Financial resources: **Resource distribution**

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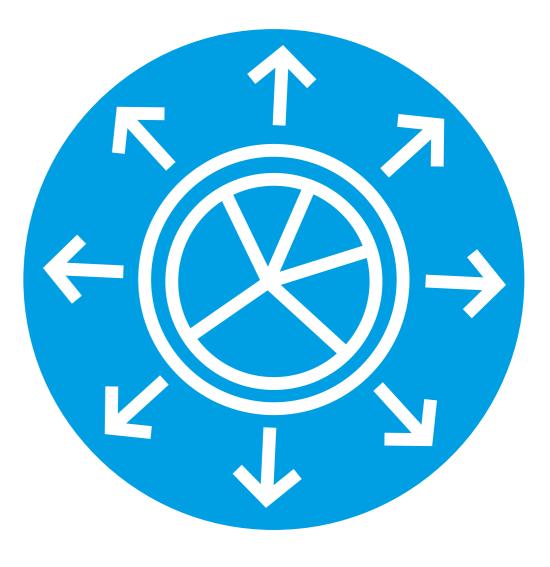
From GC Functions: Resource Distribution

From the Glossary: Resources

The GC establishes standards and guidelines for the equitable distribution of funds within the movement that comply with the Principles of Decision-Making. Additionally, the GC is responsible for grantmaking to the communities and Movement Organizations, based on the allocated budget. This responsibility comes from the delegation of authority from the Wikimedia Foundation to the Global Council to be in charge of the role of distributing resources within the Wikimedia Movement.¹

Resources are a stock or supply of money, materials, staff, knowledge, and other assets that can be drawn on by a person or organization in order to function effectively.

See also supplementary documentation



In the case of the Wikimedia movement, resources include:

- monetary assets obtained by revenue generation,
- people (including their time, effort, and capacity; the very large number of volunteers who drive the movement; and, the small number of paid staff who support the volunteers),
- the reputation of the Wikimedia movement and its projects and activities as a source of knowledge made available to the world freely and openly,
- the content of the Wikimedia projects as developed and managed by volunteers,
- the physical storage that contains the software and the content of the

Principles of Decision Making



Hubs: revenue generation and funds distribution guidelines



Wikimedia projects, and

 the educational and informational documentation to support the projects and other movement activities.

> 1 The Global Council determines all aspects related to these responsibilities, in coordination with the Wikimedia Foundation. Such responsibilities can include i) setting funds dissemination policies, strategy, and standards for the movement, ii) setting regional, thematic, and other funding allocations, iii) determining movement-wide goals and metrics, and iv) reviewing global programmatic outcomes, among others determined by the Global Council.