

Wikimedia Affiliates

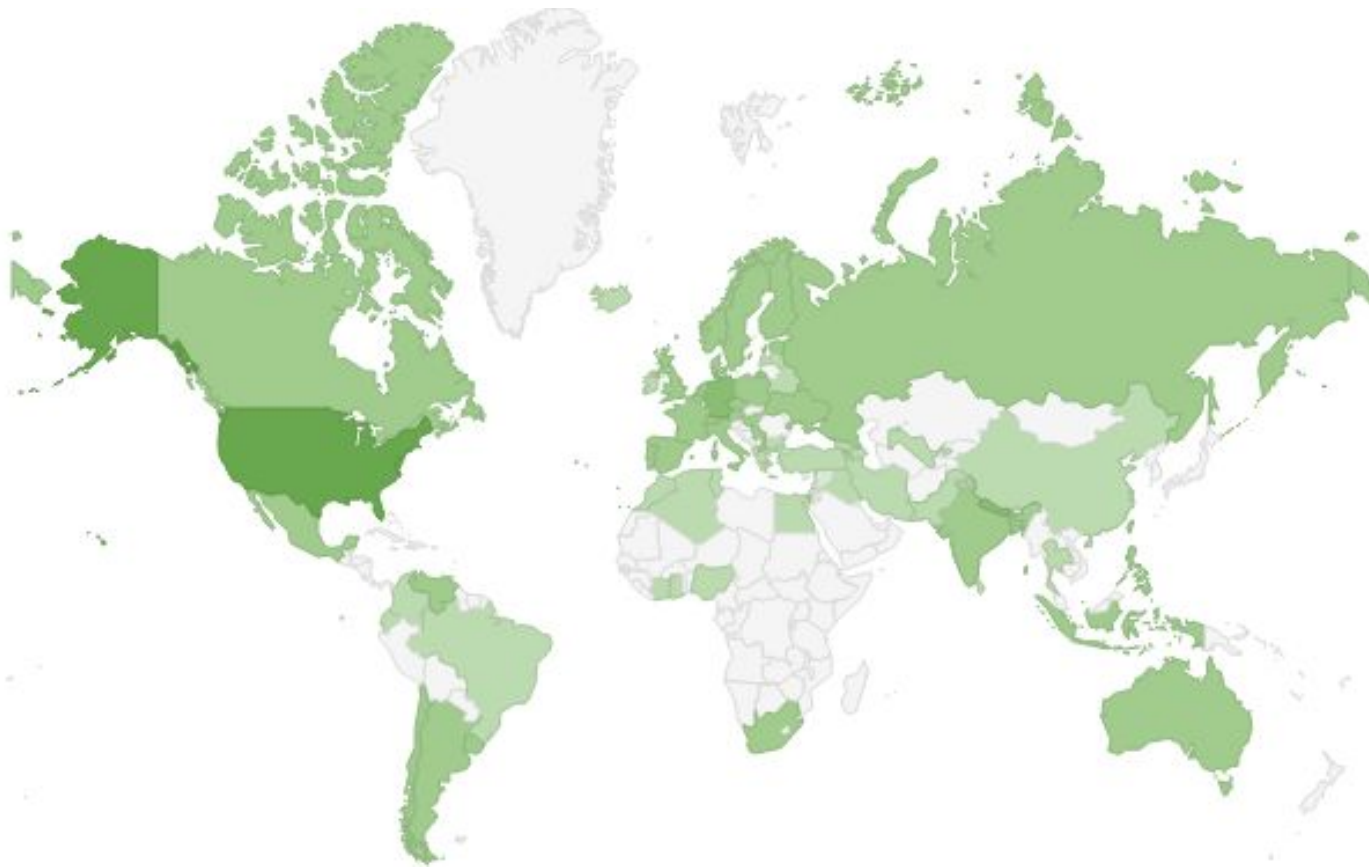
The What, Why, and How

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The WHAT

Nearly 100 active affiliates & growing



The What...

Wikimedia Chapters & Thematic Organizations



The What...

Wikimedia User Groups



The WHY

The Why...

The current Wikimedia affiliation models began in 2010 with the Movement roles project and was approved by the Board of Trustees in 2012.

The Why...

**Volunteer communities want/need to have
official recognition as a group working to
advance the values of the Wikimedia
Movement**

The Why...

**to scale Wikimedia projects and initiatives
through local communities and thematic
cooperations better placed to advance our
shared mission in their local context**

The Why...

Some of the most innovative and successful initiatives have come through organized volunteers and affiliate programs.

The HOW

Supporting movement leadership through affiliate partnerships

The How...

**The Affiliations Committee (AffCom)
advises and makes recommendations
regarding the recognition and existence of
Wikimedia movement affiliates.**

The How...

Get information about affiliates and how to start a user group of your own on the Affiliates portal on meta

https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikimedia_movement_affiliates

WHAT NEXT?

What Next?

Potential new Chapter criteria under consideration:

- Diversity of Activities
- Planning & Evaluation
- External Partnerships

***** Watch for a community input request coming soon*****

What Next?

Peer Leadership

How can AffCom support affiliate development through peer mentoring and support?

What Next?

**What other thoughts or questions do you
have for AffCom?**