Wikimedia Foundation Monthly Meeting 11 June 2015

Agenda

Welcome

Community update

Strategy

Discussion / Questions

Welcome!

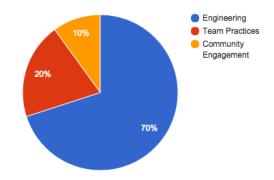
Requisition Hires:

- Johan Jonsson Community Engagement Sweden
- Niharika Kholi Engineering India (conversion)
- Benoit Evellin Engineering France
- Jaime Crespo Engineering Spain
- Casey Dentinger Engineering CO
- David Causse Engineering France
- Frances Hocutt Engineering SF (conversion)
- Max Binder Team Practices SF
- Darian Patrick Engineering OR
- David Strine Team Practices SF

Contractors, Interns & Volunteers:

- Arielle Friehling Legal SF
- Alex Krivit Legal SF
- Alexandra Perloff-Giles Legal SF
- Jason Gerson Legal SF
- Christine Bannan Legal SF
- Debbie Krysiak Engineering SF
- Leanne Schreibstein Fundraising SF





- Katie Francis F&A SF
- Benjamin Sher F&A SF
- D'Ana Hamilton HR SF
- Jing Liong Comms SF
- Joe Sutherland Comms UK
- Edward Erhart Comms NC
- Haoting Zhang Comms SF

June anniversaries

WIKIMEDIA TALENT&CULTURE

- Ryan Kaldari (5 yrs)
- Chad Horohoe (5 yrs)
- Rob Lanphier (5 yrs)
- Victor Grigas (4 years)
- Jonathan Morgan (4 yrs)
- Siko Bouterse (4 yrs)
- Adam Wight (3 yrs)
- Peter Coombe (2 yrs)
- Toby Negrin (2 yrs)
- Sean Pringle (2 yrs)
- Keegan Peterzell (2 yrs)
- Erica Litrenta (2 yrs)
- Patrick Earley (2 yrs)
- Elliott Eggleston (1 yr)
- Smriti Gupta (1 yr)



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Community update 11 June 2015

Board of Directors Elections

Congratulations to the newly elected:

Dariusz Jemielniak (User: pundit)

James Heilman

(User:Doc James)

Denny Vrandečić

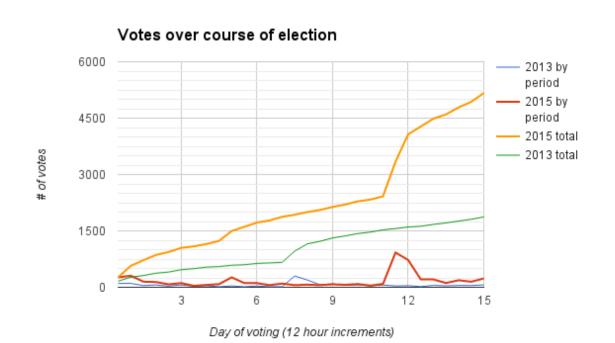
(User:Denny)







Board of Directors Elections



Largest turnout ever.
5167 votes from 180
projects!

Still, diversity push unsuccessful: no Global South or women elected.

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Thanks to the Elections Committee (coordinated by User:Varnent)



Lyon Hackathon

Key goals achieved:

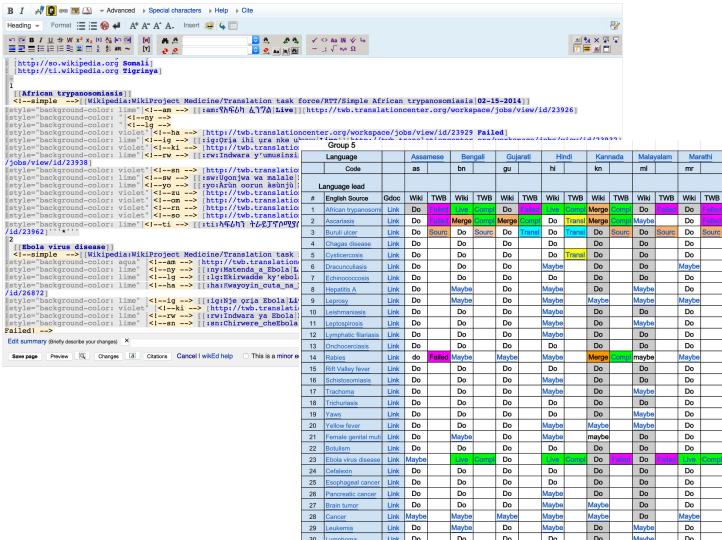
- Diversity: 200 participants, 20 nationalities, 32 languages,
 19% women (most ever)
- **Newcomers:** 69 explicit newcomers; buddy program, intro session to Wikimedia tech, and training sessions
- Productivity: 33 projects showcased; currently reviewing for further support
- Survey of participants planned

Medical translation project



- 2012-2013: Community-led project w/ Translators Without Borders to translate English medical articles
- Winter 2014: Problems re-integrating translated content into Wikipedia.
- June 2014: IEG funding sponsored User:CFCF with 10k to lead a community organizing effort

https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:IEG/Medicine_Translation_Project_Community_Organizing



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Medical translation project



May 2015 outcomes:

- 130% increase in languages translated
- 500 editors involved
- 5 million bytes of medical content added to Wikipedia in over 100 languages
- 56 live articles on Ebola, including many languages in affected regions

Next: 15k renewal grant to focus on growth & sustainability

#100wikidays

Challenge: create 1 article/day for 100 days

Reengaging long-time editors (58 "victims" so far!)

1458 articles in 32 languages since January 2015



Started by User:Spiritia

Strategy update 11 June 2015

Emerging Strategy

a future, shared



First



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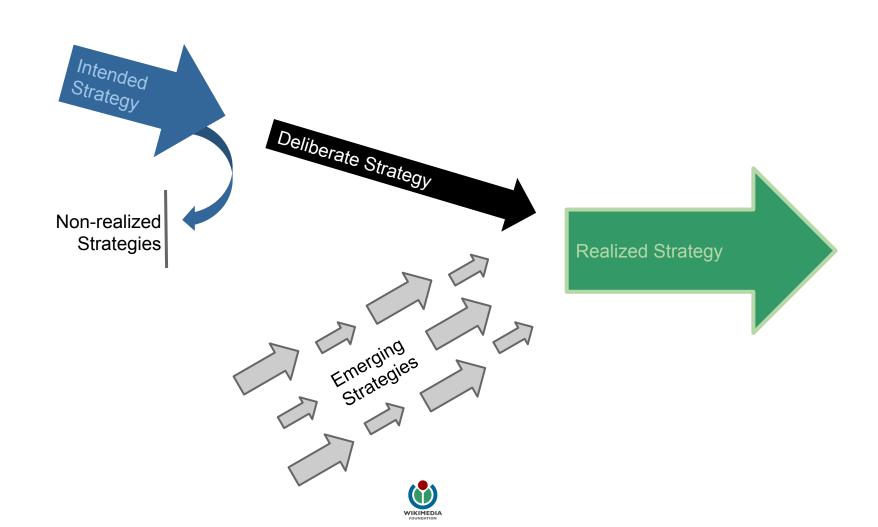


The most important thing I've learned in the last year:

We can only succeed **together**: as a decentralized, diverse, global, human movement. United.

Two things to remember





We are the guardians

of a shared commitment



A world in which every single human being can freely share in the sum of all knowledge.



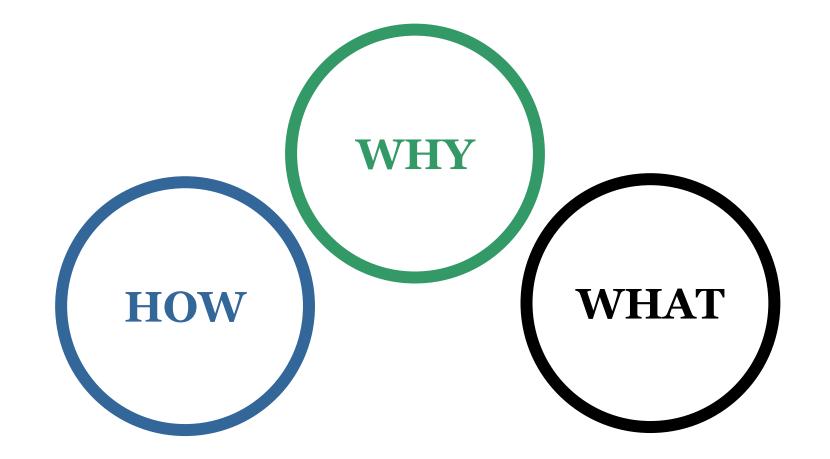
At our core...



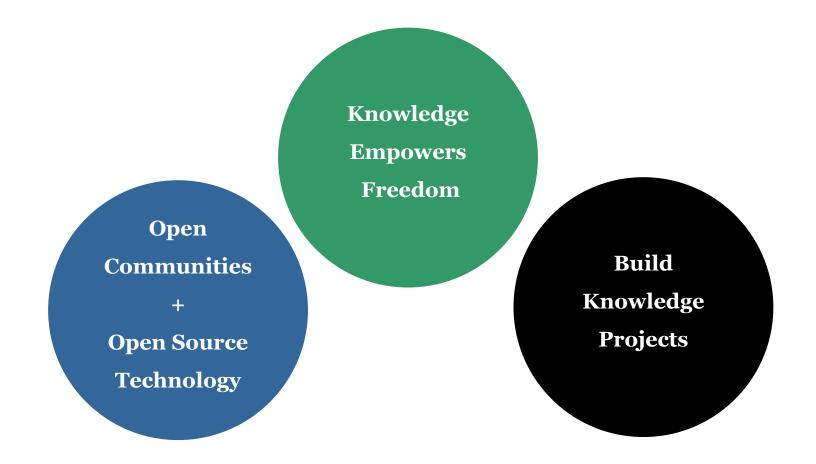
We are **open communities** ¹ of **knowledge** builders, sharers and seekers.

¹Using the word broadly, including users, affiliates, partners





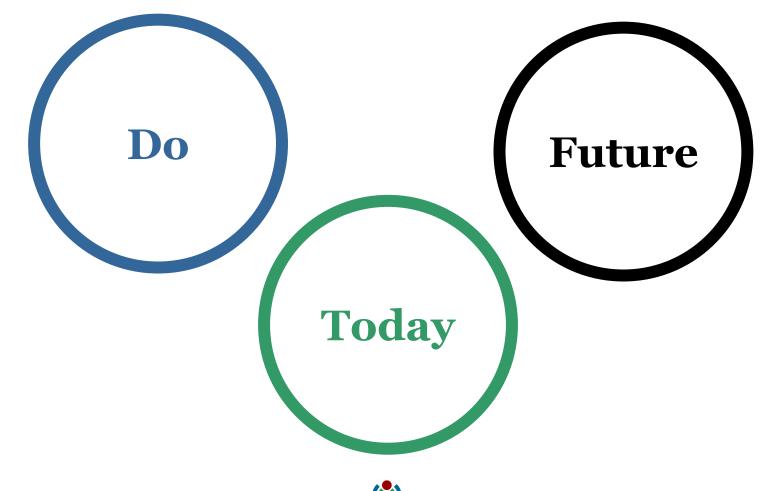






At the core of WMF...







Do what our communities cannot

Build
technology and
support
for our
communities
today

Build
knowledge and
technology
that our
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need next



Context & Learnings



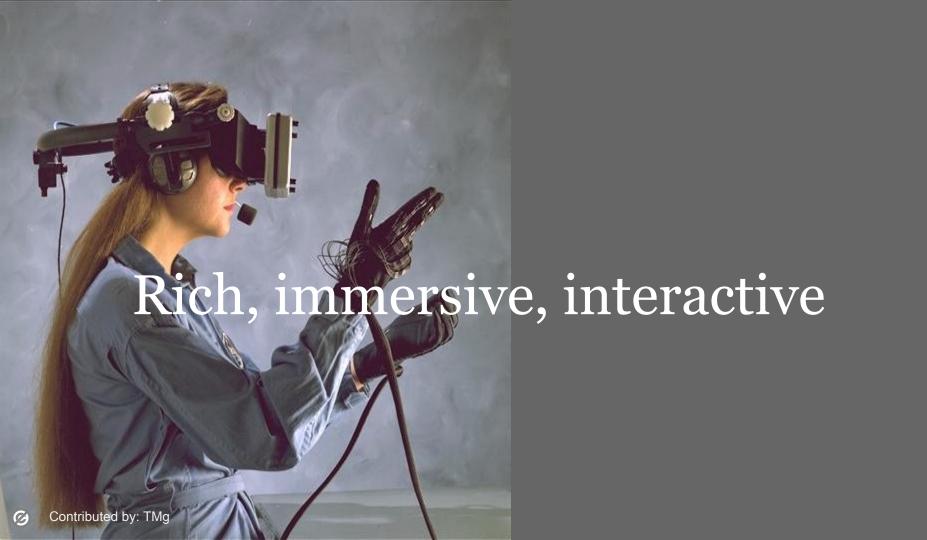
Our World is Changing

- **5 Billion people are coming online in the next 10 years**. The majority will be using mobile devices or IoT and be from Asia, Africa, South and Central America.
- Institutions are looking to share their knowledge and transform; massive knowledge sets represent a huge opportunity.
- The next generation of users are the digital natives. They expect instant answers and they learn to synthesize, extrapolate, and create.
- **Knowledge creation is changing**. Historical content is digitized. AI produces high quality predictions from Big Data. Humans focus on more creative, deep work.
- **Knowledge formats are changing** from long-form text to rich, engaging media or short and structured queryable information.



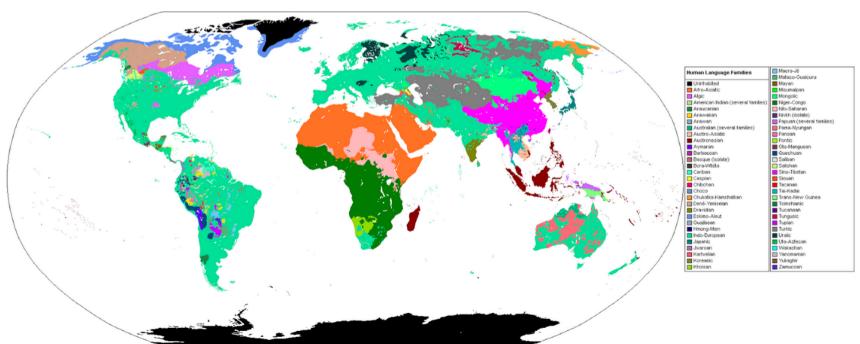
content is everything





Languages & Structured Data

Primary Human Language Families of the World





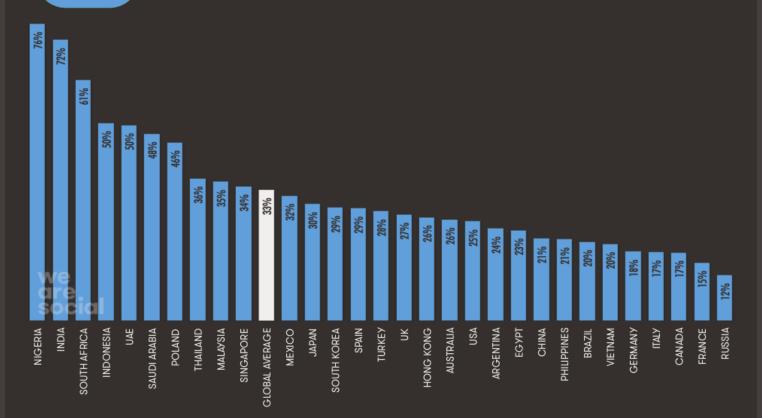
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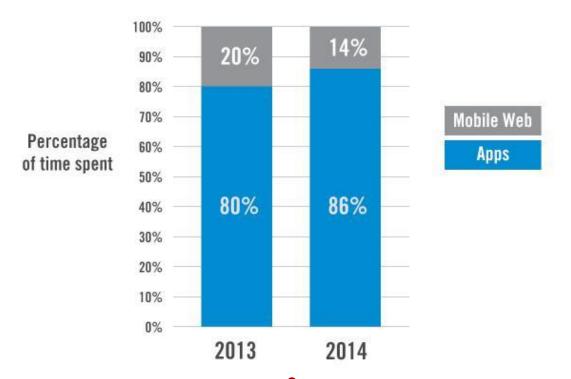


MOBILE'S SHARE OF WEB TRAFFIC

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL WEB PAGES SERVED TO MOBILE PHONES

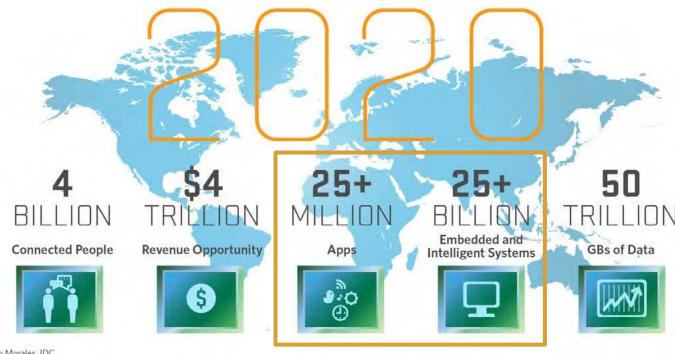


Apps Continue to Dominate





In The Next 5 Years



Source: Mario Morales, IDC



And it's going to get personal

...will leverage location, usage behavior, interests,
... to personalize the user experience...
they will anticipate what the user needs before they
know it.



users are changing



Digital self

...ambient information ...Internet will be effortless and ...will flow through their lives 'like electricity' — less visible, yet more deeply embedded in people's lives





Listening & Input



Stakeholders	Discovery activity	Key focus area		
Communities	Strategy Consultation*	Emerging global trends and how can Wikimedia create healthy projects (n = 1300)		
Affiliates	Informal interviews	How should Wikimedia reposition and transform for the future?		
Donors	Surveys & focus groups	2014 Donor Survey*: "What would make Wikipedia better?" (n = 13,000)		
WMF Board	Discussions	Challenge underlying assumptions, define future opportunities		
Readers/Users	Research & analytics	General Wikimedia analytics* - reader & contributor usage data 2014 Global South Survey* - demographics, device, usage (n = 69,500)		
WMF Staff	Executive Discussions	Define Strategic Direction - align Wikimedia mission with opportunities		
	Management Workshops	Define Wikimedia capabilities, weaknesses, opportunities for improvement		
	Staff - Track Teams	Profile Readers and Content Contributors by consolidating existing data		
Industry Leaders	Informal interviews	Organizational, technology, and leadership opportunities (*See Appendix for supporting documentation)		



Community Consultation Themes (n = 2500 comments)

Category	Themes				
Globalization	Language & Translation Across Wikipedias	Bias & Neutrality Western view	Censorship	Access	
Product Features	Multimedia - Video, voice, maps, infographics, 3D,	Interface Improvements	Search	User Experience	
Content	Accuracy & Trustworthiness Check for truth	Short Summaries & Simplify	Educational Programming	Kids	
Mobile	"Get an App!"	Mobile editing	Voice & Video	Quick facts	
Community	WMF Relationship Comments about WMF- Community	Policies & Procedures	Friendliness & Appreciation	Grow editor base & increase diversity	



The Strategy Community Consultation attracted 1300 responses, now parsed into 2500 individual comments and categorized to identify patterns. The results will be shared with the Community.



Strategic Direction



From Wikipedia and sisters → Open Source library of all Knowledge

A knowledge engine where **users**, **institutions** and **computers** around the world contribute and discover knowledge on Wikimedia **every day**, on **every platform**, in their **own language**.



a **MAGNIFIED** mission

- a **place to discover** quality knowledge, integrated into curricula
- default **place to contribute** quality content by people, institutions, machines
- **integrated** into every device and platform
- vast content types from **structured to rich**
- a **thought leader** on digital knowledge

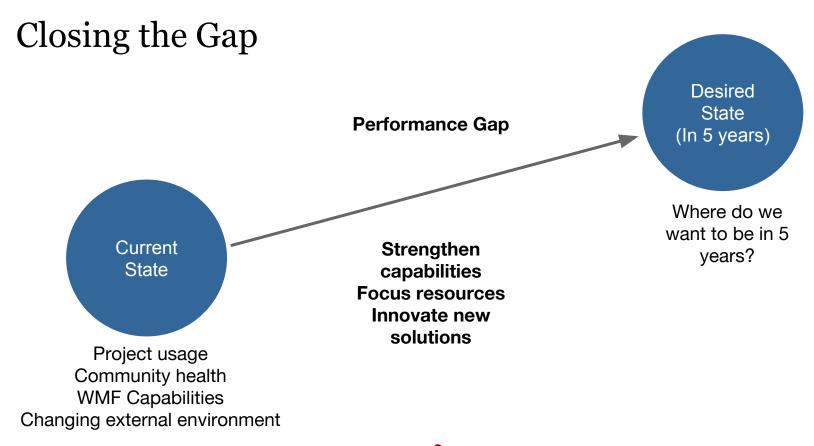


We are **more than the sum** of our parts
We are **stronger together** as one
Our future is **shared**



mind the gap







The current state - WMF capabilities

- **Data:** limited understanding of bottlenecks, problems and usage
- **Planning:** roadmaps, budget scoping
- **Execution:** outdated UX, clip/quality of software, missing community support workflows, missing proactive monitoring
- **Relationships:** lack of affiliate alignment, productive partnerships, community good will



What can we do?

Improve technology

- User research, user test, data
- Mobile apps & editing, APIs, Rich content

Improve community relationship & health

- Actively fight toxicity, step in when needed
- o Simplify/standardize processes, response times, services

Partner

Thought-lead on

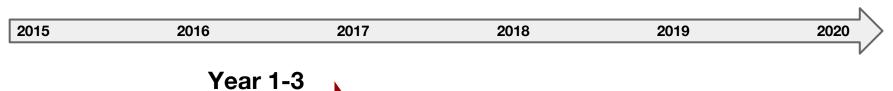
o Privacy, Accessibility



roadmap



WMF Roadmap



Stabilize and reinforce

Year 2-4

Integrate and grow

Year 4-6

Scale and expand



Year 1-3

- SHIP work in process, measure impact
- ALIGN programs with affiliates & partners
- **IMPROVE** community workflows to grow speed, quality, engagement

Stabilize and reinforce

Year 2-4

- CREATE new technology capability UX, workflows, search, content, data, privacy
- **ENHANCE** affiliate programs, community experimentation, brand
- GROW solutions to expand communities & improve knowledge management

Integrate and grow

Year 4-6

- **EXPAND** content, projects, availability
- **MAGNIFY** impact through institutional knowledge, global education, affiliates
- **INNOVATE** new structures for knowledge, participation, community engagement



Scale and expand

step 1: improve the core



All about improving results

- Quarterly goals
- Score cards & KPIs
- Outcome-based budgeting
- Improved, clear success criteria for projects
- Improved metrics for users, contributors & knowledge
- Improved team alignment
- For every department



Call 2 Action 2015

Strengthen **Technology** & Execution

- We will define our commitments -- and deliver on-time and on-budget.
- We will make our decisions based on data.
- We will improve our process for community input and allocate dedicated technical resources to community requests.
- We will update legacy architectures and deliver mobile-ready infrastructure and services to support structured data, user security, and a simplified user experience.

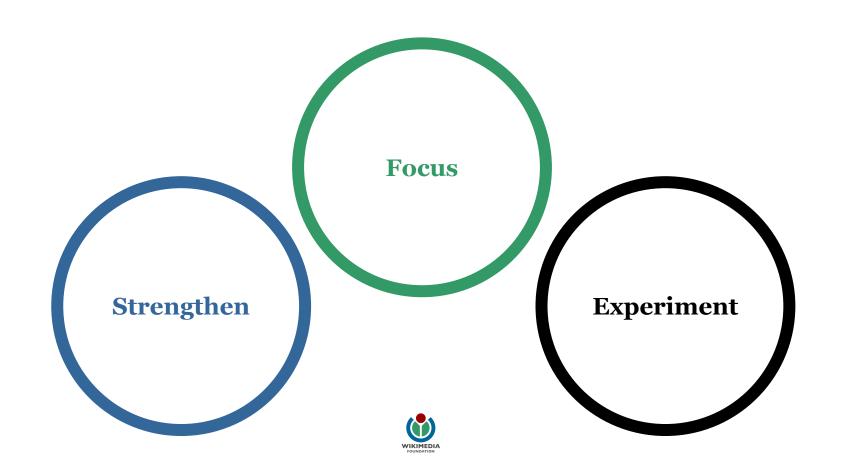
Focus on **Community** & Knowledge

- We will integrate across community engagement functions to improve communication and results.
- We will create a central, multilingual hub for community support.
- We will have a working plan to support emerging users and communities.
- We will improve our measures of community health and content quality, and fund effective community and content initiatives.

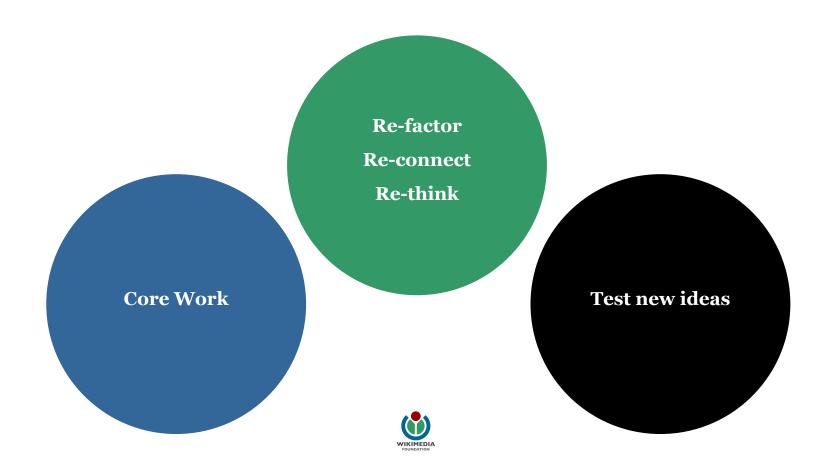
Experimentation & New **Knowledge**

- We will integrate, consolidate, and pause or stop stalled initiatives.
- We will create spaces for future community-led innovations and new knowledge creation.
- We will facilitate and support new models and structures for knowledge curation.
- We will strengthen partnerships with organizations that use or contribute free content, or are aligned with the WMF in the free-knowledge movement.

Priorities: Call to Action



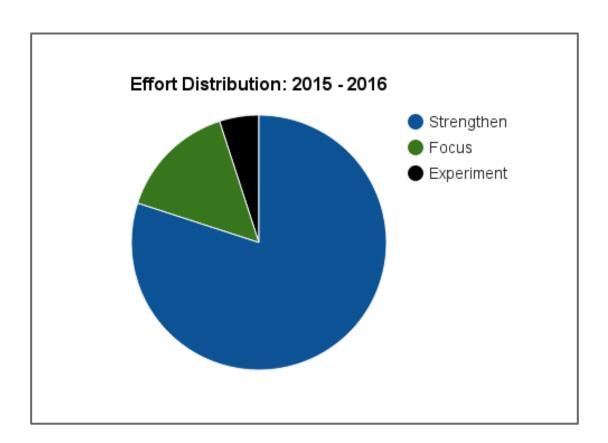
Priorities: Call to Action



Distribution of effort in 2015-2016

Category:

- 1. Strengthen
- 2. Focus
- 3. Experiment



Build the launching pad...

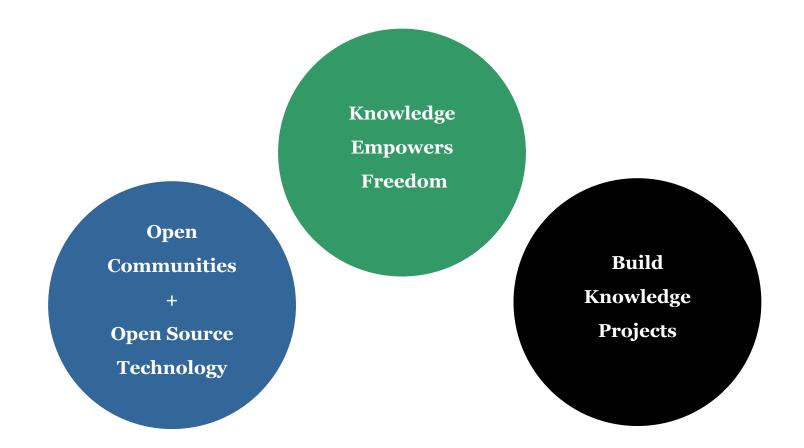
- Prioritize
- Remove UX barriers (contribution, consumption)
- Support contributors (growth)
- Build bridges (with technology partners, communities, affiliates)
- Test before build



... to land on

- Central source for knowledge
 (data, articles, archives, discussions, videos...)
- Preloaded on all devices
- Personalized for language, location, preference









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