The coolest projects of Wikimedia Chapters - Be Inspired

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Presenting Cool Projects done by Wikimedia Chapters

2014

DISCLAMER

- This is NOT a list of ALL Wikimedia Chapter's Projects
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- This is a ONLY some of the projects we and the Chapters (who answered the questionnaire sent) considered to be COOL and LOW BUDGET

Cool….
What is cool?

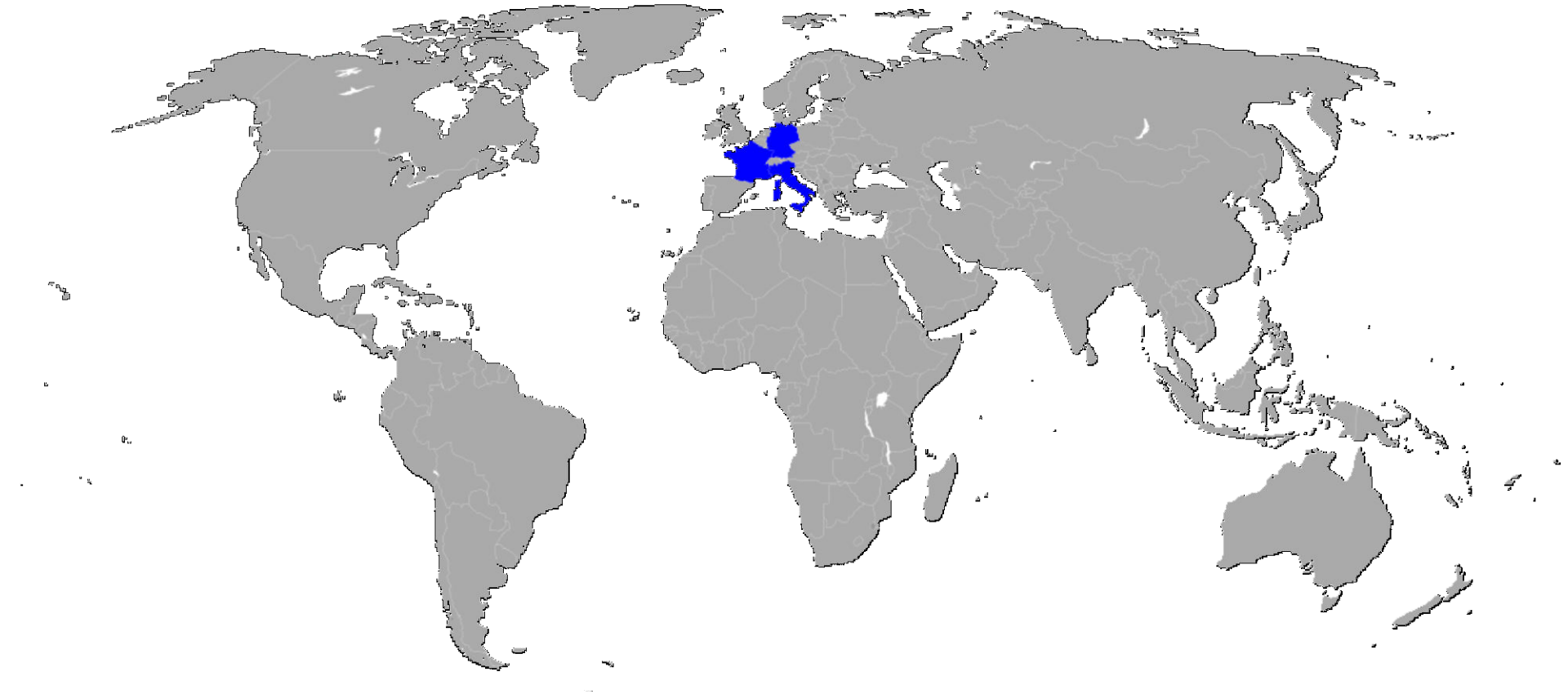
Cool

A panel on the question what is cool – to follow.

Chapters

- Independent associations
  - support
  - promote
  - empower
  - engage
  - create
- A specified geographical region

Frankfurt, Germany



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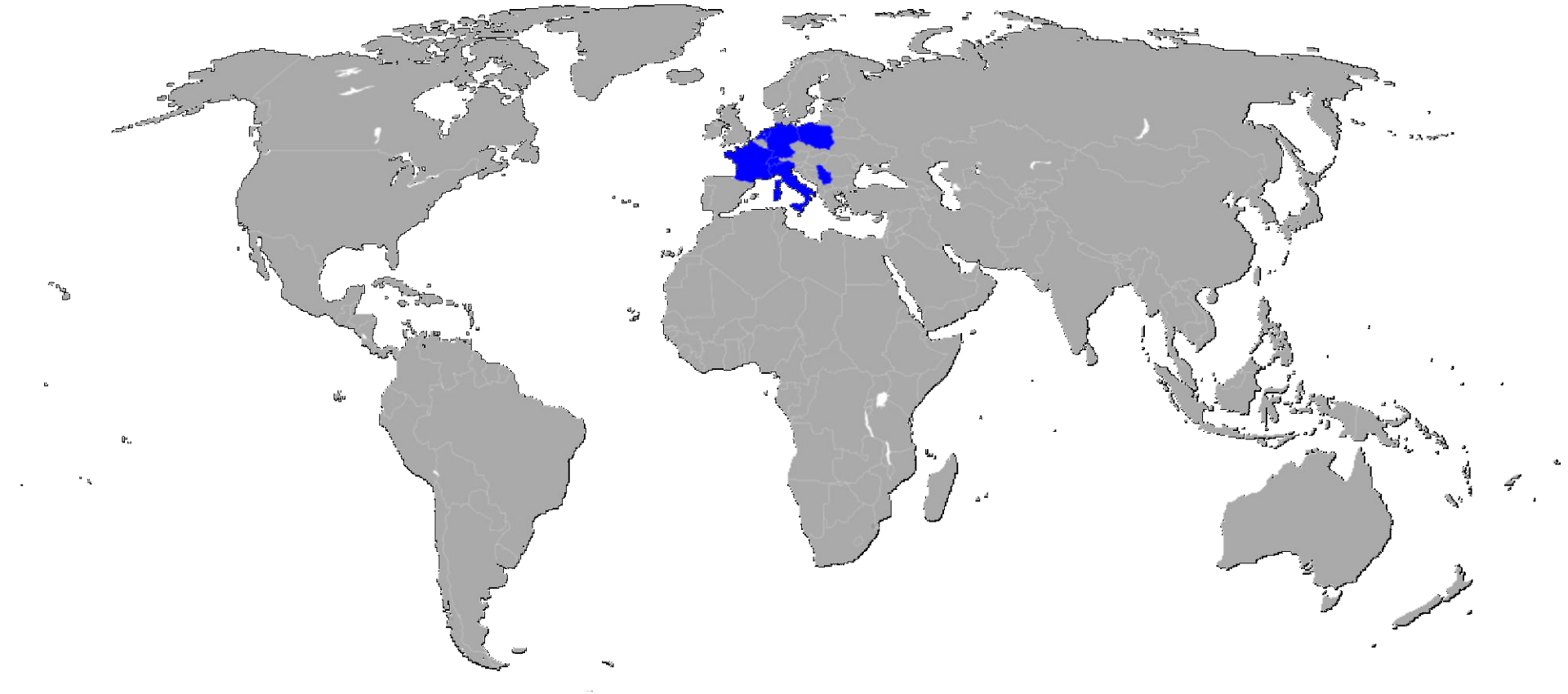

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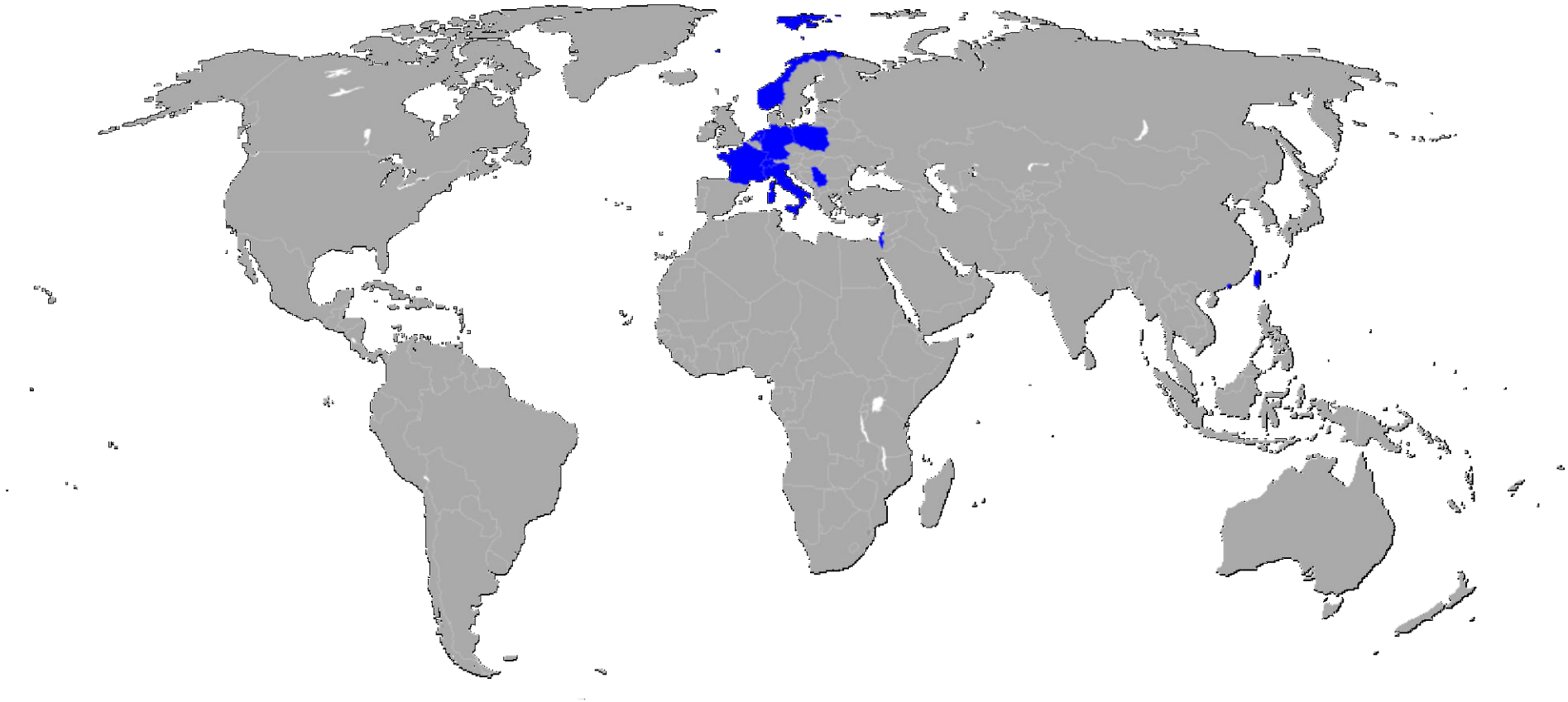

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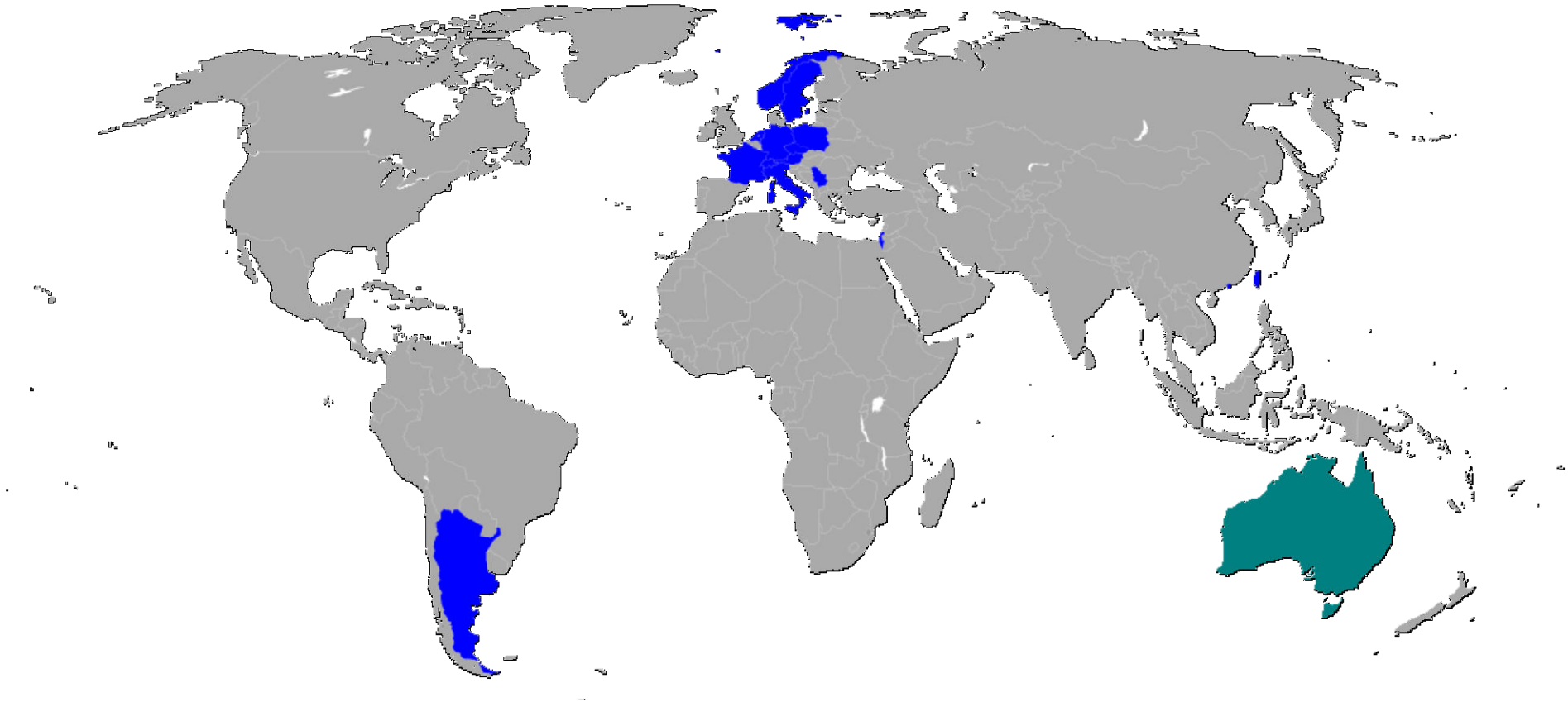

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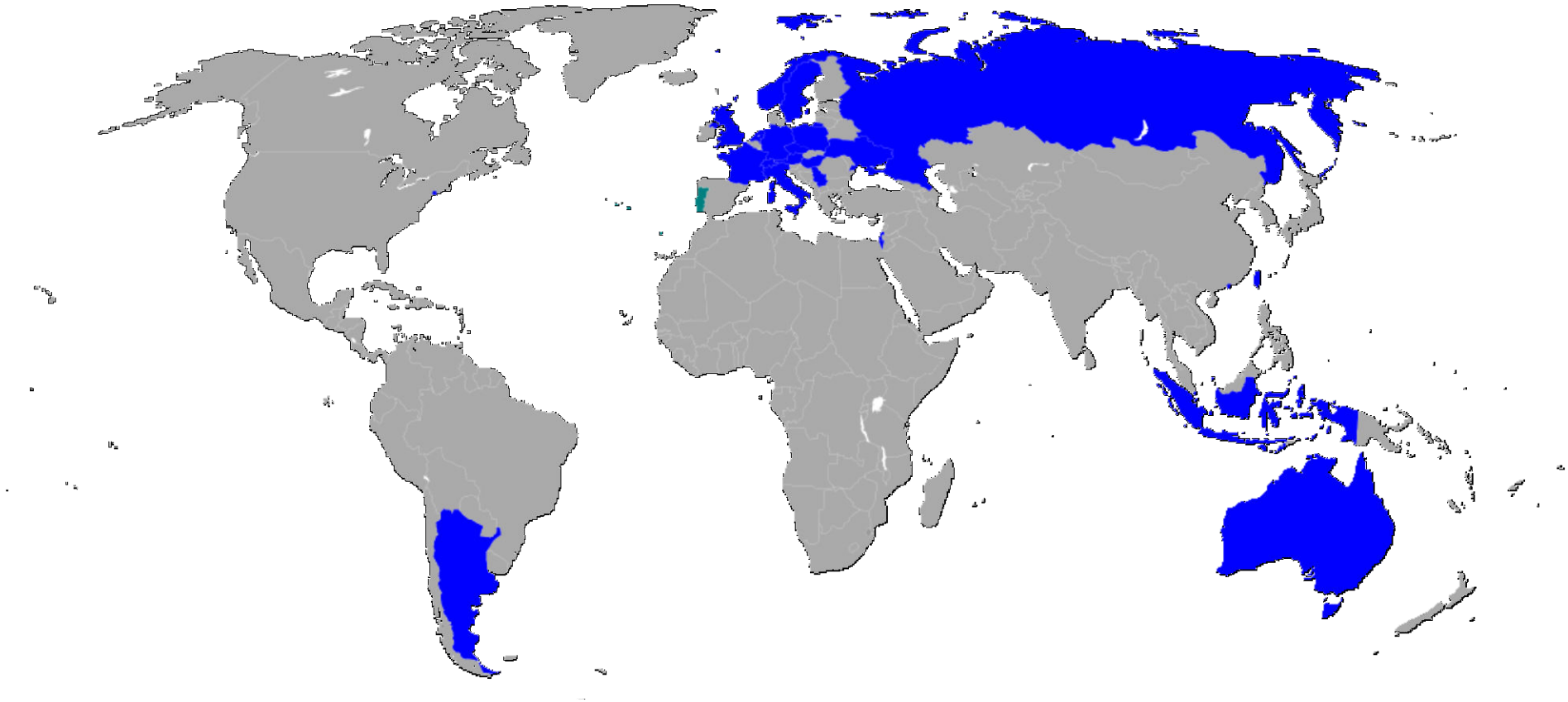

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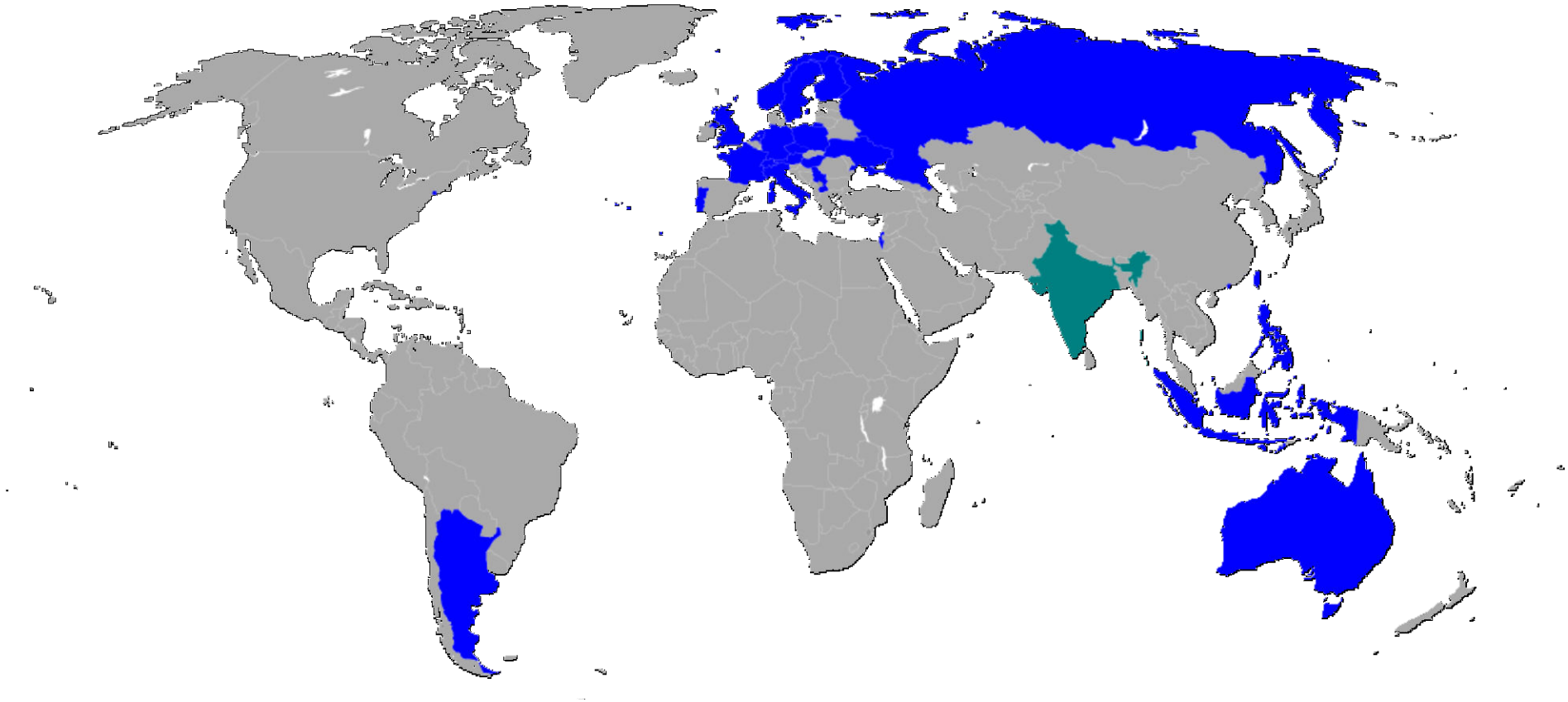

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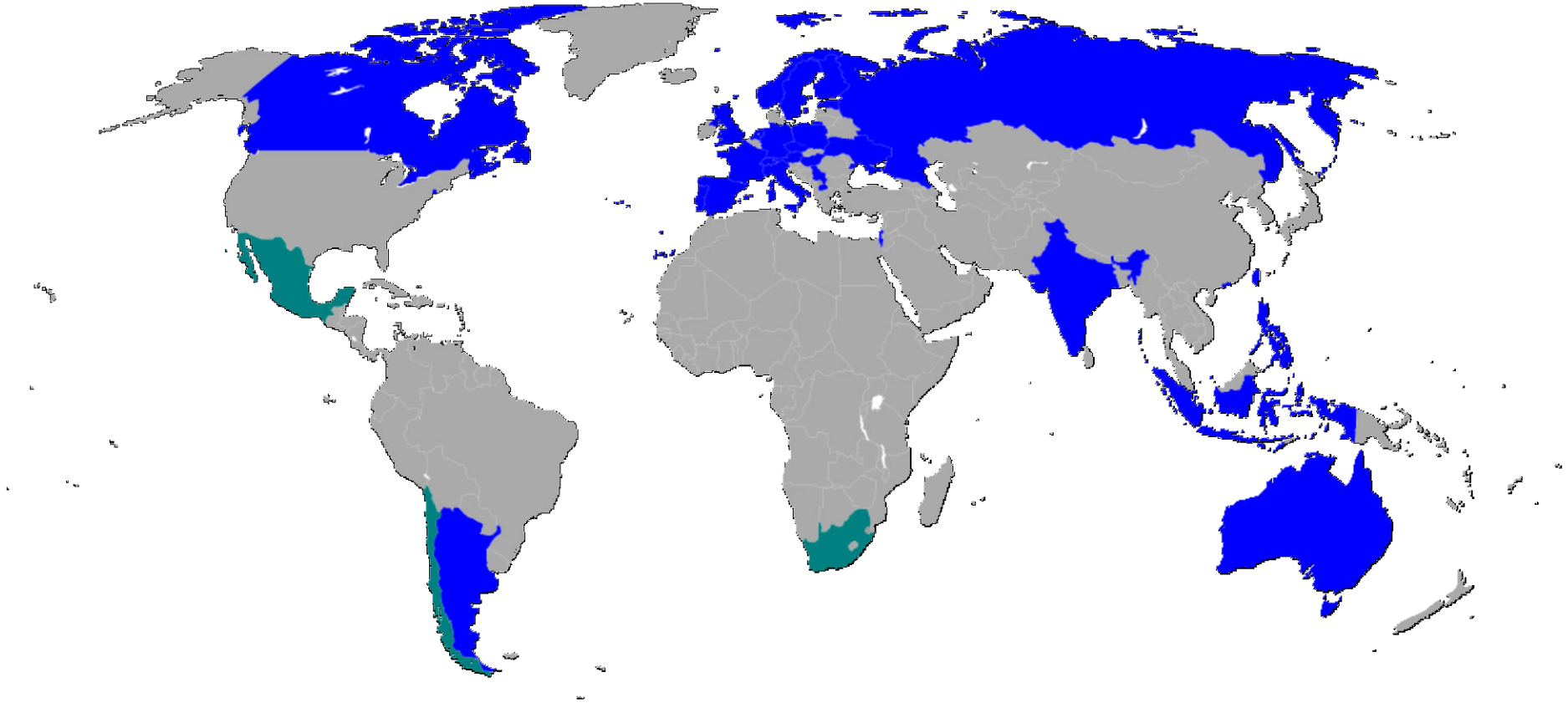

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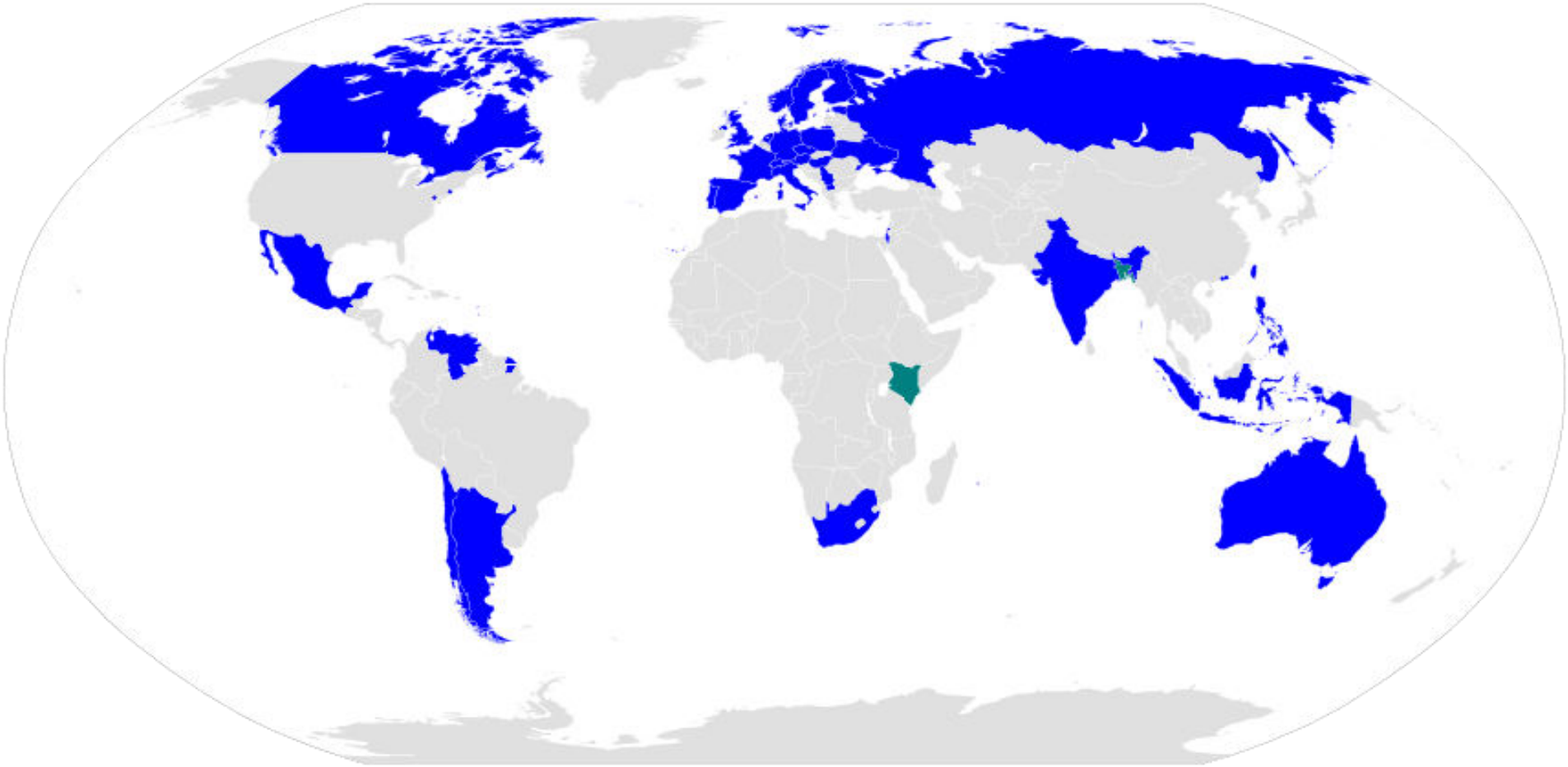
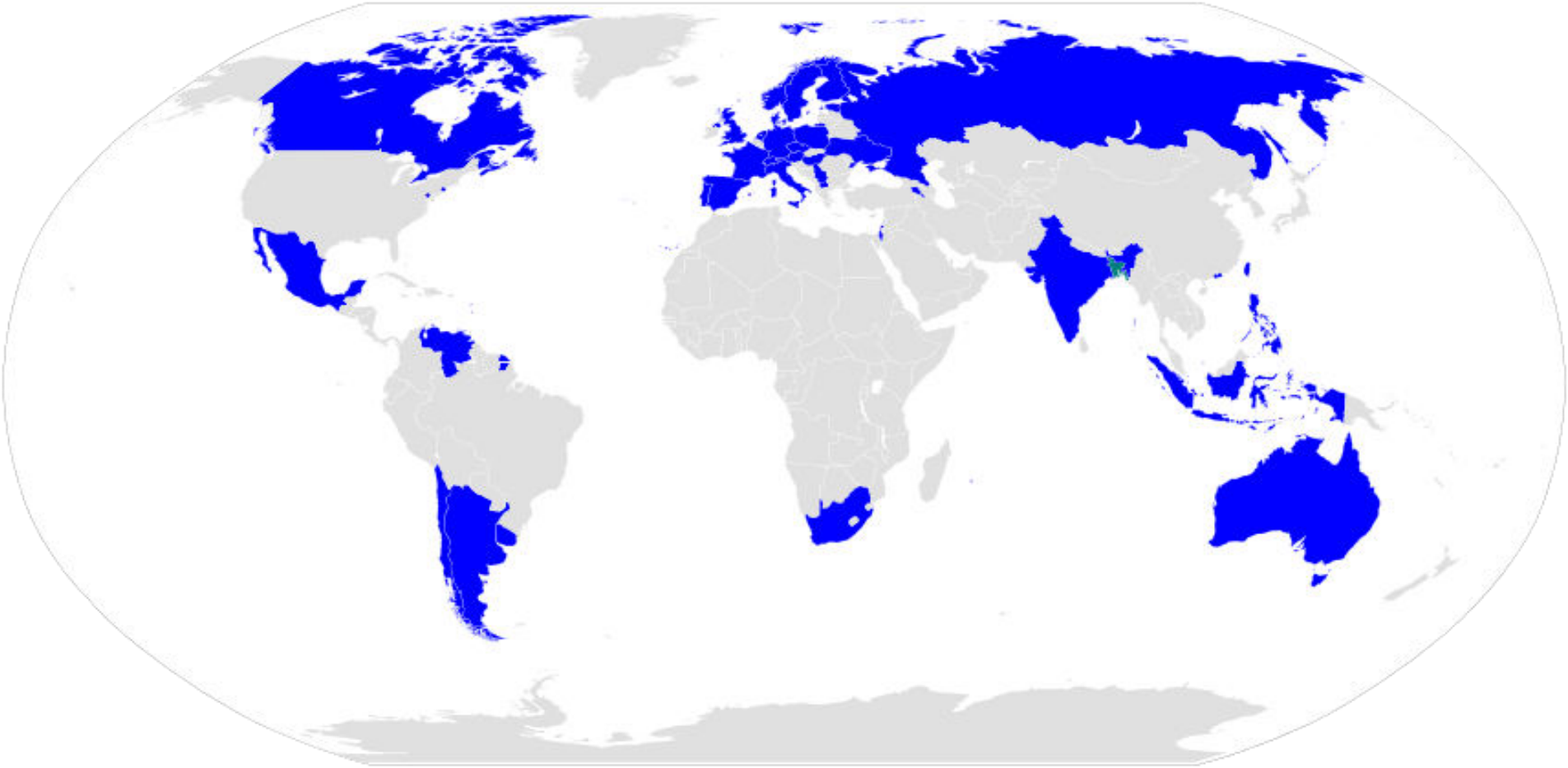


Hong Kong



We asked chapters three questions:

1. What have you been up to this year?
2. What is the coolest project done by another chapter?
3. What are your coolest projects?

Cool Projects in 2014:

QR Codes/ Wiki Towns

WikiTown/ Freopedia

Australia

- QRpedia project based around Fremantle, Western Australia
- Events, edithatons, Plaques

WikiTown/ Freopedia

Australia

Tip:

- Partners are critical for both initial success but also for on going success.
- The need for the community and partners to be active participants in all aspects of the project

Stirling House
Stirling House
Wendouree Tearooms
Toodyay Memorial Hall
WIKIPEDIA
SHIRE OF
toodyay
place of plenty
THE TOODYAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (INC)
WIKIPEDIA
St John the Baptist Church

WikiTown/Toodyaypedia

Australia

- QRpedia project based around Toodyay, Western Australia.
- The project is a collaborative project between, Shire of Toodyay, Toodyay Historical Society and Wikimedia Australia
- Its been wholely accepted within the community, the museums are fully qr coded there plates around the town.

WikiTown/Toodyaypedia

Australia

Tip:

- Having good partners and empowering them to take the lead in the project especially with something that has a longer time frame is the key to success and continued success into the future

Sofia Zoo
Bulgaria
ЕВРОАЗИАТСКИ РИС
European lynx
Lynx lynx
Име: Арес
Name: Ares
Осиновител: Светлана Тилкова
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Adopter: ALENA
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Conferences

WIKICONFERENCE
USA 2014
WELCOME!

WikiConference USA

New York

- The first national Wikimedia conference of its kind in the United States.
- May 30 – June 1, 2014
- At New York Law School
- 300 attendees over the three-day conference
- Two chapters collaboration

Essen und Trinken/Wien 2013

Food and drink from Austria in Wikipedia

- Three days conference
- Wine tasting, tour and cooking
- Goal: bring German and Austrian editors together, cook especially typical Austrian meals, learn about about different approaches to and ways of preparation of similar meals in different cultures and take photos of them for Wikimedia Commons

- Result: Hundreds of photos to Commons
- WikiTV videos of cooking workflows

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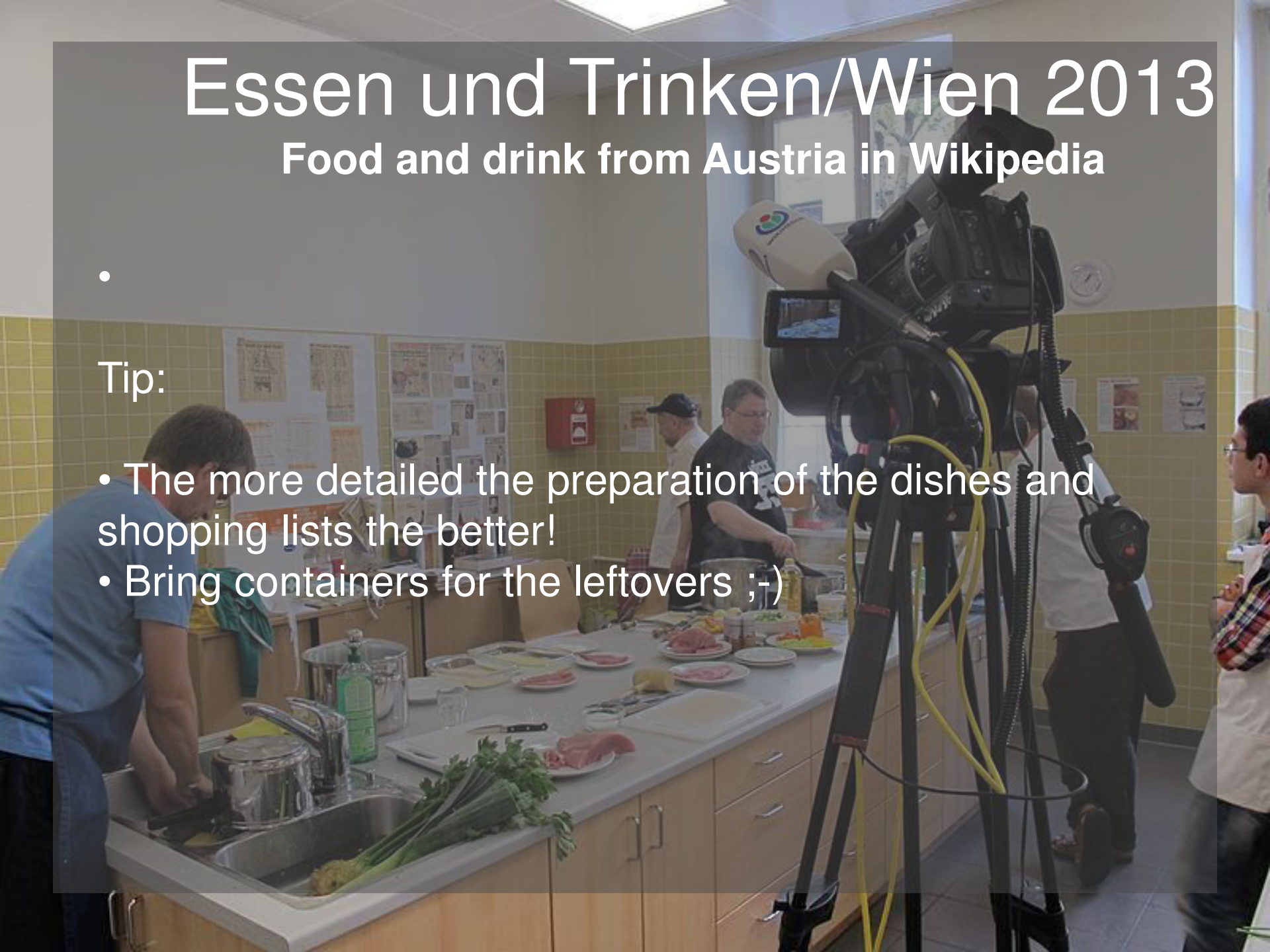

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Tip:

• The more detailed the preparation of the dishes and shopping lists the better!
• Bring containers for the leftovers ;-)

WELCOME

Wiki camp Vanadzor 2014

Armenia

- Summer camp
- Visit cultural heritage sights in the two provinces of Armenia - Lori and Tavush

- Result: Hundreds of photos to Commons
- 60 campers
- 1,800 New Articles

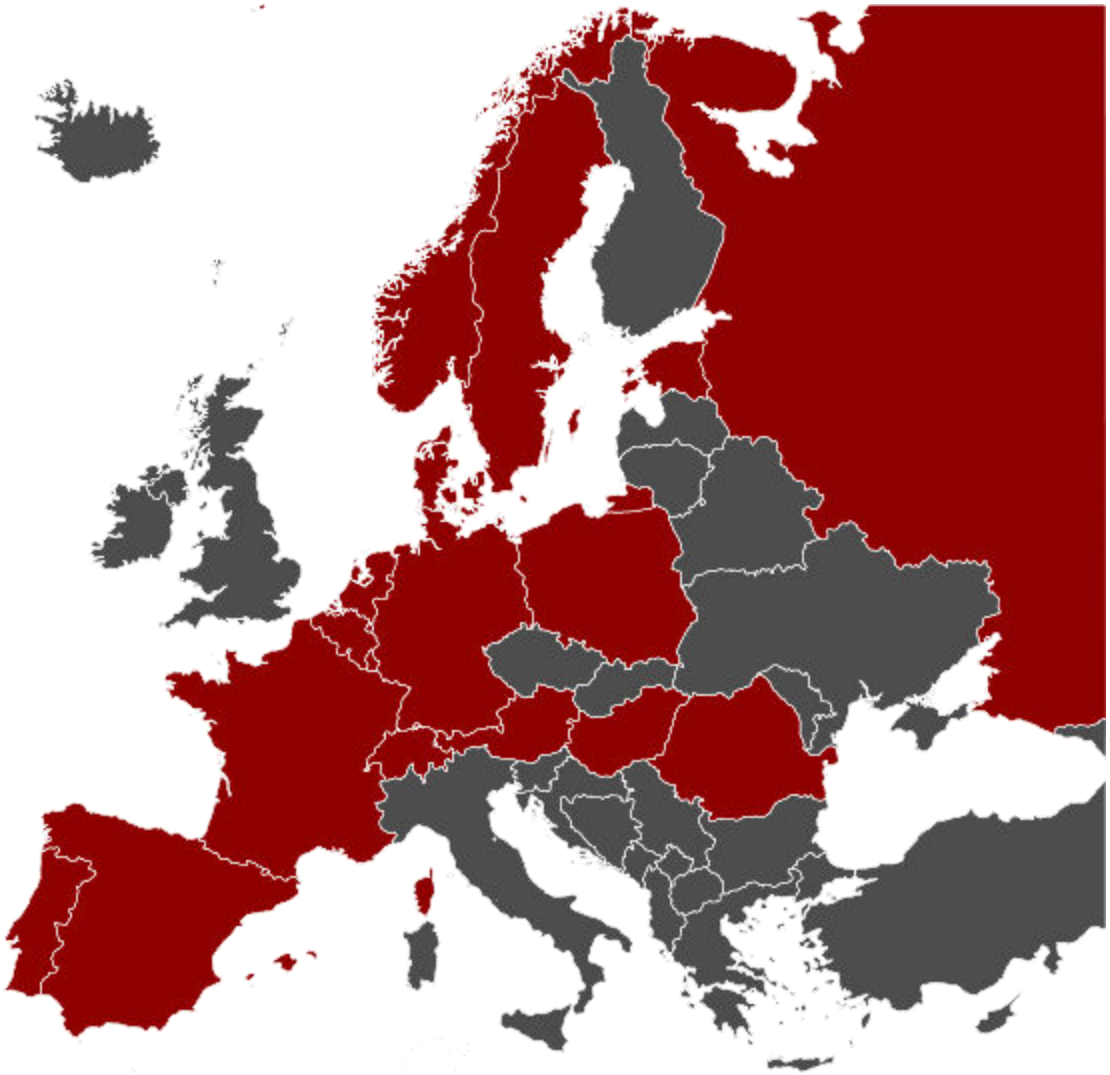
Contests

Wiki Loves Monuments

- 371,000 Submissions
- 51 Countries
- 5,000+ Participants

Wiki Loves Monuments

- The contest is inspired by the successful 2010 pilot in the Netherlands - 12,500 freely licensed images
- 2011 – 165,000 images in 18 Countries
- The 2012 contest in 35 countries resulted in more than 350,000 images submitted by over 15,000 participants
- 2013 contest in 50 Countries – 371,000



WIKI loves monuments
2012

WIKI loves monuments
2013

Open Data

BETA

All you can Data

OPEN DATA PORTAL ÖSTERREICH

Open Data Portal Österreich

Das zentrale Datenportal für Wirtschaft, Kultur, NGO/NPO, Forschung und Zivilgesellschaft

Das Open Data Portal Österreich bietet allen eine Plattform, um auf Daten zu verlinken, Daten einzustellen, Daten zu nutzen, sowie daraus entstandene Services zu präsentieren.

Datensuche

LEG LOS

ÜBER 47 DATENSÄTZE DURCHSUCHEN

Suche in Datenkatalog

Alle Highlights

Archäologische Ausgrabungen von www.binatang.at

9 Jul

Quelle: ODP tag5 *Themen:* Kein Thema Keine Kommentare

Seit kurzem finden sich in unserem Datenkatalog "Archäologische Fundorte, die mehr oder weniger öffentlich zugänglich sind, vorwiegend römische Ausgrabungen" – wir danken www.binatang.at für die Bereitstellung der Daten und das Feedback

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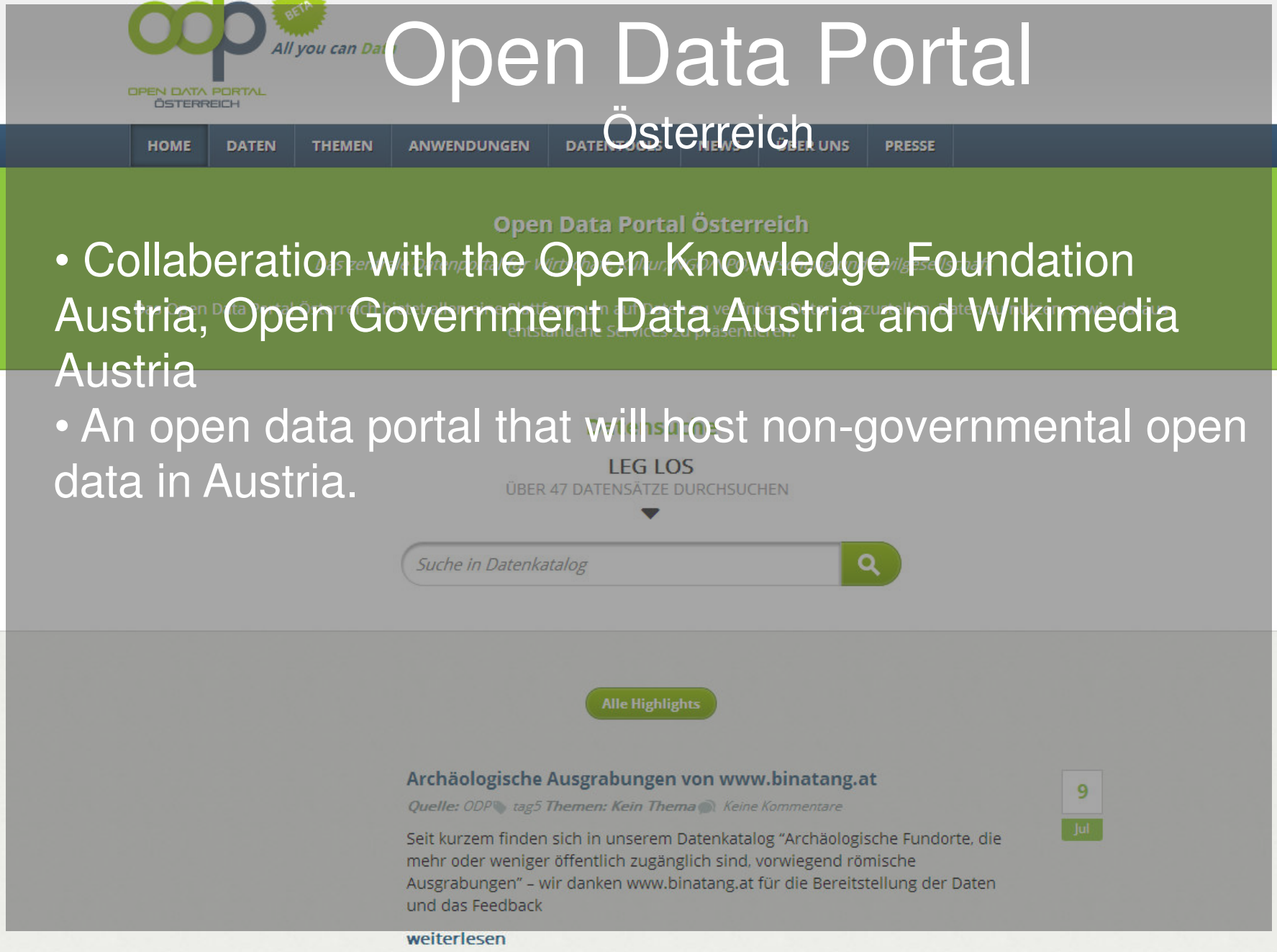
Open Data Portal

Österreich

- Collaberation with the Open Knowledge Foundation Austria, Open Government Data Austria and Wikimedia Austria
- An open data portal that will host non-governmental open data in Austria.



Cultural/ Language Preservation

כפר כמא
КФАР KAMA
Kefar Kama
מורשת צ'רקסית
АДЫГЭ КЪЫКІЭНЫГЪЭР
Circassian
Heritage

Kefar Kama

Israel

- Western Adigi language
- about 80 students participating,
- writing 4 articles in Hebrew Wikipedia and 75 stubs at the Adyghe Wikipedia, increasing its size by 100%.
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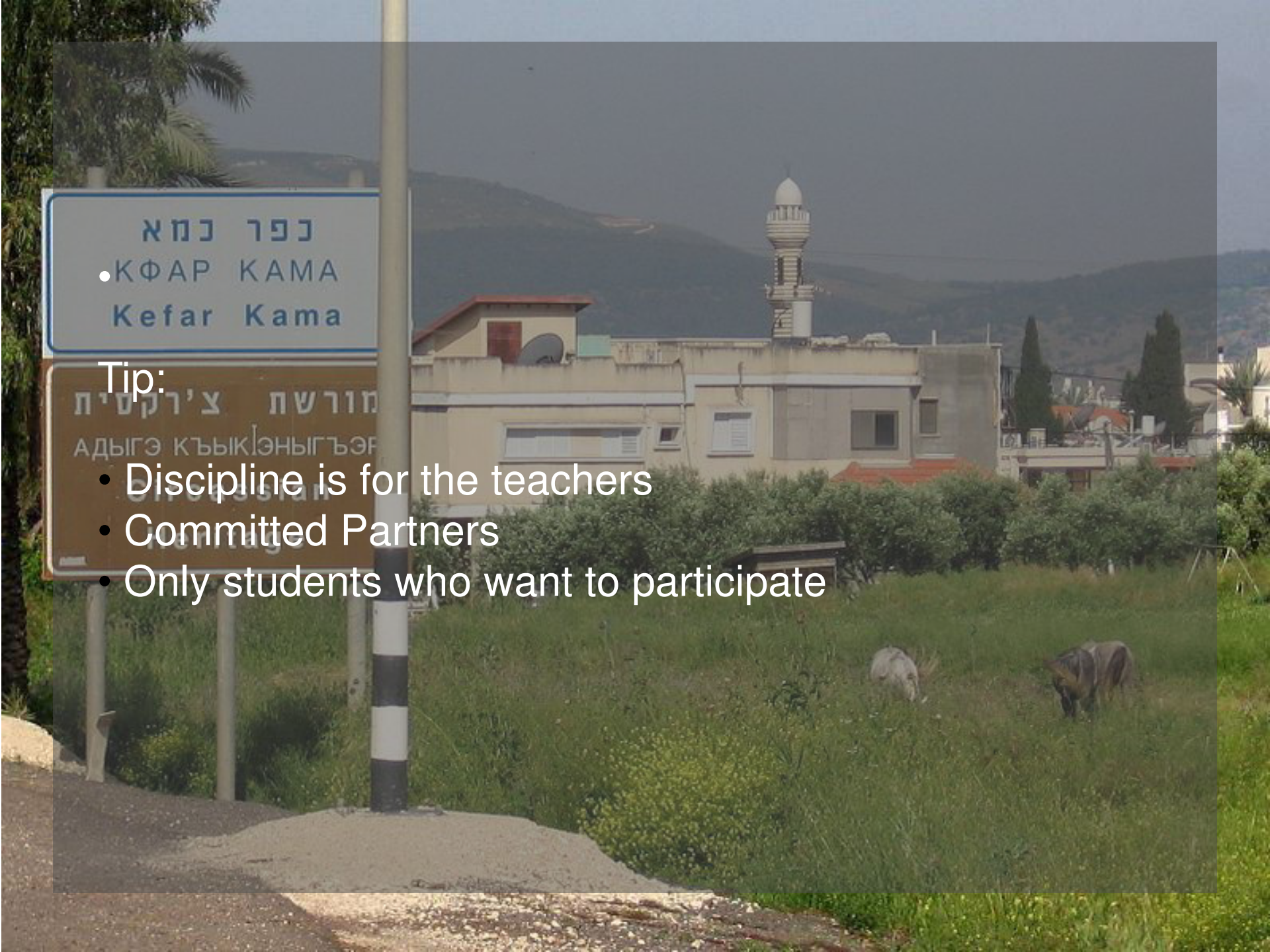


Tip:

- Discipline is for the teachers
- Committed Partners
- Only students who want to participate

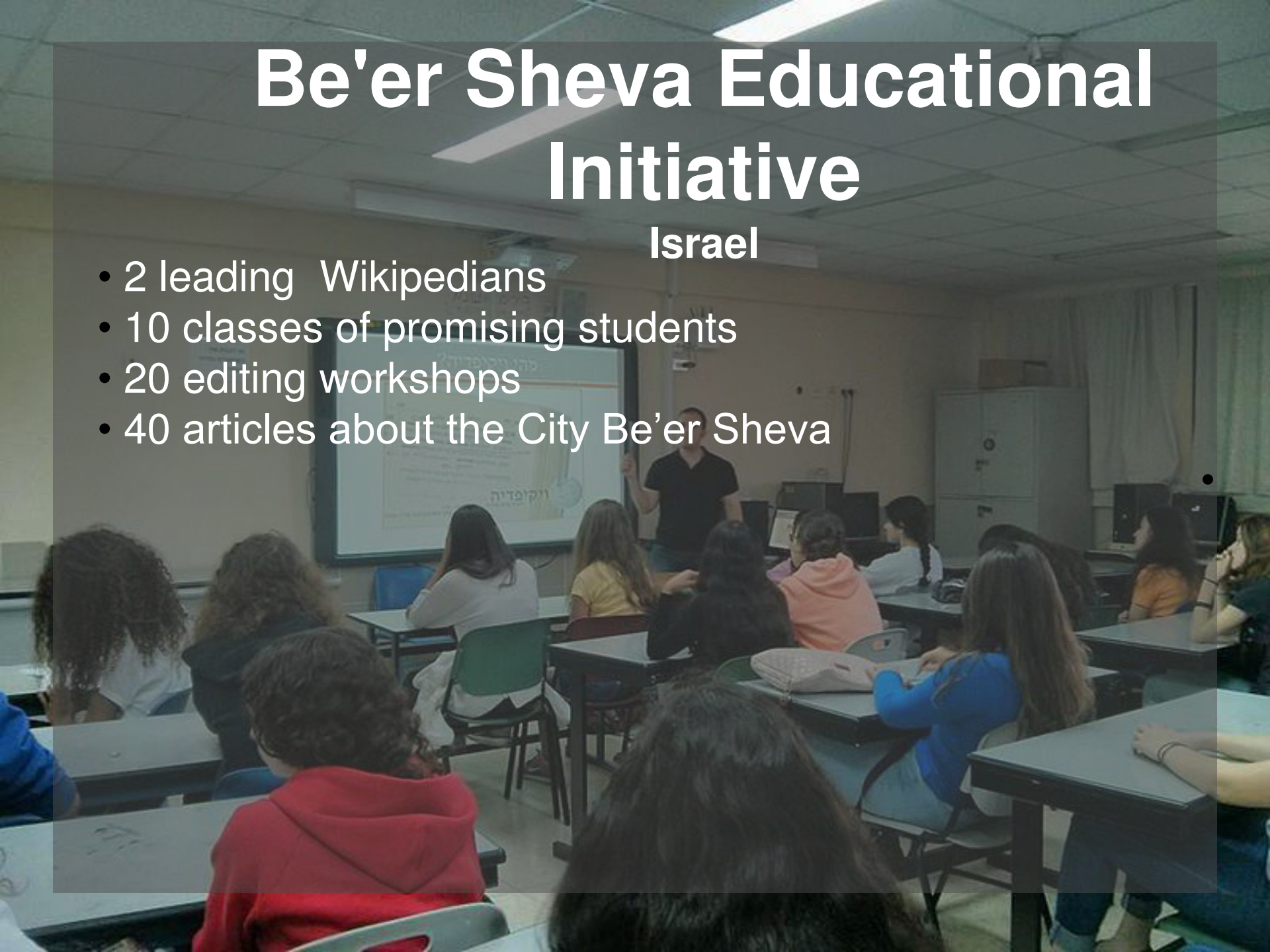
Education

ויקיפדיה
ברוכים הבאים לוויקיפדיה!

Be'er Sheva Educational Initiative

Israel

- 2 leading Wikipedians
- 10 classes of promising students
- 20 editing workshops
- 40 articles about the City Be’er Sheva



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Tip:

- Support from the Wikipedian Community
- Committed Partners
- Leading volunteers

Wiki - Med
Class of
2013-2014

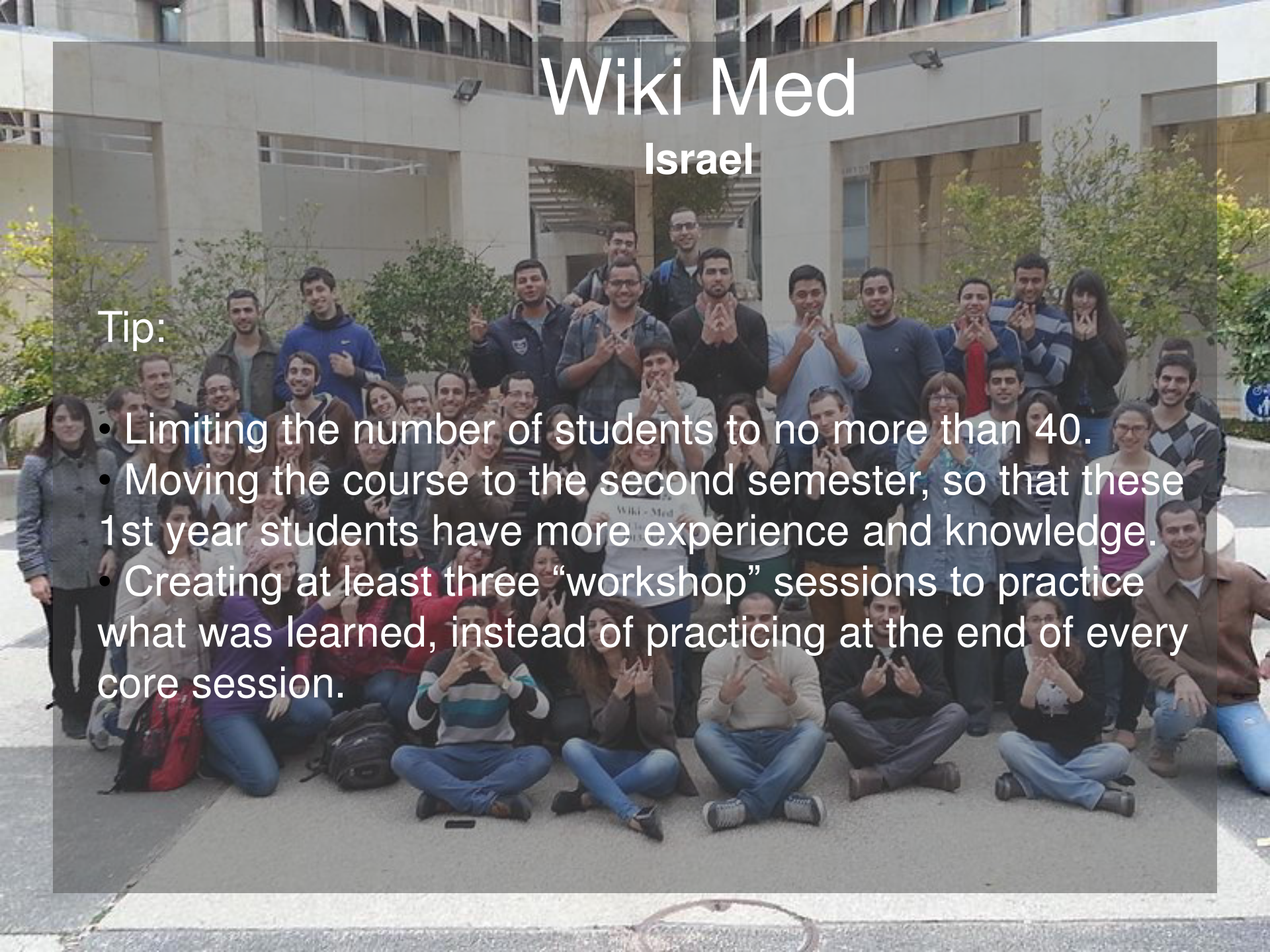
Wiki Med

Israel

- Academic course dedicated wholly to editing Wikipedia
- Full academic credit to students.
- 14-week course, which began on October 15 at the Sackler School of Medicine at TAU
- Sixty-two students participated
- 130 medical-related articles on Hebrew Wikipedia.

Wiki Med

Israel



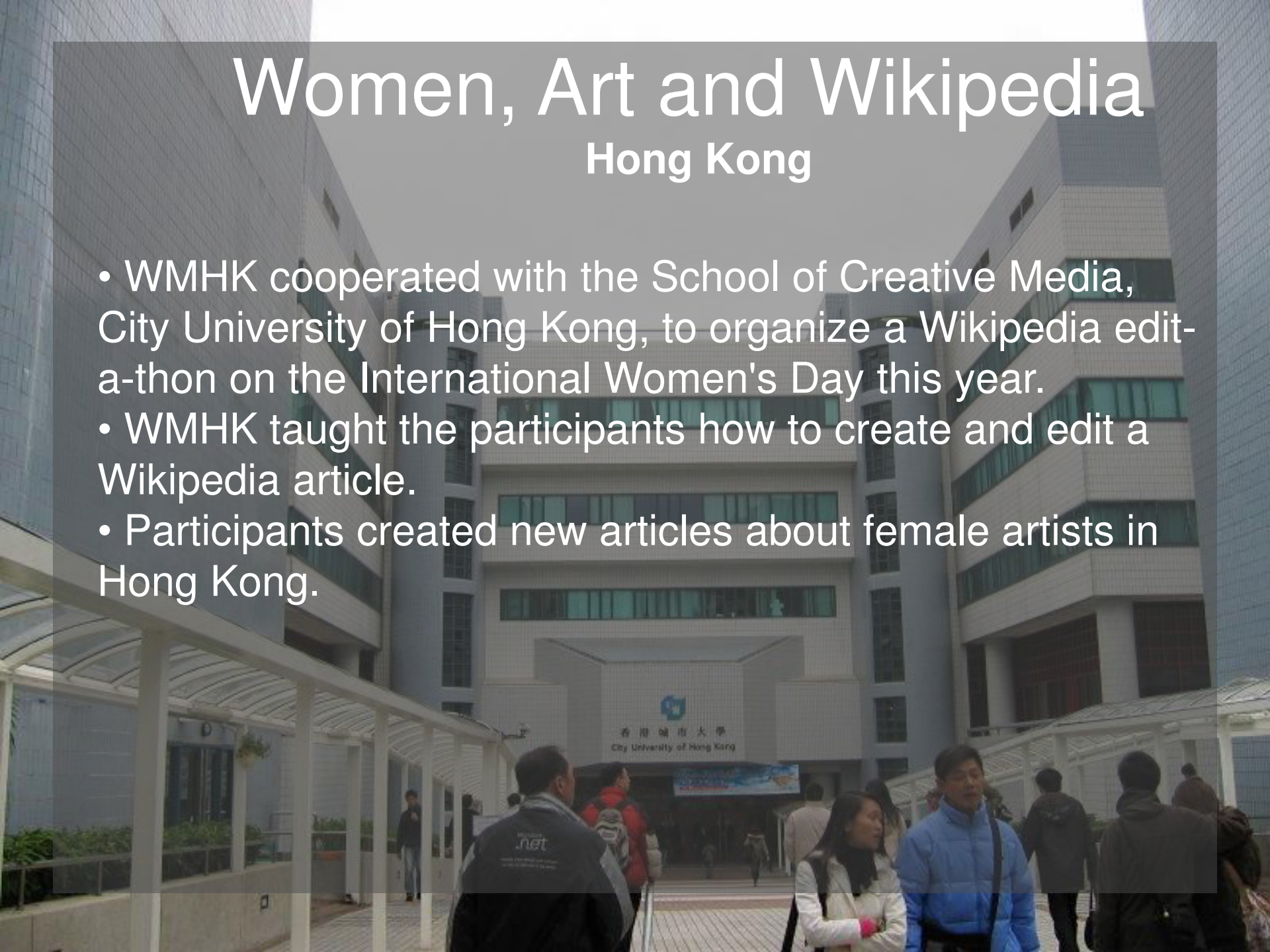
Tip:

- Limiting the number of students to no more than 40.
- Moving the course to the second semester, so that these 1st year students have more experience and knowledge.
- Creating at least three “workshop” sessions to practice what was learned, instead of practicing at the end of every core session.

香港城市大學
City University of Hong Kong

Women, Art and Wikipedia

Hong Kong



- WMHK cooperated with the School of Creative Media, City University of Hong Kong, to organize a Wikipedia edit-a-thon on the International Women's Day this year.
- WMHK taught the participants how to create and edit a Wikipedia article.
- Participants created new articles about female artists in Hong Kong.

Lobbying

zipcar

Open Government WikiHack

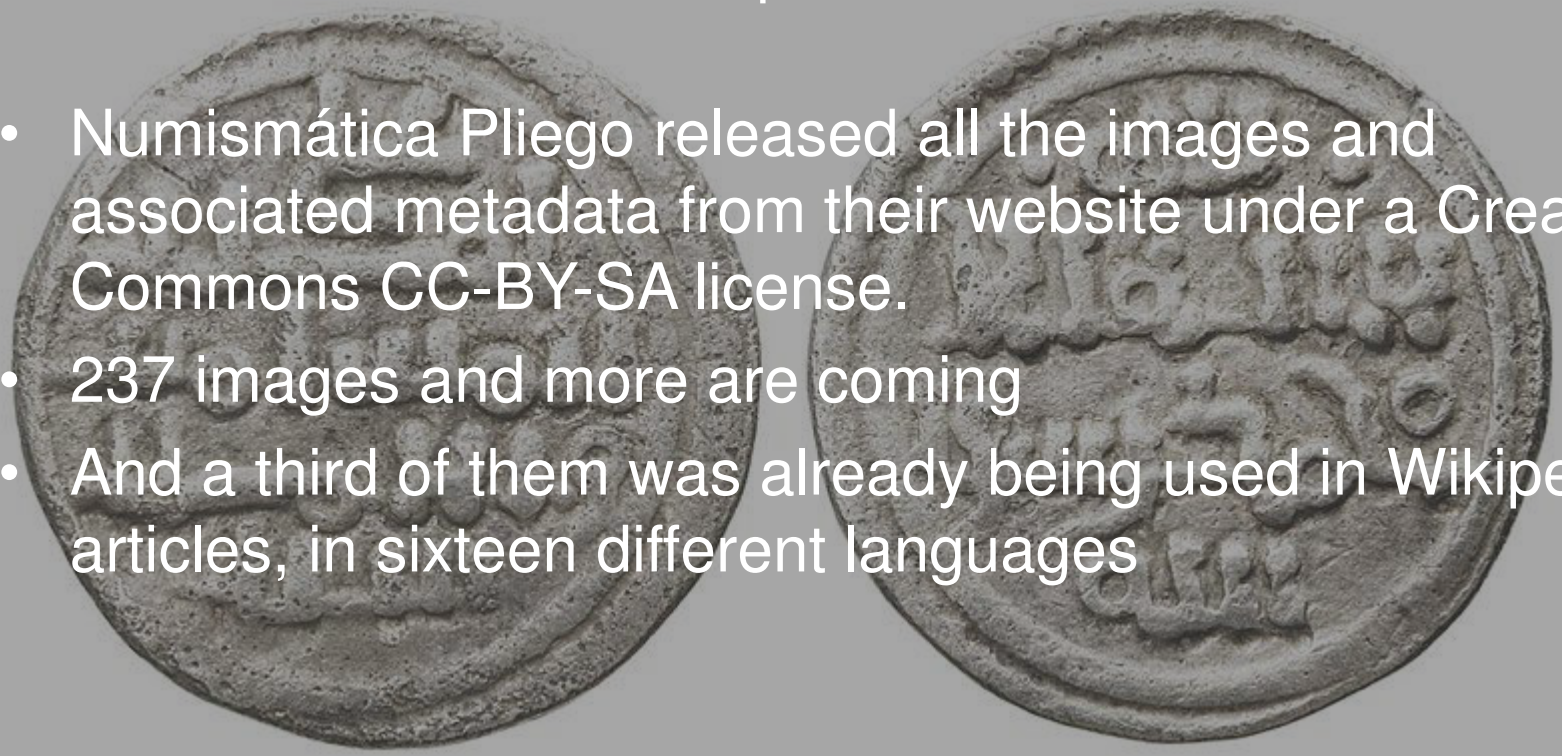
Washington DC

- The Open Government WikiHack was held in April 2014 in partnership with the Sunlight Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to government transparency and open data.
- 30 participants for a weekend of brainstorming and hacking
- The goal: figure out how to make open government data (including from U.S. Census Bureau, National Archives and Records Administration, and Sunlight Foundation data resources on the U.S. Congress) available on Wikimedia projects, including Wikidata

Cultural Heritage (GLAM)

Numismática Pliego

Spain



- Numismática Pliego released all the images and associated metadata from their website under a Creative Commons CC-BY-SA license.
- 237 images and more are coming
- And a third of them was already being used in Wikipedia articles, in sixteen different languages

Numismática Pliego

Spain

- Tip:
- Identify and engage with the persons who really have the power to change a company or institution website's license. After that, insist and be patient.
- Start with a first step - a small-scale "pilot trial"

№15
Дума про сестру
середина (№2)
Кобз. Гончар
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Kolessa recordings digitalisation

Ukraine

- Wax cylinder recordings were made in 1904-1910 by Filaret Kolessa from folk musicians
- These recordings were never published before
- Now published under – CC-BY-SA-3.0

So What makes a cool Project?

Australia - Gideon Digby:

A project that extends beyond the Wiki-community, that brings in more contributors and content while sharing that content beyond the limitations of the internet.

You can’t share the sum of all knowledge if you don’t collect the sum of all knowledge and make it more readily available.

James Hare – DC:

It's unique, exciting, and has high impact or high potential of impact.

Austria - Claudia Garád:

It creates enthusiasm among our existing volunteers and creates momentum by providing a framework to share and spread this enthusiasm and passion among Non-Wikimedians.

Spain - Santiago Navarro Sanz:

A cool project would be a new project, or a project with some changes that make it new and attractive.

It should be easy to do in other countries and with not much effort and money.

Panel members:

- Michal Lester, ED of Wikimedia Israel
- Asaf Bartov, Wikimedia Foundation
- Lodewijk Gelauff
- Denis Barthel, Wikimedia Deutschland

Questions for the Panel:

- What is a cool project?
- Can a local cool project be moved to another local community? Can it become international?
- How can a local chapter assist in running a cool project?
- How can a local chapter find volunteers for a project? And should it?
- Can a local project exist without a chapter's support?
- Can Wikimedia Foundation assist a project? Whether in countries with or without a local chapter?

What is the Coolest Project?

Fourth Place:

Sofia Zoo
Bulgaria
ЕВРОАЗИАТСКИ РИС
European lynx
Lynx lynx
Име: Арес
Name: Ares
Осиновител: Светлана Тилкова
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Adopter: ALENA
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Name: Bessy
Осиновител: Светлана Тилкова
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Adopter: ALENA
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Име: АРБИ
Name: ARBY
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АЛЕНА
Adopter: ALENA

Third Place:

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Second Place:

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Food and drink from Austria in Wikipedia

First Place:
Coollest Project 2014

Wiki camp Vanadzor 2014

Armenia

“Nothing has ever been achieved by the person who says ‘This can not be done’.”

Eleanor Roosevelt

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