

REGIONAL HUBS IN THE ARABIC-SPEAKING COUNTRIES – INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS – ONE PAGER

WHAT IS A REGION?

- The Arabic speaking world
- North Africa

WHY IS A HUB NEEDED?

- Decentralization
- Efficiency
- Support

HOW IS A REGIONAL HUB SEEN?

- Community-led structure
- Legally recognized
- Linguistic hub
- Mini-WMF
- Organization
- Remote
- Support structure

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Communication
- Community support
- Coordination
- Expansion

INTERACTION WITH OTHER STAKEHOLDERS

- Boundaries to be defined. By whom?
- Coordinating, but not operating
- Complementary with the WMF
- Legally separated from the WMF

CONCRETE NEXT STEPS?

- The community should create the hub
- The WMF should create and drive the hub
- Regional core teams should be created
 - These teams will investigate and start the groundwork
 - Members should be elected to ensure legitimacy

CURRENT CHALLENGES

- Affiliations committee
- Communication
- General clarifications
- Legal questions
- Process ownership
- Resources