

# Cats, goats and awesome requests

## Highlights from the Technical Wishlist

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Goat User Story:

*As a goat, I would like goats to replace cats as the lingua franca of the internet*





[https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WMDE\\_Technical\\_Wishes](https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WMDE_Technical_Wishes)

## WHY

No one has asked before for the editors' most wanted features and committed to address those wishes

## HOW

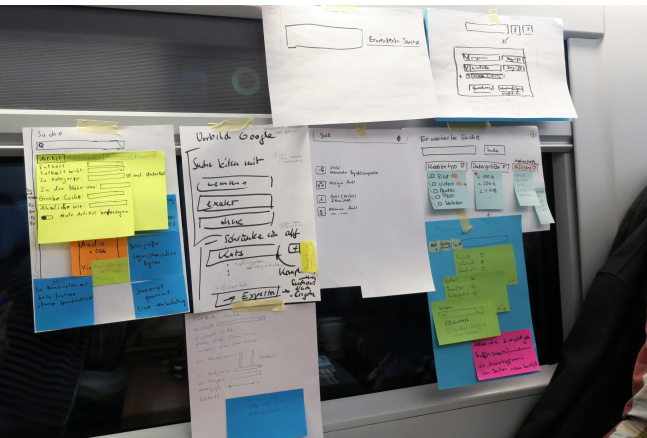
- Wishlist/Workshops
- Focus on the **problem**
- Feedback, research, collaboration
- Not “the hacky way”

## WHAT

New/improved features to support contributors & a **new way** of working together

# Community centered Software Development

2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
1st Technical Wishes survey	Start development work. Plan: A dedicated Technical Wishes team/A collaborative process	2nd Technical Wishes survey & Tech on Tour  <i>1st international survey</i>	User-specific workshops  <i>2nd international survey</i>	3rd Technical Wishes survey & Tech on Tour



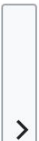
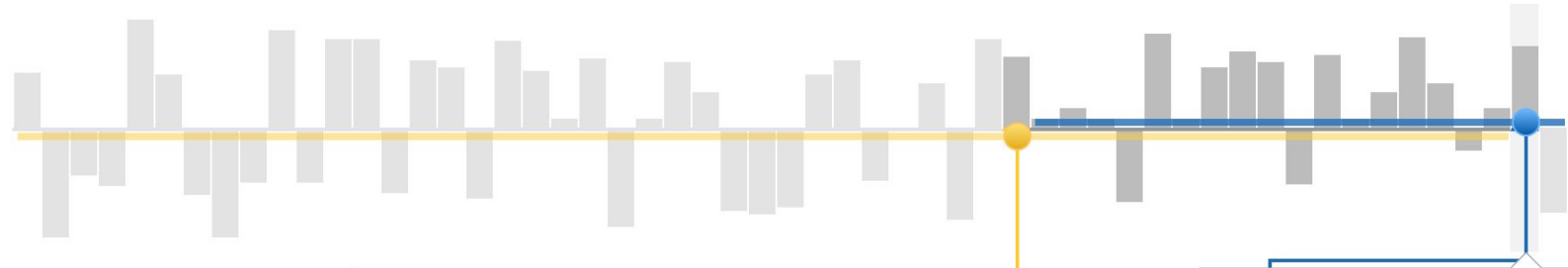
# A request from the survey 2015: RevisionSlider

## Goat: Difference between revisions



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Revision as of 20:25, 20 October 2016 (edit)

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Vishr

(Sorry about the vandalism, I

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# The 2017 wishlist survey



[\[\[de:Wikipedia/Umfragen/Technische Wünsche 2017\]\]](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Umfragen/Technische_W%C3%BCnsche_2017)

**450 Participants \* 38,855 page views \* ~ 3000 pro votes**

## (New) Goals

-> Find out what the editor's most wanted feature requests are

-> Participation of a wider range of contributors than in 2015

-> Supporting volunteer developers

by reserving a special slot for the project of a volunteer developer: The most voted project is getting technical advice & code review.



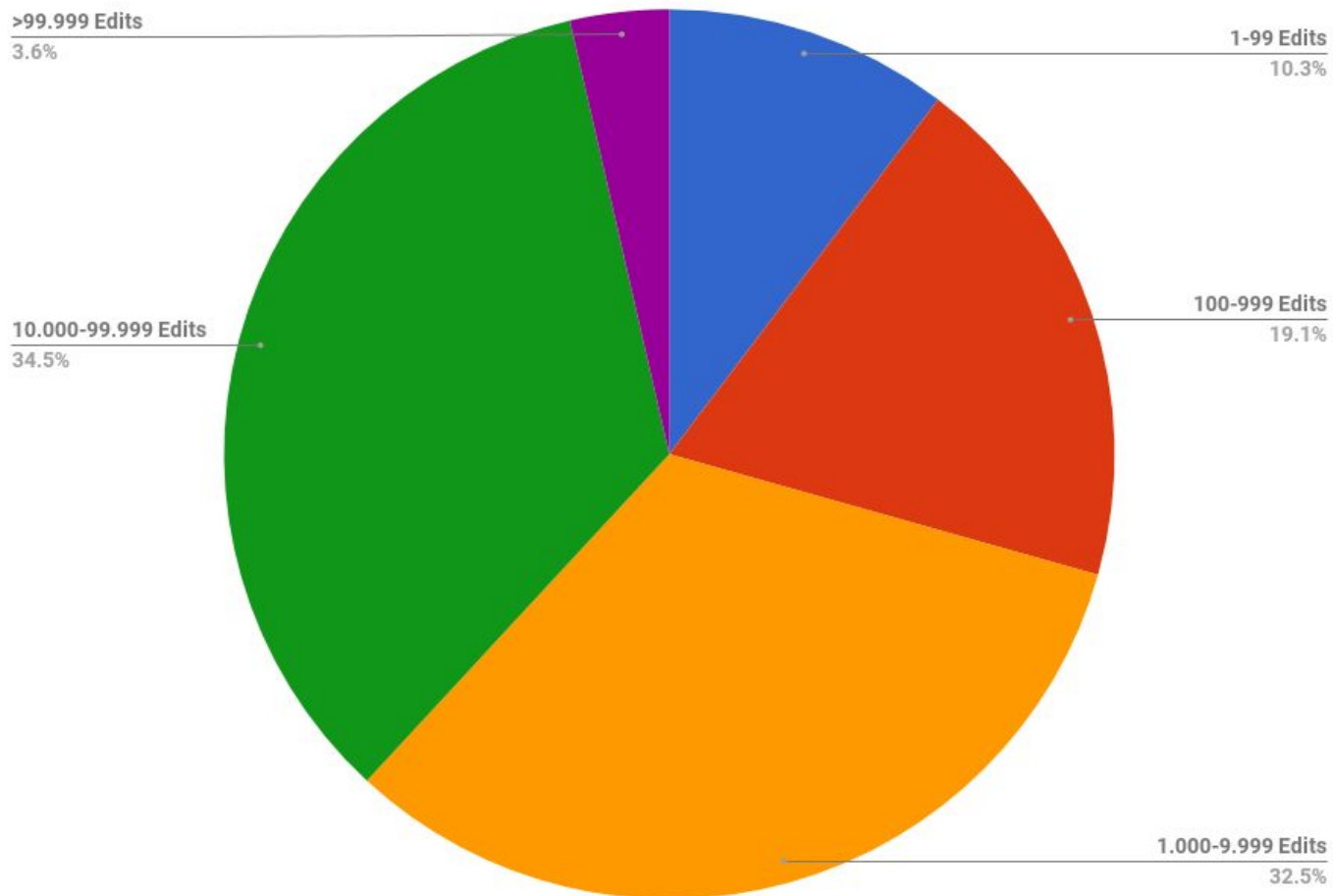
### Umfrage „Technische Wünsche 2017“

Welche Funktionen fehlen noch in der Wikipedia oder sind einfach zu kompliziert?

Autorinnen, Autoren und andere Interessierte sind eingeladen, bis zum **11. Juni** technische Verbesserungen an der Wikipedia vorzuschlagen.

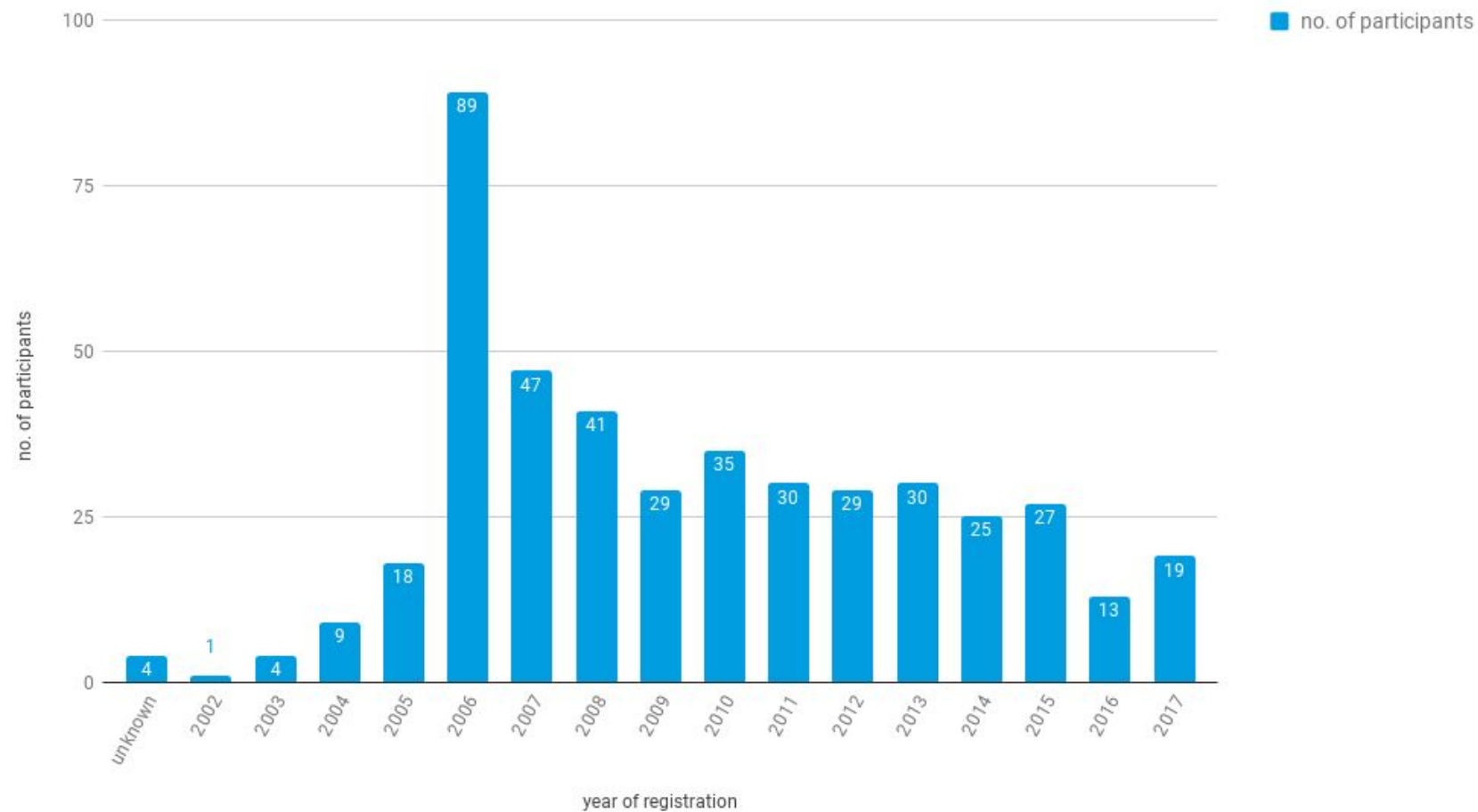
**Jetzt Vorschlag einreichen**

Participants of the 2017 German-speaking Technical Wishlist Survey by Editcount (n=446)





Participants of the 2017 German-speaking Technical Wishes Survey by Year of Registration (n=450)



# The Top 9+1

Results of the Technical Wishes Survey 2017

Original wish title	Votes	#
<b>! Focus on the problem statement behind the request:</b>	85	1
<b>“When going through a wikipedia article, I want to keep my reading position while checking out a reference.”</b>	68	2
<b>-&gt; Previewing References</b>	67	3
Automatically saving the content of external links into the internet archive	63	4
Highlighting letters in footnote links in case of multi-referencing	53	5
A confirmation prompt for “rollback”	47	6
Automatically insert non breaking spaces	45	7
Reminder function for articles at a selectable point in time	45	7
<i>Release of Sec.Watch: Option to watch talk page sections</i>	44	9
<i>View all problem statements on <a href="https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WMDE_Technical_Wishes/Backlog">https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WMDE_Technical_Wishes/Backlog</a></i>	30	1

Discussion:

#2:

It is not easily visible who are the authors of a wikipedia article (without switching the page).

- > Make it more visible that actual people are editing Wikipedia
- > Copyright aspect

Notes: [https://etherpad.wikimedia.org/p/Wikimania\\_Technical\\_Wishes](https://etherpad.wikimedia.org/p/Wikimania_Technical_Wishes)

Do you see the problem as well?

Ideas for solutions?

# Proposed solution by the community

Ideas and concerns?

-> Show all authors names and give license information on the bottom of the article page

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