

Who governs the Wikimedia Movement?

(and why you should care)

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RETHINK + RESET : VISIONS OF THE FUTURE



Vous pouvez participer en français

Nous traduisons les questions et réponses



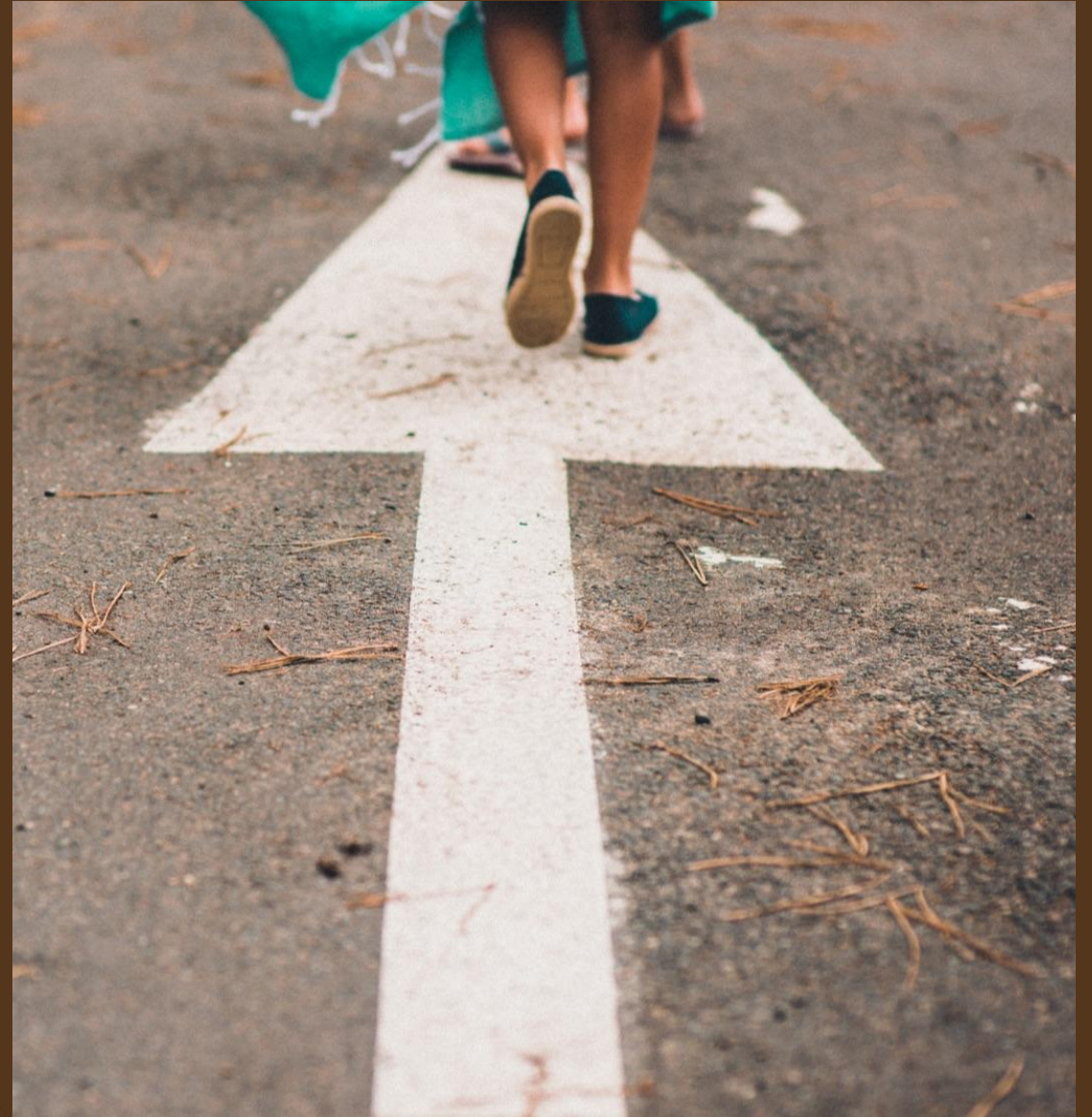
Warm up question

Think of and share a story about a Wikimedia decision that affected you or your community.



Agenda

- Introduction to today's governance structures
- Need for change and possible scenarios for the future
- Opportunities of the movement charter drafting process
- Open discussion: please share your thoughts!



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Historical growth of our movement





Today's challenges

Equity,

Representation,

Local Leadership

**We don't have
representative governing
bodies yet**



This has to change

Emerging communities have been left out
because of structures of power and privilege.



We have a strategy



There is a new plan and guiding principles for the growth of our movement by 2030.



Subsidiarity in decision making

this means that decisions are made and action is taken by or as close as possible to the level of people affected by them

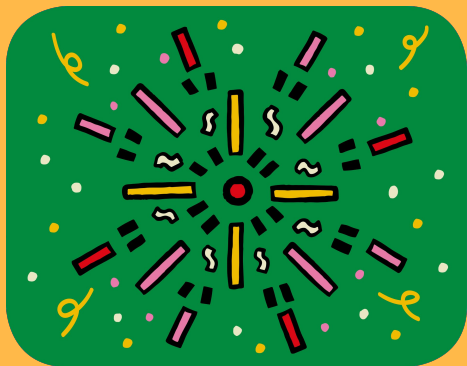


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The Vehicle: Regional and Thematic Hubs

These new structures should help you build strength at the local level and gain new functions: collaboration across borders, funding, advocacy...



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Equity in decision making

This means that there is democratic representation and participation in decisions that affect the whole movement and its parts



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The Vehicle: A Global Body

You will elect somebody to represent your project, your affiliate or your community when big decisions about money, policies and technologies are being made.



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How do we get there?



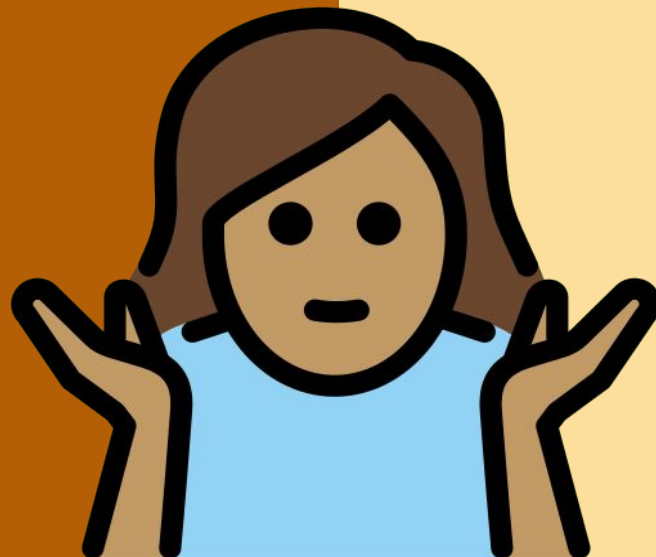
Scenarios for the Future

Global Council
gives advice to the Wikimedia
Foundation

1

Global Assembly makes important
decisions, creates INGO

2



This is what the future could look like



Movement Charter

The drafting of our Movement Charter is the first step of our governance reform.

This process will be designed in a transparent and participatory manner. Please make your voice heard.



Your opinion matters

**What do you
think of all this?**



THANK YOU.



**Detailed graphic of the
2 scenarios for future
movement governance**

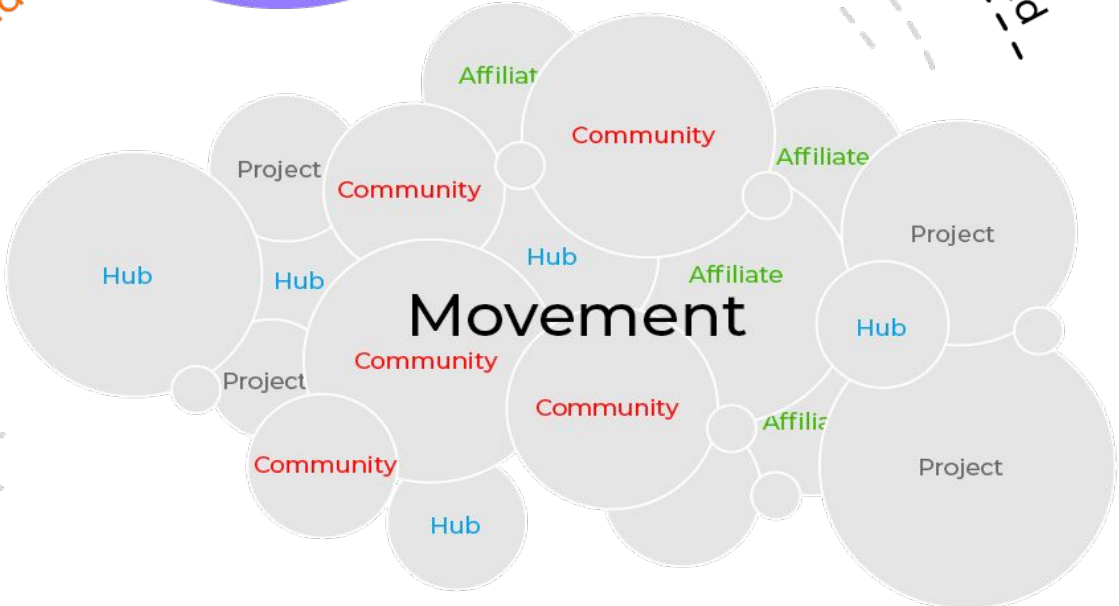
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Wikimedia Foundation

WMF Board of Trustees

Global Council

working groups and committees



Governs

delegates decision-making areas and funds

advises on policy and resource allocation

report and recommend

sends elected/appointed members

2

