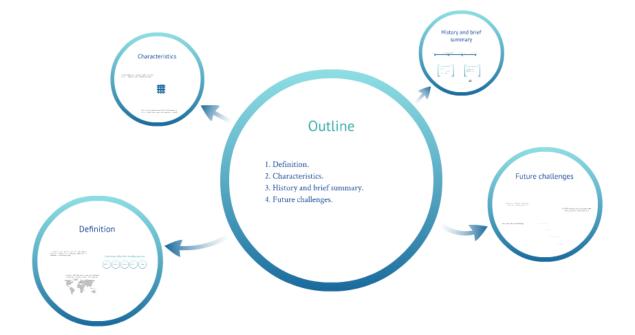
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# Definition

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Five steps of the flow-funding process



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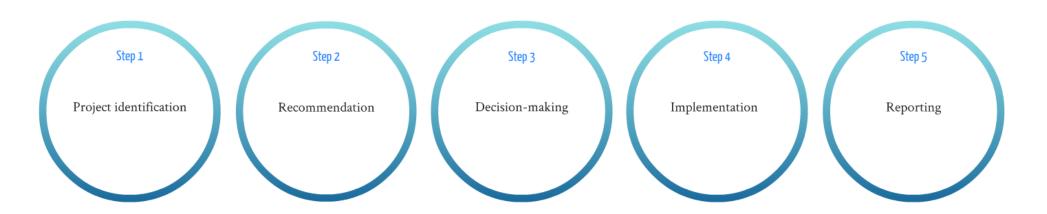


Ten volunteers called "flow funders" are entrusted to identify and subsequently fund projects aligned with the strategic goals.





### Five steps of the flow-funding process





Project identification



Recommendation



Decision-making



Implementation



Reporting



# Characteristics

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	FF	WFG	FDC	IEG
Grantees	anyone	anyone	Wikimedia affiliate organizations	individuals, small teams
Subject of funding	projects	projects	annual plans	projects
Proposals accepted	at anytime	at anytime	twice annually	twice annually
Floor and ceiling amounts	min: US\$ 500 max: US\$ 2,000	none	none	min: none max: US\$ 30,000
Funding source	WMF	WMF	WMF	WMF
Waiting time	less than 30 days	30-90 days	90 days	45-75 days
Decision maker	flow funder	WMF (advised by the GAC)	WMF (advised by the FDC)	WMF (advised by the IEG committee)



Each flow funder can allocate from US\$ 500 to US\$ 2,000 annually (in the pilot phase), whereby more than one projects can be funded.



# History and brief summary

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### FF Pilot Phase in numbers

4 recommendations funded

4 flow funders allocated funds

total amount of US\$ 6,683.5 granted



### FF Pilot Phase sample project funded

Project name: Fotofahrt im Heißluftballon.

Country: Hamburg, Germany.

Description: Rent a hot-air balloon for five to take aerial

photographs of Hamburg.

Primary goal: Take about 1000 aerial photographs of the

landmarks in Hamburg.



# Results











# Future challenges

The FF Pilot Project ended on 20 July 2013 with substantial amount of funds unallocated.



Many opine that the FF project is a feasible idea that should be carried on and improved in the future.



Some of the plans are the following:



1. Get feedback from each of the flow funders.



2. Translate the feedback into concrete activities.



3. Reappoint the remained funds from the pilot phase.



## 4. Start the project regularly!



# Thank you!

