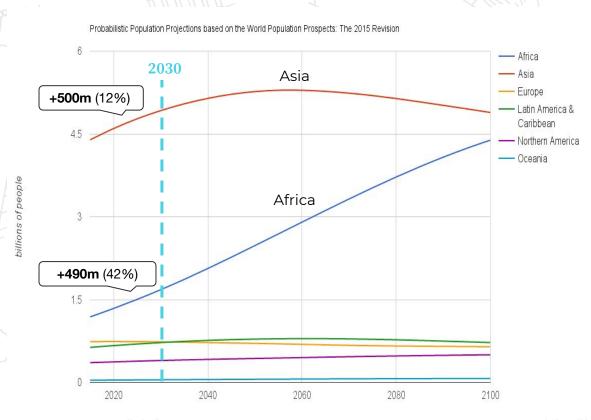


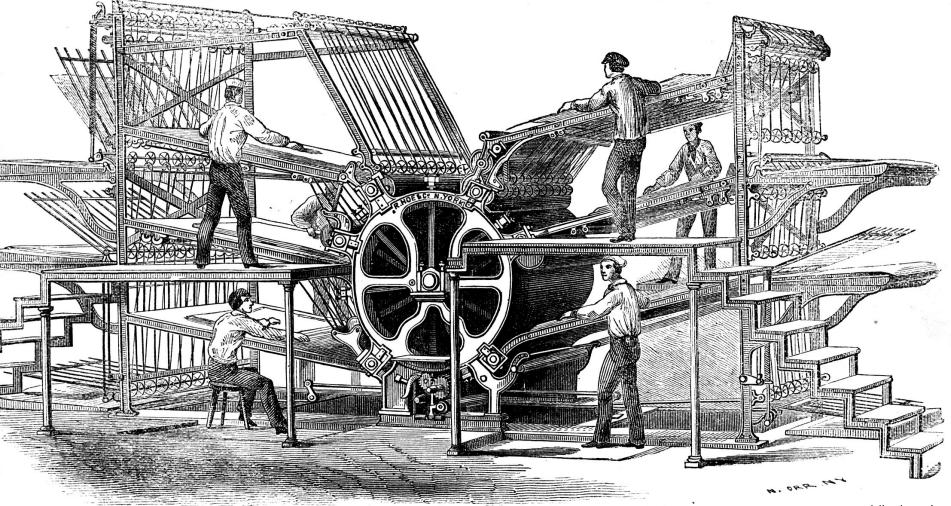
The world in 2030: 13% more people



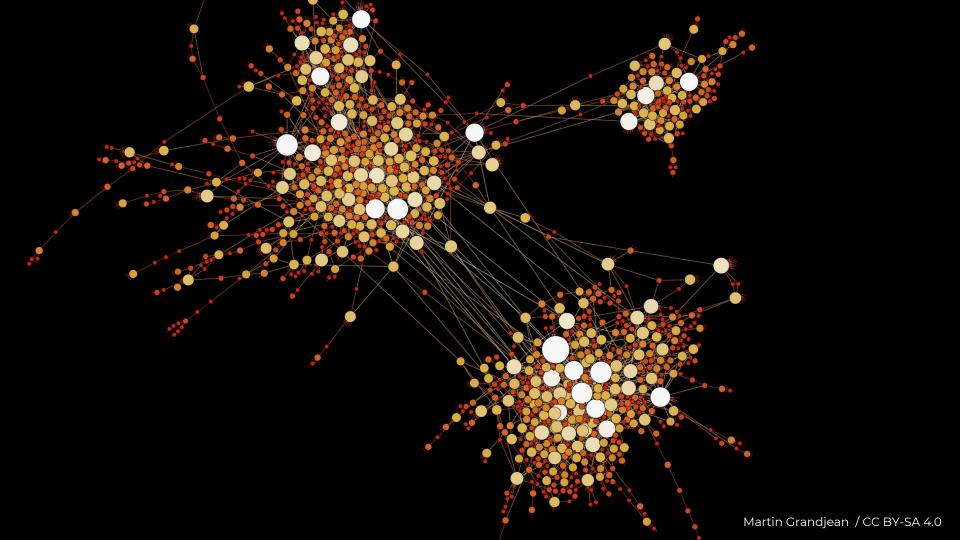
One of the most significant global demographic trends of the 21st century will be the rapid population growth in Africa and Asia.

[1] UN World Population, 2015

Source: UN, (Total population: median)





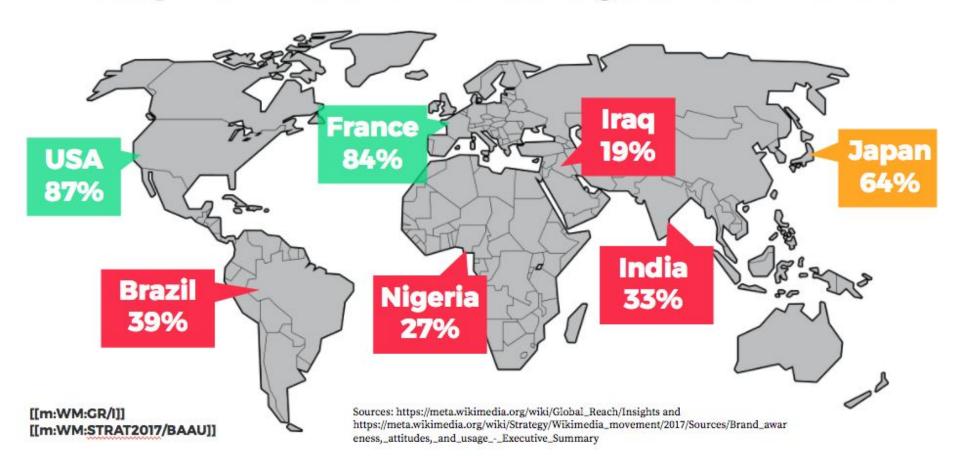


Wikimedia does not serve the whole world.

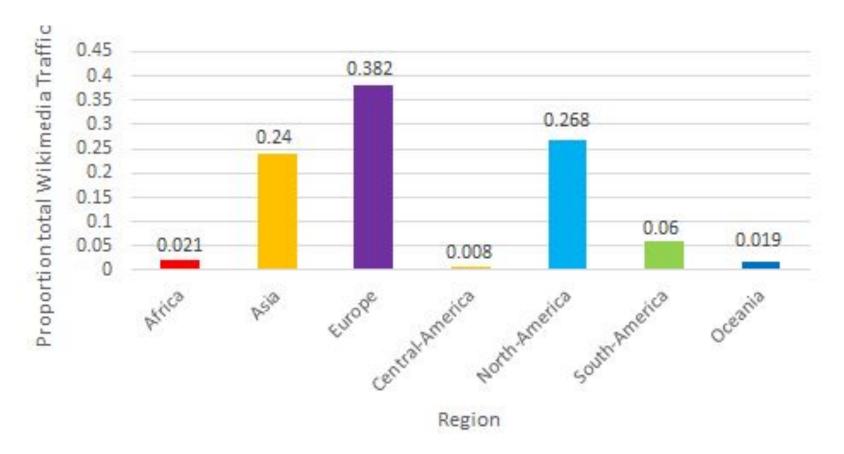
(And we're not even close)



Wikipedia awareness among internet users



Proportion of total Wikimedia traffic by region



Structural inequalities prevent us from achieving our mission.



We need to adapt to changing knowledge needs.



We should leverage new technology to achieve our mission.



More people and institutions want to join us, but don't know how.





We have a direction!



The strategic direction

By 2030, Wikimedia will become the essential infrastructure of the ecosystem of free knowledge, and anyone who shares our vision will be able to join us.

We, the Wikimedia contributors, communities, and organizations, will advance our world by collecting knowledge that fully represents human diversity, and by building the services and structures that enable others to do the same.

We will carry on our mission of developing content as we have done in the past, and we will go further.

Knowledge as a service: To serve our users, we will become a platform that serves open knowledge to the world across interfaces and communities. We will build tools for allies and partners to organize and exchange free knowledge beyond Wikimedia. Our infrastructure will enable us and others to collect and use different forms of free, trusted knowledge.

Knowledge equity: As a social movement, we will focus our efforts on the knowledge and communities that have been left out by structures of power and privilege. We will welcome people from every background to build strong and diverse communities. We will break down the social, political, and technical barriers preventing people from accessing and contributing to free knowledge.

We will become the essential infrastructure of the ecosystem of free knowledge.

Anyone who shares our vision will be able to join us.

Knowledge as a service

- Evolve underlying infrastructure
- Become a platform to serve open knowledge
- Build tools for ourselves, our allies and partners
- Enable use of new forms of knowledge

Knowledge equity

- Focus on knowledge and communities left out by structures of power and privilege
- Welcome people from every background
- Break down barriers to accessing/sharing knowledge

Now we determine how we get there.

The work ahead

- **Conceptual:** Change process for the next two years, to guide the movement towards becoming the essential infrastructure for free knowledge
- **Structural**: Discourse around roles, resources and responsibilities, resulting in recommendations as well as agreement and process for implementation
- **Programmatic**: Contextualizing of the direction and the creation of goals and plans on organizational levels, incl. support, coordination and innovation
- **Tactical**: Project and community oriented processes and development

Group work:

What does this direction mean for the continent and its affiliates and communities?

(4 people; 10 minutes; one idea per post-it)

Share with the group:

Stick your post-its to the wall in the back of the room

Group work:

Which of the answers resonate with you? What do you think is most important?

(4 people; 5 minutes)

What's next

- Talk to us!
- Talk to each other!
- Add your ideas to the post-it wall and +1 ideas that you like
- Carry the conversation forward in your affiliate and community
- Come to the Strategy Track @ Wikimedia Conference in Berlin, 20-22 April

