



# Discovery

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**The Wikimedia projects  
have a wealth of knowledge and  
content that is not easily discoverable  
by our readers.**

**The Discovery Department's mission  
is to make it discoverable.**



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# How do we make the knowledge discoverable?

- **Search relevance improvements:** help users find what they're looking for
- **Cross-project searching:** expose content from sister projects to Wikipedia users
- **Cross-language searching:** let our users know we have content in their language
- **Search interface improvements:** rich interface to showcase our search results
- **Maps:** interact with the content in Wikimedia projects spatially and temporally
- **Wikipedia Portal:** the jumping-off point for open knowledge in Wikimedia
- **Wikidata Query Service:** explore the structured data in Wikidata by querying it

# Product Roadmap FY 16-17

Legend

Search backend	Search frontend
Maps	Wikipedia Portal
Wikidata Query	

Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		
Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Switch to BM25			Enrich data in search index			Upgrade to Elasticsearch 5			Advanced query parsing		
Plan for cross-project search			Enable cross-project search			Beta testing new results page			Production for new results page		
Map links on all wikis			Prototype new results page UI			Improve map quality			Display external data on-wiki		
Mapframe on wikis (not WP)			Increase Maps Usage			Visualise external data			A/B tests for clickthrough		
Migrate away from GeoHack			Shareable geoshapes			Access to Wikidata API			More on-wiki integration		
i18n and new page layout			Add Wikipedia app icons			Full text search functionality					
Unit support			Integrate graphs/maps on-wiki								

# The Team

