

Movement Strategy: Implementation Lightning Talks #3

Africa, Europe, and Middle East

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Movement Strategy: Implementation!

- Movement Strategy recommendations published in 2020
- First initiatives being implemented
- Here at Wikimania:
 - 1 Lightning Talk session on each regional day,
 - 3 speakers from each region showcasing their work
- Source for inspiration and collaboration!



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What challenges you are facing or trying to address?

- Community building of underrepresented communities
- Identifying resources in underrepresented languages
- Experimenting with new methods of community engagement



Group discussion at East African Strategy Summit 2019 in Kampala
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What have you learned?

- Speakers of endangered languages have different speaking and writing skills
- Unstandardised languages have different varieties that are difficult to deal with
- Underrepresented languages lack written materials
- Users of a sign language lack fluency in the underlying language



What are your project and MS future goals?

- Bridge content gaps
- Break participation barriers
- Identify topics of impact
- Innovate in free knowledge



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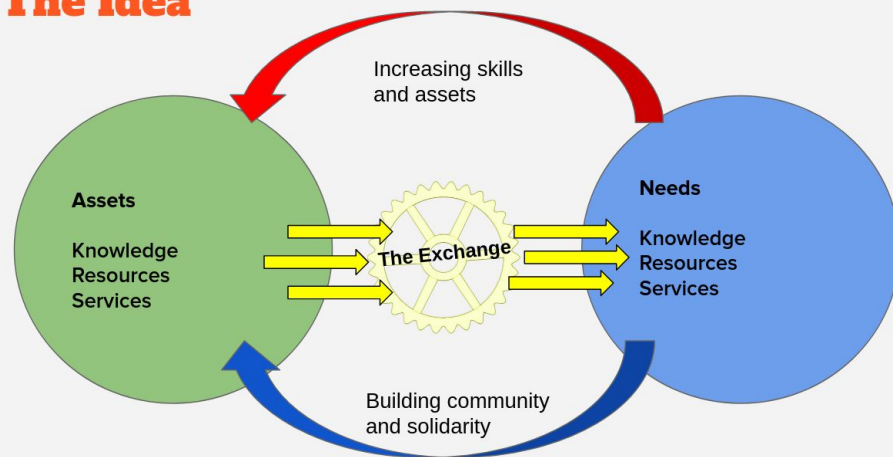
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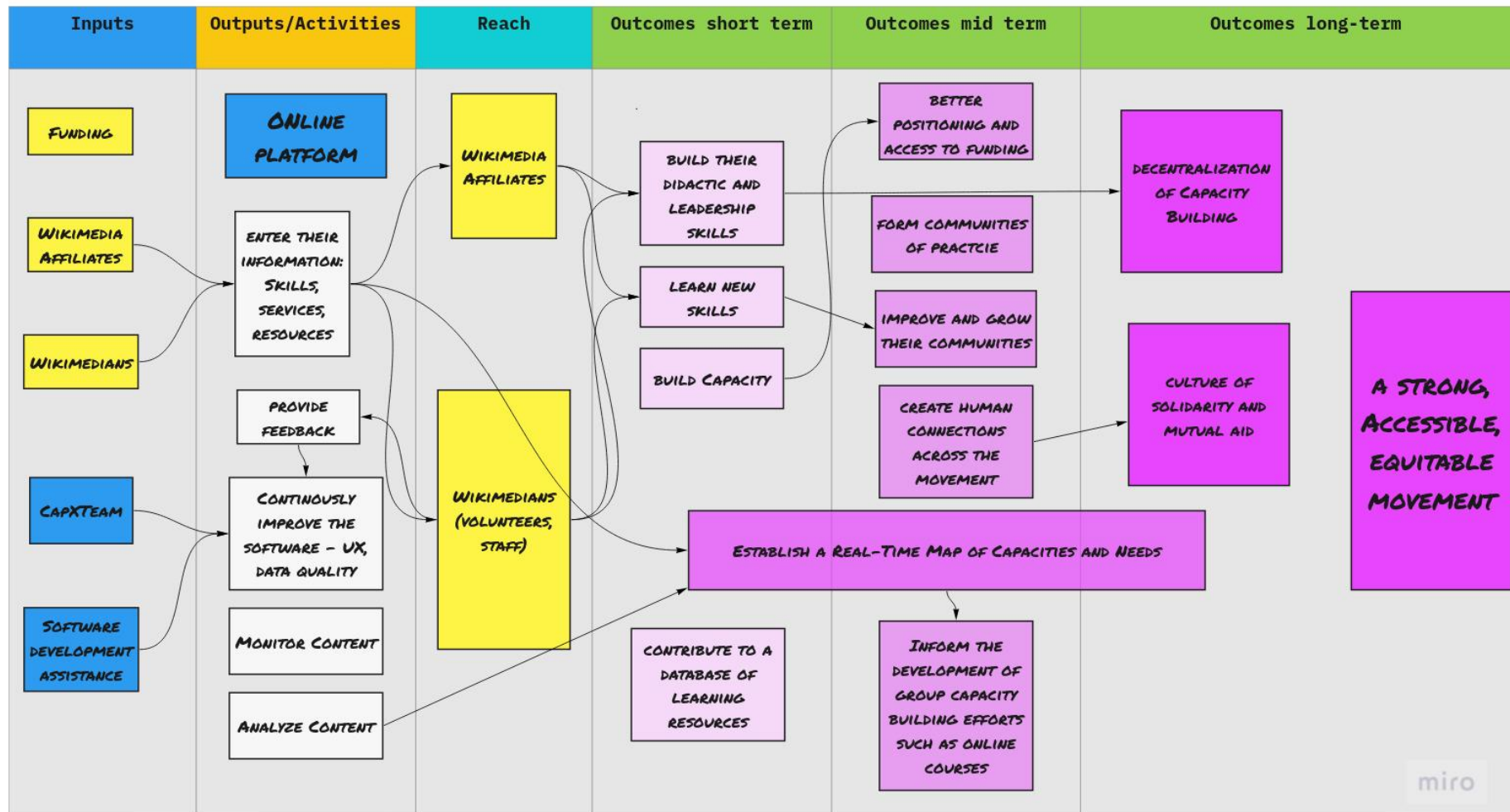
What are your project and MS future goals?

- Enabling mutual aid and peer support across our movement for capacity building and the welcoming and onboarding of newcomers
- Establishing a peer matching platform (*as per Movement Strategy Recommendation no 6*)
- Testing a current Minimum Viable Product to receive user feedback
- Finding a fiscal home for the next phase



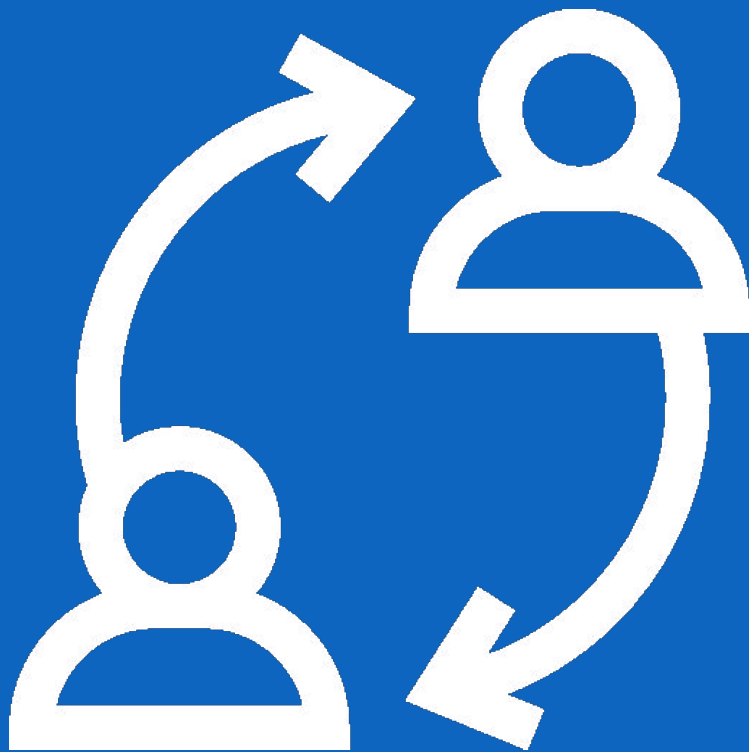
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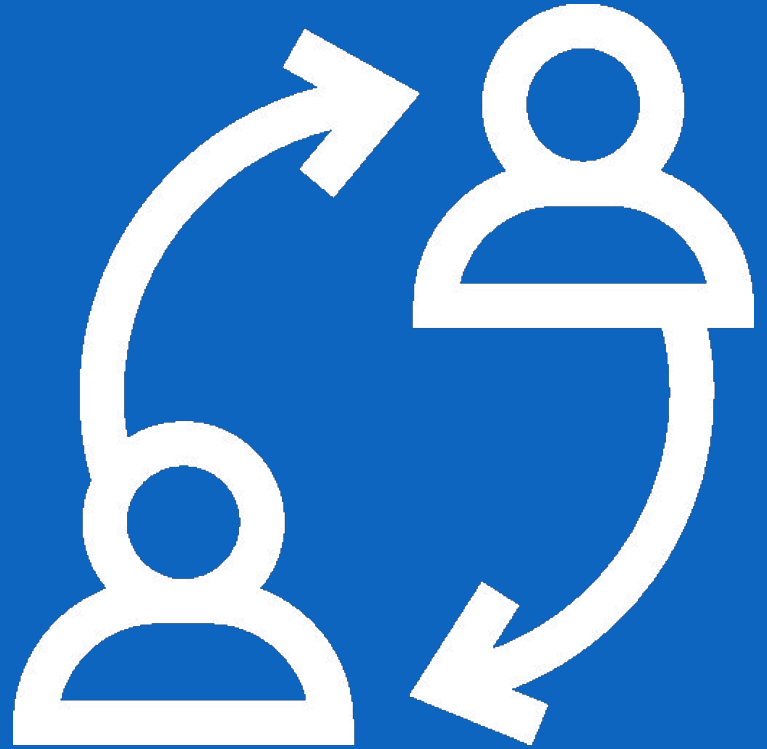
What challenges you are facing or trying to address?

- One challenge may be acceptance of a new platform (not Meta-Wiki)
- Finding a temporary “home” for the project.
- Possible later addition to a Hub structure, or becoming part of a hub focusing specifically on Capacity Building.



What have you learned?

- There is only so much you can achieve as volunteers!
- Important: Clarity needed about resources for next phase of the project.



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What challenges you are facing or trying to address?

- Identify barriers and challenges for small language Wikipedias
- Explore how to work as a hub
- Working towards Knowledge Equity and Equity in Decision-making.



**Wikimedia Language
Diversity Hub**

What have you learned?

- Result from ongoing research not yet available
- Other groups/initiatives aligned with ours, possible collaborations
- Good feedback so far, need for the structure exists in the Movement.



**Wikimedia Language
Diversity Hub**

What are your project and MS future goals?

- Be a loudspeaker (amplifier) for the smaller communities in the Movement
- Short term goal:
Bridging gaps in content and lack of participation in Wiki projects
- Long term goal:
Working towards transforming the Wikimedia Language Diversity Hub into an independent structure.



**Wikimedia Language
Diversity Hub**

Thank you!

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- **Have a look into the Lightning Talks of Day 1+2!**
- **Interest in implementation grants? Looking for ideas?**
 - On meta: [[Grants:MSIG/About]]
- **Questions? Advice needed?**
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