

Partner Up for Wikidata!

Sharing knowledge and resources
among Wikimedia affiliates around
Wikidata Software Development



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DEUTSCHLAND



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WIKIMEDIA DEUTSCHLAND

- ... has been founded in 2004 as a member's association
- ... located in Berlin, Germany
- ... supports communities like the Wikipedia community, develops software for Wikimedia projects and wants to improve the political and legal framework for Wikipedia and Co.
- ... has been working on the development of Wikidata (and Wikibase) since 2012 with a growing and vibrant community of volunteers, affiliates and reusers



THE PROJECT

We have started to create **prototypes of collaboration** with communities within the Movement with the purpose of **enabling them to contribute to the software development of Wikidata in a sustainable way** and support otherwise under-represented language communities.



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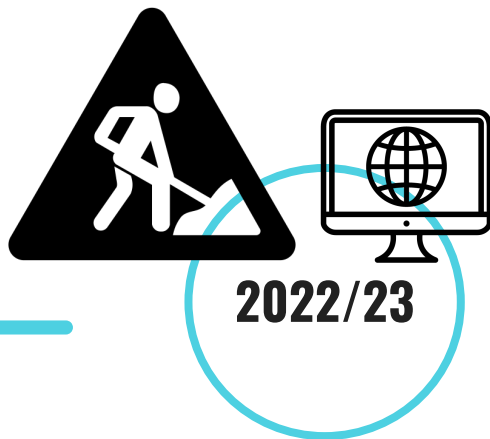
We are on Meta !

Look for: "Software
Collaboration for Wikidata"

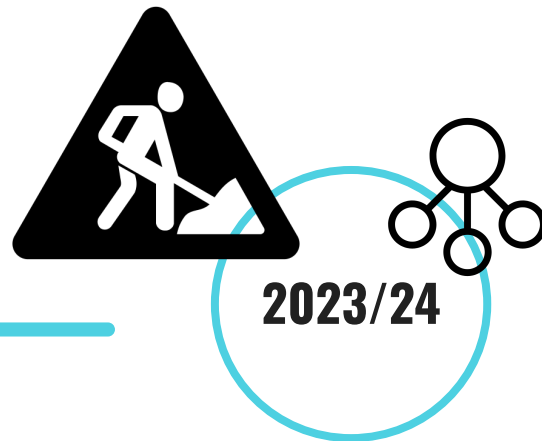
THE PLAN



Finding Movement
Partner and establish
Partnership



Implementation of
Projects and Software
Processes



Connect to Wikidata and
Wikibase

Start: July 2021

Duration: 3,5 years

Budget: €822,800 EUR

WHAT HAS HAPPENED UNTIL NOW

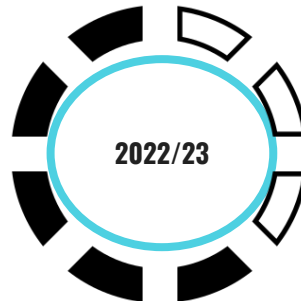
- Outreach to communities
- Consulting with WMF, WMDE and communities
- Getting to know partners
- Making decisions
- Hiring & Onboarding

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- Partnership Building
- Scoping of projects
- Implementation of events and activities

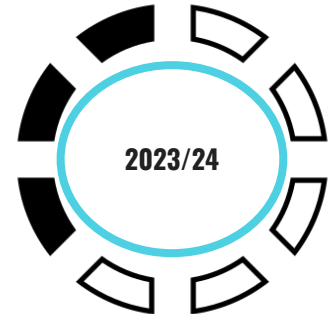
- Find sustainable options for the future of the partnerships
- Documentation
- Connect to the larger Wikidata/ Lexeme communities



**Finding Movement Partner
and establish Partnership**



**Implementation of Projects
and Software Processes**



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OUR PARTNERS

Wikimedia
Indonesia



Wikimedia Indonesia is **building up a software team concentrating on the ecosystem of Lexemes** of their own

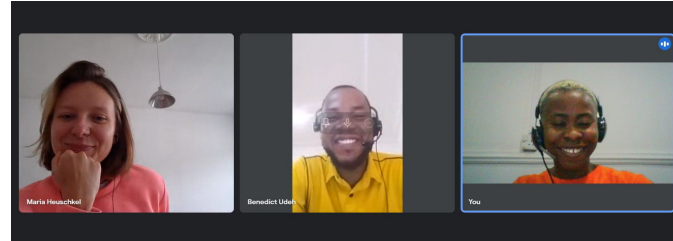
WMDE will support in the implementation of their project both **financially and through knowledge sharing**



The user group is implementing Wiki Mentor Africa, a project aiming at **building up technical capacity in African Wikimedia communities** by mentoring African developers for **Wikidata Tool Development**

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Igbo
Wikimedians
User Group



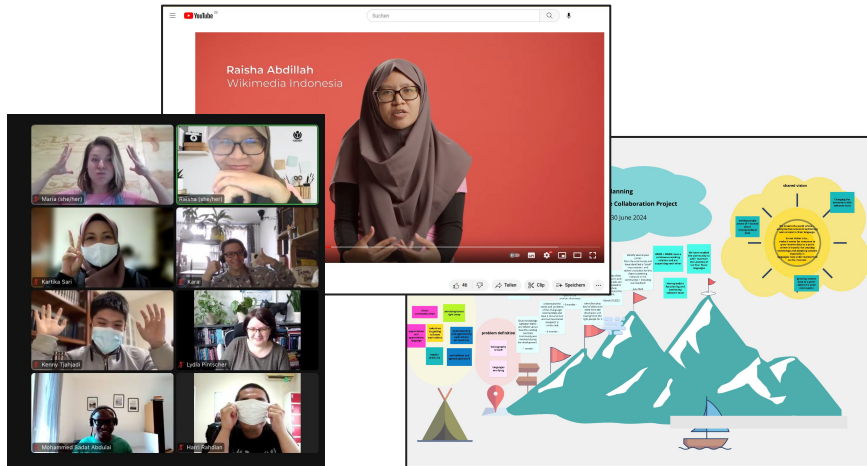
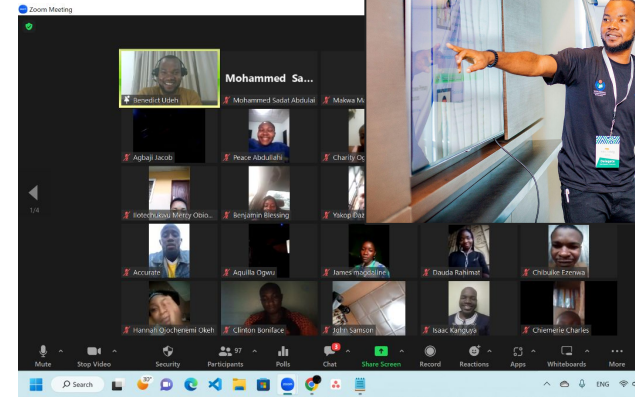
HIGHLIGHTS of the last year

WMID hired 4 new roles to establish a new software team

22 Onboarding Sessions between WMDE + WMID
Hybrid partnership workshop in Jakarta and Berlin

Raisha's visit to Berlin

Roadmap for collaboration and their activities



Monthly sessions since April '22 with more than 110 participants per event
Presentation of the program at last year's Wiki Indaba
Meetup with Mohammed as WD ComCom manager to discuss future of the program

LEARNINGS

- ... Global **visa and travel restrictions** seriously influence our chances to meet up and the teams have to put in a lot of effort to organize international travel
- ... Such big changes in the organisations will need extra attention to **change management processes** and making sure existing infrastructure grows with it
- ... We need to make dedicated effort to **bridge and connect local communities** and those who are acting more on a global level (language, knowledge and cultural barriers)
- ... **Honesty, trust in the partners and transparency** about opinions will help navigate challenges

LEARNINGS

... TRUST, TRANSPARENCY and UNDERSTANDING

LEARNINGS

 **GROWTH and
CHANGE might be
painful & needs
attention**

LEARNINGS

... **Sharing is Caring.** But
what **CAN** we actually
share about software
development?

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