



WIKI **loves**
monuments

Present and Future of Wiki Loves Monuments

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<https://etherpad.wikimedia.org/p/wlm-future>

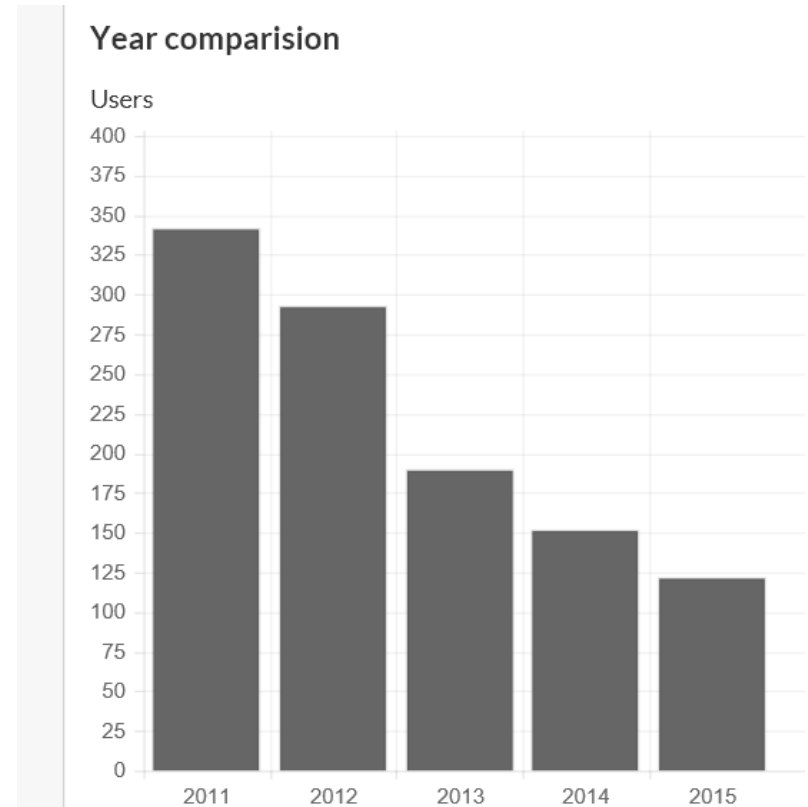
Situation in Austria (2011-2016)

The animation shown at Wikimania can be viewed on Commons at

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File: Bearbeitungsstand_Denkmale_%C3%96s_terreichs_nach_Gemeinden_Zeitraffer.gif

New users @ WLM 2015 in Austria

- Number of new participants and overall users has been steadily declining
- Only 6% or 457 of 7757 pictures were submitted by new users in 2015
- WLM in Austria today relies heavily on the veteran community



Source: <http://stats.wikilovesmonuments.cl/austria>

Situation worldwide

- Countries like the Netherlands and Austria are phasing out of the contest, but not necessarily the cultural heritage project itself
- New countries (Bangladesh!) coming in or previous participants taking part again
- 3rd or 4th iteration of reinventing the wheel (or the jury tool) on a local level
- Dependency on Romaine and Ilario to organise the international competition
- Maintenance and support of WLM-tools and bots: It's complicated...

Technical infrastructure

- See <https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/User:ErfgoedBot>
- tl,dr: Structured lists on Wikipedia, harvested into a database, enabling cool things
- Future: See previous presentation

What has happened recently?

- Good momentum since the Jerusalem hackathon
- → We try to make it future-proof
- CI

...but is there any point to it?

But WHAT NEXT?

- Wikidata, obviously!
- Better suited to data
- So much services for free, less overhead
- But... can we run WLM from Wikidata?
- Tooling needs either redevelopment or abandon

We have to decide what tools we need, and what tools we want

Making the contest future proof

- Retaining the knowledge
- Learning patterns
- Cross-chapter collaboration on tools and development
- Organising the international contest
- What role does the WMF play, if at all?
- More involvement from chapters who will be taking part for the foreseeable future

What to do after WLM?

- [Wiki Loves Earth](#)
- Summer of regions (France) (<http://etedesregions.wikipedia.fr/>)
- [Wiki Loves Food \(India\)](#) / Wiki Loves Dumplings
- Wiki Loves Africa (<http://wikilovesafrica.org/>)
- Wiki Loves the Dead

Merci!